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and that if any person applies to him for relief who resembles the description and appearance of KARPIS, he will notify the Fot York Burean Office at once; that he has not seen any person who vould fit the deacription or appearance of KARPIS aince be was interriewed by Agent McNULTY in September, 1955 .

Lt 230 Weat 97 th Street, Now Tork City, it raa ascertained that Mrs. CERISTKNSEN had moved from this addrese about two months ago.

Lt Post Office Station " ${ }^{[10}$, 178 West $102 n$ Street. New Iork City, telephone number, Academy 7-7640, it wae ascertaiped that Krs. M. K. CERISTENSEN and Miss LOUISE M. KOEBERLINE had a romoval order for 325 Weat 93 rd Street, Sill York City.

Mrs. K. K. CHRISTENSEN was interviewod at the New Tork Bureau Office and she advised that LOOISE $\mathbf{M}$. KOEBERLIFE was her sister and has lived with her at 230 West 97 th Street, Nev York City, for a time, and later, at 325 West 93 rd Street, New York City; that at the present time, LOUISE M. KOBBERLINE is living at 74 No天t上 Enily Street, care of krs. J. FOLEY, Craiton, Pa.; that Crafton is a suburb of Pittsburgh. Krs. CHRISTERSSEN advised that KDIAAD F. AT KOEBERLINE is son of ber step-brother, and that he does not soem to be mentally right; that he does not have a permaront address but moves from place to place, and thet she does not know his address at this time. She auggested that the only person in the femily who would mom EDEAFD F. A. KOEBERLINE'S address mould be LOUISE M. KOKGERLINE.

At the Breevort Hotel, Fifth Avenue and Bth Stroet, New York City, it was ascertained that Kr. J. FisTramion and his daughter, GRACE, checked out of the hotel on Kovember 3, 1935, and left a forwarding address of 415 Central Park Weat. New York City, Apartment 148.

At the above address, it was ascertalnod that Mr. STRatTON had an office at 225 Broadway, Room 1612, Now York City, telephone nunber, Barclay 7-0740, and an appointinent was made with Mr. STRATTON for an interview on the following morning, which was November 20, 1935.

Mr. STRATTON was interviewed at his office at 225 Brosdiay, New York City. This office is that of J. ALJEN, FINANCIAL SERVICE BUREAU, which Mr. STRATTON claims be is now operating. In

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adition to this Financial Service Bureau, be claims to be operating a securities business in the development of the businese of the Igo Mining Campany, Redding, Cal., and the Shasta Fydranif Gold Mining Company, Trinity Center, Cal. He claimed that he owne one-half interest in these two mines; that the Ingineers' inploration Company, of which John Hays Hammond is in charge, owns the remaining half. He adrised that he has lived in Fer Fork City for the past twenty years, with the exceptions of tripe weat once in a while on business, and when he vent to Reno, Nov, in the past year to secure adrorce from his first vifee Bo adrised that while in Reno, Nev., he lived at the "Holconb Place" on Tirginie Street; that when he first arrived in Heno, he lived at the Parimay Eotel for only couple of days until he secured the rental of the Holcomb Place; that be lived at the Holcamb Place from November, 1934 to January, 2935, When he returned east; that he again vent west and was in St. Kary's Hospital in San Franciaco in Kay, 1935; that he has been in New Fork City most of the time since returning to New York in June, 1935, with the exception of a few trips on busidess to $\Delta$ rizona and California. Mr. STRATFON was questioned as to whether he had ever seen aubject KARPIS and whether subject KARPIS had ever viaited in his hame in Reno, Nev. He adised that he had never aeen KAPPIS to his knowledge, and was sure that KARPIs had never visited him in his bone or at his hotel in Reno; also, that he does not recall ever having met any of the Barker-Karpie geng at a to anyone that he knew any member of this gang. Kr. STRATMON seems to be in bad bealth and is a cripple. Be advised that be was pilot during the World War and that he had had a crack-cp in the Argone Forest and that he had a great deal of trouble with bis epine; that he has to take morphine regularly to reduce the pain which be suffers with bis spine. Mr. STRATTON advised that he is, at present, under indictment on a narcotic charge in the west; that this charge was as a result of aflow, whom be employed as a chauffeur, by the name of Ur . J. CfimaXISR, placing some morphine tubes in his home at the Holcomb Place and then reporting it to the officers; that he feels sure he will be able to beat this charge as it is nothing more than a frame-up by TRNAER who hopes to get some money in this case. STRATTON advised that while he was in Rono, he had same repair work done on his car by FRANK COCHRAN, Manager of the Air Service Company, which operates a garage on South Virginia Street; Reno, Nev.; that he understande COCHRAN, at the present time, in serving time as a result of harboring "BABY FACE" NELSON; that harboring charges are also pending against COCHRAN'S wife in the "BABY FACE" NRISON case. STRATTON advised that on several occasions, be became friendiy with COCARAN when COCRRAN was drinking, and that COCHRAN advised that KARPIS and other members of the BARKGR-KARPIS
gang had kept their cars in the Air Service Compeny garage in Reno, and that during a conversation with him, he (cochran) had obtained information as to their activities. Mr. BIRATION vae. of the opinion that if cochpun is interviewed properis and some essurance could be given him that probably his wife vould not be prosecuted in the $\quad$ BABY FACF NELSON case, COCHRAN might be able to furnish some information as to the hideouts and activities of the BAFIKRR-KARPIS gang. STRATION stated for certain that he recalled COCHRAN advising that CMPBELL and KARPIS had kept theif cars in the Ar Service Company's garage, of Thich cocernis is the manager. STRITION was unable to furnish any information as to whether or not he had heard COCBRAN mention anything aboat Dr. J.J. YORAN. STRATTON mas advised that the Burean mould not make an promises to COCERAN in order to secure any information. Elowerer, STRATTON prepared the following letter which is being eet forth. This letter is written on the stationery of J. F. STRATTON, Securities, 225 Broedway, New York City, N. Y., Barclay 7-0740-1, dated November 20, 1935, beginning Dear Frank and alged, Was IVer, your Iriend, Jack F. Stratton"s

W have been trying for quite nome time to do something to help jou, if it vere posibie in your trouble. I heve finally contacted some friends of mine who can possibly belp you as well as your wife.

Saw Jim'Draggi neveral times in Reno and told him I was doing all I could to help you.

The Fact is that fellow Iraxler I hired as a secretary certalniy caused me plenty of trouble and I don't kow what to make of 14.

The chap that is bringing this letter is a friend of mine and trying to do something for you. I believe that by you cooperating with h im it will be way of accomplishing a great deal. Whatever you tell him I know will be strictly confidential. If you feel you don't want to confide in him let he or $I$ know at once and I will jump a plane and come out personally.

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tion, I think it is possible to have your. Wife's matter straightened out, while 1 cannot guarantee anything for certain, I am oure this can be done and am ©illing to do whatever I cas. to help you, let me know how you are anyway.

Also advise me whether I should pay the balance of my bill to the garage or hold it untill I hear from you; Jim Draggi told mo to hold it and I have waiting to hear from you."

Kr. STRATION was again advised that the Bureau would not make any promises to COCHRAN; that this letter would be submitted to the proper person in charge of the investigation for whatever use he may want to make of it in this case. This letter, submitted by STRATION, is being forwarded to the Chicago Office for Mr. COMTSILEY for whatever use he desires to make of the same. Mr. STRATION emphesized the fact that if COCHRAN mere approached correctly, be would be able to furnish information of a ane velue about the Barker-Kerpis gang. However, he does not feel that CocHRaN is the type of man who would furnish the informetion to a federal officer unless the federal officer has same way to get in with COCHRAN through a letter fram some friend and, for that reason, STHATMON furnishod the above letter. STRATION stated further that JIV DRAGGI, an employee at the lir Service Company garaga, Reno, Net., might aiso be able to furnish some information of value about the Barker-Karpis gang. Kr. STRATTON stated that he would have furnished this information before this time about COCHRAN and DRAGGI, but that he did not rant the Government to get the opinion that he was trying to obtain some farors in his own case on the narcotic charge; that he gives this information of his free will and does not expect any favors in return for same.

GRACE CONSTANTITS, adopted daughter of Mr. STRATTOn, was present during the course of the interview, and she prepared the letter which STRATTON addressed to "Frank", which is set forth above in this report. STRATTON advised that GRACE is his adopted daughter; that she was the daughter of a friend of his who died many years ago; that he has raised GRaCE ever since she was six years old; that ber present age is 21. STRATTON tried to impress agent during the interviow

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With the fact that he was big finencial wizard and itated on several occesions thet he could go out in the street and, in a fier minutes, borrow $\$ 100,000$. Be appeared to be a rery talkative type. and it is doubtful if the information he furnished would be of mek, value.

Beference is made to report of Special Agent W. R. RUNSBY, JR., San Francisco, Cal., dated November 24, 1934, in the case entitied mISSTER M. GIIIIS, चith aliases - Fugitive, I. 0 . [1223, et al; National Motor Vehicle Theft Act; Conspiracy to Harbor Rugitives; Probation Violation", Ne York File \#26-3092, in Fhich in set forth statement secured by Special Leenta VEFNON E. CRISS, J. T. McLaUGELIN, and C. E. WERES, from FRANK BRADFORD COCHPAK, Mana-. ger of the Lir Service Company, 241 South Virginia Street, Reno, Nev. This atatement ia dated at Reno, Nev., November 12, 1934.

Further reference ia made to the report of Special Agent S. K. McKike, Chicago, Ill., dated October 31, 1935, in the case of JOEN PAUL CHASS, Eith aliases, ot al; National Motor Vehiele Thert Act; Obstruction of Justice; Harboring of Fugitives; Kurder of Inepector S. P. CONLEY and Special 4gent H. E. HOLIIS*, Nem York File (26-3092, in which is set forth the fact that FRANK BRADFORD COCHRAS was sentenced at San Francisco, Cal., on April 5, 1935 in this case, and the further fact that ANIA F . COCHRAN is under indictment retureed by the Federal Grand Jury, San Pranciaco, Cal.; January 29, 1935, for conspiracy to harbor LESTER JOSEPE GILIIS; that she pleaded not guilty and that same was pending. It is noted in the statement aigned by COCHRAN under date of November 12, 1934, that no mention is made of the BARKER-KAFPIS geag.

Post Office Inspector $\operatorname{HERBERT}$ GRAHMM was again interriewed at the New York office, and be advised that the only additional facts other than those furnished to Special Agent E. J. Kelulity in the location of WILLIAMMEADE and as set forth in Agent McNULTY's report dated at New York City, October S, 1935 , are that he understande MSADE is friendily with a man named B. JJUCCAFFERTY, a gambler, ROY name probably WILLINM, father of D. C. NEIGBBORS, a confidence man;

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that MCCAFFERTY, WILLIANSON and NBIGRBORS probably use the Greystone Hotel, Casper, Homing, as their headquarters; that these three men can probably be loceted at this hotel. Mr. GRAHN fure ther stated that it was his opinion that it would not be wise to contact the local police in trying to locate any of these men as he wes of the opinion that no one of the police could be absoluteiy trusted. He feels certain that if mang is not .ith the three men, they would probably know of his whereabouts. 1 lead is being eet forth in this report to attempt to locate these three men at Casper, Fyoming, and ascertain fron them such information as they. might have es to the wereabouts of MENDE.

Mr. JULIUS, RMWMAN, 25 East 86th Street, Hew
York City, advised that he met THOUSS J. O'DIIL in Chicago, Ill.s bout fifteen years ago; that oidill was, at that time, traveling With the Hagenbach \& Wallace Circus; that for the past twelve yoars, be had not seen $0^{\prime}$ DESL until he sam him at Fort Lauderdale, Fla., last inter. Mr. KaUNMAN stated that he apent last inter at Fort Lauderiale and understands that O'DELL was spending the winter at Deytone Beach, Fla.; that, upon his return to Nel York City, he and his wife became very friendly with O'DELL and his wife; that O'DRIL ilved fCF $=$ time et Hotel ldams, 2 East 86 th Street, Jew Iork City; that O'DEIL checked out of Hotel deams on the Friday before this interview. The interview of Mr. KaUFhan took place on Tednesday, November 20, 1935. Mr. KAUMLAN atated that Mr. O'DKIL, at the time he checked out of the hotel, advised that be wa going to Daytona Beach, Fla.g for the winter. Mr. KaUMMAN informed agent thet he did not have Mr . O'DBIL'S addreas at the present time, but was certain that he would bave it in the next couple of weeks as ODRKI would probably correspond with him. Kr. KAUFMAN stated that he would furnish the New York Bureau Office with Mr. O'DELL'S addrese only if he were certain that all Mr . O'DEIL was wanted for by the Bureau office was for questioning. He was advised that ODELL was only wantel for questioning in acertain case and, with this information, he promised to furnish O'DELL 'S address as soon as he received same. Mr. KAUPRLN would not advise as to the type of mork ODELIL was in at the present time. KAUMMN himself advised that he came from Chicago to Nem York about six years ago and bas beon 117 ing here oince that time; that at the present time be is not in any business, but hopes to get into some business shortly. Kr. KaUFMAN was questioned es to whether he knew MEADE, and he advised that he did not, and that he had never heard O'DELI mention yEADE, either under his correct name or his verious aliases.

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out of the prison; that while working in the chapel that day, he made up his mind to escape and that he escaped, as set forth hereinabove. He atated that before going to sing Sing Prison in 2903, he vas tile-iayer'a helper. RYAN advised that after arrivime In New Tork after escaping from Sing Bing, he got a me money frim mis friands and relatives and went west; that he had never been vest before, except on visit to Chicago in 1916 for two weeks. He Etated that upon his arrival in Chicago in 1925 , he tried to get a job but was unable to do so for about three or four monthe; that during this time, he lived on the $\$ 2,000$ which he had borrowed In New York City. He informed that he finally secured job at the Belmont Theatre on Belmont hreme, Chicago; that this was in May, 1926. Be morked in this theatre for aix months as atege-hand and was a memer of the Stage-hands Union, Local AR. At this point, RYAN advised that although member of the union in 1926, It was necessary for him to serve an apprenticeship before ho coula eecure his union card and, for this reason, he did not secure hie union card until 1928. After his omployment terminated at the Belmont Theatre, be went to the Olympia Theatre located on Clark Street, whit he worked for six monthe; that the reason for hia leaviag the Belmont and Olympia Theatres was because they discontinued stege shoms at these theatres; that after leaving the olymple Theatre, he went to mork for the Uptom Theatro located at Broadway and Lawrence Streets, Chicago; that he worked regularly at the Dptown Theatre from 2928 natil the Fall of 1934, with the exception of one year between Jenuary, 1933 and January, 1934, When he was laid off because the Uptown Theatre discontinued stage shows during this time. He adrised that between 1933 and 1934 he rorked at the Illinois Theatre located at Jackson Boulevard and Congress Street, and at the 01 ympia Thestre; that the informetion pertaining to his vork at these rerious theatres can probably be located through the Stage-hands Union, Local I2, which is located in the builaing on Randolph Street just across the street from the Falace Thoatre; thet GEORGE BRONN is the head of this union.

RYAN adrised that, while in Chicago, he used the Dame of JOENTBURKE; that he first met VERNE MILIRR in 1928 in a eabaret at the corner of Grace Street \& Broadway, Chicago; that he Fas introduced to VEFNE MILIKR through JACFiHAFRIS, deceased; that he had known Jick Harris in New Fork and, also, at Sing Sing Prisom. HYN atated that be had learned that FARBIS hung out at this cabaret and that he, RYAN, used to go up there to see HARIS. Be stated that,

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at the time of introduction, he was told that MILIER was bootlegger; that a moman, known to him as VEEILIKR, was with VEPNK KILIBR at that time; that MIINBR was living at the Dumoore Hotel on the north side, which hotel was owned and managed by MXX LFAVITF. After this introduction, MILLER became friemiy ith hin and they mould go out and eat together at various times; thet MILLER had been informed of his rap and escepe from Sing Sing Penitentiary through JACK HARRIS; that efter bo had knom MIIJMR for about eix months, they took trip together to St. Paul, Ming.; that VI MILLER vent on this trip $\begin{aligned} & \text { Ith them; that they were in } S \text {. }\end{aligned}$ Paul for ebout one week and atayed at the hone of friends of MILLSR, whose names be does not recell, and the address of thon he does not remember; that these friends lived on farm mear 8 . Paul; that during this trip they visited the farm of VI MIILBis pareats at Brainerd, Minne; that VI MILJER remained with her parents when he and MILJER returned to St. Panl and, later, to Chicago. He recalled that wile in 8 . Paul on this trip, he: met HARAY SATYRR; that HAFRY SAMYRR was operating a saloon in St. Panl, and that he and MIILKR took a few drinks at Samyer's place; thet upon his return to Chicago, be saw MIIJER on and off at vaxious times. In 1930 he loaned MILINR $\$ 100$ and MILJER was always very friendly to h im after this. HYAN stated that while MIIIFA was 1iving at the Dunmoore Hotel in 1929, MILJKR introduced him to a person known as BIG Tar", whose right mame wes HARVEY BAIIVI; that he ony aaw BAILEI this one time; that he kept np the acqualitance $\begin{gathered}\text { tht } \\ \text { IILINR } u n t i l ~ t h e ~ S p r i n g ~ o f ~ 1933, ~ W h e n ~ h e ~ h a d ~ a n ~ a p a r t m e n t ~\end{gathered}$ in Oak Fark, Ill., and that he visited MIILER at this apartment on various occasions, Living in this apartment ith MILJFR Tere IIINIAN
THOLDEN and VIVIAT.MATHIS, and MILJER man aupposed to be a saleman. RYAN advised that on his visits to this place he was supposed to pose as the brother of LIILIAN HOLDEN.

Special Agent J. J. KFATING, ho had made investigation as to the apartment which VERNE MILISR had in Oar Park, Illes in the Kaneas Cits cese, had not been able to identify the brother who used to visit one of the girls in this aparment. BYAN admitted to Agent $\bar{G} A T I N G$ thet he was the person known as the brother of LILLIAF BOLDEN. RYAN stated that he never lived at this epertmenti. but durice the time when he was not working regularly, he used to Tisit the apartment of MILWER on Tarious occasions; that about two months prior to the Kansas City massacre, MIIJKR took him out to LOUIE CERFOCKEY'S place at Pox River Grove, Ill., and that he was


Tisit to the apartment in Oak Park ohortly before the Kanaa City massacre, which was in June, 1933. He steted that he bad never moved or helped move VIVLAN MILLFR to any place and that. .a. ..... furthermore, he does not even Arive an automobile. Ee advised that he does not know who took VIVIAN MILLER to New York City after the Kansas City massacre and, furthermores be does mot even know where she went.

FYAN atated that he met BRLRY YRRGOSON and a $\because$ girl named NIM, possibly, NINiABINSHAGKN, of the Ogden Grill. Chicago, Ill., in the late Spring of 1933; that he was introo duced to EISIEN FIRGUSON by an ex-bartender, Those name be doee not now recall; that shortly after meeting BIELKN FERGOSON, he took her to his bungal ow at Lake Okauchee; that they went to the lake in HEIBN FERGUSON'S Buick automobile; that he and HELEN were at the lake when he read in the newspaper of the Kansas City massacre; that they remained at the lake for couple of days and that they then returned to Chicago; that he did not find out where HELER FRRGUSON was living in Chicago. However, he was of the opinion that she had an apartment eomewhere in the Loop; that during this time, he did not have any information or any knowledge
 recalls that upon his return from the lake on the occasion of HELEN FERGUSON'S Fisit there, eome Jewish insurance man came back to Chicago with them; that this insurance man was renting a bugeIow about three doors from the one which RYAN occupiod. HYAN informea agents thet when he met HELKN, she told him her husband was a real estate man and that he was dead and had loft ber some money; that be recalled while he was living with her, she was in mourning and, at various times, would become very despondent; that on so, occesion dij he ever inform HELKN FARGUSON that he had escaped from Sing Sing Penitentiary, Oseining, N. Yo, or that he mew MILNER, EANGAR, KARFIS, or any member of the BAPKER-KAPPIS gang; that the only information be furnished ber vas that he was a stagehand. He advised that he lived with BSIEN FERGUSON from January; 1934 for about eight months, at 4540 Kagnolia Street, Chicago, Ill., until the time that $\operatorname{ER} L E N$ FRRGCSON was picked up by the Federal Goverment in August, 1934; that during the time HIKIEN lived with him, the only friends who vialted them were friends of his; that HELEN FERGUSON never had any of her friende visit the apartment, as far as he knows. Ee advised thet in August, 1934, he otarted into the apartment when he sam HELEN FERGUSON being brought out of
the apartment by some men who seemed to have her under arreat and, since he realized that if he vere picked up and ingerprintod, he would be identified as a person wanted at sing sing for escaping from prison, he weat it"; that ofter the federal officers had raided his apartment and picked up HRLN FRRGUSOX, he never went back for his elothes but vent to live with a friend of his in Chicago. RYaN refused to give the name of thia frien, stating only that he was a rorking man, not kowing any membere of the racket, and that he vould not diselose his name; that ebortly efter this time, he secured work at the Star a Garter Burlesque House on Madison \& Halsted Streeta; that he worked there for a week or so until this theatre closed; that about this time HELEN FERGISON was relessed and she inquired for him at various taverns which she mee he frequented and, finally, she located him at Paul Taglio's Seloon, which was at that time located at the correr of Ldems \& Halsted Streets; that she told him she had been picked up by the federal officers because the was connected with the BARKER-KARPIS gang. After receiving this infomation from her, he told her that if she were that type of moman, he did not care to associate with her further; that he borrowed \$20, gave it to her and has not seen ber since that time.

RYAN advised that after living with efriend of his for a short time ofter Hisima Ferguson was picked up, be then went to live at hotel located on the corner of Jackson \& Halsted Streets; that he lived at this hotel on and off from this time until he ras arrested in July, 1935; that during this time, he worked at different theatres for a day or two at a time, and that the recorde of the Stage-hands Onion, Locel fa, of which GEORGE BROTN is the bead, should reveal where he worked. Fe stated that at no time:did he ever tell $\operatorname{HEILEN}$ FERGUSON that he knew any members of the BARKER-EARPIS gang or any other members who vere in the recket.

HIAN was questioned in detall about knowing the BARKER-KARPIS gang, and he advised that he does not know anything about the members of this gang. With the exception of baving met some of them, which was mentioned previously in this report, at LOUIE CERNOCKEY'S place on one occasion, and that that was the only time he hed seen any of these parties; that if he had any information that would ald the Government in the locetion of any of the members of the BARKER-KARPIS gang, he would be willing to furnish the same. He denied ever having seen KDN MURRAY except the one

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time that he san her at LOUIB CRRNOCKEY's place: He alao denied the story IONA MURRAY told that he had escaped fron sing sing -ith orsi OMIO, and also, that any money passed hande on account of his escape; that he never had to move VIVIAN KIILSER any place: and does not konow anything about bow VIVIAN MILIER mored mer things from the Dak Park apartmont. Be stated thet the name,
 New York while a rid, and that VERNE MILISR koo him by this aickname of YKK YHN", having been advised of the ame by JACK GARRIS. who introduced bim to MILJFR. RYMN admitted that he had gone to the 0 . P. Inn with MILIER on several occasions to eat. However, he does not remember having seen any members of the BAPKER-KARPIS gang at this inn. He also admitted that he know PRANK FOSTER, hering met him at the Dumoore Hotel with MIIITR; that he only eam FOSTER a few times. Be further stated that he recalls that at the time he met MINJER, that JaCK HARRIS was living at the Dumoore Hotel with BOBBIF MOORX. RYAN advised that he has at least six more years to serve in Sing Sing Penitentiary before he can be released; that he just happened to be picked ap in Chicago on a larceny cherge and was identified through his fingerprinta, and was sent beck to Sing Sing. RYAN was questioned in detail about his knowledge of the BAFKER-FAPPIS gang, and continued to ineist that the only information he had about any members of this gang were the facts as set forth above in this report.

The following description of RYM was obtajed
through agent's personal observation:

| Names | JORN J. RTAN |
| :---: | :---: |
| 480 : | 44 years (born January 5, 1891) |
| Heights | $5{ }^{\prime \prime}{ }^{\text {0}}$ |
| Woiget: | 142 lbs. |
| Build: | Nedime |
| Hair: | Gray. |
| Eyes: | Blue-gray. |
| Complerion: | Ruddy. |
| Occupation: | Stage-hand. |

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BYAN atated that be could have worked with VERNE MILLER, but that he did not desire to enter into a racket again as he wantod to go atraight and to make an honest living; that although be did go around with VERIS MILIRR at varioue times, that at no time did he have any connection with IILLER'S activities and that be never worked ith MILEER in any way.

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## PITTSBURGH OPFICB:

At Pittsburgh, $\mathrm{Pa}_{\mathrm{e}}$, Flll interviem Miss LOUISE M. KOEBERLINS, 74 North Emily Street, Crafton, Pa, care of Wirac J. FOLEY, and secure from her the address of KDIMPD F. A. KOKBERLINT, and set out a lead to bave $\mathbf{F O W A F D}$ F. A. KOEBERLINE interviewed regarding the letter which he formarded to the Postmester at Brookiyn, N. Y., as stated in the report or Special agent W. J. McNuLTY, at New York City, dated September 12, 1935. The Pitteburgh office is in possession of a copy of Agent McNULTY'S report.

## DENVER OFPICK:

At Casper, Woming, will attempt to locate B. J. McCAFFERTY, a gambler, ROY WILLIANSON, and a man by the name of NRIGFBORS, possibly, WILLIAM NEIGHBORS, fatber of D. C. NRIGHBORS, a confidence man, and interviem these parties with reference to their monledge of the whereabouts of WILIIAN MENDF. It is possible that these men may be making their headquarters at the Greystone Eotel. MRADS is wanted by the Bureau for questioning with reference to a confidence game that he rorked on a friend of victim BRESTRR, and which money UFADE recelved was borrowed by this friend fram BRavir.

For the benefit of the Denver Office, a photograph of MEADE is being forwarded with copies of this report.

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NET YOFX OFFICE:
Vill ietervien rHCNAS J. O'DINL when be ealle at the New York Bureau Office in the mar future, for all possible information concerning the whereaboats of NXND.

Will again confer with Post office Inepector
HERERRT GRAFini rolative to the developments of this case and obtain from $h$ im names of hradE'S confoderates in the ewindio on which the Post Office Department has indicted MRADF. (See report of Special Agent P. M. Plunkett, Boston, Mass. deted Norember 18, 2935).

Vill isecreetiy interview ATBRRT GURANMF, apartment 2, 2808 35th Street, Astoria, L. Ie, Ith reference to the present whereabouts of his brother, DNRHW GURANTs. Also report the outeome of the cover placed on the mall of ATBERT GURUNE: looking torerde the location of the present whereabouts of ANDF: GURANTS.

At Hartford, Comn. Will furnish JOE EARRISON, letna Life Insurance Co.s 151 Farmington Arenue, with specimen of the handmriting of WIIIIAK MRADE, and re-interview him with rem gard to any information developed by a more thorough search of the Letna Life Insurance Co. files.

Interview Hegional Director Hofman, State Capitol Building, relative to whether a PNA auditor called npon the firm of Onegiia \& Gervesini on or about July 31, 2935, and whether be fits the description of WIILIM NEADE.

Lt Torringion, Conn., Till re-interview HUGH F . MEADE, Chief of Police, relative to further information he may have concerning WILIIN MEADE.

Will contact ROMFO GERVASINI and oxhibit photograph of WILLIAM MEADF for possible identification.?

Make further inveatigation among buildig come tractors in the vicinity as further developnents may justify.
(In connection With the above Connecticut leads. see the rexant of Snerigl Agent Gene H. Hemrys dated at Nem York Cits, September 23, 1935).

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THOIS J．O＇DFL工 telephoned the New Fork Burean Office and adrised the witer that her husbend rould be unable to keep his apoint－ ment at 2 o＇clock that afternoon as he had been ealled to Vashing－ ton，$D$ ．C．on business．She stated that her husband vould get is touch rith the New Fork Office upon his return to New Fork．The vriter attempted to secure Mr．O＇DEL工＇S address in Tashington fran krs． $0^{\circ} D E L J$, but she vould not give the same．Agent aleo advised Mrs．O＇DELL that if she wold fumish Mr．OPDELLS addrese in Weshington，some agent from the Washington Field Office of the Bureau Fould call upon him with reference to the information de－ sired by the Bureau．Krs．O＇DELC stated that she had rather not furnish the Weshington address of Mr．O＇DELL as be would rather be interviewed by the writer at the New．Tork Office upon his re－ turn to New Tork．

A ietter postmarked Washington，D．C．，Decer－ ber 2，1935，and written on the stationery of the Hotel Hamilton， Washington，D．C．，was received by the writer on December $3_{3} 1935$. This letter was from Mr．THONAS O＇DEL工 and he gave his return ad． dress as 60 High Street，New Britein，Conn．In the letterg he ed－ vised that he understood agent desired to interview him with refer ence to one WILIIAM MEADE．Nr．ODDEI工 stated in his letter that be met wand in Jacksonville，Fla，during the month of November，1933； that he only saw MEADE on that one occasion and has not ever seen him since that time；that he mat lisADS through his（0＇DEIS PS）lawyer， Whe Eas ales representing MEADE at that time；that he does not believe he ever spoke more than half a dozen words to MENE in his lifee

It is very probable that the attorney O＇DEL工 has reference to，who had represented him in Jacksonvilie in 1933，Fad ittorney M．BP＇MrYRRSON，who is mentioned in the report of Special Agent in Charge R．A．ALT，Jacksonvilie，Fla．dated July 26，1935， as having represented IILLAM E．WEADE in Jacksonvilio in the early part of 1934．

A lead will not be set out to ascertain if OrDEIL is stopping at the Hotel Hamilton，Nashington，D．C．，although the lettor received from him was written on this botel＇s stationery．It is not thought that 0＇DELJ would write a letter to the Bureau on the station－． ery of the hotel in which he was stopping．

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However, a lead is being set forth to make appropriate investigation at 60 High Street, New Britain, Conn.e and secure from his mother, Mrs. ANNA OTDELL, THOMS ODELL'S address, in view of the fact that O'DEIL gave that as his returi addrese. In the event Mr. OrDELL does not got in touch vith the New York Office in the near future and his adress is not secured from his mother at New Britain, Conn., a lead will be set forth to again interviem Mr. JULIUS EAUNAN, 25 East 86th Street, Bew Tork City, and ascertain from him the addresa of Mr. ODDIL.

The above lead is being set forth to tak the place of the lead originally set out in this report to intervien Mr. OTDELL when be would call at the New York Office.

The lotter received from Mr. O'DRLL is being retained in the New York Bureau office file.

UNDETELOPSD LEADS:
NEN YORK OFTICE:
At New Britain, Conn., Will interview Mre。 ANM O'DELL, mother of THONAS J. O'DELL, 60 Elgh Street, and ascertain from her the present address of her son, THOASS J. O'DSIL.

In the event that Mr . THOMLS J. O'DELI does: not again contact the Ne York Office, and his address is not secured from his mether at New Britain, Conn., this office will contact Mr. JULIUS KAUFMAN, 25 East 86th Street, New York City, and ascertain if he knowa the present whereabouts of O'DEIS.
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# Post Office Box 515 <br> Saint Paul, Minnesota <br> November 27, 1935 

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue at eth Street M. W.
Washington, D. C.
Dear Sir: BRTKKD
Reference is made to Burean letter of the 29th instant, Bureau File No. 7-576, and letter to the Bureau from this office dated November 12, 1935.
Bureau Office on November 24, 1935, at which time she stated that on the encasion of her recent trip to Mankato abe visited Belle Born and that Belle appeared to be very friendly and took Her driving for about an hour; that in the course of conversation with Belle, Belle stated that she kew that they" were looking for Chuck, and that they could go ahead and look. as Chuck is dead Mrs. Anderson stated that Belle Born had
 visit to Mankato.
Mra. Anderson stated that Belle cered to be somewhat concerned about the suit that lars. Anderson intended instituting against Belle for alienating the affections of her husband, Ole Anderson. She stated that before she left Mankato she had consulted with her attorney and told him that she did not intend to sue Belle Born, and that he should drop any action that he might have intended to institute on her behalf. She further stated that at no time during her convorstation with Belle did Belle make any reference to any convercations which she thought lis Anderson may have had with any representatives of this Bureau, but that hear soc had informed had talked to some "G" men.

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It may be tated that such information as ras given by kre. Anderson appears to have been furnished fith conolderable reluctance, and as it appears that Mra. Anderson has settled what disputes she has had vith Belle Born, it is posibib that ahe may have made the assertion relative to Belle's haring stated to her son that she kner Mre, Anderson was furnishing information to the Coverment as an excuse for avoiding further interviews with Agents of this Buresus. Whether or not this is so, Lra. Anderson has bean of little value to this office an an informant.

With raspect to Charles "Chuck" White, heretofore reparted to be the adopted on of Belle Born, hrs. Anderson stated that there was a young man who atayed at Balle Born's place up to about tro years ago. She does not know the identity of this young man other than that he was referred to as "Chuck", and thet she had never hoard of Belle having a son, adopted or otherwise.

When Spocial Agent in Charge F. J. Connolley was in St. Paul recently he indicated that Belle Born was cognizant of the fact that surveillance was boing maintained on her daring her trip to Waukegan, Illinois, as result of which npon lir. Connelley's instructions the ciose surveillance of Belle Born has been discontinued, since which time two Agents have been detailed to the telephone tap on her telephone at Mankato, and me to observe hor place of residence from a nearby farm house, particularly with respect to the identity of persone Fisiting her. Proviously Boile Born was followed whonever she left her bome. This is the "close surveillance" which has been discontinued.

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Special Agent in Charge
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> P. O. Box 1276
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> December 4, 1935


Director,
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Federal Bureau of Investigation
J.S. Department of Justice,

Pemaylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N.M., Washington, D. C.


Dear Sir:
Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with OECBBA, 1535 :. M. Fugitive, f. O. 1218, ot of f JusTICE
DEC 181935 Edward Goorgo-bremer, pict KIDIVAPING.


F!: E
Reference is made to your letter of November 30, 1935
(Bureau file 7-576), requesting that I explain to the Bureau why a surveillance of the residence of the parents of Harry Campbell had not been considered prior to its initiation a low days ago, and to furnish en expression of my opinion as to whether I did not concider it dangerous procedure in interviewing Miltorilett, an alleged contact and intermediary of Harry Campbell and his family.

I beg to adVise you that a surveillance of the Campbell residence at Tulsa was considered for many months prior to its initiation, end acme inquiry was made with the view to placing such surveillance, but no person living in the immediate vicinity of this residence was considered one in whom we could place sufficient confidence to go into their residence, save the widow of J. Earl Smith, a deceased attorney, who is said to have been murdered by Campbell. Agent Hansen, from $t$ lime to $t$ mime, maintained a contact with Mrs. Smith, who it appears would have been eager to have furnished any information to this Bureau concerning the alleged murder of her husband. Until recently there was not found to be any house available for the use of Bureau Agents in this surveillance. Mrs. Smith and her sister are said to be in kaiskosee, and probably Okmulgee, Oklahoma, most of the time. It has not been deemed worthwhile to contact them win recent weeks.

With respect to the action taken by this office in interviewing Milton Lett, I discussed this matter several times with Special fegent Hansen, and the efforts to obtain some information concerning Lett and as to his whereabouts extended over eeveral weeks, as will be reflected in investigative reports emanating from this office in connection with this case, and upon due consideration I concluded that we should go forward. with the interview with him, which was done, and at this time I do

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not foel that any mistake has been made in approaching him. There mey be some olement of risk in this procedure, but in wy opinion it is imperative that such risks be taken by us frequentily in connection with our investigations. I can assure the Bureau that I did not go into this particular phase of the case without due reflection and consideration.




Fortenberry, deted at Detroit, Mlohlgan, June 27, 2935, on page 3, paragraph 2, roflocts that Arthur Burdotto had advised there mes a ean in Tulsa, oklahona, knomi to hia oniy as oxol", who had ariven Harry Campbell from Coffoerille, Tansan to Tulse, oklahoma, eate eccablons during the anmar of 1933 for a price of $\$ 20$ seab trip. It mould appear thest the Oklahoza Clity Office man placod on motion by this liniornetion of the possibility, to eay the loast, of Cempbell effectlog sone klod of contact oith the peronte at Tulse.
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Tery truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
CC Mr. Connelley at Chicago

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722 Kidland Sevinga Blag., Denver, Colorado
December 3, 1935

Director,
Federal Bureeu of Investigation,
U. S. Depertment of Justice,

Pennsylverife avenue at 8 th St., N.T.
Faslington, D. C.


Yrs. Heger of 4822 Perry Street, Denver, Colorado, called at the Denver Dureau office and steted thet she wes a niece of Dr. Joseph P. Noran, one of the subjects in this case, and said that she hed read nerspeder accounts thet Dr. Horan hed been killed at Tolejo, chio, and bis body thromn into the lake. She stated that she t d not seen or heard of Dr. Noran for the past five or six years, but thet inesmuch as she was his niece, he being the youngest brother of her fether, she was interested to know whether he was in tect dead.

Nrs. Feger wes reluctent at first to furnish her name or to give any inforagtion whetsoever, but did state that sanetime preVious to the time that the newspapers reported the death of Dr. ? ?oran she hid hesrd indirectly from some of her relatives in Spring Valley, Illinois, thst Dr. Noran had fled to Cuba and had onlisted in the Cuben ermy. She said thet there was nothici definite whatever as to this report, but that she believed her reletives thought ti:is is what had hanpened to him until newspapers reported he had been killed in Toledo. She stated that she had not seen Dr. ?.oran for five or six years, the lest time she bad seen him wes kher she hai returned to Sorine Valley, Illinois, to visit relatives there, at which time she also saw Dr. Jares Noran, his brother.

She was esked whether ahe believed thet Dr. Moran, if he was not deed, would probebly be found in Cuba, and she replied that she did not have any foundetion on which to base her belief, but thet when she heard that he was in Cube and bid enlisted in the Copies destronye!


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ermy there, she thouzht thet this would be Just like him to do someti.Ine like thet, and really believed that he had gone to cube.

Vrs. Hager stcted that she did not wart to become involved or heve any putlicity whetsoever corcerning the case, ard that she hed merely called et the office to see whether she could deficitel: detercine to her own setisfaction thet Dr. Noran was dead. The only reason why she consented to give her name or her adicess wes because of the fict that she wes advised that we had no definite informetion at this office, but that $I$ would be glad to comaricate with her in the evert that I did receive definite informetion.

The mriter enceavored to get I'rs. Eascr to stete which of her reletives gave ber the informition thet Ir. Roran was sumposed to heve fled to Cuba, but she stetej she could not recall et all as the inforretion wes rether irciefirite, end she hed no idea at this time rijici of her reletives she kad hefri this from. She siated thet she did comaricete with lers. (haspell, her aunt, in Tebercest, Colorado.

The next time an acent is $e t$ Tebernash, Colorsdo, vis. Chapell will te interviexed to see w.etter ste bes any informetion what soever reletive to the possibility of Dr. lorar fleeing to Cuba.

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Very truly yours,
$E P$ Guensene porb.
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To: comannications section.
Transmit the following message to: E. J. CONNELLET,
December 4, 1935 CHICAGO
brekid; refer report r. d. brown chicago november 7; 1935 page 2 ascertain Name and address of proper person to temerity as to the publication of march ISSUE OF MASTER DETECTIVE MAGAZINE AND HO CAN INTRODUCE A TRUE AND CORRECT copy of such issue furnish bureau (pay of such issue air mail cobain same INFORMaTION RE SEPTERER ISSUE OF STARTLING DETECTIVE MAGAZINE AND SEND COPY SAID ISSUE TO BUREAU AIR MAIL


SENT VIA $\qquad$ $7-576=8277$

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DiREcTOR informed me yesterday afternoon that he considered it desirable to obtain this information, in order that it would be availitite should $5 j$ F.... the Criminal Division or the United States Attorney desire to introduce . these magazines. The purpose of introducing these magazines is to ..., establish that myrtle Eaton had knowledge of the fugitive status of William Tieaver, during the time the $t$ she resided with him in Florida, and investigation discloses that she had read in the magazines. in- $\$ \hat{y}$ dicated articles concerning the fugitivity of William reaver. I accordingly authorized Supervisor HicIntire to inquire of the Chicago Office concerning the identity of the persons competent to testify concerning these magazines. Upon being informed that you questioned the necessity for this teletype, I instructed Mr. McIntire to prepare his summary of the evidence available against myrtle Eaton in such a manner that it would be indicated that sortie Eaton had read these magazines which contained articles concerning William Weaver's being a fugitive, giving the date and name of the magazine, together with information available to show that Myrtle Eaton had read these magazines and let the United States Attorney determine how he would introduce these magazines in evidence, stating that if necessary, after the Criminal Division had reviewed the summary of the evidence, we contd then ascertain the name of a person competent to introduce and identify copies of these magazines. Hr. \#cintire's handling of this matter was entirely at my direction.


Respectfully,





Federal Bureau of Investigation,
J. 8. Department of Justice, Washington, D. C.

I have in my possession a 20 Dollar Note, \& LO4919773A, Federal Reserve Bank, Ban Francisco, Calf.

During the last four months I have been watching this party's place, from whom I reserved this note and it locks very suspicious to me, a number of new automobiles are always around the place. I think they have connection with the Karpis gang.

If you are interested in obtaining more information, you may send a man from your Chicago office.


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31. 5. Befpartment of Justice

1448 Standard Building Cleveland, Ohio

ATTETION: TECHNICAI LABORATORT
December 6; 1935 four 45 caliber copper alloy jacketgo bullets, appropriately packed
for shipment, to be submitted to the rechnical Laboratory for ballistic oramination. Clerence Warsh of the office of the Sheriff, Arnold "/sch, Wood County Borling Green, Ohio. These bullets were recovered from the car of Deputy Sheriff lisish, who advised that at about 5:30 P. M. on November 25, 1935 four men occupying a 1934 model Ford vB seden, wile approaching a barracade at the intersections of highways 64 and 65 near Bowling Green, Ohio, at wich point Deputy Sheriff Marsh and Constable Cole were searching automobiles for illegal possession of game, drove up to this point and suddenly becked their car at a high rate of speod to a point where they could turn around, and fled in a northerly direction. Deputy Sheriff Marsh and Constable Cole lmediately followed this car, and at a point sone distance away, at which time the officers were about to overtake this car, some one broke out the rear window of the fleeing Ford sedan and fired at the officers car, puncturing the radiator and left rear tire. The officers believed the fire to have originated from a machine gun.
winnesses to thers However, no identification of the wanted fugitives in the above captioned case could be made due to the fallure of any of the witnesses to closely scrutinize the men.

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These ballets should be compared with the bullets of this type already on file at the Bureau and may be retained for futare comparison.

## Very truly yours,







Special Agent A. R. Gere is making a further investigation at the Colorado State Fenitentiary, the results of which will be transmitted to the Bureau imediately.

Disposition sheet of the arrest of July 9 , 1912, is submitted herewith.

Very truly yours,

RHic: RUK
E.P: Qumaner trob.

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Special hgent in Charge
Enc.
ce Cincinnati
E. J. Connelley, Chicago



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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George Shane, coodman Motor Coos recognized en idsotified a photograph of William Fearer as the man who purchased a 1934 Charrolot ieden through him in Karch 1934. Mr. Shane aaid Veaver noamd very emalous to get this automobile with the least possible mount of troeble. Sheme said one, Gail Johnson, had introduced Weaver to him at J. A. Orhoode shane said Gefl Johnson is a konme criminal and that ho is now serving a long sentence at Fort Madison, Iowa, for havive robbed a atore at Burlington. Iowa, during wieh robbery a policeman was killed. Shan sald Jobnson and Weaver appeared to be well acquainted. Shane sald Teaver gave his address es 317 E. Fifth St., Des Moine B, Iowa.

At 317 E . Fifth Ste, 4 gent found a secondinand goods atore Fm by David Altman. Altman was questioned thoroughly regarding any kowledge as to Weaver and elsc shown pictures of meaver, but he tated ho had never. seen this man. Altmen appeared to be hanest and reliable and it vould appear that the adiress given by Feaver at the time of his purchase of tho car vas ontirely fictitious. There vere no aparmente or roams abore 517 E . Fifth Street。

## UIDEVELOPED IKAD:

THIS OSAFA BUREAD OFFCE: At the Iowa Stat Penitentiary at Fort Ladison, Iowa, dil interview Gail Johnson, wo was incarcerated ia that institution recectly far the sbooting of a policeman while engaged in a robbery. Johnson should be olosely questioned as to his connection with Willem Feever. All information posaible as to the hideouts and contects of Meaver and Karpis, ote., ahould be fully developed.

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With the surveillance of the telephone of John Karpavicz, Chicago, Illinois, the fatter of Livin Fárpis; sgent ealled upon the Revere end Victor Cernauskes, Junior Pastor of the 411 seints Lithuenian Cetholic Cturch, loceted at lo8th Street and Fabash Avenue. In this correction $k$ gent explained to the father the type of individual desired by the Bureau, and the rature of the work, and that it vas for temporary emfloyment of possibly one montre duration. Reverend Cernauskas imnediately mentioned the name inthony Vaitkus, statine that this individual has been known to him for approximato ly four gears, end thet he is ontirely trustworthy and deperdable. He further teted that Vaitius is the treasurer of the Enights of Iithuenia, a joung men's social organization, and that there is entrusted to bim considerable money. He advised that Vaitkus is very active in connection with the various church activities, and is well thought of by everyone who knows him. Reverend Cerneuskas further steted that Veitkus is twenty-Bix years of ege, was born in Cijonen, Ilifnois, enत comes frome very subatential farily; thot Lic fetrer is cifployed es a laborer with the Illinols Central Rellroed, whict position he tas held for effroximetely twenty-ifve yeers; that the entire femily, which consists of two sieters ard a younger brother, are good church membere, and that at no time did be, the priest, ever heer any scandal or gossip involving this family. He advised thot Taitkus, to his knowledge. does not indulge in intoxicating liquors, has eood moral habite and occasionally places bets on horse races; that he ie very closemouthed and can be depended upon to treat any informetion Whichmight come into his possession as a result of an assienment very confidentially; thet he considers this joung man bead and shouldera" above all other young men within the church and ite affilistes.

Reverend Cernauskas further advanced the information that be is the spiritual director of the Finights of Iithuania Fraternity, and thet ase result is in frequent contact with numerous boys and eirls; that he has noticed that veitkus is very populs anone his fellow associates, and that on seversi occasions Vaitkus hes afpeared in plays and sketches sponsored by this or. ganizetion; that only recently $V$ iltkus appeared over a radio broede casting station, MIND, Gary, Indiara, in a Lithuanian sketch, which to Lis mind, was very well produced. The priest further stated thet the Eureeu cannot go wrong on Vaitkus, and that he is poeitive
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Thile sgent was interviewing Reverend Cernauskes the Senior Pastor of the 1 ill Sainte Lithuanian Catholic Church, the Reverend Poskauke ontered the office, at which time the charaeo ter of Vaitkus was discussed with him, Ee briefly stated that he hes known Vaitiks for nine or ten years, and that he comes from very good family; that the church hes elways found him ontirely tion reliable and trustworthy, and that his integrity ie above re-... proseh; that venever the church eponsore a social activity it always delegetes vaitikus to handle the funds of these affairs. He remarked that he will stake his life on Vaitrus.
agent asked Reverend Cernauskas to contect anthong Vaitious and inforif him that this office desired to intervien him ralative to a cossible temporary position as a Lithuanian interpreter. Anthony Vaittus appeared at the Chicago Bureau 0f*... fice on the evening of December 5, 1935, at which tims he was intervieved by Special hzent in Charge D. h , Ladd and the writer. At the oistset of the interview with Vaitkus deent explaized to him in a geceral way the nature of the work expected from him, ard the fact that it would be necessary sometimes to remain on ar. assignment for a period of trenty-four hours per day. Ee stated thav ie ixine $b=$ willine to work on that besib. It might also be etated that Vaitrus was likewiss edvised at this time that tie ingtant irterview should not be considered by him as an assuranee for employment at this time, tut that be le merely being corsidered for evaliability in the event bis services will be needed in the future.

Vaitkue ateted that he wes born in Chisago, Illinois, on June 26, 1909 , and that be presently resides at 10713 Fabash avenue, chicago, telephone - Pullman 5465; tiat he is si ngle and: resides at t?:e ebove address with hie parents and two sisters end a brother; thet iis fether, lurtin Vaitkus, was born in Iitbuania and has been employed with the Illinois Central Railroad as on oller for the pest twenty-five years; that he expects to be pensioned in the next jear. Valtkus further adisised that his older sister, Frances, is erplojed as clerk wth the Federal Electrio Corpeny, 87 th and State Streets, Chicaco, Illinois, aud that his younger sister, Elizabeth, is at hane relpine his rother with the housework; that ris brcther, idolfh, age sixteen, 13 a student of the Fenger migh School, Chicago.

Vaitrus further stated thet he greduated from the All ceints Litbuanian School, CEicejo, in 1924, and that he thereafter
attended $\operatorname{silden}$ nechnical Hier Schnol in Cileago for ong year; trat he was forced to leave achool on eceount of his father belac ill, and because he therefore had to find employrent. He steted thet he went to work with the imerican Dental Company, 5 South Nabash Avenue, Ciseago, in 1225, as an arrand boyi that he later vorked himself into the leboratory where he did the work of an assistant laboratory man until 1929, at witah time he resiened for the reason that he did not enjoy this type of vork; that wile With the arericen Eental Corjany he wried directly under the supervision of Jotn Erleaborn, Foreman of the Bridge Department; that his sale\% $x=s, 22.5 C$ per meek at the time of his severance wits that company. He further stated that be worked at various odd jobs from 1922 to the latter part of 1934, working as a grucery store clark, caddy, newsboy, and at sundry other positions; that he went to work with the konroe Dertal Laboratory: 185 North hetes arenue, in the early part of 18J5; that his salary at this plece was $\{6.00$ per week, but that he did not stay here very lonz because the compeny refused him ac increase in saiary. Fe further stated that wrile with the lionroe Lental. Laboretory, Kr. Sctroll, Fresident of the imerican Dental Laboratory where he had freviously worked, had him sign a complaint

 salary widch wes lader the linit provided by the provisions of the code. He stated thet Le signed this complaint acainst the Lonroe Dental Laboratory Company, and as a reward the american Dental Latoratorj rehired him to work in their laboretory; that at this time he remained wits them for a fproximetely three months at a salary of $\$ 16$. CO per week; thet Le resigned this position to accept erploycent with the J. E. Kennedy Compeny, Dental Laboratory, loceted at 69th and Helsted Streets, Chicego; that he worked at the letter place for only a few veeks inasmuch as he lacked the experience desired of him. He further stated that ke has been steadily unemployed since June, 1935, but has made numerous contects, and calls, in an effort to obtain another position.
Anthony Vaitkus further etated that he occasionally takea a drink of beer but does not drink to excess; tbat he is member of the All Saints Church choir, and treasurer of the Roceland Enights of Iithuania Fraterrity; thet he partakes in various athletic activities, perticularly bowing; billiards, besebell and fing ponz; that he liked to reed and attend movies.


Teltkus, and to his knowledge he be b never been arrested or involved in any kind of trouble. Ee further stated that he, Dr. Jacobef: never did enj dentyl mork for Veitkus or his family, and therefore. is unable to comment on his ability to pay his debts; thet he kows the family very ollghtly and from what he kas heard they are god. pr honeat, working people. Dr. Jacobs recommended vaitkus very high ". If for any assigriment or position, statine that he can be depended upor to keep to himselt any confidertiel informetion.

AT this time Dr. Jacobs introduced agent to Dr. I. E. lieker, a plysician who maintains ar office immediately across the hall from Ir. Jaeobs. With reference to Valtkus agent was edvised by Dr. Naker that he has known the joung man for approximetely three years, havine come in contact with him in connection with the sociel activities of the church; that it is his opinion that Viitkus has e good comand of the Lithuenian language, and speake it core fluentiy than probebly the arerage lithuanian boy of his ase; that as far es he knons Vaitkus habits are good and he has aever kown hix to have beer involved in any troubles He further statea that he knows the vaitkus fesily only silghtly but $上=s$ ncyer given them an medical attention. He further otated thet "aitkus is very much reserved and does not have much to bay, $\bar{n}$ d te is of the opiaion that he will keep any information of a confidential nature to himself.

Agent next interviewed James Rakauskas at his hows 10850 South State Street, Cricago. He edvised that he has been erployed as an organist in the all Saints Ifthuanian cetholic Church for aprroximately ten yeare, and is mell ecquainted with virtually all or the rembers of the parish. He stated that his best frient in the marish is anthony Jaitkus, wom he hes known for nine years; that he kes always found Veitkus to te a true friend, compenion ard one who has always given him a hand when he needed it; that Vaitkus, as well as be, is a member of the choir of $E i l$ Saints Church, and they likewise are executive of ficers of the Fnights of Iithuania Freternity; that Vaitkus. family is of eood industrial class, end thct its reputation is ebove reproach; thet the father is employed as a laborer or mea charic mith the Puilma skope, Elthouch he is not certain os to this, Where he works nichts; that Vaitkus two sisters are good and intellicent firls as far as he knows, and he has never heard of then to be involved in eny kind of trouble, eossip or scandal: He furtter stated that vaitkus occusionall: indilecs in a drink of beer, bit not to excess; thict ke cen be entirely trusted with

roney, and in this connection steted that winen the church sfonsors a social fanction the pastors always entrust Vaitkus with the funds; that Vaitkus has handied money for the church for gbout five years now, and he has elways accounted for orory ant ir. Raksuskse further edrised 1 gent thet Vaitkus fron time to time. worked with several dental compenies but is not verj adept at this type of aployment, and therefore never remainod with one company for a lone period of time: He ststed ohrt Vaitkust: habits ers very good, and thet he does areat deal of readingi: thet if any rork is rezuested of him and he feels tret he cannot do it, he will tell the person so; that he is very frank and close-mouthed; thet he ha always been well thought of for his integnity and truthfulness.

Lir. Rakauskes further steted that Vaiticus has good cormand of the Iithuanian language, and that he has in the past taler jarts ta severri Iithuanian plays which vere sponsored by the church. He atated that to bis inowledge Jaitkus is not connected with ary newspeper, althouzh he hes in tic past. witten, smal erticles with respect to the activities of the Knights of Iittuania club for publication in the Lithuanian meekly paper the "~novkas."

Inesmuch as the :irst interview with Reverend Paskaukas" wes very trier, he was açin contacted at his home losth and state Strcets, Ciscago. Agent was advised that Vaitkus is a good church rember, and is very active in the finights of iithuania Fraternity, which is a young men's order organized for the purpose of develop ing goodfellowstip and grodwill among the Ifthuanian boys living on the south side of Chicago; thet Vaitkus is treasurer of this organization, and as sesult of thet position large quantities nf money are entrusted to his care; that he recalls no instance where Vaitikus zee short any money, and that in view of this he, Reverend Paskaukss, and Feverend cernauskas always placed him "head and shoulders" above the others.

Reverend Paskaukgs further advised that Vaitkus family. are good, hardworking Lithuenien people and oxcellent church menbers; that he wer heard anythine derogatory against the family as a whole, and that the senior Vaitkus bears a good regutation. among the church members; that the father has worked hard all of his life and hec raised a good family; tret the two daurhters are fine Eiris and have slways been moring; that the younger boy is presently attendirg bizh school, and during the suminer months
he worke as caddy on golf courses. He further atated that $\because \cdots$ : young Veitkus speaks the Iithuanien lenguage very iluently and...inas understands it well; tret the mother tongue is spoken in tis home; and that mi.ile Vaitkus went through elementary school pe was given extre instructions in the rhetoric of the inthuanian language for a half-hour every day; trat he has noted Vaiticus in severai Lithuenian plays which were eponsored by the church, and he fenls that he is therefore qualifled to comment on Vaitkusiability to opeak that language.

Reverend Peskaukas further advised that he does not. know exactly whore the senior Vaitkus is cmployed, but loovs that te hac bejr comected witt this compeny for many, mary yeers; t上こt he receatly heard thet he will be pensioned within the next year. Ee further etated thet young Taitkus could be trusted Fith hi Gri; confidentiel informition, a nd especielly finances; thst he has proven this iact to them, and he is certain thet same could be rrover to at? ple whin inor lif, and tret he was alwajs active in connection with the Church's activities; thet his integrity ond moral character are above reproach, and he had never heard anything derogatory seld ag inst Vastkus. The priest ataied thet to his knorledge Vaitkus formerly worked ir the dentists laboratory in downtown Chicago, end resigned his position for the reason that the dea. partment in which he was working was discontinued;that he was unable to perform any other type of work within this leboratory and therefore was dismissed. He also advised that he does not believe that youne Veitkus is or has besin connected with any newspaper exceyt that he occasionally wrote short articles mich the church placed in the weekly Lithuanian publication.

Ggeat questioned Reverend Peskaukas es to whetrer he hes knowledze of Eny rciatives of the Vaitkus' famiza and he Advised trat lrs. Vaitkus sister, wose name ie liss. A. Janaush, resides at 10625 Lefeyette Street, Chicapo; thet her husband; Stariley Janaush, died about four years ago, and eince thet time she $\mathrm{h} s \mathrm{~s}$ beer. Iiving $\varepsilon$ t the ebjve address with her youngest son, who last sumber vie eriployed es a lifeguard in Inncoln Fark. He advised trst l're. Jengush hes four other children all of whom are married and live in vilous farts or the city; that he does not Enow wiat anj of theci children and their respective families do, or with wrum the. Ere conrected; that lins. Janaush has always
 ble, scendel or eossip, and thst her husband, orior to his death, wes a trustee of tie church. He steted that these are the only
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relatives of the vaiticus fanily known to him. In conciusion Feverend Paskgukas stated that re recomends jounc Vaitkus very highly for the essignment in question, end that he is positive that tine Government Fill find the young man villing and capeble. -orker.

Acent ajzin contacted the Reverend Cernauskes with reference to tine scholastic record of Vaitkus while he attended tre All Saints elecentary achool the priest produced this record, and on examination of same it was disclosed that vaitkus' correct nafe is hnthony vaitkevicius, and thet ke was born in Chicago, Illinois, on June 26, 1909; that his fether'a name is Nartin Veitkevicius, and thst et the time Veitkus attended school there he resided at 155 Eaet lo7tr. Street, Chicago; ti.at he graduated : in June, 1924. Ho scholastic merke were observed on this card, and in this connection Feverend Cermauskas ateted that re does not bolleve thet this record could be loceted as they usually are destroyed men they are more tien ten yesre old. हith respect to $t$ is di:ference in the nare of the young man es noted above, Keverend Cerneuskas edvised thet it is not unusual for iftiuanian pecple ts sborten theiz demes to maike them easier to pronounce: thet this etortening of a name is lecel, and is very commonly done by people who bave names which are difficult to pronounce.

At in.is time Reverend Cernauskas permitted Azent to examine bis Baptismal Record Book, and it mas noted therein that Vaitku: under the rame of Anthony Vaitkevicius was born in Cricago, Illinois, on June 26, 1908.

## NEICEBORHOOD INVESTI GATION

Afent endeavored to interview the neifhbors living on either side of Vaitkus residence, but observed that they were very illiterate and could not peak the baclish language; theres fore, no mention was made to them of the instant investigation:

4t 10731 Wabash Avenue, whict is approximately five doors from the Vaitkus" residerce, Agcat interviewed lims. Stanley zilis, who advised that her husband is emrloyed with the city of Chicago In tise rister jepartment. Ar. Z111s was absent iron home, and therefore $\dot{\operatorname{Lr} s . ~ Z i l i s ~ \pi e c ~ i n i c r v i e x e d ~ i n ~ c o n n e c t i o n ~ w i t h ~ t h i s ~ r a t-~}$ ter. Skerstetei that they heve lived in tie commity for approxi-
mately ten years, and that she and her husband have known the Jaitkus" family aince that time; that it. Vaitkus apperentiy: morks for some mechanical shop es ohe tees bimevery mornlag cominz home from mork earbed in mechanic' clothes carrying lunch box; that she is persorally acquainted with Mr; Faitkus' two deughters, the oldest of cor is member of the same bridee club to wifh she belonge; that the youngest of the family is Fresently goine to high school anj works on the golf course during the summer. lure. Zilis further stated that she ie only acquainted with young Vaitkue through contacts made with him in connection with their church activities, end that she has always found him $t 0$ be a geatlemar and a boy of grod persocal habits; that she has rever teard any gosip or scmadal Involving tie Vaitkus family, and thst they bear an exceilent reputction within the neighbore rood; tist lis. and ? Ts. Vaitkus ere old-fashioned and typlcally foreign people, and that they are very quiet and keep to thenselves; that not one of them are oscial houndar she further stetef thot ef fer as ake knows none of the Vaitkus' family were ever arrested or involved in eny trouble whetever; that the senior $V$ ithus is rot communistic in any way, which is very tyficel of foreign people. Ks. Zilis could furmish nothing con: cersing youn vaitkus except from her observations. She aid that he is industrious as she sees him very frequently workipg about tze horse.

It might be atated that $V$. and kre zilis are of Iithuanian nstivity. acent asked Krs. Zills whether any persons IIving in her block are not of Lithuanian natirity, end she refero red bjent to ir. Swart and hrs. Peterson, who reside at 10721 end 20723 nabcsh avenue respectively.

Kr. Al Swart was interviewed in his hame; and he advised that he is a carpenter by trade, but has been unemployed for severel jeers, Ho stated that he has kown the Jaitkusifamily for over twalve yeers; and that he has always considered them as good nelchbors; that they are not boisterous, destructive or rude in any $\quad 95$, ard that both kr. and liss. Vaitkus appear to be hardworko. inp geople. He further stated that he has never heard anyane montion anything againat these people, and thet to his knowledge they have never been the subjects of any gosalp or ccandal, or involved in acy trouble $\begin{gathered}\text { infatever; thet lir. Vaithus is employed }\end{gathered}$ with the Illinois Central Reilroad Company es e repairman, and thet he minntly hog heon working rifhts; that the two deuzhters hove beer living at bome, and thet they are likemice good, respect-


The rollowing investieation wes conducted by special agent F. J. Inite on December 6, 2835, and mame was dictated by him:

Krs. J. Bnelish, Registrar's ofice, Tilden Mechnicel Eigh School, 4747 South Union Street, Ciféago, Illinols, sdivised thet Anthony $\nabla$. Vaitkus onrolled at thet school on September $2 \%$ 1224, and discontinued bis studies in June, 1925. He mas regis. tered in a four-jear technicel course, and received an average grede of "Goon" in his studies. The school resords did not ine dicste eny further information on Valtkus with the exception or Lis birth date which is recorded as September 6, 1910.

Ls. W. H. Sckroll, President of the Amerieen Lental Compary located at 5 South Fabesh Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, advised thst Jajtikus was emplojed by kie fímin in September, 1925, $e s$ en errend boy, aid thet he remeined with that firm until. Yay 16, 1931, at wifich time he wes encaged in technical dental work ir the Bridje Defertment. Jeitkus salary was ircreased fraz 110.00 per reek in 1925 to $\$ 24,00$ per reek in 1931. IT.
 ceivei a $22.0 C$ per week. increase in pe., and that upon receiving notice of this increase, be, vaitkus, irmedictely went to ir, Schroll ard informed hif that he was not satisfied with a ${ }_{3} 2.00$ increase, and velleved that he should have received at least a \$5.C0 fer week raise. br. Schroll did not grant Vaitkus" rom quest for a $\hat{\{ }=00$ increase, and from that time until lay 26,1931 , Veitkus' attitude towards his work changed oonsiderably, and he. was always surly and epperently ereatly dissatisified. on vay 18 , 1931, be wes dicchareed by Kr , Schroll because of his changed at titude towards his work. During Narch, 1935, Vaitkus again applied to er. Schroll for employment, stating that he had been out of work for aeverel months, end that he needed work very badly. He advised ly. Schroll thet if he would roomploy him he would never leare his service again. On warch 15, 1935, he was ream. ployed in their Plate Department at a salary of $\$ 16.00$ per veek; and on liay 24, 1935, he left that firm without givine any notice. kr. Scrroll ateted that he knows little or nothing about vaitkus ${ }^{\circ}$. rersonal habits; however, he knew him to be a rather reticent type of individual, and believed him to be trustworthy, but he did not consider him a dependable employee due mainiy to the menner in which te left their employ on both occasions. ar. Schroil
stater thet he would not on any condition reamploy vaitkue and did not feel thet he could one.

Mr. Schroll also stated that from February 19, 1933, to about 1 pril, 1935, he acted as NRA code \&uthority at Large for the dental latoratory industry. He recalled that some time during July or Aurust, 1934, Vaitkus came to him and adpised that he had been ecployed by the american Dental Compary and that he received leas pay then the minimu required ky the dental latoratory. He advised trat vaitkus filed a formal corplaint with the local board, and he recalled that the president of the american Dental Company was called in for an explanation, and denied Vaitkus' charges: Schroll stated that the case hed beer continued for several monthe, and that it wac finally dropped shortly before the NRA's codes became ineffective.
in. John Enlenborn, Foreman of the Bridge Department of the $\dot{4}$-erican Dental Company, advisel Agent Fhite that Vaitkus worked under his direct surervision from april, 1927. until key. 1931; that in April, 1927, he was promoted from an errand boy's.. position to that of an apprentice in their laboratory. He ada vised that Valthus work was ontirely satisfactory, and belfeved him to be honest and trustworthy, and also sdivised thet Vaitkua was very quiet and impressed him as a type of person who eould: be truster with any confidential information. He also stated thet it is his recollection that vaitkus left their employ voluntarily, and that the reason he did so was due to the fact that be bed been transferred from the Eridge Derertment to the Plate Depertment, and that he did not liks that tyre of work. Ee stated that he tnew little or nothing of Vaitkus' personal habits with the exception that he seemed to be greatiy interested in toming and golf. sr. Erlenborn stated thet he would reemploy vaitkus agein, and thet he wuld recorcend him for a position with the Government.
ir. Albert Eirsch, President of the Nonroe Dental Come pany, 55 Last jashington Street, Chicago, Illinols, adrised Agent Fhite that valtius vas enployed by his firm for four or five deys during July, 1934; thet vaitkus ceme to their firm in answer to an advertisement which bad been placed in a Chicago nenspaper for a technical apprentice in dental work. He stated that he does
not heve any record of Veitkus' salary; however, he belleved that
It was $\$ 14.00$ or $\$ 16.00$ per week. Mr. Hirsch also steted that their usual working hours are from 8:30 in the morning until $5: 30$ it night. However, it was necessary that Vaitkus remain until or 8 o'clock in the srening, and that when vaitkus received his firut pay cheak he came to lir. Firach and asked him if they did not pay for overtime. Valtkus atated that he had morked every aleht since he had been there, and he felt that he wes ontitied to some come pensation for his extra hours of work. He also told wr. Hirsch that ingsmuch' mork overtime, and that if this position required him to stay that late every evering and not to receive any overtime, he would resipa. in. Firach stated that Valtkus left his employ, and that Vaitkus filed e complaint with the local NRA board alleging that he wes not prid the besic salary required by the dental industry code. II. Hirsct. advised that the coly basis he had for this claim was the iact that he did work more than the ordinery morke ing howre. He advised that no action wes over taken by the code autbority on Vaitkus complaint.

Hiss N. Eartlett, of Hills Reports, Inc., 200 West Jackson Blrd., Ohicego, advised thet their files do not contain eny credit intormation on vaitkus or his family.
25. F. T. $\operatorname{Hencock}$, Bureau of Criminal Information Statistics, Chicapo Police Derartment, advisod that they had no criminai of traffic records on anthony vaitikus, Martin vaitkue, Lis father, or for his brother Adolph Vaitkus;

A sumary of the foregoing investigation was transmitted to the Bureau by teletype under date of December 6, 1935, under the caption ALVIN EARPIS With aliases, FUGITIVE, I.0.1218,


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Asent iisdele called／por．the Junior Pastor at the All Saints Church，the Reverend Victor （ernauskes，and eaplained to him the type of individial desired by the Eureau and＋Ke nature of the contempleted ：ork．Lie imacdiately sucsested anthonylaitkus，atating that this bot is ver；relisble and can be defended ufon to kser any information which he mistit aecure as a result of Lis assignment in atrict confidence and．
 At this time aseat iadalg Elso diacussed this matter jifh the senior fastor，Reverend Georyey Easkaukas，and he likewise highly recoumended the Veitkus boy．

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The Euroau wis advised of the recormendations of anthony ( 08 stated above, on December 5, 193E, with the request that he be exployed as a Iithuaniar interpretor for one month at the rate of $\$ 5.00$ per dey. The bureau granted the aiove requeat on the same date by teletype message, instructing that an investigation be imediately instituted relative to the bacigrcund and character of thie individual.

The resulte of the above requested investigation are covered In ine attachad refort of Special agert Jonn L. Vadala, dated at Ci.icero, Illinois on December 7, 19こ5. It will be noted that vaitina apeaks and uiderstands the Lithuanian langaze very fluently, if of eood cieracter and reputaition and is recommendel very highly by the various persons interviewed for tie assigment of an interpretor.

The Jurecu was advised on December 6, 1935 that unless this office received instructions to the cortrary, inthory Vaftkus would be establisted at the Karpavicz plant immediately.

Flease be advised thet in the absence of any coitrary Bureau instructione, Anthony Vaiticus was placed, this morning, on the plant in question, which is presently being maintained by Special igente V. E. Criss, i. Li Jones, R. P. Sharahan and A. A. Juerin.

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Then interiawed by Inspector clegs in connection with the Bremer Kidnoping, Beasie Skinner atated that on Christmas day 1933, Fred DBarker mas at "outs" lith DocOBarker, and Fred and his mother Kate Oanker departed from the Twin Cities and went to Chicago and remained in Chicago through Christmas, wile Doc remained in the Twin Citios. On Christmes day the mob had dinner with Harry Sawser at Saryer's farm. Included among those present were Doc Barker, Bill Weaver, Myrtle Eaton, Paula Earmon, Tolney Davis and hit girl Grace. She deseribed Grace as a platinum blonde wo was chort and husk, and who had bean Davis' sweetheart forga long time. Kra.Ekinner lator admitted that thia moman's true name was Edna Murray who had a son sixteen or seventeen years old, whose first name was Prestone Mrs. Skinner atated that Edde Green told her that Volney Davis and Grace ocoupied an epartment at the corner of Lerington and Oeceola St. in St. Paul for some time.

Concorning the actual kianaping of Mr. Bremer, Bessio skinner advised Inspector Clegg that from the rumore aho had heard, the would not be surprised if Hary Garyer bad planned thie matter, but that however, Fred Barker and Ray Karpis were the "brains" in making the actual match. She stated she is also of the opinion that Doc Barker, Volney Daris and Harry Campbell, as well as Bill Weaver, vore in on the actual kidpapinge and holdine of Mr. Bremer. Mra. Skinner furnished this information to wr. Clegs during the various interviens had with her fram the period april 8 to 12, 1934 Mrs. Skinnor claimed that Bill Weaver was from the south, perhaps Arkansas or the Oeark mountalis region; that be was slow and aasy going; that his girl friend was krile Raton, wo for a number of jeare occupied an apartment at 565 Portland Avenue, 8t.Panl, Minneaota, ghe stated that Myrtle disliced Weaver very much, but that Neaver mould on occasiona kidnap her and force her to accompany him on tripa at the point of a gin. She stated that he had oven hold hor up in her bathroom, at the point of a gun, end had wrapped her in clothing and carried her away, and that ahe believed that kyrtle Eaton would welcome Bill Weaver'a apprehension because she was in desperate fear of him.

During an intorview with Bessio Bkinner on April 12, 1934 ohe adrisgd Mr. Clegg that Volney Davis and Bill Weaver had otopped at the apartment occupied by hersolf and Eddie Grean on one night, and that ahe was better acquainted with then than ahe had previousis admitted. Mrae. Skinner advised that Harry Campbell has never beon sean by her although ohe did knot Earry's giri who is a Cborokee Indian, about 18 or 19 yeara of age, and that her meme 18 Hynona or Naomi, Mre. Skinner not boing cero tein of tifis ntime. Mirs. Sitiner al so furniebed the name of Paula Harmon a: being the girl friend of Fred Barker. She olalmed that she had never seen the girl friend of Doc Barker, although she understood that Doc's girl was a daughter of a banker in Reno, Neve and that this girl is a widowe She furnished the further information that the girl of Ray Karpis was named Dolores and that she resided in Chicago. Kre, Skinner etated that he eav this woman in Chicago in the Spring of 1932, and mas informed that Karpio kept the girl in Chicago at all times where she maintained an apartment. Further concorning the Barker-Karpis gang and the Bremer kidnaping, Mrse Skinner stated that she was in Topeka, Xansas wen she read in the papers that Bramer had been kidnaped, and that the place where ahe was reaiding was an apartment building consisting of three wings, which building is ommed by Senator Capper, and that the threo wings were know as the Capper, the Curtis and the Senate Apartments. She stated that she resided in the

Ing known an the senate Fing, for a period of about two wooks mith Edaic ... - : Greon. She stated that fram the information thet Eddie Greon had plokel up in conversation with the Barker-Karpie gang, and later relayed to her. it was Green's opinion that the Barker-Karple gang had been in Reno, Fev. prior to the latter pert of Fovember, 1932, and that one of the Barker boys was aupposed to have lost quite a bit of monay at the Bank Ciub in Reno; that the gang drove fram Reno to the Twin Citiea by automobile, an while on route to the Twin Cities through the mountains Volney Daris' car turned over three times and his girl friend Edna Kurrey was injured; that Hen Eda arrirod in Stopaul her oyea were black and she had an injured hip. Beasie Skinner fixed the tims of thin returi an the latter part of Fovemer, 1932. She atated that the girl members of the mob had told her from time to $t$ ine that they spent most of their daylight hours at the Bank Club in Reno, and Bessie described these momen ae individuals who drank heavily and ilked the olld exoltement of night life. sccording to further information beasie obtained fram Eddie Green, the $\$ 200,000$ thet was paid as rancom for the roturn of Bremer would not be available for the gang for a period of 90 deye fran the time they received it, as the money according to her understanding was Mot", and they had to turn it orer to aomeone to erehange it for "clean" money. It was her underatanding that Eddie Green hed leãaca that Jeily ifolffer and Herry Sawyer received this money fram the gang and wert going to negotlate the exchange of the money for out In the total mount, and she was of the opinion that the Gleciman mould handle the transaction for them, but that the exchange would probebly not take place in St.Penl or Minneapolis as the towns were too small and the mount of money mold eause comment. She tated that it was her opinion that Chicago rould be a nuch better bet" than the Twin Cities, but thet ahe actually belleved that the exchange vould be made in New York, Besale skinner alaimed to have nothing to base this on except various comments made by Eddie Green. She adrised that it was her opinion that if the trail of these individuals were picked up, and it was found that they were pretty well in hiding and leading a quiet iife, this would indicate that they mere atill "broke" because if they had money they apent it freely in gambling and night life。

With further reference to the Barker-Karpia crowd Bessie Skinner stated that some tim during the years 1932 and 1933 thia orowd was living in a house which they had rented at Graye Lake, Illinois and that the crowd had at various times been associated with Doc Stacey at Chicago and Joe Bergyl of Cicero, Illinois. With regard to Reno, Nevada she stated that it تas her understanding thet the outfit was closely associated with the .
political bose there tho arranged for their accomodations upon theis arrival at Reno. Bessie skinner otated that the mob had connectione in Cansan City; that she recalled them reforring to Tonj'a place at 12 th and Kain 8treets in Kansas City, and that the Barkera were very close frionde of Johnnio Lazia, She aleo adrieed that Tony'a place was contact place in Kaneas City, seiring purpose imilar to thet of Louls place north of Chicago. She stated that the gang had a olose oonnection with someone in Leavenworth, Lansan mo is know as the "fixer" there, but ahe was unable to give further dotails as to this individual'a identity. She tated that Eerbert and Eether Farmer of Joplis who Ifgared in the Kanaas City messacre were not only well momn to the Barkera, but oouple of : yeara ago visited the Alemo, operated by Mra, Skinner at that time, at which time they were accompanied by Harry Sanger. Bessio Skinner furniahe od the further information that Big Homer, later identified an Homer Wilson, and Dut oh, later identified as C. D. Harris, Deskoines Iova Police number 9024, were membera of the Berker-Karpis gens and were probably
 knew Dutch and Big Homer will and had beon ont on partiea with theat, but that she did not know Big Bomer'e correct pane She atated that Eig Homer hung around Cicero, Illinois and was alco a friend of Jack Pfeiffer of the Tvin Cities. Lccording to Beasie Skinner, a man by the name of Francea was last knom to be the wonan associate of Dutoh.
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CHICAGO ADDRESSES AND CONTACTS OF BARKAR-KARPIS GANE

On May 86 and 27, 1934 Mrs, Skinner accompanied by Inspector H. H. Clegg, Special Agent Nerby and Speaial Leent McIntire, drove about the city of Chicago, and pointed out to the Agents various addresses knom to her to be in some way connected with the gang. Mrs. Skinner pointed out an apartment house at 217-222 Kedzio Avenue, Chicago, Illinois as the place where she and Eddie Green lived in an apartment on the second lloor front In the Spring of 1933. In this same building Fred Berker, Doc Berker-and Kate Barker lired during the Finter or 1932, and bhe knem that they rarethere in December, 193 . At that particular timo one of the atores in front of the building was occupied by a tallor, on the 217 Kedzie Arenue side of the buildine, and the tailor rented these apartments. She stated that the tailor was known as a "right ghy" and she adrised that Doc Stacey of Chicago directed Eddie Green and herself to thia building, and she belleved he had directed others to the ceme addrese.

4re. Bkinnof subsequentiy pointed out the estabilabuent of Ire. Bkinnor subsequentiy yointed ous the estabilament of 4600 Washington Boulevard, Chicago. It wat th this place accoring to Mrs. Skinner that she and Eddie Green bought their Terraplane automobilo and she underatood that a good man of the gangaters, including Dillinger and the Karpis mob, got their cers fran this eatablishont, as mell at fram Joel Bergi, a dealer in Cicero, Illinoie. Mra.Skinner etated thet on one occasion then bhe drove into the garage Mr. Bates came up to her and although she had never seen him before he recognised the car and gave her the certificate of title to it. ghe also pointed out to the dgents the Howe Apartment Hotel, 112-114 Oak Street, Oak Pari, Ilinois as the address were Doc Barker and Kate Barker had lived under the ellas of Deris. she further stated that moman knom to her as Helenferguson als had lived in an apartment in this building, directiy behind the BarKere, and that Helen lived rith a girl nemedinine from St. Louis. Eolen Ferguson according to Mrs. Stinner had been the girI friend of an individual naifel Earl, Eho with Eddie Green, Frank Fash, Tern Miler, Fred Barker, Doo Berker and AlTin Karpis robbed the bank at Falrbury, Nebrania at which time Earl was shot; that the mob brought him to Kansas City and kept $h$ im in a bungelow whioh Miller had used on many occasiona and vhich had been described by her and identified by her as the bungalon wich Burean Azents at Kansas City had located as one of the hideoute of the Kansas City massacre mob. She etated that Eddie Green remained in Kansas City balping to care for Earl; that later Earl's condition gret more serious and they moved his to some place in the country, the location of mioh la not known to her, where Earl died, and was burled by membere of the mob in an unidentified grave.

Bessie pointed out an apertment building at 219 North ind are: Kaywood, Illinoia, the ecoond floor rear apartment, as the place where Volney Devis and his girl friend Grace, leter identified as Edna Nurraye 117edin June, 1933. She tated that Ray Karpis had Lived at this am addrese before Volney Davis oocupied it. She tated thet after the Kanses City messacre ohe recalled thet Killer came to tils apartment and atopped off there wile $\nabla 1$ killer proceeded to the Twin Cittes to make arrangementi about their dauehter. It was Irom this apartment that Volney Davis departed for the Eentucky Derby in 1933.

She also pointed out residence at 607 South 7th 8t. Maymood. Illinois as that of Doc Stacer. She also atated thet there vas an out of town eating place north of Chicago where Ray Karpis and Dolores Delaney
Irequently took their meela, and that she end Iddie Green had dinner Fith them there on one occasion. This place ahe polated out on a raral highway at 7825 Eorth Avome, and stated it is knom as Buckley's Eating: Place.
She also pointed out a two etory bullding on the corner eouth and west of the Edward Hinen, Jr.Veterana Hospitel near the flying iliddo This place she atated has old-fashionod boothe and she ateted that a man mom as Buck, who menally worked behind the ber, operated this place. The sign on the outside of this place indicates that it is the Riverside Ins. It was at this place Mrs. Skinner rtated that Dutch alies O. D. Earris alias Clyde Nimerick alias Jamea A. Toodruff, and al eo Homer Wilman alias Big Homer allas the Big Boy frequently hung out. She advised that membera of both the Karpis gang and the Dlllinger mob had patronized the

In connootion ith the renting of varioue apertments by the Barker-Earple gang Krs. Skinner advised that they neually etopped * mpartment: houses wore the manager or owner was considerod friendly to the gangetera and their interesta.
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Besaie Skinner advised that Harry Seffer'a real name is SandioTich and thet he formerly resided in Lincoln, Webraaka; that Saryer hae one brother who is a butcher and another brother in the automobile salea busineas. One brother'a name is Sem wile another brother is named Ray, and the latter's wife's first name is Kargaret, although ahe did not know which of these individuale is in the butcher businesa and which is in the automobile businese. She atated that Sawyor's mother inkewise lives in Lincoln, as well as aister named Bessie. She stated that Saryer's father died in Lincoln seven or eight yeare ago; that Harry Sanyer as well as his wife Gladys are very heavy drinkers; that Mra. Sanyer has a alater whe otudied at a business college six or seven years ago, and included in her: stuliea was shorthand, typerriting and bookkeoping, and that this sister Is supposed to reside onewhere in California. Mre, Skinner atated that Harry Saryer at one time operated an automobile repair place and garage in St.Paul with a young men whe practically forced out of businesa; that worling in this garagone a mechanic whose first name was Eddie; thet after the dissolution of the partnership between Saryer and the young man, Fred

Barker purchesed a garaze in St.Paul and this Lddie was at the tim of this intervier ith Bessie sicinner operating the garage for Frod Berior, Mre. skinner pointed out a gerago located at 93 I. Ansapolis Street, St, Paul, Minnesota as being the garage in question, 8pecial dgenta F. J. Dowd and G. F. Hurley aseertained that thic garage is the businese of the Weatiund Auto Paint company and the Traefald and Antl Auto Repairs. Mrs.skinner was of the opinion that it vae in thie garage that the n umbere of the automobile licence plates wore ohanged, and that the usual mothod was to change maughta on the license plates to the fleare 8. Krs. skinner further adrised that after the robbery of the Fairbury Bank, Fairbury, Hobraak the money mas returned to St . Paul and turned over to Harry Saryer mo disposed of it through gam Terrin, the lattor individual accampliohing the exchange in Chicago, Illinois.

At the time of these varioue interviews with Bessio Sxinner the Bureau was making an offort to locate Harry Saryer. In this connection who atated that Saryer fonire of a place in Iisconsin which is something in the nature of a hospital; that when "heat" is on Saryer he usually gets sick and goes to this hospital or sanitarime, just outside of fadion or faylor Falls, Wiaconsing She stated that she belleved however, it is near Hudson. Beasie skinner atated that thie place has the appearance of a private residence and 1s privatoly omed it is used quito a bit for:. mental cases, and Saryor used it as a place to "0001 off" and likemise ae a place to sober up, and from the lidding which ahe had heard the "boya" give Senfer she belleved that aome of the rindowe of this bullding had :iron bara for the purpose of keeping secure the insane patients who might go there.

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Krs. Skinner adisised that the persons responsible for the kidnaping of $\mathrm{Kr}_{\mathrm{o}} \mathrm{Eanm}$ were Vern Mdler, Frank Nash, Fred Barker, Arthur Barker and Alvin Karpis. Sho stated that Daris was out out of this job because: the enateb was pulled off while he mas out of town that Tomm Gennon mas invited to participate in this kidnaping bat got drunk and was unable to go ahead with it. She stated that the ransom money was aplit twelve raya W. W. Dunn employed in the Bemm brewery getting one ehare, being the flrst person ino received word from the kidnaperse she atated that this information was given to Eddie Green by Tolney Davie who felt badly about boing cut out fram participating in thin kidnaping. She etated that the fact that Volney Davis and Bill Weaver were not in on the kidnaping was confirmed in part by the fact that Davis and Meaver were living on borrowed money before the kidnaping of Bremer.

Review of the file at the Chicago office indicates that the only information Mrs. Ekinner furnimbed concerning Ton Brom of the bt. Paul Police Department ie to the effect that Brown ma planaing to san for Gheriff of Ramsey Counts, and that Bddi Green, John Eanilton, John Dillinger, Fomer Van Meter, Baby Face Nolson and Tomie Carroll each contributed equel parts to make up total of $\$ 1500,00$ wheh mat deliver ed personalis in cash to Tom Filben of - st.Paul, Manesota for the pur-: pose of defraying expenses of Brown' cempeden

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During the initiel interviews with Mra.skinner had by Inopeotor Clegg, ahe furniehed information to the offeet thet on the evening of Baturday March 31,1934 , there called at the hom of Eddie Green' mother in St.Paul, an individual wom ho deseribed at mall. with reddish mair. wo inquired for Fddie Grean she claimed this individual mas unknown to her. She stated he was edvised by Eddie Green ie mother that Iddie mac mot at home, whereupon he requested thet juat as soon as Edde returned he should be informed that he was wanted at the boathouse just as quicki as he could get there. Eddie Green did not arrive home in the meantime, and about one helf hour later ble fellow ho looked like prise fighter, wearing a derk heary bweater with turtle neok, called at Mre. Green's reaidence and inquired for Eddie. He left a Binilar messege to the effeet that Eddie should imeciately proceed to the boathouse. Mrs. Erinner advise ed Mroclegs that she did not know, but would assume that there was a likelihood thet If EAdio mora a friend of or associated ith John Dillingery John Diliinger was at that time in the bosthouse, or eles a contact vas there wo would have put Eddie in touch with Dilingere (The boathouse is believed to be identicel with the one referred to by rom Tilben of the Federal Acceptance Corporation, St.Paul, as bing the firet bothouse to the right of Wabaaha Street bridge, 8t.Paul). Bessio advised during this inte.view with Mr. Clegg that if ahe were endeavoring to locate John Dillinger she would get in touch with a man and woman named coldie and Ida, Ide being coldie's wife, as they both worked for Earry Sawrer in the Iwin Citiea and if Harry Sawyer had anything to do with arranging a hideons for Dillinger he would probably turn to Goldie and Ida to effect such an arrancement. She stated further that Ida's mother ia supposed to either own or manace an apartment building In Minneapolis, and it would be ber guesa

Besaie oxpressed the opinion that following the chooting epioode on Merch 31, 1934 Dillinger would remain in the Twin Cities; that information of value concerning the location of hoodlum in the Trin Cities could usually be obtained by making contact at Vick' $\mathrm{B}_{\text {, which was }}$ a rell monn establishment in the fwin citien. She further auggested that if it mas desired to obtain infomation as to the possible whereabouts of Diliinger dr his hoodlum friende, she would locate a boy named Pat, and $i$ she confirmed the information that Pat roferred to was none other thas. Pat Riley, tho ahe ateted is cotmonly know an Harry Sawfer's man Frider"; that Samyer undoubtediy confidea great deal in Pat who oventrally becomes involved in practically all of Saryer'a transactione Beraie described the folluifing as mambers of John Dillinger'a Twin City mobi John Dillincer, Tonmy Cerroll, an individual named Van, whom she later identified eu komer Van Metor; an individual named Jimile whom ahe later.. ydentified as Baby Face Nelson, and also another individual named B1il wom ahe aubeequentiy identified as William Meavar, although ahe later stated that Weavor was not a member of the Dililinger mob but was a member of the Barker-Karpis gang. She atated that she met Baby Face Nolson about one year prior to this intervier, through Alin Karpien
Mre. Ekinner stated that Bomer Van Metor had called at the apartment occupied by her and Eddie Groan at S300Fremont arenue in kinneapolia on Saturday night March 51, 1934, the day on wich the shooting occurred on Lexinzton Avenue. She atated that Van Meter advised her of the ahooting on Lexington Arenue and atated that Dillinger had hia girl friend Billie with him, and Mre, Skinner identified a photograph of Erelya Frechette as being identical with Billie, She stated that Van Meter told her that Dillinger had been shot in the leg but that the wound was not serlous. She stated that Homer Fan Meter had been living in the marshall Avenue Apartmenta in St.Paul were the negro wan Lucy Jackson had called to obtain whatever could be found in the apartment, in accordance with instructions from Eddie Green. Concerning the machinc gun and amunition found in the apartment occupied by Eddie Green and Bessio skinner at 5300 Fremont Avenue, Mrs, Skinner stated that she positively did not know that any of this ammition was in the apartment; that if it had been found there she would guess that Van Meter had brought this equipment to the






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Director,
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Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

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RE: ALVIIY YAPPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. H1218, Et al.; EDIIAPD GEORGEDBPE ER - VICTIM KIDIVAPIIIG, ETC.
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## Dear Sir:

With further reference to your letter dated September 8, 1935, relative to a cover being maintained on the mail of ElmerkFarmer, register \#47103, 0. S. Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, there are being transmitted herewith to the Bureau and to each of the offices designated below copies of the following correspondence:

Letter from Heler'Conliff to Elmer Farmer, postmarked Chicano, Illinois, November 13, 1935.

Letter from Elmer Farmer to Helen Conliff, dated November 16, 1935, at Leavemorth, Kansas.
Letter from Blanch (Brabant to Elmer Farmer, postmarked Chicago, Illinois, November 15, 1935.

Letter from Elmer Farmer to Blanche Brabant, dated November 19, 1935, at Leavenworth, Kansas.

Letter from Helen Conliff to Elmer Farmer, postmarked Chicago, Illinois, November 18, 1935.

Letter from Blanche Brabant to Elmer Farmer, postmarked Elrhurst, Illinois, Hovember 22, 1935.

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Letter from Elner Farmer to Blanche Brabant, dated November 24, 1935, at Leavenworth, Kansas.

Letter from Elmer Farmer to Helen Conliff, dated November 24, 1935, at Leavenvorth, Kansas.

Letter from Helen Conliff to Elmer Farmer, postmarked Chicafo, Illinois, Novamber 26, 1935.

Letter from Blanche Brabant to Elmer Farmer, postmarked Elmhurst, Iilinois, November 29, 1935.

Letter from Helen Conliff to Elmer Farmer, postmarked Chicajo, Illinois, liovember 30, 1935.

Letter from Elmer Farmer to Helen Conliff, dated December I. 1935, at Leavemworth, Kansas.

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Letter from Helen Conliff to Elmer Farmer, \# 47103 ; postmarked Chicago, Ill., Nov. 13. 1935.

Chicago, Nednesday Afternoon.

## Dearest Elmer:

Received your letter a few mimutes ago and so as I was raiting to hear from you thought I would answer immediately. I am so sorry you are locked up almost all day. Tish I could do something to help you. I know that sounds silly as it is impossible but I mean it. I told you I was going to school at Fields and I did yesterday and lionder, so hope to hear from them within a fow days, at least thats what they told me last nicht. If I do not hear from them I think I will answer some of the "ads" in the paper for housework after all. Why not? I can do it for the winter anyway.

Nick is just about the sone, but I think he is getting weaker. The Doctor is going to stop in tonizht to see him. He is just as he told you in the letter and he cannot cat enything and if he does, he cannot keep it dom so thats the way it is. I feel sorry for hin too. He looks for your letters every week just as I do, then after I reat ther. I tell hir. wirt is in them that I think he would like to hear.

I do not ko:s what to think about those acents coming to see you. After having you in St. Daul and not beinc very successful I should think they would leave you alone. After all they have not been so very nice. Sullivan did not even bother to acknowledge my letter, so why dont you just refuse to answer their questions and perhaps they will stop annoying you you really mast be a very important witness to them or I do not thinis they would bother with you so much. Really, this will surprise you. Albert went dorntown to the i\%. P. A. and apnliod for a job. You kow that is for people who are unable to get a job and are willing to work on government projects, you know like the people did who were on rolief in Bensenville. I suppose he is hoping he does not get anything. I suppose you were surprised to hear I had te 50 to sciocl to moriz at Fields? A lot of Hooey, but quite tiresome. I went to school fron 9 to 1 and from 1010 to 5.30 and learned a lot of things but you had to learn so much in such a short time that I am afraid I will forget part of it if I do not go right to work, so heres hoping I do. I suppose you look just about the same but honestly honey, it really is terrible for you not to get outside oftener. How about Farold? I thousht they could not differentiate between you?

I an goiñ over to Jartha's house after while for supper she always asks for you and tells me to say "hello". Have not heard from anyone in Sensonville so cannot tell you very much about them. Will you live going back to St. Paul if they should send you? Its too cold up there for me.

Well, dearest, I guess this is just about all for this tine, nerrs is rather scarce. I did give you all the ners Sunday rhen I wrote to you so will close and hope you are well and until. I henr from you which I hope will be soon with lots of love.

Helen Conliff
4143 liest End Avemue
Chicago, Illinois.
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Letter to Helen Conliff, written by Elmer Farmer \#47103.

Leavenworth, Kansas, Nov. 1.6, 1935

Dear Helen:
I will write my usual Sunday letter. I received three letters fram you last week. So Nick is not any better I an sorry to hear that and hope when he gets to the hospital he will get better soon. So you should be working by now any way lets hope so. Things are about the same for me down here and from the loaks of things in here I dont think they will give me any work, but will transfor me to some other place maybe Alcatraz Island, thats where most of them are sent to from here. so you were out to Bensenville last week thats nice about all the board asking about me and sending these regards, say hello to them for me when you see them agin, also to Lonard Dules. Jacobsons mast have that place fixed up quite nice now, and I suppose will do good business any way I hope so, as they didnt do very good where thay were at. You also seen Chub and Pete and thay were going along in goos shape. Chub is not doing much business out there now just about getting by and I dont suppose he will until next year. Was there any thing in the old place where I had the tavern, that dont sond so good for smoke. did you see J. P. Lynch. Harold 1a getting along alright and is working most of the time. he must have all his teoth out by now I dont get to see hime I was out in the yard one afternoon last week we were cleaning up around it. that was the first time I was out in some time. Its been trying to snow for the last few days but so far very little has fallem it looks dark out side to day so it may snow any time now. it dont look very bright for Albert getting any work from the Government when thay wont give me any. I am not looking to go back to St. Paul and hope thay dont send me up there. I sure cant help there case any and will do more good for those on trial thay anything. Monte is in bad shape up there, he is locked up all the time and is a very sick man. I cant see what good all this will ever do him. the goverment will have to send him some place to dc his timic, thay cant let himgo as he is wanted for other things in Chicago and will be sent there if he ever gets out of this. I am felling fine and getting along good this sure is some rest for me but I wish it would let up soon and I would go to rori. I will be going to dinner soon now so will mail this letter on my way over you should get this letter about the same time as last week. best regards to all.

Elmer Farmer

# Letter from Blanche Brabant to Elmer Farmer, H4103, postmarked Elmhuret. Il. Nov. 15. 1935. 

November 15, 1935


#### Abstract

Dear Elmer, I received your letter last night, we were in Chicago as Gifford was finishing up at the dentist and your letter was here when we came home. Last woak I wrote your letter and intended to mail it from Chi but went amay and forgot it, so I mailed it from here that same day but the mail mast be very slow going out. Its now 6:30, we just finished dinner. Gifford is home as he hasn't any work now, but maybe things will pick up. It's quite cold here today but we had a week of rather warm raining weather and no sum, suppose you read about the dark days we had here in Chicago.

Am glad you were out working one day and hope you can soon be given something steady. Gifford mill surely telk to Reed the first chance he gets, his brotherm in-lam said he hasn't seen him since he came back from his vacation.

Chub was over the other day, he is well and sends best regards. He says they are going to pave Green Street so that will make it much better, the goverment is giving the money to be used in relief work. I thought it was pered. I suppose the work wont start until spring.

Thats about all the news. We are well and glad to know you are feeling so well too.

We will take a walk now and mail this letter, its pretty windy so dont think we will wall very far.

Will look for your letter ncxt moek - Gifford says "hello" and best regards.

> Lovingly your sister > Blanche Brabant > 275 Geneva Ave > Elmhurst, Illinois.


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Letter written by Elmer Farner 47103 to Blanche Brabant.

Leavemporth, Kansas, Nov. 19, 1935.

Dear Blanche: -
Received your letter last night so will try and get this one out the first thing in the morning. I see in the paper how dark it was in Chicaco one day last week. so Gifford business is slow now I hope he gots some place for him self soon then it will be much better for him. why dont he try and open up some place in Bensenville that would be a good place now and when thay start paving the street there things should be good for some time. so Chub finley got over to see you he must be a busy man that cant get over to soe you oftem. do you over hear Chub say how J. P. Lynch is getting along I often think about him he would be so sick one week and alright the next but I suppose he is going along the same way he always did. I was fun to see him play the horses each day and if he didnt come out alright for the day he would talk about it until he went home that night. I suppose he is saving his money now. I dont think Reed will be around until after the first of the year them Gifford will see him and he can talk to him. Election is about the onley time you can find him out there now. He is in Fashington most of the time but I think he still lives in Du Page county. How is things at Elmhurst. Is Wiley doing any thing other than running a tavern on York street. you told me and befor he closed up the place facing the railroad track there in Elmhurst. You had about the samo kind of weather we had down here. I was onley out to work half day last monday. its raining here now and as long as we have this kind of weather I dont get out to work so wish it would let up soon. I was in hope thay would put me to work steady but so far havent heard anything and it may be that I will be transfered to some other place any way thats what I am told by the other men in here they say you are keep in here until tinay find some other place to sent you to. so if that the case I hope thay find some place soon it would be much bettor for me if I was working overy day. the time would pass much faster. I am gettinc along fine and in the best of health so thats the main thing. thay have some fine apples in the store down here so $I$ bought some last week and eat one each night before $I$ go to bed. thats about all the fruit you can get in here now. thay have orange most of the time but none of late. best regards to you and Gifford.

Elmer Farmer

COPY.
Letter from Helen Conliff to Elmer Farmer, \#47103, postmarked Chicago. Ille. November 18, 1935.

## Sunday afternoon.

## Dearest Elmer:-

I was thinking about you as usual so thought I would write to you. How have you been getting along? Have you been assigned to any worki I certainly hope so. Its another long gloomy Sunday. So dark and rainy.

Have you heard from the priest as yet? You know he was here yesterday to see my uncle, just a friendly call and he is coming back tomorrow to give him the sacraments. Nick is a lot worse than he was a fow days ago. He is in bed all the time now and he does not eat anything at all. You will be very surprised when I tell you his mind wanders a whole lot. He talks about you a great deal and he has a picture I gave him of you which he has on the table along side of the bed.

I never knew there was an odor from anyone who had cancer before, but now there is a very bad one from him and no matter what we do, it stays in the houso. There is not much more to tell you about him.

I lmow it wili make you feel bad and it does me too. I certainly wish you were here with me now.

Have those agents been bothering you any more? I received a letter from $\mathbf{H}$. Sullivan last Friday in which he said he was glad to hear from me but he oould not help me get a pass to see you but referred me to the Warden at Leavemworth and told me to write to him and tell him he had suggested yy writing to him and perhaps he would help me. He also thanked me for writing and told me if there was anything $k \in$ could do tc help $\pi e$ to to write to him again. He recoived the letter on Oct. 7 th and finally got around to replying.

I am still waiting to hear from Fields so hope to soon. lif aunt does not want me to go to work, she mants me to stay home and help her with Nick, but tho I would like to, I need so meny things. I want to go to work soon, so I will be able to get therle Last night llartha and Les drove me out to Bemsenville to George Boldebucks to get some wine he had of my uncle's so I stopped in to see my mother. Everyonc is fine and they all asked for you and said to say "hello". I did not soo Jim at all. Did you read in the paper about four men robbing the "Finite Pines"? The Club is closed but the caretakers are there and these men forced them to cook for them and then they took a lot of golf equipment they had stored there and cigarettes and before they left they started a fire in the dining room and got away.

You know out at-Jacobsons in their dining room they have a dance floor that is very slippery so my mother was hurrying across the floor and slipped and fell and broke a rib. Not very nice to do, was it? Have not done much of anything this week to tell you about. Stayed home quite a bit since yy uncle has been so sick.

My mother was telling me Gifford had some plans to help you which he thought looked very promising. You know honey, how anxious I am to have you back here with me again (I hope) so if you know of anything about it the next time you write tell me what they are. I think you should tell me or if you do not care to write it in your letter suggest to B lanche when you write to her that Gifford write and tell me what his plans are.

In my last letter to you I told you Albert had gone downtown to apply for a job with the W. P. A. Well, anyway that was last Tuesday and he brought the application home to fill out which he could have done right there and that is almost a week ago and so far the application is not fillod out. He is afraid if he fills it out he will get a job I think. Well, dearest. I hope you were not locked up all day tomay. I think about you so often and miss you just as mach now as I did last January. I feel so blue whenever I go to Bensenville for you, so no one hopes that things turn out $O$. K. for you anymore than $I$ do. Have you still got the picture of me? Well, honey. I guess this is just about all for the time so hoping you are well and that you write to me real soon will close with lots of love.

Helen Conliff
4143 West End Ave. Chicago, Ill.

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Letter from Blanche Brabant to Elmer Farmer, \#4703. Postmarked, Elmhurst. IIl., Nov. 22, 1935.

November 21, 1935.


#### Abstract

Dear Elmer. I received your letter this afternoon, its now 6:30 P. K. We heve dinner early about 5:30 so when I finish your letter we will take a walk and mail it.

Its very cold here and we had snow for the first time this year. We had eleven sunless days, but to-day the sun was shining. Am glad you got out a half day to work, but dont suppose you will be out in the winter months, will you.

Wiley just has his tavern on York Street. He was on North Ave for a while, but he's not there now, he sold his place on First St quite a while agoe


J. P. Lynch was very sick some time ago but he recovered and seems to be going along about the same as when you were here, he must have an iron constitution.

I have'nt seen Chub but Gifford sam him Sunday when he went over there. He asked us out for Thanksgivine dinner. I suppose we may as well go. I dont care for the holidays and will be glad when they are over. Yes, I wish Gifford was permanently located, but may be business will pick up, he's not doing anything now.

Te are well and glad to know you are feeling so well too Its nice that you can buy fruit, I hope you have a nice Thanksgiving.

Luch love from both of us.

Letter from Eelen Conliff to Elmer Farmer, 般7103, Postmarked Chicago, Ill., Nov. 23, 1935.

## Dearest Elmer:

Just received your very nice letter so thought I would answer it imediately. I en glad you are feeling well, but I do wish you could get out in the yard a little more often than you do, but perhaps they will let you pretty soon.

7 Honey, they will not transfer you to Alcatraz, you know you thought that over before and I wrote to lici:eekin and he asked Sullivan and he said that they had no intention of doing that and it was very unlikely that they mould ever do that to you, so please dont worry and if you still feel doubtful when you write rext week, tell me if you would like to have me write to Sullivan or Iccieekin, perhaps both of them mili answer more promptly than before. That place you had your tavern in was all dark and as yet no one has rented it.

That old Smoke had a lot of nerve talking the way he did out in Nest Chicago and if I ever see him I intend to tell him so, although I dont suppose I ever will, as they have not found him. Poor old J. P. was arrested by the "G" men also Ur. Sapin for bootlegsing out in B. I dont know much about it but will give you more information in my next letter, as I will try and find out so I can tell you as I know you will be interested. I an not sorry for Lonte and tho' it is not very nice of me to say it, I am glad he is not getting along so very good. I wonder if they vill deduct all the tine off for him that he is atting up there? I hope they do not trike you up to St. Paul again. I certainly would like to see you and talk to you. It certainly has been a long time since we had a chonce to talk. I am still waiting to hear from Fields and you know I became acquainted with a girl while goin to school and she called me up and told me she was still waitine too, so I guess I am not the only one. 1 y mother asked me if I would like to mork Thenksgiving Eve out there at Jacobsons and I think I will for the one night anyway, if I an not working at Fields.

Nick is erorint reaver all the time. I guess I told you all about it in my last letter. I read part of your letter to hir, he is elways slad mhen I co that. Albert is still waiting for a job to come to hin. Well, honey, this is about all for this time I euess, not much news to tell you about. liartha wants me to go to the rillathan at the Arcadia on the northside tonight, so if I go I will tell you all about it in ny next letter to you, so dearest, hope you are still feeling vell and until I hear from you vill close with lots of love.

Felen Conliff<br>4143 Trest End Avenue<br>Chicago, Illinois.

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Letter written by Elmer Farmer, \#4103, to Blanche Brabant.
Leavenworth, Tansas, Not. 24, 1935.
Dear Blanche.
Thought I would write to you tonight as this beine Sunday and not much to do. I didnt recive your letter this week yet but look for it to-morrow night. I am petting aionc alright and feeling fine. was out to work two half days this week thats abcut all the nice weather we had down here this week. I dont suppose Gifford is doing anything yet. Why dont thay give him some steady work and not a day now and then. so thay are going to pare Green St that should make it much better down in that part of town. also help buisness down there. you should be getting noney from Chub every month and see him about it. you can have my part of the place down there and if he dont want to give you any thing them sell the property that maboy is the best thing to do any way. Chub will always tell you about bills as he dont beleave in paying any. I had that to do when I was there so what he is doing with the money now its hard to tell. any way you be sure and get what comang to you. Thanksgiving will soon be here now onley a few duys ofir suppose you aro having turkey for dinner I think we will have the same down here. also a show that day and I hope thay let me out to see it. last yenr svery one went to the show that day and thay look for the same thing this year. It wont be long now befor cold weather sets in but you have all your winter coal in. hor is the ford going along these days. it soon will be to cold to ride very far in it that little car was sure a dandy it held up fine and will run for some time to come yet. Gifford many times made the trip to Bensenville in the snow when I didnt think he ever wrould make it. I see in the paper where the white pines had closed for the season but some one set the place on fire last week. it didnt say if the club burned dorm or not. I suppose it did thourh as there is not much mater around there to put the fire out. I suppose Chub has all his boxes in from the clubs by now except the lohack I always left them there in the winter thay took care of them and keep what ever thay made. thay always tryed to buy the boxes from me but I never would sell them thay cost me about five hundred and if I sold them would loose the club for the next year and that ras the best paying place I had. I well close for now best regards to you and Gifford.


Letter vritter by Elmer Farner, $\frac{H}{\#} 4103$ to Lelen Conliff.
Leavenvorth, Kansas, November 2l. 1935.
Dear Helen.
Received your letter Mensday earning and mas glad to hear from you. I feel so sorry about lijck and hoje there is some thing can be done that will help him to get well. I suppose you and liny have your hands full norr, as it takes lots of worl: when some one is sick in the house. I supnose there is friends of his come to sec hin also I didn't hear from tho Priest yet. so he was to see liick Sunday thats nice of him, liicle was alrrays good to him out there and he dont forget that. those eccrts have not been back to sea me any more and hope thay dont. so you heard frow Sullivan last weel and he told you to write down here I dont think that would do any good so just let that go for now. so you are not working yet, but expect to any day. I en in the same boat dorm here I was out tro half days this last weel so thinus are pickins up. We onley had two nice days last week the rest of the Eire it mas raining yesterday and today were both nice days. I suppose you have about the same lind of woather there as we have down here. I didnt se anything in the paper about the linite pines, but that was sure strange what thay dic. I dont lnow enything about anyone doing anjthing for me in fry case so cant tell you eny thing about it. but I know thay will when the right time comes but that wont be for some tine to come and them I will know about it and let you know richt now I er sur nothing is beain: done, but I suppose he is naling some arransement for it, but just what thay are I dont know and roodnt ask about it now. I dont think the law I was sent here on will hold up in the higher courts I see some thing in the papers about it so if it dont I will be turned out. so I have some hope of that aiso. I suppose you will have Turkey for Thanksiven day with liay I dont know what thay will seve dow here wo get chicken quite often so thay migit seve Turkey that day any way I hope so as I like that the best. thay have a cood cimer every Sunday and all through the week its fair. give Hy regards to lifok end tell him I thinl: about him often and hope he gets vell soon also give Hy regerds to Lay.

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Letter from Helen Conliff to Elmer Famer, ${ }^{H} 47103$. Postmaried Chicago, Ill. Notember 26, 1935.

## Dearest Elmer:

I an sorry I neslected to write you, I had planned on writing to you yesterday, but Georse Boldebuck and his wife and the children were in here to visit Nick, so just could not do it, but anyway hoeny, I have not forgotten you. I am working at Fields now and I certeinly am glad and I know you will be too.

I ment to work last Thursday and am still at it. I am in the stationary and they have promised to try and maice it permanent, thst is, to keep me after Christmas. I like it very much and the girls I am vorking with are just grand to me, so of course, that helps me a great deal. Have you been assigned to any work as yot. Can you inasine this? Georee mas tellina me that the Foderal men were out there and you know how the firemen and the business men always sold him at their picnics. Tell, they are goin- to fire everyone that sold it over the bar as they did not have a license to do so for the past three years and George said, didnt they (the firemen) have been runiding picnics for the last forty-one years and this is the first time thej were ever bothered. He said they rere going to fine everyone who had anything to do trith the beer \$50- per piece for each year. He said that they all thourht Iar Finsly had sorathing to do with it, may be he did. I got my first check Saturday and I was goiri to get you a box of candy, but was not sure if I could or not. Anymay let me kon when you write again. I had a terrible time with ny feet and they are sore tonight from wearing high heels but I unearthed an old pair of low heels I had, so hope I can wear them tomorrow. Well, honey, it will be Thankseiving by the tine you receire this from me and I hope your Thanlsfiving is nice and I certainly hope that you will not be away from me for many Thanksgiving days, I really miss you. Nick is very sick and he seems to be worse tonicht, more so than usual. I an goinc to go out to liary's tonight, though there is nothing I could do here for him. Fave not been out to Bensenville since the lest time I told you about, so no news from there. I wrote Ann a letter and mailed it the same time I mailed your last letter, so should hear from her soon, and when $I$ do will let you know. I guess this is just about all for tonight, so dearest I guess I will close and I will try and write to you ajain in a few days. Meanvile here is hoping you are viell and that you are working so until I hear from you, which I hope is tomorrow, with lots of love.

Helen Conliff
4113 West End Avo
Chicago, Ill.


Letier to Elmer Farmer, $\# 47103$, received from Blanahe Brabant. Postmariced, Elmhurst, Illinois, November 29, 1935.

Thursday, Nov. 28, 1935
Dear Elmer: -
I received your letter written Sunday yesterday afternoon. You have my other letter by now as I mailed it last Thursday. I was glad to hear from you. Today is Thentsgivins. but we didn't go out, I havem't seen Chub for several weeks, he didn't come over at all, it's just as well as we would not have gone out any way, he sent over a live turkey a fer days ago, but Gifford took it back as he did not want to kill it, and its too hard to pick and clean, it only weighed eight pounds with the feathers on, so a turkey that small isn't very good. I suppose he won it and ranted to get rid of it.

We are havin; pretty cold weather here and its snowing today. Te had dinner about two o'clock, we thought about you and missed you very much. I hope you had a nice dinner and they let jou 00 to the show. We didn't have turkey as that's too much for just ourselves, but we had a nice dinner. Gifford isn't feeling very woll, he hurt his arm and he hasn't been able to sleep the last few nights, he was wording around here putting up the storm sash and I think he strained a mascle in his armo I thint: he will be alright in a fer days. I'll see Chub soon if he dont came over. I'll send for him and tell him what you said. He sold the machines at the Wohank and :ihite Pines for $\$ 300$.- they told him they are going to have their own. Thats what he paid the tares with.

Gifford has bean over there a couple of times but he is never in. I'm going to tell him he will have to give me your share right along. I didn't know the Fhite Pines burned down again, thats the second time its burned.

Well Elmer we will go out and mail your letter now and you'll receive it Monday. I am onclosine your ten dollars. I would like to come and visit you and when Gifford again, may be $I$ can do so. I am well and glad you are feeline so well too. Gifford sends best regards. Good-bye for this time.

Lovingly your sister
Blanche Brabant
275 Geneva Ave.,
Elmhurst, Illinois.

Letter to Elmer Farmer; \# 4103 , from Helen Conliff. Postmarked, Chicago. I11, Nov. 30, 1935.

Friday Evening
Dearest Elmer:
Received your very nice letter that I was looking for and as usual wes very glad to hear from you. Sorry, honey. I did not write to you yesterday but I went to Bensenville and had dinner with my mother and Irene and honestly I waso tired did not write last night.

I felt lonesome for you yesterday out there, gosh, I did not know I would feel so blue after all it is a long tine since you went away. I am still working and though it is very hard I like it very much. I have had a lot of trouble with my feet but now I am feelinf better. I have my own bank, that is I carry my orm cash and have my own cash register dramer, quite on honor after being there just a few days and after Dec 4 th $I$ an supposed to go in regular and order Hy own stock. I am a little thrilled about it all and am in hopes of being kept on after Christmas. I hope you had a nice Thantsfivin: dinner and enjoyed it a lot. I suppose you are wondering how Nick-is getting along. Nell, honey, he is just about the same. He is quite bad tonifht and he looks terrible. He asked me to enclose his pioture for you in this letter 50 I am. He had one that he wanted to send you, how the man was trying to push him up on the horse, but he could not find it, so he sent the one that was taken after he got on the horse. It was taken when he was up north a long time ago. He looks a whole lot different now, then he did when the picture was taken. I hope you are right about that law not holding in the higher courts.

If I hold my job I will be able to get enough money together and come to see you soon.
I an sure I will be able to get a pass later on if I write to the \%arden there. I get the bus at Mabash $\dot{c}$ Washincton every night and there is a lirs Snyder's candy shop on the cormer, which rerinds me of you and the way you liked that candy, so when you write and tell me I can, I will send you some. I go to work at 8:30 and get through at 5:30, but by the time I bank my money it is 6:Pi, so I do not get home here until 6:45 PLi and plenty tired.

Its quite busy on account of Christmas coming soon. Well, ol dear, I gave my uncle a haircut and shave yesterday, such as it was after I got through. I dread doing it, he is so terribly thin and it is very hard to shave him, his face and neck are so sunien. Scottie is laying right at my feet while I an writing this to you, he is still here with me. I guess, honey, this is about all and I will write to you Sunday so hoping you are well and getting along $0_{0} K$. and that you are able to get out a little oftener so until I write Sunday will close with lots of love.

Helen Conliff.
I gave Mick a a autull sibapolut of you he wanted and thats why he sent this one to you.
$4 / 3$ Test End Ave.
Chicago, Ill.


Letter written by Elner Farmer, 47103 , to Helen Conliff.
Leavenrorth, Kansas, Dec. 1, 1935.
Dear Helen
Received your two letters last week one Tuesday and the other one on Thursday it was nice to learn you are working and hope thay keep you on staedy. things should go along much smoother for you from now on. I am not working yet so still taking life easy. I received a letter from the Classification Comittee in here last week saying that my case was up before them Nov. 20, 1935 and thay decided not to male any chance in my case at the present time. so this is about the third time my case has been before them, so I think if thay were goine to place me to work thay wrould have done $s 0$ one of the times my case was before them. now the onley thing thay can do is send me to some other place, it may not be Alcatraz anymay I hope not as thay have many other place. Licieekin or Sullivan cant do me any good so dont write to them about it I know thay wont keep me locked up like this much lonser thay soon will do some thing with me. I hope I dont have to go bačk up to St. Paul and the way it looks now I dont think I will, but if thay get the others in the case that thay are looking for them thay will take me and Harold up there thon. I dont think thay will do much with lionte but will keep $h i m$ some place until thay get every one thats in the case and send them to prison then thay vill let him go. thats about all thay can do with him. so J. P. Lynch and Rapin are not doing so good these days its sure to bad for them as thay didnt bother any one out there and the little thay did make just about keep them living. the firemen and biusness men also are getting a pretty raw deal from them, I dont suppose thay can do anything about it, so will have to pay it. I vas sorry to hear lick is not feeling eny better and hope he is soon. its nice of George end his famley to come and see lick also the others that have come from Bensanville to see him. Jow is scotty getting along now is he in good standing. you cant send me ary candy dom here now but $I$ under stand some time during the middle of this month you can send a two pund box of candy to me after Dec 15 and not later then Dec 31. I am still feeling fine and going along in good shape. say Hello to Ley and Mick for me, thats about all for nowe

Elmer Farmer









Joseph \#yan, who, in the spring of 1935, was woriding for Robert, (Bob) Irans, bas $:$ of racketa in Partlend, in the latter a effort to secure ramoval petitions against Hayor Eaker;-that early in Kay, 1935, he accompanied this Josefo Byan to a cambling joint; locatod an wabingtion Xromes between 6th and 6th Streeta on the secand floor of a buille Ing on the morth al de of the etrent, about two doors eant of Rich's cigar etand; thet at this joint; there wan a man gembling, wo 取an etated vas MVIN KCRPIS; that ihureaftor. ke, Sheriff, read through newapapers for descriptions and ivit photographe of Earpis and ras conviscod that the min poisted out to hlil was actually KhPPIS but he merer diseussed thie natter with anyone because he did mot want to take chamee on getting himself in bad Fith persons in Portiand, who could casist hjm, because he wiahed to live there; that at the tim he ofserved the man indicated as Kappis, this man more mo Histache and his hair wae brow, rather then a light brom ar bloade.

Wheriff then continued that on Novenber 16, 1030 he vent by himsolf to "Mae's Dine \& Dance joint, which is an the recond floor of a building on the eat aide of 26 h Street, Cusha, Febraska, just ecrose the etroet from the Oninn Bua Depits entrance to the mame boine by eflight of staira from the etreet, this place being knom to hacknea and ahop keepers in its neighborhood; that there he tall the same man who vas pointed out to him in Portland, oregan es AIVAN KARPIS, although this man now had a light colced mustache and also blonde hair, apparently bleached, this being between 10:30 and 11:15 P.M, on the date mentioned; that fith this man was another, who be belleved to be Thanas (Tony) Iobinson,Subject in the Stollnap Caise, hi recognition belag based on publiahed photographe of Robinson, which te had © served.
"On the following day, sunday, Yovember 17, 195:3 sheriff stated that ebout $4: 30 \mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{ok}}^{0}$, he was turning in his Key at the deak of the Plaze Hotel, were he had regintared early that same date, when he observed the came man ceen at Mae's place the ovening before, thi time alone, come to the deak and ask for his key, although sheriff did not hear the . number of the room asked far that he did not see this man cr the one belleved to be Robinson anymore, and did not talk -ith anjonc about his observations, until after his instans arrest, when he taiked with Chief of Detectives Stanley.



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December 6, 1935

MEUORANDOS FOR MR. TAM
Re: CashtucDonald.


Er. Filter Barlow called and stated, upon being told you were busy on another wire, that he had gone to ldiami and fou; ht the motion of McDonald to secure the return of his el o,000, and that he, Barlow, had been successful, McDonald's motion having been denied. I thanked him and advised that you mould be given his message.

Respectfully,



POST OFFICE BOX 812 CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation
D.S.Department of Justice,

Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th st. H. W.,
Washington, D.C.
In Ye: BREMCD
Dear sir:
Reference is made to Bureau letter dated November 4. 1935, requesting that the Bureau be advised of the results of Brunodastin's motion for a new trial.

Please be advised that Mr. A. Hiemy of the States Attorney's office, Chicago, Illinois advised Special Agent John L. Madale that the said motion for nev trial had been denied Bruno Austin on October 25, 1935, ail that he 1: now serving a life sentence in the Illinois State Penitentiary at Joliet, Illinois, having been transferred to that institution rum the Cook County Jail on November 3. 1935.

## Very truly yours,



Special Agent in Charge.

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P. O. Box 1278

Oklahoma CIty, Oklahoma
December 9, 1935

AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, M. W.
Washington, D. C.
Be: BREKKID
Dear Sir:
Special Agent Paul Hansen, in connection with his activeities in this case, found, at the Sheriff's Office, at Tulsa, Oklanoma, a negative, made there of subject Harry Campbell in 1982, and from it had some) photographs made of this individual, mich are ald to be a good likeness of him. Agent Hansen asked for the negative but the Sheriff's Office is reluctant to part with it, even for a short time.

It has occurred to me that perhaps the Bureau may be able to reproduce some larger and better pictures of Campbell from the photograph wish is enclosed.

The offices indicated are being furnished copies of this photograph.








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Leonard Carioll by Louis Cernocky without permission or knowledge on her part.

Past investigation has revealed that 1933 Buick coupe, motor number 2845179 was registered in the name of Helen Ferguson and sine has been the only registered owner of this car.

In view of the above the Bureau's advice is requested as to the desirability of returning this Buick car to Eelen Fereuson and tinis procedure is recomended by me. Inasmuch as this car res tursed over to the Eureau by court order it appears that it rill be necessary for a court order to be ertered before the car can te returned to Lirs. Ferguson, and because of the fact that Helen Ferguson has co-operated with the Buroau it is believed that it mould be desirable to request the United States Ettorney at Chicago to file the necessary petition on behalf of 1trs. Ferguson.

It is believed thet this antter should be expedited in order that Eelel Ferguson mith leeve Toledo, Ohio at the earliest possible date.

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## Director,

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Jos. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at eth St. M. W., Washington, D.C.
Dear sir:

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POST OFFICE BOL 812
CHICAGO, IHLTBOIS

Reference in made to letter written by Special Agent in Charge R. Whitley, New York City, under date of November 27, 1935 to you, in which information was transited covering an interview with one R. V. Waters, President of the Electrical Equipment Company, Havana, Cuba, tho the effect that certain individuals in Havana were thought to be 1 identical with subjects $4 \bar{i}$ in Karpis and Harry 0 Campbell.

This is to advise that Special agent S. K. McKee is leaving Chicago, Illinois on the night of December 10, 1935 for Havana, Cuba, where he will conduct investigation relative to the date furnished by Kr. Waters. While in Eavena Agent McKee Till also endeavor to ascertain the purpose of the recent visit in Havana of 4 ra. CassiuripcDonald. He will also contact the various witnesses in Havana mom it is anticplated will be used in the approaching trial in this case in St. Paul, Minnesota on January 6, 1936.

Agent Mckee $\begin{gathered}\text { ill } \\ \text { in } \\ \text { all probability proceed to Havana from Mimi, }\end{gathered}$ Florida via Pan-American ilirway, on the morning of December 13, 1935.
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December 9, 1935


Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice

Pennsylvania Ave. at 9th St., N. W.
washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with instructions contained in a teletype message from the Bureau office in Trenton, New Jersey, to this office dated December 9, 1935, we are forvardife herewith two copies of the larch 1935 issue of the 3 ster Detective ma azine and two copies of the September 1935 issue of tarting Detective Adventures.

R. VITTLES

Special Agent in Charge

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## UNITED STATES BUREAU OF́: INVESTIGATION





With the permisation of Tllien thames, clerk in charge of the correspondence records of prisoners at the State Penitentiary, Agent ascertained that Subject $\overline{\text { Willam }} \mathrm{F}$. Lead 1 th aliases corresponded with the folloving persons while in the State Penitentiary from June 3, 1923, to Septenber 14, 1925:
Wife, Mrs. Fate (T. E.) MEad, Little Ea-hardt Hotel, 1940 Eroadway. Denver, Colorado; Hotel Albany, 369 North 23rd Strest, Portiand, Oregon; 228 East 2nd Sireet, Los Angeles, Calfornia; Hotel Van, 1544 Welton Street, Denver, Colorado; 111 East Ontario Street, Chieeg9, Illinois; in cere of Judge Berriman, Chicago, Illinoief (oontinuouaand murievais communicationa)

Father, A. F. Head or A. T. Liead or A. S. Mead or A. L. Mead or A. G. Lead (correspondence records illegible). 123 North Sen Pedro 〈or Perals, illegible) Street, Los Angeles, Californie; 228 East que Street, Los Angeles, California; (several comunications):
Mr. Louis W. Nathan, 600 South Wabash avenue, Chicago, IIIInois,
Henry C. Saith, Suite 705, Ridge Arcade, Kanses city, wisaourl:"
15. Algie Young, 1503 East Evans Avenue, Pueblo, Colorado.

Mrs. Katie Nyburger, 171 South Hosier Streat, Los Angeles, California, (continuous and nunerous communications).
G. B. Jenkinson. Thermopolis, Hyoming.
G. Eines, Great Northern Hotel, Joplin, Missouri.

Seare, Roebuck \& Company, Chicago, Illinoit, fover 200 incoming communicetions, and 34 outeoing letters).

Willian F. Green, gatekeeper and former Deputy Tarden, steted that Subject Eilliam E. liead's alleged rife, Kete kiead, was known as " partinent made an inquiry concerning her at one time soon after she


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Ws. Katie Nyburger, 171 South Bosier Street, the present mereabonta of Subject William E. Mead.

THE RANSAS CITY OFFICE: At Kansas City, Missourl, will asce tain fran Henry C. Srith, Sulte 705, R1dje Arcade, the present whereabo uts of Subject $\overline{\text { William }} \mathrm{E}$. Mead; at Joplin, Miasouri, will ascertain frbib: Hines, Great Northern EOtel, simiar information.

THE DENVER OFFICE: At Puebio, Colorado, will ascertein from kero algie Young, 1503 East Evens \&venue, the present mereabouts of Subject Filliam E. Mead.

At Thermopolis, Wyominz, will interview G. B. Jenkinson for ainilar informetion.

At Casper, Fyoming, as indicated in the report of Special asent L. b. $_{\text {. }}$ Healey dated November 15, 1935, will keep in touch with Captain William Eiller and Sheriff R. Jack Allen as to developments or further informetion in instant case. Unless an examination of the file reveals thèt Kr. Hi. Welsh, 1238 South Chestnut Street, Casper, Hyoming, has alrecd; been interviewed in insiant case, will interview him concerning Subject Ceupbell

At Puebio, Coioradu, an oet out in the report of special agent Paul Hansen, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, November 25, 1935, will conduct appropriate investigation $\begin{aligned} \text { ith respect to Pat Abel's incarceration at that }\end{aligned}$ place and the idertity and activities of his brother Jim or Herb Abel, 419 Weat 7 th Street.
at Denver, Coloredo, will ascertein at the Little Earhardt Hotel, 1940 Eroadray, the Hotel Van, 1544 Yelton Street, whether the present whereabouts of Sibject Williem E. Lead or his alleged wife, Kate Mead, is known, and at the Folice Department will ascertein whether Kate wad alias "Klondike Kate" allas "California Kate" was ever photographed or Iineerprinted; at the United States Marshal's office will determine what disposition was mede of Mead. If he made bond, will interview bondsman and obtain all other data which may aid in locating him.



Case: BRETID
Number: 7-576-8327

Specimens:

B. On invoice dated 8-27-35, of Ted's Food Haricot.
C. One Envelope addressed to R. D. Hosiding. State Fur Ate PEFA for Mirth Pelota, Bismarck, F.D. Ho postorerico

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recalled that she asde a statement to her friends that Fitrgerald is dead. Every affort $w i l 1$ be made to verify or discredit this statement. Fitzgerald, as you will recall, is a contact for Karpis and Camplell.
recently proceeded to Chicago where ohe visited with Enily inanbold, the sister of Karpis, and with Karpis' parents. She was umable to obtain any information of value and observed that when members of the family mentioned Larpis they spoke in the Lithuanian language.
does not umderstand that language. She noted also that on numerous occasions they mentioned St. Paul, Minnesota, and Winnipeg. She is of the opinion that the parents have at one time or another been in contact ith Karpis since they indicated to her that after Karpis' escape at Atlantic City, Mem Jersey on January 20, 1935, it was necessary for them to get some money to him. They indicated however that they have not been in touch ith hin for five or six monthe.

The Oklahoma City office has now arranged for the renting of a bouse next door to the home of the parents of Harry Campbell and several Agents are now settiod in that howe, maintaining the proper surveiliance. It is intended that this surveillance will contimue through the Christmas and Men Iear holidays in the beliaf that Campbell, who is very fond of his parents, may communicate with them in some way.







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pout office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida.
AIR MAI SPECIAL DELIVERY:
December 5, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
J. S. Department of Justice,

Pennsylvania avenue at eth St., M. W., Washington, D. C.

HE: BRIEXID.

Enclosed are copies of a letter dated December 2. 1935, from George F. Sullivan, United States Attorney, St. Paul, Minn., with which were transmitted the following 17 subpoenas, requesting that they be served on the persons to whom directed requiring their presence in Federal Court at St. Paul, Min., on January 9th, 1936, at 10:00 o'clock, A. K. :


90 DIRECTOR, 12-5-35.

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15. urthuf Sandercock, e/o nl Connodoroe Hotel, Mieml, Fle.
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17. Jameqfinoly, Auditor, McAllistor Hotol, Miami, Fioride.

Subpoenas for special Agents J. H. Hanson and R. D. Brown are enclosed.

It will be appreciated if the Burean will advise immodiately whether these aubpoenes should be served by Agents of this office, or whether they ahould be handed to the onited Statea Marshal here for eertice by his Deputies.

Very truly yours,
R. A. ATr,

Special Agent in Charge.
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ce - I. J. Connelley, Chicago. St. Papl,
Cincinnati.
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B. D_ Brown . Spacial Agent, Burealu of Inrestigation Department of Justioe, Jaokgonville, Florida:
YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED that laying aside all and singular your business and excuses,

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Hereof fail not, under panalty of whatever may befall you thereon.



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THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TOTHE UHYTER

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WITNESS, the Honorable ............ MATTHIT M, JOYOE
.... Judge
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MaPOARET L, MULLAMIE
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By.........................................






