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PHONE. BREKID. REFER AIRMAIL LETTER SAC BRANTLEY APRIL 17TH FROM DALLAS.

AS DISCUSSED WITH BRANTLEY WE WILL HAVE AGENT BUCHANAN GET AN OLD CAR

AND OUTFIT AND GO INTO THE SECTION IN VICINITY OF GRAYSON BOYS HOME TO AWAIT RETURN OF KARPIS AND GRACE GOLDSTEIN. THE LATTER IS STILL ABSENT PROBABLY WITH KARPIS AND

I EXPECT THEM TO CONTACT HER BROTHER. SAC BRANTLEY WILL ALSO CHECK PERSONALLY

PLACE OF THE MOTHER OF GRACE IN ARKANSAS. THE INFORMATION AS TO IDENTITY OF GRACE GOLDSTEIN WAS OBTAINED FROM DIVORCE RECORDS AT HOT SPRINGS THAT IS CORRECT NAME AND

HER HOME, PARIS, TEXAS. POST OFFICE INSPECTORS KNOW THIS ALSO AND SAC BRANTLEY IS TO ADVISE THEM FORCEFULLY AND DIPLOMATICALLY THAT WE HAVE HER FAMILY LOCATED AND ARE

COVERING THEM AND ANY ACTIVITY BY THEM IN VICINITY OF PARIS WILL UNDOUBTEDLY INTERFERE WITH OUR EFFORTS. SAC BRANTLEY IS COVERING THIS CLOSELY AND SHOULD CONTINUE ON SAME

WE HAVE CLAYTON HALL AT LITTLE ROCK AND WHEN GRACE GOLDSTEIN RETURNS HE WILL IMMEDIATELY CONTACT HER. AT TOLEDO EDITH BARRY ADVISED ME, AND SHE IS COOPERATING I BELIEVE, THAT

CAMPBELL HAS MARRIED ONE GLADYS - THAT THEY PROBABLY ARE LIVING ON MONROE STREET IN VICINITY OF BALL PARK - THAT CAMPBELL RECENTLY BOUGHT FROM SHERIFF AT TOLEDO A COCKER

TERRIER - THAT THE MC GRAW'S 2011 ADAMS HAVE BEEN VISITED BY CAMPBELL AND WIFE - THAT PLACE MIGHT BE A MEETING PLACE OF MOB TO PLAN A JOB. WE ARE MAKING DISCREET CHECK

MONROE STREET AND VICINITY ALSO ENDEAVORING TO GET A PLACE TO OBSERVE 2011 ADAMS AND TELEPHONE WE WILL NEED TWO OR MORE ADDITIONAL AGENTS WHEN PLANT PLACE LOCATED. NUMBER

POST OFFICE INSPECTORS ARE IN TOLEDO BUT APPARENTLY SPEND MOST OF TIME AT THEIR HOME. THEY CLAIM TO BE MAKING AN INSPECTION POST OFFICE TOLEDO.

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P. O. Box 836
Los Angeles, California
April 15, 1936

Special Agent in Charge
Kansas City, Missouri

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the letter from your office to the Jacksonville Office dated March 30, 1936, and to the letter from the latter office to your office dated March 31, 1936, referring to Mr. and Mrs. J. B. (or J. E.) CROZIER, correspondent of Mrs. J. E. Huntman of Los Angeles who is a contact for LUCY HOWARD, alias LUCY FLEIX, the latter being a known contact of William Elmer Rende.

A letter has been received from the Postmaster at Los Angeles, California, advising that a letter was received by Mrs. Huntman postmarked at Kansas City, Missouri, April 9, 1936, at 12:30 P.M., showing the return, printed address of "National Greyhound Breeders and Racing Association", J. B. Crozier, Special Representative, 8911 So. Hobart Blvd., Los Angeles, California.

Investigation regarding this address will be conducted locally but this information is submitted for your guidance and for the guidance of the Jacksonville Office.

A tracing has also been forwarded to this office on a letter addressed to J. B. Huntman, postmarked at Kansas City, Missouri, April 6, 1936, and showing the return address as "321 No. Hardesty, Kansas City, Mo.".

Very truly yours,

J. E. HANCOCK
Special Agent in Charge

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Kansas City, Missouri,
April 17, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID.

Reference is made to the letter from the Chicago Office dated April 3, 1936, in the above captioned case calling attention to outstanding leads in the Kansas City Office territory.

With reference to the second paragraph on page one thereof, it is noted that the report of Special Agent M. S. Spear, Kansas City, dated 1-18-36, sets out a lead to make appropriate investigation upon receipt of any information relative to the location of 1931 Ford Chevrolet. To date, no information whatsoever has been received concerning this automobile, or its occupants, except to mention that additional inquiries have revealed that it was rather definitely established that none of the occupants were Subjects in this case.

With reference to paragraph three, page one, relative to conducting investigation in the Rosedale section of Kansas City, Kansas, in effort to locate William Elmer Mead, attention is invited to the report of Special Agent E. K. Hopton, Kansas City, dated February 4, 1936, pages four, five and six, which reflect that the Rosedale section is not much of a residential district, having only one apartment house therein, and further that all mail carriers in Rosedale and vicinity have been interviewed without results and further that appropriate inquiries have been made of informants or confidence men in that vicinity. It appears quite doubtful whether Mead would reside in the Rosedale section, and it is felt that any information relative to his probable presence in that vicinity will be brought to the attention of the Kansas City Office.

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With reference to paragraph four, page one, relative to interview
ing Ed Bible, Kansas State Penitentiary, attention is called to the letter
the Kansas City Office to the St. Paul Office dated February 3, 1936, and the
report of Special Agent John E. Brennan, St. Paul, dated 2-10-36, which recites
the location and interview of Bessie Green.

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With regard to the lead to interview Charlie Harris concerning one George Kunn, attention is called to Bureau letter to all Field Offices dated 2-11-36, requesting that investigation at Coffeyville, Kansas, in the Brekid case be conducted by the Oklahoma City Office. In this connection, attention is also called to letter from the Kansas City Office to the Oklahoma City Office dated 2-17-36.

With regard to paragraph three, page two, relative to Alice May Smith, attention is invited to the report of Special Agent W. E. Hopton dated 3-2-36, page twenty. It may be added that tracings on the mail of Charles Cheatham, Larned, Kansas, have indicated that Alice Smith and her mother, May Smith, travel extensively in the State of Kansas, staying in a town for only a short period of time, and apparently Alice Smith is merely an acquaintance of Cheatham. With regard to paragraph four, page two, relative to Tom Hodgen, attention is called to the report of Special Agent W. E. Hopton, Kansas City, dated 3-13-36, pages eight, nine and ten, and the report of Special Agent W. E. Hopton, Kansas City dated 3-17-36, pages two, three and four.

With reference to paragraph three, on page three, relative to interviewing James Lawson, attention is invited to the report of Special Agent W. E. Hopton, dated 4-3-36, page eleven. Those leads mentioned in reference letter, which have not been covered to date, are presently being investigated.

Very truly yours,

W. A. SMITH
Special Agent in Charge.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

FILE NO. 7-25

REPORT MADE AT DETROIT, MICHIGAN	DATE WHEN MADE 4/16/36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 4/4,10,11/36	REPORT MADE BY W. H. HOFFMAN
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. 1218; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. 1235; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. 1232 - ET AL;			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim. SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Elaborate summer and gambling resorts near Petoskey, Michigan, during past seasons have been visited by numerous well-known gamblers from Michigan and Ohio. Ramona Park Casino formerly owned by Jimmie Hayes; now reputedly owned by Abe Ackerman and Jimmie Hayes' widow. Joe Roscoe purported to have been in Petoskey 1935 season although not known to have financial interest in gambling set up there. No indication Karpis or Campbell have ever appeared at these resorts although it is not without possibility. General history of past seasons visitors obtained. Resort season begins June 15 and continues into August. Jake Koffman, Tower, Michigan, contacted but denies he stayed at 1724 Johnson Street, Hollywood, Florida, past season and fails to identify photograph of William Elmer Mead.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-P-</p>			
REFERENCES: <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Report of Special Agent W. J. Wynn dated 3/24/36 at Cleveland, Ohio.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Report of Special Agent B. F. Fitzsimons dated 3/19/36 at Jacksonville, Florida.</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>H. H. Rineck</i>		SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	
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DETAILS:

Agent contacted R. D. Tripp, Postmaster, Petoskey, Michigan, who it was ascertained is very familiar with the resorts within Petoskey, Michigan and surrounding territory, having resided there over fifty years and having acted as City Engineer, City Manager, Deputy Sheriff and General Superintendent of the Petoskey - Portland Cement Company there over a long period of time. Mr. Tripp stated that the hotel and gambling establishment referred to in reference report of Special Agent Wynn is without doubt the Ramona Park Casino, located seven miles northwest of Petoskey, Michigan, inasmuch as it is well known in that section that Jimmie Hayes of Toledo, now deceased, formerly operated that place. Mr. Tripp advised the records do not show that Joe Roscoe alias Roscolli had ever received mail at Petoskey and that he has never heard of him. He stated, however, that there are hundreds of gamblers and racket men who appear at Petoskey and Harbor Point, the latter place being located approximately one mile from Harbor Springs and six miles from Petoskey, to practice their trade among the people who appear at the resorts in that vicinity and it is not without possibility that Joe Roscoe has been there during past seasons.

Mr. Tripp stated that there are numerous hotels and country clubs in the vicinity of Petoskey and that he is well acquainted with their location and general set-up but that the person best posted upon the local activities in Petoskey is one Herman Kays, who resides there and he stated he believed Agent could obtain more information from Kays than any other one man in the city. He stated, however, by way of eliminating some of the local resort clubs of good standing there from any suspicion in this case, that the Petoskey Bay View County Club is a stock company consisting of a club house and golf greens owned by a Methodist church group there and undoubtedly did not cater to gambling rackets; that the Walloon Lake County Club is a stock company consisting of a country club house and golf links operated by Chalmers Curtis, President of the First National Bank and other substantial people of the community and also does not permit the hoodlum or racketeering class of persons upon the premises. Mr. Tripp also advised in explaining the local situation that Sheriff Bryant of Petoskey has the reputation of protecting the criminal element, particularly powerful gamblers of Petoskey and no doubt is receiving some remuneration in that connection; that the Chief of Police, Patrick Sullivan, has only a small police force and does very little about the criminal situation in Petoskey although he does not believe that Chief Sullivan is accepting compensation for protecting various gambling resorts and the like there. He stated, however, that Chief Sullivan has

the reputation of not being able to maintain any degree of secrecy in criminal investigation and would probably not be of much assistance. Mr. Tripp further informed that John Calister, a citizen of Petoskey and prominent in State politics, has the reputation of being the "fix" on the Sheriff's office and is even rumored as having protected the Ramona Park Casino and other gambling establishments from interference by the Michigan State Police.

Herman Kays, owner and operator of the Kays Patrol and Detective Agency, who was formerly a Sargeant of the Michigan State Police, was contacted and he advised that for the past several years he has operated his patrol service in Petoskey, Harbor Point, and Harbor Springs and surrounding resort centers and has personally become acquainted with the criminal situation at these places. He advised his business consists of patrolling for a large number of the persons who own lodges and cottages in that vicinity and that he has had occasion to be at the Ramona Park Casino, which is a very elaborate gambling house, many times; that in fact during the 1934 season he had the contract for protecting and patrolling the casino and its grounds and provided guard service in transporting money to and from the gambling tables. He advised that without doubt the Ramona Park Casino is the center of activity in that section and has the reputation of being operated by the powerful group of the gambling fraternity and criminal element from the States of Michigan and Ohio and other adjoining states, although the place caters almost exclusively to the very wealthy and many well-known millionaires of the United States who maintain lodges in the vicinity. The casino does not operate as a hotel, but is equipped with apartments on the second floor for friends.

Concerning the history of the Ramona Park Casino, Mr. Kays stated that it was built new in 1927 by Bert Moss, former owner of the Addison Hotel, Detroit, Michigan, Harry Kaufman, and Abe Ackerman of Detroit; that in 1928 Harry Kaufman sold his interest to Bert Moss and in 1929 Mert Worthheim, a Detroit gambler, and Ruby Mathews, a Detroit Jew, bought an interest in the place, it having been rumored that "Forty Grand" Ike Levy backed the deal financially; that in 1930 a Detroit gambler named Murphy and Abe Ackerman operated this casino. Mr. Kays also informed that about 1930 Bert Moss and Ruby Mathews and Mert Worthheim sold their interest to Jimmie Hayes who operated the place from that time until he was murdered in Detroit, Michigan; that after Hayes' death, Mrs. Hayes, Jimmie's widow, came to Petoskey during the resort season and with the help of her manager, Joe Morrissey continued to operate the casino. Mr. Kays stated that in his patrol work he frequented the Ramona Park Casino every night and has seen Bob Rosenbloom, who now operates a business called the "Supplies for Hotels and Restaurants" in Florida; Fred Burke, now serving time at the Michigan State Prison, Marquette, Michigan, Danny Sullivan, and other well-known gamblers appearing

there and that there is no doubt in his mind that almost every wealthy gambler in Michigan and Ohio has been there at one time or another. Mr. Kays recalled that he saw Joe Roscoe at the Ramona Park Casino during the 1935 resort season and stated that Roscoe was at that time posing among the people there as a brother of Mrs. Jimmy Hayes and the two seemed to be very friendly towards each other. Mr. Kays, however, stated that he did not know Joe Roscoe personally and knew nothing about him except that Roscoe was just another gambler visiting the place. He stated that at this time of the year the Ramona Park Casino and other resorts in Petoskey are entirely deserted and that he knows of no one there who is acquainted with Joe Roscoe.

Mr. Kays further informed that after Jimmie Hayes began operating the Ramona Park Casino that Hayes requested several times to borrow guns from his office but that he refused and later ceased his patrolling service for Hayes because he believed the situation was growing too hot and that he believed the situation would probably culminate in serious trouble if he continued to do business with that mob. He stated, however, that during his association at the casino he learned that the casino is equipped with underground passages and elaborate buzzer systems throughout and at all times during the gambling periods is heavily guarded with machine guns by paid employees of Jimmie Hayes gang. He stated that gambling reaches a very high level there, it not being unusual for one of the millionaires to win or lose \$50,000 to \$100,000 per night. He stated that at one time during 1934 while he was making his regular patrol run, he stopped two men near the garage of the \$20,000 beach cottage belonging to Mrs. Jimmie Hayes near the casino and found that they were armed with two Thompson machine guns and when questioned stated they were body guards for Mrs. Jimmie Hayes.

Mr. Kays advised that he is familiar with the photographs and descriptions of both Karpis and Campbell but he had not in his patrolling service seen anyone in that section resembling these fugitives. Several identification orders on Karpis and Campbell were left with Mr. Kays for future reference. Mr. Kays further informed that he is also acquainted with Nate Weisburg of Cleveland, Ohio and that Weisburg and Abe Ackerman have the slot machine racket in Petoskey with a man named Art Soyie; that he has also seen Abe Bernstein of Detroit, a well-known gambler, in Petoskey several times during the resort season. Mr. Kays recalled that Fred "Killer" Burke and Crane Necknugent, deceased, kidnapped Mert Worthheim and Ruby Mathews at Topinabee, Michigan near Petoskey in 1929 or 1930 and these men were reputed to have paid \$50,000 for their release. He also advised that one Eli Robinson has been in Petoskey and was suspected of blowing up several gambling houses in and around Petoskey

several years ago. He stated that Jimmie Hayes is reputed to have brought his own contractors from Detroit to construct the hideaways, and passages in the Ramona Park Casino and that each resort season about sixty-five dealers and other help for the casino are brought from Detroit and Ohio, no local help being used. He stated also that Franklin F. Hayward, Board of Trade Building, Cleveland, Ohio, is Mrs. Jimmie Hayes' attorney at the present time. Mr. Kays further informed Agent that the Manitou Club operated by Al Gerhart until the close of the 1935 season is another gambling spot in Harbor Springs which has the reputation of being a tough spot there; that Al Berhart, now serving time in the Jackson Michigan Penitentiary yet holds this place and intends to open during the 1936 season when he is due to be released; that this club caters more to the lower type of gamblers although the club itself is very elaborate and also is purported to have underground passages leading to get aways. He stated that Al Gerhart has a long criminal record.

Mr. Kays spent considerable time with Agent gratis and it is believed he would be of considerable assistance at Petoskey and vicinity if there is any ever activity by the Bureau there. He accompanied Agent to Harbor Springs and personally pointed out the clubs above mentioned, as well as those hereinafter mentioned. Mr. Kays stated that the Beach Club and Hotel, Charlevoix, Michigan, about twenty miles south of Petoskey, is operated by Arthur VonDalke and several Jewish gamblers from Detroit and Toledo and is known has a rather tough joint; also that the Big Fish Inn, Ellsworth, Michigan, which is now supposed to be free of the criminal element, was obtained by Bob Rosenbloom in 1934 and it was rumored that he did not operate this place as a business venture but merely to keep his following while in that vicinity during the resort season. Mr. Kays stated that he would be glad at any time if deemed advisable by the office of origin in this case, to make a closer inspection of the Petoskey resort center during the summer season or that an Agent might be put on his regular patrol force in order that more complete information as to the activities there could be obtained and it is believed that Mr. Kays would cooperate very satisfactorily.

Agent interviewed Mildred G. Kendall at Tower, Michigan, who is the Postmistress there together with her husband H. L. Kendall with regard to the reputation and standing of Jake Koffman who operates the Koffman Fur Farm there. They advised that Jake Koffman's real name is Jacob M. Koffman and that he has, during the past several years, raised foxes and beavers at his place; that Koffman according to rumor has a rather shady reputation although the people in that vicinity have had no opportunity to know much about him since Koffman does a great amount of traveling between Tower, New York City and Florida and other cities. They stated

that Jake Koffman is very unconversational and has no close friends in Tower; that it is believed in that section that Koffman, occasionally at least, deals in "hot" furs although this has never been proven to be the case at Tower. They also advised that Jake Koffman's wife, Doris Koffman, only stays in Tower during part of the summer season and during the winter is either in Florida or at the Granwood Hotel, Highland Park, Michigan, a suburb of Detroit; that the Koffmans left Tower about October 1, 1935 for Hollywood, Florida by way of Detroit, to return March 1, 1936, it having been understood that on the return trip they visited Jake Koffman's mother at Bay City, Michigan.

At the time Agent called at the fur farm of Jake Koffman no one was found at the place except Dick Monear, the keeper of the place. He stated that Jake Koffman has three brothers, Phillip, Mack and Johnny Koffman residing in Bay City, Michigan; that Jake Koffman has very few friends visit him in Tower during the summer season and very little information could be obtained from Monear. Monear upon having Identification Order #1354 of William Elmer Mead exhibited to him advised that he did not recognize this individual as any person he has ever seen.

Jake Koffman upon his return to the fur farm was interviewed but he denied that he is the person having received mail at 1724 Johnson Street, Hollywood, Florida, stating that at the time he was in Florida he received his mail at Dania, Florida and that he resided at the Adler Apartments there. He stated that he could not recall the street address of the Adler Apartments but was certain it was not located on Johnson Street. Jake Koffman exhibited to Agent an envelope addressed to Mr. J. H. Koffman, General Delivery, Hollywood, Florida and afterward admitted he received some mail at Hollywood as well as at Dania. The envelope had notations in longhand "Not for J. Kaufman" and also "Opened by mistake, J. Kaufman". This envelope also has the official seal of the Post Office Department placed upon it and had been opened, indicating that the envelope had been resealed before delivery to Jake Koffman. This indicated, of course, that J. Kaufman and Jake Koffman are two different individuals and Mr. Koffman maintained that he was the victim of mistaken identity. Identification Order #1350 was exhibited to Jake Koffman with negative results, Mr. Koffman advising that he had no recollection of ever seeing William Elmer Mead. It is also noted that in reference report of Special Agent Fitzsimons that although the postmaster at Hollywood, Florida stated the letter to J. H. Koffman, Hollywood, Florida from the Kaufman Fur Farm, Tower, Michigan and the letter to J. H. Koffman from Bessie Japhet were for persons at 1724 Johnson Street. The envelopes were not actually addressed to 1724 Johnson Street and it is possible that Jake Koffman is not

the confidence man whom the postmaster had in mind at Hollywood, Florida. However, inasmuch as Jake Koffman does not bear a good reputation at Tower, Michigan, it is also possible that he is hiding his identity for some reason.

The following is a description of Jake Koffman as obtained from personal observation:

Name	J. M. Koffman
Age	Approximately 50
Height	5' 9"
Weight	160 pounds
Eyes	blue
Hair	grey
Nationality	Jewish
Peculiarities	very talkative
Glasses	wears gold rimmed glasses
	clean cut appearance

Several attempts were made to contact Bessie Japhet for interview but she could not be located at her home. It was ascertained from Mildred G. Kendall, Postmistress, that Bessie Japhet is a neighbor of Jake Koffman and that during the winter she maintains the position of part-time caretaker of the Koffman Fur Farm, being classed as the hired woman around the place while the Koffmans are out of town; that Bessie is a simple country woman and in conversations with her believes she knows nothing about Jake Koffman's business or affairs. Mrs. Kendall stated that she knew Bessie Japhet had once or twice forwarded business mail to Jake Koffman in Florida, although she (Mrs. Kendall) did not remember Jake Koffman's forwarding address and none was provided the post office.

UNDEVELOPED LEAD:

The JACKSONVILLE OFFICE, if deemed advisable for further inquiries, will determine whether Jake Koffman is the person who resided at 1724 Johnson Street, Hollywood, Florida or at the Adler Apartments, Dania, Florida, inasmuch as he denies being associated in any way with any of the persons at 1724 Johnson Street and denies having resided at that place.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Cincinnati, Ohio.

FILE NO. 7-24

REPORT MADE AT Jacksonville, Florida.	DATE WHEN MADE 4-17-36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 3-24 to 4-12-36	REPORT MADE BY R. B. NATHAN,
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. 1236; et al EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</p> <p>Efforts to locate associates of <u>Mead</u> at various points in Florida unsuccessful. J. W. Crozier checked out of Miami Hotel March 26, 1936, having registered from Kansas City, Mo. No indication that individuals endeavoring to work confidence scheme on Mr. and Mrs. Charles Horn connected with Mead. No Florentine Club nor similar place located at West Palm Beach or Palm Beach, Florida, and no horse racing at these places.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P</p> <p>REFERENCES:</p> <p>Report of Special Agent P. M. Plunkett, Boston, 1-22-36; Report of Special Agent T. E. Billings, Los Angeles, 3-12-36; Report of Special Agent J. L. Fallon, Philadelphia, 4-3-36; Telegram from Los Angeles Office dated 3-28-36; Teletype from Philadelphia Office dated 3-30-36.</p> <p>DETAILS:</p> <p>This report deals with investigation in the Jacksonville Territory with reference to the location of <u>William Elmer Mead</u>.</p>			
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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent R. B. Donaldson:

Page 3 of the report of reference of Agent Billings, lists the names and addresses of persons who in the past corresponded with Dorothy Fisher at the Women's State Prison at Tehachapi, California, among them being Mrs. Elizabeth B. Reeves, of General Delivery, Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Upon inquiry at the Post Office at Fort Lauderdale, Agent could find no trace of such person as being a caller at the present time or having left a forwarding address. The matter was taken up with Postmaster A. G. Shands. It will be borne in mind that this is strictly a winter resort town.

Concerning the lead in the report of Agent Plunkett shown in reference, to locate and possibly interview Lou Whitney and Jim Kerman reported to be confidence men, inquiry regarding same has been made at Miami, Florida. Lou Whitney received a letter or so some weeks ago at the Elks Club. It remained there a considerable time before he ever called for same. Nothing has been heard from him for over a month and he does not stop at this Club, neither has he left any address here or indicated where he was stopping. Nothing is known of either of these men at the General Delivery window, or to the local police. Careful and indirect inquiries regarding them was made at various gambling places which yet remain open hereabouts without results. Similar inquiry was also made about Miami concerning the major confidence men mentioned in this same report. It would seem, however, that in recent weeks there has been a general exodus in a northerly direction of men of this type as practically all of the tourists have departed. It may also be borne in mind that the numerous confidence men who annually infest Florida spread out through the various cities and towns from Jacksonville to Key West, a distance of some five hundred miles, and in addition to this, it is quite the custom for them to actually reside at one place while working a nearby city. Leon Felix is not known at the general delivery window at Jacksonville, Florida. Also it may be stated that the Jacksonville Office has been more or less in constant contact with the Police Departments with respect to confidence men at the following places during the past winter - Jacksonville, Tampa, St. Petersburg, Orlando, West Palm Beach, Miami and Miami Beach. They all have been advised that this Bureau is very desirous of locating William Elmer Mead.

Special Agent in Charge Nathan recently learned of the arrest at Jacksonville of H. C. Howard, alias Leon Felix. This occurred on

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January 6, 1936, and he was charged with suspicion and released the following day. The following is taken from the Police Records as relates to Howard, as well as one John Healey, alias John Kennedy, also arrested in connection with Howard, on charge of suspicion and also released:

Name	H. C. Howard, alias Leon Felix	John Healey, alias John Kennedy,
Age	49 (1936)	49 (1936)
Height	5' 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	5' 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
Weight	150	167
Build	Medium	Medium
Eyes	Hazel	Blue
Hair	Black (gray)	Brown (gray)
Complexion	Dark	Ruddy
Occupation	Salesman	Salesman
Born	New Iberia, La.	Springfield, Mass.
Residence	Kansas City, Mo.	" "
Jax PD	11594	11597
FBI	69122	--
FPC	17 $\frac{32}{24}$ $\frac{U}{U}$ $\frac{M}{MI}$ $\frac{O}{I}$	10 $\frac{1}{1}$ $\frac{Aa}{A2a}$ $\frac{2}{a}$
Criminal Rec.	Full criminal record not available at Jacksonville	Full criminal record not available at Jacksonville.

Two copies of the photograph of Felix taken at the time of his arrest at Jacksonville, Florida, on January 6, 1936, were obtained and one copy is being forwarded to the Bureau, by letter, with the suggestion that copies be made and furnished to the various interested field offices.

Upon receipt of telegram from the Los Angeles Office dated March 28, 1936, relative to mail received by Mrs. J. R. Huntsman, inquiries were made by Special Agent C. B. Winstead at the Hotel 79th Street, 279 N. E. 79th Street, Miami, Florida, where it was ascertained that Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Crozier, registered at that Hotel approximately three or four weeks prior to March 26, 1936, and occupied Room 334 until the latter date, when they checked out. This registration gives the address of these persons as 202 Whitten Manor Building, Kansas City, Mo. It was the understanding of the employees of the Hotel that Crozier was in some way connected with the dog racing business. He was reported to be about 45 years of age, and the Hotel employees advised that his actions while at the Hotel appeared to be those of a respectable individual. This information was furnished to the Kansas City Office by air mail letter on March 31, 1936.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents G. S. Goshorn and Royal J. Untreiner.

This office was advised on March 30, 1936, that Mr. and Mrs. Charles Horn were leaving Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and would arrive in Jacksonville, Florida, the following morning to obtain the Horns' automobile and drive to Holly Hill, Florida; and that Mr. and Mrs. Horn were the victims of confidence men using the same method to obtain \$40,000.00 as had previously been used by William E. Mead, I.O. # 1354.

Mr. and Mrs. Horn were met at their car, which was in Boat-right's Garage, Jacksonville, Florida, at 6:45 A.M. on March 31, 1936, and they were immediately brought to the Jacksonville Office, where they were interviewed by Special Agent in Charge R. B. Nathan and Special Agent Royal J. Untreiner. They related the details of the scheme used on them by confidence men at Daytona Beach, Florida, the details of which are not set out in this report as they have previously been given to Agents at the Philadelphia Office. However, the scheme was identical with the regular run of confidence schemes continuously reported to have been used in the State of Florida, and commonly known as the "Judge Baker" game, wherein it is stated by one of the confidence men to the victim that another one of the confidence men is the man who was responsible for making a fortune for Judge Baker up in Kentucky, and that he would introduce the victims to him so that they could also profit by his experience.

Thereafter, Mr. and Mrs. Horn departed for Holly Hill, Florida, and were followed by Agents Goshorn and Untreiner, who followed them to their cottage at Holly Hill, Florida. This cottage proved to be one of about a dozen located at a tourist camp at Holly Hill, which is near Daytona Beach.

No one made any attempt to contact Mr. and Mrs. Horn during that day, and Agents Goshorn and Untreiner took occasion to make investigation at the Sheriff's Office, Police department, and the

X Gilbert Hotel and the Breakers Hotel, which hotels are known as headquarters for confidence men at Daytona Beach, Florida. Nothing of interest could be determined at either hotel; but pictures of William E. Mead were shown to Tom L. Sessums, Deputy Sheriff in Daytona Beach, who stated that he had not seen Mead in that territory. Pictures were also shown to Sergeant Bill O'Brien, of the Daytona Beach Police Department, who stated that he was familiar with the confidence men working in and around that vicinity, but had not seen anything of William E. Mead there. Both of these officers stated that they had heard of various confidence men being in Daytona Beach during the winter, and that the "Judge Baker" game was the most common confidence game pulled on winter visitors in Florida, but they had not heard of any one being swindled during this past season.

Mr. and Mrs. Horn indicated that they would remain in Holly Hill for several days and then drive to Philadelphia, at which time they would stop at the Jacksonville Office and discuss developments in the case with Special Agent in Charge Nathan, and they stated that if they heard anything further from the confidence men they would immediately advise the Jacksonville Office by telephone. At this writing nothing further has been heard from them.

It was not deemed advisable to keep two agents with Mr. and Mrs. Horn, in view of the fact that the confidence game as described by them has no particular features to stamp it as Mead's work inasmuch as it is the same game that is worked in Florida year after year by the confidence men.

The Philadelphia Office was advised by teletype on April 1, 1936, that Mr. and Mrs. Charles Horn had arrived in Florida on Tuesday, March 31, 1936, and intended to return to Philadelphia on Thursday, April 2, 1936.

With reference to the possibility that Mead might have been associated with other confidence men at Daytona Beach, Florida, during the past winter season, it should be noted that further information is to the effect that Daytona Beach has been frequented by large numbers of individuals engaged in this racket. Reports are to the effect that Daytona Beach has been "fixed", this being the expression employed by confidence men with reference to a city in which it is safe for them to operate. It is reported that local officers in Daytona Beach cannot be relied upon in matters relating to confidence men, and it is, of course, obvious that the operations of these individuals must necessarily be known to the local officers. However, the best available information is to the effect that Officer O'Brien, who was contacted by Agents Goshorn and Untreiner, as set out above, is reliable, and has a good knowledge of confidence men operating in that vicinity.

Joe Bransky, Operative in Charge of the Narcotic Bureau, Jacksonville, Florida, who has a wide acquaintance among confidence men, and who spends considerable time in the vicinity of Daytona Beach, has advised the writer that from the best information available to him, Mead has not operated in the vicinity of Daytona Beach during the past winter season. It should be noted that Mr. Bransky has made quite a hobby of collecting photographs of confidence men, and has a large number of such photographs, which might prove valuable to the Bureau at a later date.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent B. F. Fitzsimons at West Palm Beach, Florida, on March 30, and April 11, 1936:

In compliance with the leads set forth in the report of Special Agent T. E. Billings, Los Angeles, California, dated March 12, 1936, appropriate inquiries were made at Palm Beach and West Palm Beach, Florida, in an effort to ascertain whether there was a gambling club or a place of similar character known as the Florentine Club, and it was stated that there is no such place at either of those resorts. It may be stated that gambling is not permitted in West Palm Beach, and such activities as are practiced in that connection are done under cover, and there is no gambling club as such, located at West Palm Beach. However, at Palm Beach, Florida, gambling is permitted at Bradley's place, which is a very exclusive club that caters to wealthy residents and visitors at Palm Beach and vicinity. Confidence men and other underworld characters are not permitted on the premises of Bradley's Club.

There are no horse race tracks at Palm Beach or West Palm Beach, Florida, and there is no season at either resort for horse racing. The horse racing season is confined exclusively to Miami, Florida.

In a subsequent interview with J. W. Loadholtes, Deputy Sheriff, West Palm Beach, Florida, it was ascertained that he has never heard of the Florentine Club, and claims that there is no such place in existence in the vicinity of Palm Beach and West Palm Beach, Florida. During the course of the conversation with Mr. Loadholtes, he stated that Eddie Hayes, a confidence man who has been residing at the North Shore Apartments, West Palm Beach, throughout the season, was still located there, but was anticipating leaving West Palm Beach within the near future. Mr. Loadholtes agreed to communicate with the Jacksonville Office as soon as he learned of the date of departure and possible destination of Hayes. This information was requested in order that Hayes, a well known confidence man, may be placed under proper surveillance in the event it is subsequently determined that he is in contact with William Elmer Mead.

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REPORT MADE AT San Antonio, Texas.	DATE WHEN MADE Apr. 17, 1936	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE Apr. 11-17, '36	REPORT MADE BY Gus T. Jones
ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1236 et al			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim			
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p>Mrs. W. L. Ferguson, wife of ex-convict W. L. Ferguson, Both reside at Hamilton, Texas. Mail cover placed and arrangements made for surveillance. O. C. Sullivan and E. Woods, Hot Springs, Ark. registered Grande Courts, Corpus Christi, Texas, on January 29, 1936, to February 1, 1936. No women or dog with them. Unable positively identify either as Karpis. Photo of Campbell tentatively identified. No record these individuals registering during December, 1935. Gragon Grill at present operated by Doc Mason and Jimmie Alexander, neither trustworthy. Arrangements made for immediate notification should parties return to Grande Courts, Corpus Christi, Tex. P.</p> <p>Reference: Letters from Little Rock office dated April 11 and 14, 1936.</p>			
DETAILS: <p>Mrs. W. L. Ferguson, P. O. Box 666, Hamilton, Texas, is personally known to the writer and is the wife of Will L. Ferguson and both she and her husband were born and reared in Hamilton County, Texas. Will Ferguson was for several years a peace officer in the oil fields at Ranger, Burkburnett, and Mexia, Texas. He became embroiled in a difficulty with the Constable at Mexia, Texas, some 10 years past and killed the Constable. For this he was sentenced to five years imprisonment in the Texas State Penitentiary, however, was pardoned by Governor Ferguson. After being pardoned, Ferguson and his wife, Joeie, returned to Hamilton, Texas, after an absence of several years. About 1932 both Ferguson and his wife were convicted at Hamilton, Texas, for extortion in an old "badger"</p>			
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game." Ferguson served about four years of a fifteen year sentence and was again pardoned. His wife Josie served part of a two year sentence and was pardoned.

For the past year Ferguson and his wife have been residing at Hamilton, Texas, with Mrs. W. M. Ferguson, the aged mother of Will Ferguson. Ferguson has been traveling throughout the rural district of Texas for the past six months representing Capper's Weekly, a farm publication published at Topeka, Kansas.

Immediately upon receiving telephonic communication from the Little Rock office that a letter had been received at 233 1/2 Central Avenue, Hot Springs, Ark. addressed to Mrs. William Clark, bearing the return address of Mrs. W. L. Ferguson, Box 666, Hamilton, Texas, Agent proceeded to Hamilton, Texas, and discreetly contacted Sheriff Houston White at the country home of the latter's mother. Consequently it was not necessary for Agent to be seen in the town of Hamilton. Sheriff Houston White is a brother-in-law of the writer and has personally known both Ferguson and his wife since their childhood. The home of the mother of Will Ferguson is located within a block of the home of Sheriff White and the entire premises can be observed from the Sheriff's residence. Sheriff White is a very active officer and a stranger or a strange car can not be around the town of Hamilton over 24 hours without this officer knowing something about it.

Sheriff White states that no Buick automobile bearing Arkansas license plates has spent any time in the town of Hamilton during the past year and he has never observed a great Dane dog in Hamilton County during the past five years. Sheriff White states that Will Ferguson is apparently not engaged in any unlawful activities and is traveling in the rural districts representing Capper's Weekly. Arrangements were made with Sheriff White to keep a close surveillance over Ferguson and his wife and promptly telephone the writer should he observe anything of a suspicious nature.

Postmaster T. M. White, Hamilton, Texas, was also confidentially contacted and arrangements were made for a close cover over the mail of both Ferguson and his wife. Hamilton being a small town the Postmaster and his assistants are personally acquainted with every person in the community and are in position not only to cover incoming mail but to fairly well cover any outgoing mail posted by any particular individual. The results of mail cover so far have been that on April 14, 1936, Mrs. W. L. Ferguson posted another letter, identical with that described in letter of reference from the Little Rock office dated April 11, 1936. The letter was addressed to Mrs. William Clark, 233 1/2 Central Avenue, Hot Springs, Ark. postmarked Hamilton, Texas, April 14, 1936, return address P. O. Box 666, Hamilton, Tex. On April 14, 1936, W. L. Ferguson received a letter in a printed envelope of Capper's Farm Weekly, the printed return marked out and the return of E. Huff, Care Redwald Hotel, Nacogdoches, Texas, inserted thereon. On April 16, 1936, W. L. Ferguson, P. O. Box 666, posted a letter addressed to E. Huff, Nacogdoches, Texas. On April 16, 1936, W. L. Ferguson received a letter postmarked Marlin, Texas, April 15, 1936, return address P. O. Box 91, Marlin, Texas. It is believed that the individual, E. Huff, writing Ferguson from Nacogdoches, Texas, and using envelopes of Capper's Farm Weekly is

probably some one associated with Ferguson in representing Capper's Farm Weekly. However, this matter is being called to the attention of the Dallas office in order that the identity of E. Huff may be ascertained. The San Antonio office will also ascertain the identity of the holder of P. O. Box 91, Marlin, Texas.

Information concerning the posting of the letter addressed to Mrs. William Clark, Hot Springs, Ark. was furnished SAC Fletcher, Little Rock, by telephone.

Adequate arrangements have been made at Hamilton, Texas, for the San Antonio office to be promptly notified should anything develop of particular interest in this case.

Referring to date contained in letter from the Little Rock office dated April 14, 1936, relative to Corpus Christi, Texas, the investigation at that place was conducted by Special Agents J. C. White and C. E. Davis.

Grande Courts Tourist Camp, Corpus Christi, Texas, is one of the largest modern tourist camps in South Texas and is operated by Raymond Burleson, a man of excellent reputation, who has been a personal friend of the writer and Special Agent J. C. White for many years. The most wholehearted cooperation has been lined up with this individual. A thorough check at Grande Courts failed to develop any registration or presence of any individual suiting the description of Karpis, Fred Hunter, or the women involved during the month of December, 1935. However, the records disclose that on January 29, 1936, O. C. Sullivan and E. Woods registered from Hot Springs, Ark. and remained until February 1, 1936. They were assigned apartment #31. They were not accompanied by any women, neither did they have a dog of any description. The Grande Courts do not make a record of the description or license number of an automobile. After observing pictures of Fred Hunter, Karpis, Harry Campbell, and others, Raymond Burleson states he is of the opinion that one of the men suited the description and photograph of Harry Campbell, more than any of the others; that he had seen so many pictures in newspapers and magazine articles of the fugitive Karpis that he is unable to conscientiously state whether or not one of the men was Karpis. Mr. Burleson stated that while the two individuals were at Grande Courts in January, they inquired as to where they could obtain the services of a boat to do some fishing in the Bay. Mr. Burleson stated that he recommended Capt. R. E. Hall, who operates a fishing boat which is located about four or five blocks south of the Dragon Grill and not north as described by the Little Rock office informant. Mr. Burleson stated that while he considered Capt. Hall a reputable individual Captain Hall had a son who operated his boat for him that could not in any way be trusted, consequently no inquiries have yet been made relative to the use of this boat by Karpis et al.

Relative to the "Dragon Grill" referred to by informant as a place frequented by him and Karpis, this place is the Dragon Grill located at 2724 Water Street, Corpus Christi, which is in the vicinity of the causeway and the seashore section of the city. The place is located approximately eight blocks from the Grande Courts Tourist Camp. This place was formerly operated by Frank W. Gorton and Robert L. Shupe. It was operated in connection with the Oasis Club in Corpus

Christi, Texas, and the two places were a joint partnership between Gorton and Shupe and L. K. Mason and Clyde Jannings, however, the place is now operated by L. K. Mason, known as Doc Mason and Jimmie Alexander. Doc Mason is the individual referred to by informant as the men "Doc", who took Karpis and informant to a house of prostitution in Corpus Christi while they were there during the month of January, 1936. Frank Gorton and Shupe now both operate a liquor package house in Corpus Christi. Gorton was recently arrested by Texas State Rangers and returned to West Texas on an old charge of murdering his wife. He was recently released on bail and has returned to Corpus Christi.

While it is not believed that any of the operators of the Dragon Grill or the Oasis Club have any knowledge as to the identity of Karpis, they are of the type that can not be approached on a matter of this kind and while they would not harbor Karpis they would tip him off to any inquiry that might be made.

It is noted in letter of reference of April 14, 1936, that informant states that Karpis advised him that he had a date at Corpus Christi, Texas, with a sister of Grace Goldstein, who worked for the Telephone Company. Through a confidential source a thorough check was made of the women employees of the Telephone Company at Corpus Christi, and there is no woman by the name of Laverne or Grayson employed by the Telephone Company. The only names Agents could use in making the check were Laverne and Grayson, which according to information at this office, are names used by the Goldstein woman. At such time as the real family name of the Goldstein woman can be obtained a further check will be made at the Telephone Company at Corpus Christi.

While it is possible that Karpis and others could have stopped at the Grande Courts during the month of December, 1935, however, if they did they used aliases not heretofore used by them. Grande Courts is the highest type tourist court in the City of Corpus Christi and it is believed that should Karpis or any of the gang make a return visit to Corpus Christi they will undoubtedly stop at this tourist court and for that reason it is believed advisable to depend on the perfect contact we have at that place and not attempt at this time to make any contact with the boatman used by them or any individual at the Dragon Grill.

Raymond Burleson will call the writer by telephone at such time as any individuals thought to be Karpis or any of his present associates appear at Grande Courts. The telephone call will be from a pay station from Corpus Christi and over an unlisted telephone and will consist of an invitation to come to Corpus Christi on a fishing trip with a statement that the caller had on a certain date caught "two tarpons" or "four tarpons", the date indicating the date of arrival and the number of tarpon caught as the number of individuals in the party.

Grande Courts, San Antonio, Texas, is owned by the same corporation that owns Grande Courts at Corpus Christi. The local manager at San Antonio is Lon Piper, a personal friend of the writer for many years and an individual whose cooperation has always been 100 per cent.

The writer checked the records of Grande Courts, San Antonio, from November, 1935, to date, however, could locate no registration under the name of

E. Woods, O. C. Sullivan, N. O. Bell, or any other known alias of Karpis et al. The same arrangements were made at Grande Courts, San Antonio, as were made at Corpus Christi and the San Antonio office will be promptly advised by Mr. Piper should any individual show up at Grande Courts here suiting the description of Karpis, Hunter, et al, or should any maroon colored Buick sedan bearing Arkansas license plates be observed around Grande Courts.

The original registration cards bearing registrations of E. Woods and O. C. Sullivan, Grande Courts, Corpus Christi, were obtained and will be photostated at San Antonio and copies will be sent the Bureau and the office of origin and the Little Rock office.

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San Antonio office: Keep in close personal touch with Raymond Burleson, Grande Courts, Corpus Christi. At such time as the real family name of Grace Goldstein is obtained make a further check of the Telephone Company, Corpus Christi to locate the sister of the Goldstein woman. Keep in mind the advisability of later making contact with some individual in the Dragon Grill and also possible contact with Capt. R. H. Hall, Corpus Christi. Keep in close touch with Low Piper, Grande Courts, San Antonio, for the appearance of any person suiting the description of Karpis, et al., the car known to be in possession of Karpis and any person observed at Grande Courts with a great Dane dog. At Hamilton, Texas, keep in close contact with Sheriff Houston White and Postmaster T. M. White relative to Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Ferguson.

Little Rock office: Promptly advise San Antonio office by wire when the correct family name of Grace Goldstein is obtained.

Dallas office: Check at the Rednald Hotel, Macogdoches, Texas, as to the identity of E. Huff, who is corresponding with W. L. Ferguson. This inquiry should of course be made in a confidential manner.

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REPORT MADE AT Buffalo, N.Y.	DATE WHEN MADE 4/18/36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 3/4, 5, 17, 26 4/2, 6, 8/36	REPORT MADE BY G. V. DOHERTY
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1235; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1232; et al EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVE; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Cover placed on mail of Len Brock and family, Niagara Falls, Ontario. Investigation failed to disclose that Moran is known in Niagara on the Lake or Niagara Falls, Ontario. Results of cover maintained on mail of Esther Bixler, Falconer, N.Y. forwarded to Cincinnati. Mrs. G. E. Pope and E.J. Potter, friends of Pearl Flannigan prior to her marriage. No information secured that Pearl or Harry Campbell had been in Buffalo. Mrs. L.R. Davis now residing at the home of Chuck Connors, Buffalo, N.Y.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- P -</p> <p>REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent R.M. Stites, Buffalo, N.Y. dated 2/4/36; Chicago letter dated 3/21/36; Bureau letter dated 2/4/36; Report of T. Billings, Los Angeles, dated 2/12/36.</p> <p>DETAILS: The cover on all of the mail being delivered to 181 Elmwood Avenue, Falconer, N.Y. is being continued and all tracings received are immediately forwarded to the Cincinnati Office. However, there have been no tracings of value received to date, this cover being maintained on the mail of MISS ESTHER BIXLER, the daughter of the half-brother of SUBJECT CAMPBELL. As additional tracings are received, they will be immediately forwarded to the Cincinnati office.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>AT NIAGARA ON THE LAKE</u></p> <p>LEW MASTERS, Chief of Police, and J. TAYLOR, Postmaster, were contacted, and advised that the BROCK FAMILY did not return to Niagara On The Lake.</p>			
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However, it is understood that they moved to Niagara Falls, Ontario. Considerable efforts were made through CHIEF MASTERS and POSTMASTER TAYLOR to secure their address in Niagara Falls, Ontario, but same were without results. It was ascertained that MR. TAYLOR is purchasing the home in Niagara on the Lake from the BROCK FAMILY, and inquiry was made to ascertain whether or not there were any papers or anything in the house, to which MR. TAYLOR stated there was not, and permitted the writer to make an examination as it was believed that some correspondence might have been found therein which would show some communication from MORAN. Both MASTERS and TAYLOR advised that they had no recollection of anyone answering the description of DR. MORAN since last being contacted by the writer.

[redacted] was contacted and an exhaustive search was made of all his records. It was ascertained that LEN BROCK in October 1935 gave as his address 1024 Roberts Street. He was unable to furnish any information concerning the BROCK FAMILY and referred the writer to [redacted]

[redacted] upon being interviewed, advised that [redacted] that he has observed that the occupants of said house are apparently respectable people; that he occasionally talks with MRS. ANNA BROCK, who is an elderly lady and who regularly receives a pension check. Her husband having served in the Spanish-American War for the U.S. Army. [redacted] stated that as near as he could ascertain there was little or no activity at 1024 Roberts St.; that he never observed any out of town cars. He was unable to furnish any information as to where LEN BROCK is employed at the present time. [redacted] agreed to make further observations and was subsequently contacted and advised that the BROCK FAMILY do little or no entertaining. He stated that if he observes any out of town cars in that neighborhood, he will note the number of same and turn this information over to [redacted] who agreed to furnish same to the Buffalo office.

The photograph of DR. MORAN, together with other subjects, was displayed to [redacted] however, he failed to identify any of the pictures as persons in the vicinity of 1024 Roberts St. 1024 Roberts Street is located in a respectable middle-class section of the City of Niagara Falls, Ontario.

In the absence of [redacted] contacted. Appropriate arrangements were made whereby observations would be made of the [redacted]

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residence at 1024 Roberts Street, and in the event any out of state cars were observed, the numbers would be noted and transmitted to the Buffalo office. A photograph of DR. MORAN, together with pictures of other subjects, was displayed to [redacted] but he stated that he could not recall anyone resembling said individuals. 57d

The report of Special Agent in Charge D. Brantley, Chicago City, dated March 21, 1936, indicates that mail is being received by PEARL L. CAMPBELL, 818 South Rockford Avenue, with the return address of L. E. POTTER, 700 Lafayette Avenue, and MRS. C. E. POPE, 34 Brunswick Blvd., and that letters were received for PEARL FLANNIGAN, Hertel Avenue, Electric Building, Washington & Genesee Sts., all of Buffalo, New York. However, no specific lead was set out to interview said persons.

It was ascertained through MR. L. J. BRAUN, Employment Manager for the Western Division of the Buffalo General Electric Co., that 1421 Hertel Avenue is a branch office and that one KATHERINE POTTER, 700 Lafayette Avenue is employed at said office. MR. BRAUN also stated that the envelopes all bear the return address of the Electric Building, and that is the reason for its appearing on the letters received by PEARL FLANNIGAN.

For further information as to the identity of the POTTER FAMILY and MRS. C. E. POPE, reference is made to the report of Special Agent G.V. Doherty, Buffalo, N.Y. dated Dec. 7, 1934.

Reference letter of E.A.C. Ladd, Chicago, Ill. specifically requests that these persons be contacted.

MRS. E. J. POTTER, 700 Lafayette Avenue, was reinterviewed, at which time she stated that PEARL L. CAMPBELL, sister of HARRY CAMPBELL, was in her employ for a period of approximately 15 years, having left over 10 years ago; that she was a very trustworthy servant, and since leaving her employ, MRS. POTTER has always communicated with her. She stated that she has one son, HARRY, and a daughter, KATHERINE; that all of them occasionally communicate with PEARL CAMPBELL, whose married name is FLANNIGAN. MRS. POTTER was interrogated at length in an effort to secure all the information in her possession concerning the CAMPBELL family.

She stated that PEARL was very reticent to speak about her family, other than that she did recall that about 1924 or 1925, PEARL FLANNIGAN said her Swedish brother, whose name MRS. POTTER believed was HARRY, was to be married; (It will be recalled that HARRY CAMPBELL was married in 1923); and at that time said HARRY was employed in the

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oil fields somewhere in the West, exact location unknown.

MRS. POTTER, continuing, advised that after leaving her employ, PEARL CAMPBELL married a man named FLANNIGAN, whom she believed came from somewhere in the West; that same was an unsatisfactory marriage, and she subsequently left her husband. MRS. POTTER stated that PEARL CAMPBELL to her knowledge has not been in Buffalo for approximately 10 years, and that she feels certain were PEARL CAMPBELL to come to Buffalo, she would unquestionably communicate with her. In conclusion, she stated that in the event she receives any information regarding HARRY CAMPBELL, she will gladly notify the Buffalo office.

It was suggested to MRS. POTTER that if possible in a discreet manner, in the event she was in communication with PEARL CAMPBELL, that she attempt to secure some information concerning HARRY. However, she declined to do this as she has no particular interest in the CAMPBELL family and it would be apparent that she was attempting to secure same for the authorities.

Efforts were made to interview MRS. C. E. POPE, 34 Brunswick Blvd, on different occasions, but same were without results. It is understood that she still lives there, but there was no one at home on the occasions of agent's calls. In view of the fact that upon previous interview with MRS. POPE she stated that her only contact with PEARL FLANNIGAN was a friendly one; that no particular benefit could be derived therefrom, and it is the writer's recollection that MRS. POPE declined to make any efforts to secure information regarding HARRY CAMPBELL, no further efforts will be made at this time to contact her unless a specific request is received from the office of origin.

From a review of the file, it is shown in the report of Special Agent G.V. Doherty, dated Dec. 7, 1934, and reports subsequent thereto, that efforts were made to locate one MRS. L. S. DAVIS, and one BERNICE SCOTT, who resided at Mildred's Cabins in Niagara Falls, N.Y. However, the file failed to reflect that MRS. DAVIS was ever located and interviewed. In connection with other matters while the writer was in Niagara Falls, HUGHES GRAY, who delivers mail to Mildred's Cabins, 3343 Pine Avenue, was contacted and advised that he had never received a forwarding address for MRS. DAVIS or BERNICE SCOTT.

MILDRED SCOTT, owner of said cabins, advised that she had no information as to the possible whereabouts of MRS. DAVIS. However, it was understood that during the year 1935 she operated a hot dog stand near Lockport, N.Y., and it is also believed that she is in close contact

Full

with CHUCK CONNORS.

MR. E. V. CANAVAN, Postmaster, Niagara Falls, N.Y. advised that he had caused all available registry and insurance records to be searched; however, no information of value was received as to any packages which were delivered to MRS. DAVIS. It was also ascertained that the Post Office Inspectors' office at Buffalo was interested in BERENICE SCOTT, who resided at Mildred's Cabins with MRS. SCOTT, and in this regard, MR. CANAVAN stated that BERENICE SCOTT'S correct name was MRS. B. PANTILLO and she now resides at 55 West Niagara St., Niagara Falls, N.Y.; that it is his understanding that MRS. PANTILLO is a prostitute; that at the request of the Post Office Inspectors, a cover has been maintained on her mail for a considerable period of time, and the only mail she has received at that address bears the return address of the Durham Paper Board Company, Riegelsville, Penna.

Through the Post Office Inspectors office, it was ascertained from Penal Inspector J. BRENNAN that his office is interested in MRS. L. R. DAVIS due to the fact that her husband, E. M. STEWART, is now serving time in a Federal Penitentiary for a mail robbery. MR. BRENNAN stated that while his files are rather limited on STEWART, it is his understanding that the Probation Department has recently made considerable inquiry concerning MRS. DAVIS. He further stated that it had been definitely ascertained that MRS. DAVIS is at the present time residing at the home of CHUCK CONNORS, 196 Butler Avenue, Buffalo, N.Y.; that a cover has been maintained on all mail delivered to her at that address; however, no information of value has been secured, the greater portion of her mail coming from her husband, whom he understands is presently incarcerated in the Federal Penitentiary at Lewisburg, Penna.

Penal Inspector Brennan advised that in the event he receives any information which he believes of value in connection with the activities of MRS. DAVIS, the Buffalo Bureau office will be immediately notified. He was not informed as to the reason for instant inquiry.

MR. E. L. HANNA, Federal Probation Officer, was discreetly interviewed, the purpose of the interview not being disclosed. MR. HANNA stated that MRS. PEARL DAVIS is the wife of LOUIS R. DAVIS, alias E. M. STEWART, presently incarcerated in the Federal Penitentiary at Lewisburg, Penna.; that MRS. DAVIS' correct name is MARIA CORA CALHOUN, alias MARY CORA MARTIN, PEARL CALHOUN, PEARL BARD CALHOUN, and PEARL IRVINE WARD. Together with MRS. L. R. DAVIS and MRS. E. M. STEWART. He stated that during the summer of 1935, she operated a hot dog stand at R.F.D. #2, Lockport, N.Y.; that prior thereto she had resided at 400 Elmwood Avenue,

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Buffalo, N.Y.; 702 1/2 S. Wayne Street and 8523 Pine Avenue, Lockport, N.Y.; that she is a close friend and associate of BERNICE PARTIELLO, 35 West Niagara St., Niagara Falls; that she is presently located at 196 Butler Avenue, Buffalo, N.Y., the home of WILLIAM J. O'CONNOR, alias CHUCK CONNORS; that the reason for his HANNA'S interest in MRS. DAVIS' activities is that her husband made application for parole, indicating that he could secure a position with one WILLIAM KITCHEN, 275 Fulton Avenue, Hempstead, Long Island, N.Y., an optometrist. He could not state what connection KITCHEN had with the DAVIS family, as there was no indication that DAVIS had any knowledge of the work of an optometrist.

MR. HANNA stated that L. R. DAVIS has a sister, MRS. EMILY HEDGPETH, St. Joseph, Mich., and brothers, JAMES DAVIS at Miles City, Montana, and JOHN DAVIS, Ames, Neb. While apparently this information has no immediate connection with instant case, it is being set out at this time for subsequent reconsideration.

For the information of the Bureau and the office of origin, no effort was made at this time to interview MRS. DAVIS due to the fact that at present there is an upheaval in the Democratic Party in Buffalo, and the leader, FRANK CARR, is being ousted from his position through the activities of U.S. Attorney GEORGE L. GROBE, MR. CARR'S immediate assistant being WILLIAM J. O'CONNOR, alias CHUCK CONNORS, and it is believed that contact with MRS. DAVIS at this time would avail nothing, and possibly create embarrassment to the Bureau, bringing it into this political conflict. No lead is being set out to contact any members of the DAVIS family, this being left to the discretion of the office of origin.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS

BUFFALO OFFICE will report the results of the covers on the mail of the Brock family at Niagara Falls, Ontario, and on Esther Bixler, Falconer, N.Y. If deemed advisable, will interview Len Brock. When the appropriate occasion arises, will interview Mrs. L.R. Davis for information she might have regarding her husband's associates in an effort to determine if they are in any way connected with subjects in this case.

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

APRIL 20, 1936

Transmit the following message to:

SAC, NEW YORK CITY

BREKID INSTRUCT AGENT GOING PRESENT HIMSELF TO WALTER L. BARKOW AT
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April 20, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. COFFEY

I am transmitting to you herewith a business card of E. B. Bell, on which is inscribed the following in penciled handwriting:

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Bill Morley
Danmore Hotel

New Richmond Hotel
Kentucky Ave.

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In view of the fact that there is a strong possibility that this card may be used during the course of the forthcoming trial of Joe Adams and Duke Randall in Miami, Florida, it is requested that this comparison be expedited and the card returned to Division One at the earliest possible moment.

Very truly yours,

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U. S. Department of Justice

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Laboratory Report

Case: Re: BREKID.

Number: 7-576-10697

Specimens:

7-576-10697-A One business card of E. B. Bell on which appears the names and addresses of Bob Brown and Bill Morely and also the New Richmond Hotel.

(The names of Brown, Morely, and the New Richmond Hotel are believed to be the handwriting of Karpis or Duke Randall.)

Examination requested by: Director.

Date received: chp 4-21-36 1:00 P.M.

Examination requested: Document

Result of examination:

Examination by: Appel (1)

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Los Angeles, California

April 15, 1936

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Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: BREKID
L. A. File 7-42

Reference is made to my letter of April 10, 1936, advising that the telephone taps had been discontinued on the telephones of Charles J. Fitzgerald and his companion Martha Jean Robertson in Los Angeles.

This is to advise that it developed that the telephone of the Robertson woman, namely EXposition 3945, had not been disconnected as you had previously been informed. This error developed when one of the other parties using the same line--EXposition 3945 being a party line--had their telephone disconnected, and, in error, the Agents on the tap thought that it was Mrs. Robertson who had ordered her phone disconnected. In view of this fact, the tap is still in existence, as it is believed that this is advisable, inasmuch as Fitzgerald is still being detained in Los Angeles.

Shortly after he is moved, the tap will be discontinued and you will be promptly advised.

Very truly yours,

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AIR MAIL

CC Cincinnati
Chicago
St. Paul

J. H. Hanson
J. H. HANSON
Special Agent in Charge

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April 15, 1936.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D.C.

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

With reference to Bureau letter of April 2, 1936, as to the matter of arranging to rent the house at 820 Rockford Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma for continued surveillance, after we release same, by a confidential informant whom it will be necessary for us to pay approximately five dollars per day, while at Little Rock, Ark. I discussed this with S.A.C. Brantley, and it was indicated that provided this individual could rent this house in such manner as not to indicate any association or connection with the previous renters, namely ourselves, in connection with our plant on same, it would be advisable to have him do so for a period of thirty to 60 days, or provided he could not obtain a rental on this place it might be advisable to have this party, due to his background, make confidential investigation in and around Tulsa, Oklahoma for approximately thirty days for the purpose of seeing if he could obtain information through the sisters of Harry Campbell.

S.A.C. Brantley will advise further as to this at a later date when the present developments in this case have progressed sufficiently to show whether or not the above setup will be necessary.

With reference to the letter of the Kansas City office under date of March 23, 1936 to the Bureau concerning the proposition of [redacted] this party is believed to be entirely unreliable and it is very doubtful whether he could obtain anything of value if he were to act for us, although undoubtedly in the past he was in close contact with these individuals. Any consideration given to the possibility of employing this party as an informant should be subsequent to our present developments, which may eliminate the necessity of employing him, if he is employed at any time. However it would be entirely a gamble with this individual, and it is very doubtful whether he can produce the desired results.

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Very truly yours,

[Signature]

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Special Agent in Charge.

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Patrons should check class of service desired; otherwise message will be transmitted as a full-rate communication.

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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

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To E. J. CONNELLY,
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION,
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,
1448 STANDARD BUILDING,
CLEVELAND, OHIO.

RE BREKID. ATLANTIC CITY DETECTIVE ADVISES INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM PHILADELPHIA DETECTIVE CAPTAIN RYAN THAT CAMPBELL FREQUENTING BUT NOT LIVING AT TERMINAL HOTEL, ATLANTIC CITY. RYAN ADVISES PHILADELPHIA OF ICE INFORMATION FOUR MONTHS OLD BUT EXPECTS CONTACT TO BE MADE BY KARPIS AND CAMPBELL IN FUTURE WITH "CAPPY" HOFFMAN, ATLANTIC CITY HOODLUM.. RYAN TO OBTAIN FURTHER INFORMATION AND ADVISE PHILADELPHIA OFFICE. RESUME OF HOFFMAN ACTIVITIES IN UPPER DAREY, PENNSYLVANIA BEING FURNISHED BUREAU TRENTON AND CLEVELAND BY PHILADELPHIA OFFICE TUESDAY NEXT. AGENT WILL CHECK TERMINAL HOTEL TONIGHT AND TOMORROW NIGHT. BUREAU ADVISED.

RICHMOND

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

827 Broad Street National Bank Building
Trenton New Jersey

April 19, 1936.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: BREKID

Through inadvertence the coded copy of the telegram dated April 18, 1936 at 4.30 P. M. to E. J. Connelly, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 1448 Standard Building, Cleveland, Ohio was forwarded to the Bureau and to Philadelphia Office. There is enclosed herewith the decoded message of this telegram for the Bureau file. A copy of this message as decoded is also being forwarded to the Philadelphia Office.

Very truly yours,

E. L. Richmond

E. L. RICHMOND,
Special Agent in Charge.

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1021 Bankers Building
Milwaukee Wisconsin

April 18, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

Re: BREKID

Reference is made to your letters dated April 7 and April 11, 1936 relative to the above entitled matter.

On April 17, 1936, Special Agent T. D. Kelvin called at 8738 Glencoe Circle, Wauwatosa, Wisconsin, and using the pretext [REDACTED] interviewed Marie Butler, who answered the door. She gave her name as Marie Butler when questioned as to the names of any occupants of the house who might have been involved in the supposed automobile accident. b7E

Her description answers that previously furnished by your office with the exception that she weighs about 185 or 140 pounds. While her hair was blonde, it is apparent that same has been dyed as near the roots it appears to be brown.

Marie Butler is apparently keeping house for someone at this address as she answered the door dressed in an apron and apparently had been cooking.

Very truly yours,

V. E. PETERSON,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc Bureau
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1216 Smith Young Tower
San Antonio, Texas.
April 18, 1936.

AIR MAIL
SPECIAL DELIVERY

GTJ/ML

Special Agent in Charge,
Little Rock, Ark.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Referring to report of this Agent for April 17, 1936, copy of which was forwarded you yesterday by air mail, I am transmitting herewith the original registration card of Grande Courts, Corpus Christi, Texas, showing the registration of C. Sullivan and E. Woods on January 29, 1936, Hot Springs, Ark. This is the registration referred to on page three of the report of reference.

It is to be noted, however, that the full initials of O. C. Sullivan were not used. This card was received at this office this morning and is being immediately furnished you in order that it may be exhibited to Informant in Little Rock, consequently it has not as yet been photostated here. If you can not have copies of it made at Little Rock please return the original to this office and photostatic copies will be made. At any rate, it is desired to ultimately return the original card to Manager Burleson of Grande Courts.

I am also transmitting a picture card photograph of Grande Courts, Corpus Christi, to also be exhibited to Informant, as well as a picture of the boat of Captain R. H. Hall, Corpus Christi, which should also be exhibited to Informant. You will note that the boat also carries a picture of Capt. Hall. This of course is to determine positively if this was the boat used by Karpis et al in their fishing expeditions.

It is noted that Informant states that he accompanied Karpis to Corpus Christi in January, 1936, consequently he should be interrogated as to whether he or Karpis signed the enclosed original registration card.

I am enclosing samples of two bars of soap used at Grande Courts, Corpus Christi, one used during the months of December, 1935, and January, 1936, the other being in use since that date. You may desire to make a comparison with the bar of soap found in the hideout near Hot Springs.

There have been no new developments in this matter except that

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Special Agent in Charge,

April 18, 1936.

it has been definitely determined that none of the gang is at present in Corpus Christi and adequate arrangements have been made for a prompt notification should they later appear.

Very truly yours,

Gus T. Jones,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc Bureau ✓
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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

APRIL 20, 1936

Transmit the following message to: SAC, BIRMINGHAM

BREKID INSTRUCT AGENT STONE PRESENT HIMSELF TO WALTER L. BARLOW AT
USA'S OFFICE, MIAMI, FLORIDA, 9 A.M., FRIDAY, APRIL 24. IMPERATIVE
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Form No. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CINCINNATI, OHIO**

FILE NO. 7-39

REPORT MADE AT PITTSBURGH, PA.	DATE WHEN MADE 4-17-36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 4-16-36	REPORT MADE BY L. C. TAYLOR
ALVIN KARPIS with aliases-FUGITIVE, I.O.# 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases-FUG., I.O.# 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases-FUGITIVE, I.O.# 1236, ETAL; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Archie C. Negleman with aliases was reinterviewed at the Northeastern Penitentiary, Lewisburg, Pa., 4-16-36, when he readily identified photographs of Eddie Seamon and Jake Gilmore. Advised he met Eddie Brennan at Morgantown, W. Va., during 1928, and has been intimately in touch with him through illegal liquor operations since 1931; that he met Joe Rich and other Canton, O. hoodlums through Brennan. Furnished information relative to possible gang hideouts at Canton, Youngstown, Ohio; Ann Arbor, Michigan, and Perryopolis, Pa.; also furnished information about alleged bank robberies and other criminal activities in vicinity of Canton, Ohio.

REFERENCE:

Letter from Cleveland Office dated 4-12-36.
Report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, Cleveland, O., 2-17-36.
Report of Special Agent L. C. Taylor, Pittsburgh, Pa., 3-5-36.
Letter from Pittsburgh Office to Cleveland Office dated 4-9-36.

DETAILS:

ARCHIE C. NEGLEMAN was re-interviewed by Special Agent L. C. Taylor of this office on April 16, 1936 at the Northeastern Penitentiary at Lewisburg, Pennsylvania. He informed that he has had no visitors to date, with the exception of Agent Taylor, and his statements were verified through an examination of the prison records.

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He further informed that his case would be brought before the Parole Board about August first this year, and that he would highly appreciate a recommendation for parole from this Bureau at that time, providing the information furnished by him could be verified. He was told that no promises in this connection could be made to him.

The circular containing the photographs of EDWARD SIEMUND alias EDDIE SEAMON and JAKE GILMORE was exhibited to Negleman, along with photographs and circulars on a number of other individuals. Care was taken to conceal both the names and descriptions of all individuals. Negleman immediately identified the photographs of Seamon and Gilmore. He was unable to call out the name of Gilmore but referred to the photograph as being that of a person known to him by the name of Jake, who was in the company of Campbell and Seamon at Donora, Pennsylvania, a few weeks before Christmas, 1935.

In this connection reference is made to the report of Agent L. C. Taylor, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, dated March 5, 1936, Page 6, paragraph 1, which reflects that Negleman quite by chance happened on to Campbell and Seamon on the main street in Donora, Pennsylvania about two weeks before Christmas, 1935, at which time Campbell and Seamon were allegedly driving a 1934 tan Dodge Sedan, which bore 1935 Ohio license plates # M 799 Y, and were accompanied by a large fat middle-aged man who sat in the rear seat of the car.

Negleman stated the photograph of Jack Gilmore was a very good likeness of him but that Eddie Seamon was much older in appearance than the above mentioned photograph would indicate. It is noted that the photograph of Seamon was taken during May, 1921, whereas the photograph of Gilmore was made during September, 1935.

Included among the photographs exhibited to Negleman was the photograph of FRED HUNTER with aliases. Negleman could not identify this photograph but stated it was familiar looking to him and that he believed it was the photograph of an individual whom he had seen on one occasion at the place of a man called KIMMEL, which is located a short distance from Canton, Ohio. He informed that Kimmel operates a fish hatchery at this place, is well known to the Canton, Ohio Police Department, and has a reputation of harboring "hot" criminals.

Incidentally, Negleman also stated that the photograph of EDWARD CHAINARD, which was included among those exhibited to him, resembled very much an individual he believes he saw on a number of occasions at CLIFF HALL'S place in Youngstown, Ohio.

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Negleman informed he first became acquainted with Ed Brennan at Morgantown, West Virginia, some time during the Spring of 1928. This was shortly after Negleman left the Prohibition Bureau, which was in January or February, 1928. He stated he met Brennan in a poolroom through JOE De STEFANO, the latter being a Subject at one time of the case entitled "BOUGH MOLLISSEE with aliases, et al. - FUGITIVE, I. O. # 1265, ESCAPED FEDERAL PRISONER", Pittsburgh File # 76-90.

Negleman stated that shortly after meeting Brennan, he was convicted of violating the National Prohibition Act and was sentenced to serve three years in the United States Penitentiary at Atlanta, Georgia. He informed he was released from prison about December 30, 1930 and during the forepart of 1931 went to Canton, Ohio for the purpose of contacting JOE De STEFANO, whom he found living with Brennan in Brennan's home, which was located on the outskirts of Canton near the Stark County Workhouse. Negleman stated that Brennan's home was a white, frame building, five room bungalow, with bath and basement. He could not furnish the address but stated it could be reached or located in the following manner, supposing one were entering Canton on Route # 43: Drive to Cherry Avenue, turn right and continue to a large red brick school building on the right hand side of the street, then turn right, not a right angle but a gradual right turn; continue to a red light at a railroad crossing, do not cross the railroad or a main highway which runs parallel to the railroad for a short distance. Turn right at this point and continue for a short distance then turn left for a short distance to a lumber yard, which is located on a corner, then turn left and continue for about ten blocks, then turn left on a crushed slag road. The house or bungalow is situated on the right hand side of this road about five or six lots from a corner. There are no other houses in the immediate vicinity. Negleman informed that there is a two-car garage at the rear of the house.

Negleman informed that Brennan lived in this house from some time in 1928 or 1929 until about a year ago. He explained that the house belonged to Brennan's wife and in this connection further informed that Brennan had told him that about 1927 or 1928 he, Brennan, and others had robbed a bank in Canton, Ohio, in which the woman who was to become his wife was a teller; that he, Brennan, was certain that she had identified him and for that reason courted and married her to keep her mouth shut.

Negleman stated that he was well acquainted with Mrs. Brennan; that she is a good woman and finally divorced Brennan because of his unlawful activities, obtaining a final decree in January or February of this year. He stated that Mrs. Brennan still resides at the above mentioned bungalow and that her father and mother now live with her. He further stated that Mrs. Brennan has a cousin who is a detective on the Canton, Ohio police force.

Negleman stated that after his release from the United States Penitentiary at Atlanta he again entered the liquor racket on a large scale, transporting liquor by the truckload from Cleveland and Canton, Ohio to Webster, Pennsylvania and vicinity. He stated that he frequently purchased liquor from Ed Brennan at Canton, Ohio and knows that Brennan, during this period and even after the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment, was associated with NICK PERRY of Cleveland, Ohio, in the liquor traffic.

Negleman stated he frequently visited Brennan at the latter's home and knows that large quantities of liquor were stored from time to time in the basement of this home. He stated, however, that he knows Mrs. Brennan did not approve of this nor of the frequent visits which criminals made at the home and he was of the opinion that if she is properly approached she may be in a position to aid materially in this investigation.

Negleman stated that some time during 1934, the exact and approximate date he could not recall, he took a load of liquor to Brennan's home, which he unloaded and placed in the basement; that on this occasion he noticed eight (8) Thompson Submachine guns on a work bench in the basement. He stated that he saw several parts to these guns scattered out over the work bench and that he is of the opinion that some gunsmith had been working on the guns. He also stated that he saw several loaded clips for these guns in the basement.

In view of Mrs. Brennan's apparent hostile attitude, Negleman did not believe that Brennan harbored anyone in his home, although he did permit Joe DeStefano, an Escaped Federal Prisoner, to live with him for a short time.

During the period mentioned and up until the latter part of 1934 Brennan, according to Negleman, ran liquor from Cleveland and Canton, Ohio, into Pennsylvania and West Virginia. He stated that the liquor was transported in trucks and that Brennan, accompanied by various hoodlums, whose names he could not recall, would "cover" these shipments. He stated that they frequently arrived in Webster, Pennsylvania in the morning and would stop at his, Negleman's, cafe for something to eat and would go to JIM WIDDLER'S Barber Shop in Webster for shaves and to clean up.

He stated that Brennan frequently delivered liquor by the truckload to CHARLES "CHUCK" ZENNIARO, Monessen, Pennsylvania; to TOM RUPPI at Gallton, Pa., and to CHUCK CORWIN at Rocky Ford and Mt. Morris, West Virginia.

Negleman also stated that Brennan has been and is engaged in almost every conceivable kind of racket. He stated he was a "hyst man", has been involved in numerous bank robberies in Ohio, has been in the "hot car" racket, and has passed counterfeit money.

At the present time and for the past year, according to Negleman, Brennan has been living with one MIN STALEY, madam of a house of prostitution in Canton, Ohio. He stated that Min Staley has three such places in Canton and one place in Alliance, Ohio; that Brennan and she reside in one place just off Cherry Avenue, which is located next door to a livery stable. He stated that this place is within a block and a half of the house of prostitution operated by JOE RICH and EDNA HAYNES.

Negleman stated that during 1933 or 1934 Brennan was also operating the Dew Drop Inn, which was a restaurant and a beer garden but that the real owner of the inn was a fellow by the name of DANNY JONES; that the license to operate the place was in Jones' name. He informed that Jones and Brennan are now bitter enemies. He could not advise as to the cause of the enmity.

Negleman stated he knew Brennan was acquainted with Karpis, Campbell, George (Milton Lett), and Ed Seamon, as he had frequently heard him mention these individuals, however, he could not advise as to the manner or method Brennan became acquainted with said individuals nor the full extent of Brennan's association with them.

He stated he knew Brennan at one time was closely associated with one E. E. MARTIN, who was convicted of murder in connection with a Warren, Ohio payroll mail truck robbery in 1934; that he was also closely associated with "JUMBO" CROWLEY, a hoodlum, who operated from a private home which is located next door to the Dew Drop Inn; that he is a close friend of GEORGE SARGENT of Canton, Ohio, a bank robber and machine gun man, this individual also being a close friend of Joe Rich.

Negleman stated he last saw and talked to Brennan in Canton, Ohio at Min Staley's place some time between February 5 and 8, 1936. In this connection it will be recalled that Negleman was arrested by the Canton, Ohio police for the theft of a car at Charleroi, Pennsylvania, on February 8, 1936, which car was subsequently transported to and abandoned in Canton, Ohio, and it was probably in an attempt to sell or dispose of the car that Negleman contacted Brennan. He was again questioned closely in connection with the said car theft and interstate transportation but denied emphatically that he was involved in any way in this violation. He also stated that he had been unfairly accused on many occasions of stealing cars which Brennan had handled.

Negleman furnished the following description of Brennan:

Age:	35-36
Height:	5' 5" or 6"
Weight:	About 190
Build:	Heavy
Hair:	Light brown, partially bald
Eyes:	Probably blue
Nationality:	American, Irish descent.

Negleman informed that Brennan "smokes a pipe" and has become a very bad addict; that he does not drink.

Negleman stated that some time "during good weather" in 1934 he overheard a conversation between Brennan and Joe Rich on the second floor of the Dew Drop Inn. The conversation was about a bank robbery at Waynesburg, Ohio, which town is located about ten miles from Canton. He stated Brennan remarked in substance that he was glad he had not gone with the boys because he was too well known in Waynesburg and because they had got less than a grand apiece.

From the conversation Negleman stated he understood that this bank robbery had been committed by Joe Rich, George (Milton Lett) and three others.

Negleman stated that sometime during November, 1934 he had driven Eddie Seamon from Canton, Ohio to Alliance, Ohio for the purpose of contacting an individual from Toledo, Ohio relative to a bank job to be pulled in a little town about eighteen or nineteen miles from Canton. He stated that on the way to Alliance they drove off the main highway through this little town and that Seamon "cased" the bank. He stated that they then continued to Alliance where Seamon met the individual from Toledo in a house of prostitution. He stated that Seamon and this individual and another man unknown to him went upstairs where they remained for about a half hour; that he subsequently drove Seamon back to Canton that night.

Negleman stated that a short time after he had driven Seamon to Canton the bank in this small town was robbed; that a short time before Christmas, 1934 he transported six cases of Crab Orchard whiskey for Ed Brennan from Canton, Ohio to Min Staley's house of prostitution in Alliance, and that Brennan and Seamon accompanied him on this trip; that in returning to Canton Brennan and Seamon asked him to turn off the main highway and drive through the little town where the bank robbery had occurred and that as they passed a bank Seamon and Brennan

remarked that it had been a very easy job; that the same persons were employed in the bank who had been employed in the bank at the time they had previously "knocked it off"; that they had got about \$14,000 on the first robbery and only \$11,000 on the last robbery.

Negleman could not recall the name of the little town. He stated it was not very large and was not on a main highway. He stated the bank building was fairly new, was of brownish red brick construction, one story, and was located on the corner of the main street in this town. He stated the bank looked more like a jail than a bank building, remembering that it had very small windows around the top of the building and no windows from which one could view the lobby of the bank from the street.

Negleman was shown a map of the State of Ohio and after examining it for some time stated he believed the above mentioned bank was located in the town of Harrisburg. The map, however, indicates that the population of Harrisburg is 276 and that the town is located on a main highway; to wit, Route # 62.

The individual from Toledo, Ohio, above referred to, according to Negleman, was the same individual who kept company with the daughter Mary of the manager of the rooming house in Toledo where Seamon lives and where Seamon allegedly introduced Negleman to Campbell several months ago.

Negleman claimed that he met Joe Rich in Canton, Ohio about a week after Rich got out of the Ohio State Penitentiary, which was some time during the latter part of 1932 or the early part of 1933. He stated he met Rich at Min Staley's house of prostitution and was introduced to him by Brennan. He also stated he frequently met Rich thereafter as he was employed by Brennan in hauling and selling liquor. He further stated that Brennan employed Rich as a bartender for a short time in a little place which Brennan operated on Third Street, South, Canton.

According to Negleman Joe Rich originally came from Akron, Ohio. He stated that a year or so ago Rich married Edna Haynes, who operates a house of prostitution near the location of Min Staley's home. He stated that Rich is a panderer and that he is a heavy user of morphine or "junk". He stated he last saw Rich at Edna Haynes' place on February 7, 1936.

While speaking of Joe Rich, Negleman advised he had been informed by a guard at the Northeastern Penitentiary on Monday, April 13, 1936, that Joe Rich had been taken into custody and was being held in default of \$10,000 bail. He also stated that this guard told him to

X Harrisburg Ohio

X prison guard

keep his mouth shut and not to do any talking about Rich or the rest of the bunch in Canton.

Negleman refused to disclose this guard's name but mentioned the fact that a number of guards at the prison were from Ohio and that a number of them were also former Prohibition Agents from Pittsburgh. He stated that he would reveal the name of the guard who had given the above information to him when he was released from prison but that to do so at this time would only cause him, Negleman, trouble and none of the guards, and particularly the former Prohibition Agents, had any use for him. He stated that for some reason he has not been permitted to receive any mail whatsoever at the prison and has not been permitted to correspond with anybody. He stated that he has even discussed the matter of his correspondence with the Warden of the Penitentiary, but that no change has been made to date.

Negleman informed that he met George (Milton Lett) some time in 1932 or 1933 at Canton, Ohio in front of the Dew Drop Inn and stated he was introduced to George by Brennan and at that time George was in a Buick Cabriolet which was being driven by Brennan. He stated he was given to understand that George came from Cincinnati.

Subsequent to meeting George, Negleman stated he saw him frequently with Brennan in Canton, Ohio, and in Webster, Pennsylvania, when George would accompany Brennan on a liquor truck covering job. Negleman again told of seeing George at the time Joe Rich, George, and several others, came to Negleman's cafe in Webster in the Plymouth Sedan about September, 1934 and again several weeks after that time. He also stated that Joe Rich and George came to his restaurant some time during the early part of 1935 in the said Plymouth car and that on this occasion he took them over to a hotel, which is located on Sixth Street at Donora, Pennsylvania, where they spent the night. He stated he could not recall the name of the hotel but that it is the only hotel on that street; that it is located on the corner and is a two or three-story red brick building. Negleman did not know what names Rich and George used in registering at this hotel.

Negleman also told of seeing George again when the latter, accompanied by Karpis, called at his residence some time during the Spring of 1935. He had nothing to add to his previous stories concerning the latter incident, except that he now recalls that he wrote down the license number of the Ford coupe which George and Karpis were driving on the back of a Pennsylvania State liquor price list. He stated that he kept this list under and behind the cash register in the restaurant and that he did not remove this list thereafter to his knowledge, and that it would still be there unless the persons who now have leased the place have removed it.

Negleman could not recall where he had last seen George. Attention is directed to the report of Special Agent L. C. Taylor, Pitts-

burgh, Pa., dated March 5, 1936, Page 5, Paragraph 2, which reflects information previously given by Negleman concerning the last time or date he is supposed to have seen George.

Negleman stated that he saw George on several occasions at CLIFF HALL'S home in Youngstown, Ohio, however, he could not recall the exact or approximate dates of these occasions.

Negleman informed that he also met Eddie Seamon through Ed Brennan at Canton, Ohio several years ago, and that he frequently ran into Seamon in Canton while he, Negleman, was engaged in his liquor operations. He informed that Seamon's woman, FLORENCE NICKLEY, resides at 507 Roland Avenue, Canton, Ohio, and undoubtedly knows the whereabouts of Seamon.

Negleman stated that Seamon is vicious and much more dangerous than either Karpis or Campbell. He informed that Seamon was formerly incarcerated in the Ohio State Penitentiary for a "stick up job"; that he made quite a record for himself during the fire at the Ohio State Prison and was either paroled or received a commutation of sentence as a result of his good work during the fire in rescuing prisoners.

Negleman stated that Seamon, Florence Nickley, CARL GARLAND alias JIM CROW, a Toledo hoodlum, and a BILL WALKER of Chicago, rented the upper part of a residence from a crippled man in Donora during the early part of 1934 and remained at this address for approximately two months. Negleman stated that he believed they were "cooling off". At this time Seamon was driving a new Pontiac Coach. Negleman could furnish no address for this house but stated that it could be reached in this manner: Cross the bridge going from Webster to Donora, Pa.; turn left at the first red light and the house which is white or gray, two story frame building, is either the seventh or eighth house on the left hand side of the street. Negleman stated that the crippled man who owns this house is apparently a reputable citizen and that he knows for a fact that the renting of the upper story of the house was a legitimate transaction.

Negleman was asked if he knew how Seamon and the others located this house for the purpose of renting it and he stated that they had merely driven about town until they found a rent sign on the type of house they desired to rent. He was asked if he had made any arrangements in this connection and he replied that he had not.

Negleman stated that during July, August, and part of September, 1935 Brennan, Seamon, Rich, Campbell, and two individuals from Toledo, Ohio, one of whom was the person previously referred to who kept company with the daughter of the manager of the rooming house, and the other an old fellow called GABE, who had spent approximately forty-three

years in the Ohio State Prison, rented a house on a farm which was located off Route # 51 near Perryopolis, Pennsylvania. Negleman stated this house could be reached in this manner, assuming one were driving from Pittsburgh, Pa. to Perryopolis and Uniontown, Pennsylvania, on Route # 51: Turn right on a Pinchot Road (A Pinchot road is a narrow concrete road built during the administration of former Governor Pinchot in Pennsylvania, for the benefit of the farmers), about three miles before reaching Perryopolis, the turn being made at a bend in the main highway and at a large panel board sign marked "Crawford's Honey" (the sign is suspended from an iron pipe. The background of the sign is white and the rest of it, the letters, are black). Continue on the Pinchot Road approximately one mile, then turn left and cross a concrete bridge over a branch railroad. Proceed for a short distance to a point from which the roof of the house can be seen in the field on the left hand side, the house being about two thousand feet from the road. Continue a short distance from where the house can first be observed to a wooden gate which enters the field in which the house is located, and is on the left hand side of the road.

Negleman stated that the house is part log and part frame, contains five rooms and a cellar, and has running water in the kitchen. He stated that the kitchen is papered, but in the rest of the house the walls are neither painted nor papered. He also stated that the outside of the house was not painted; that there is a stone chimney on the back of the house. He stated that there is a wagon shed and a springhouse near the main house and that the place is surrounded by trees. He stated that the house and the adjacent property are owned by an Italian who lives in a big white house a short way down the main road from the place where you turn left and go through the gate to the house in question.

Negleman stated that at the time this house was occupied by the above mentioned men it was equipped only with a kitchen stove and a few beds. He stated he believed these men were using the house as a hideout and that they did not "case any jobs" while living there, remembering that they were very careful about driving to any of the neighboring towns during the daytime. He stated they frequently came to his cafe in Webster, Pennsylvania early in the morning during this period of time and about two or three times a week for the purpose of getting food. He also stated that on a number of occasions he took the food out to them.

Negleman stated he saw no women in the company of the men at the above described house; that he saw several small automatic rifles and pistols in the said house and that on one occasion while at the house the men engaged in target practice and at the conclusion thereof and just for fun, shot the door knobs off the doors.

Negleman stated that he noticed a 1933 or 1934 dark blue Ford Coach at the house, also a 1934 tan Coupe and a 1933 maroon Chevrolet Coach. He stated he believes the tan coupe and the Chevrolet Coach bore Ohio license plates and that it is his recollection that the Ford Coach had plates with a white background and black numerals.

Negleman described the man called GABE as follows:

Age:	65
Height:	5' 8"
Weight:	About 165
Build:	Heavy
Hair:	Dark brown
Eyes:	Green, sharp and piercing
Teeth:	False
Remarks:	Round shoulders

He also stated that there was another man at the house above mentioned unknown to him whom he described as follows:

Age:	48-50
Height:	6'
Weight:	Unknown
Build:	Very slender
Hair:	Dark

He stated that this man had a chronic sickness of some kind; that his legs were very emaciated and that he was forced to walk with a cane. He stated that he learned that this individual and the person called Gabe were expert safe men.

Negleman stated he did not know where the above mentioned men went when they left the farmhouse; that he did not even know they intended to leave when they did, explaining that he went out to the house one day for the purpose of seeing the men and ran into the Italian owner of the place, who informed him that the men had left several days before.

Negleman stated that he later endeavored to rent this place from the owner for the purpose of making moonshine and was advised that the place had already been rented to somebody else.

Negleman advised that Seamon, Brennan, Campbell, and others frequently stopped at the home of former Deputy Sheriff BOB COWELL, Washington County, Roscoe, Pennsylvania, during 1934. He stated that Cowell is now dead but that his widow still resides in the Cowell home.

Mrs. F. L. Cowell

He stated that he had heard that the above named individuals frequently left guns at Cowell's home and he is of the opinion that Mrs. Cowell may still have some of these guns in her possession. He explained that Brennan at one time told him he had left an automatic rifle at Cowell's place because it was "too hot" to take back to Ohio, remembering that he had stated that "that rifle" could solve the MILLET (phonetic spelling) murder at Canton, Ohio. Negleman stated that Millet was a former newspaper reporter in Canton and had been murdered for "riding racketeers".

Negleman stated he saw Seamon last in the company of Campbell and Cliff Hall in a club about two blocks from the police station in Youngstown, Ohio. He stated he believed said place was the Eagle's Club and that he understood from the conversation had with him at that time that Seamon and Campbell were stopping or had been stopping at the Albany Hotel in Youngstown, which place is run by a man named Ed Kelly. Negleman stated he had learned that Campbell was "sweet" on the girl that Kelly was living with. Negleman also stated this was the last time he had seen Campbell.

Negleman described the Albany Hotel as a hangout for hoodlums.

Negleman advised he met Cliff Hall through Eddie Seamon at his, Negleman's home, in Webster, Pennsylvania, about three or four years ago. He stated he could not recall the reason why Seamon and Hall had called at his place. Subsequent to the meeting he stated he has seen Hall on numerous occasions at his home in Youngstown, Ohio. He informed that Hall is a stick-up man, a con man, and a "fixer", having very good connections in Youngstown. He stated that Hall has a job of some kind with the Youngstown Sheet & Tube Company and apparently knows quite a bit about tin work as he, Negleman, has on many occasions talked to him about such work.

Negleman stated that Hall's place in Youngstown has been known as a hideout for gangsters; that a few years ago he went to Youngstown to avoid testifying in a murder case at Greensburg, Pa., and that he stopped over night at Hall's home and subsequently moved to another address in Youngstown where he spent a week. He stated that some time subsequent to the incident just mentioned a friend of his was arrested in Salem, Ohio on a hi-jacking job and that he, Negleman, went to Hall for the purpose of getting someone to go his friend's bond. He stated that Hall immediately "fixed the matter up".

Negleman advised that Hall has a very good and intelligent wife and two children, a boy and a girl. He stated that he has frequently seen Seamon and Florence Nickley at Hall's place; that he knows they spent two or three months at Hall's home either during the Winter of 1934 or the early part of 1935. He further stated that he had seen George (Milton Lett) in Hall's home on several occasions during the

latter part of 1935.

He also stated that from conversation with Hall and George Breanan and Seamon, he understood that Hall and Karpis were good friends. He could not, however, advise how such alleged friendship originated.

Negleman stated that Hall has lived in two different places in Youngstown since he has been acquainted with him; that he could not furnish the address of either but that he could go to both places. He said that Hall moved the last time in 1934.

Negleman stated that shortly after his arrest by the Canton Police during February of this year, he was taken to Youngstown, Ohio by officers for the purpose of giving the officers information about stolen cars and that while in Youngstown he took the officers out to Hall's place and endeavored to get one of them to walk by Hall's place with him so that they could observe the automobiles which were then parked at the house, however, he stated one of the officers, a Post Office Inspector, advised against doing this, indicating that the house was already under surveillance.

Negleman advised he was at Hall's home in Youngstown about December 20, 1935 and that on this occasion he saw the black Great Dane dog previously mentioned in connection with this case at Hall's home and stated nobody was at Hall's home other than Hall on this occasion.

With reference to the person known as SAM, who was involved in the mail train robbery at Garrettsville, Ohio, on November 7, 1935, Negleman stated he is positive that this individual is not identical with SAM WYNN at Webster, Pennsylvania, who at one time allegedly fixed a headlight on the car Karpis was driving. He stated he has known Sam Lynn for many years and that he has never known of Lynn's doing a dishonest thing. However, he suggested that the Sam referred to might possibly be a friend of Seamon's and Breanan's who at one time lived at 5510 Woodlawn Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, and whose telephone number was BRIDGOTT 9177. He stated that the individual who lived at this address had the given name Sam. He could not recall the surname. He stated this man was supposed to be a good machine gunner. He also stated that this man at one time lived with a woman and a small girl at the above address; that he was a close friend of NICK, a Cleveland bootlegger. Negleman stated that he had been in this man's home at the above address and had seen him frequently at the Italian Balbo Restaurant, which is located just a few doors from the Woodlawn Avenue address above mentioned.

Negleman described the individual known to him as Sam as follows:

Age:	About 38
Height:	About 5' 7"
Weight:	210-220
Build:	Heavy
Hair:	Unknown, probably dark
Eyes:	Unknown, probably dark
Complexion:	Dark
Nationality:	Italian
Peculiarities:	"Walks like a duck"

Negleman was questioned closely relative to possible hideouts of Karpis, Campbell, and others and again mentioned the rooming houses at Toledo, Ohio, the fish hatchery farm operated by a man named Kimmel near Canton, Ohio, and the Albany Hotel in Youngstown, Ohio. He also stated that there was a place near the outskirts of Ann Arbor, Michigan, he had heard Seamon speak of frequently. He stated that this place was operated by the mother of one BILLY FISHER, former Pennsylvania and Ohio gangster, who was killed by the State Police at Johnstown, Pennsylvania, during the latter part of 1934 and the early part of 1935. He stated that Fisher was an associate of Seamon and Brennan and had been involved in the mail truck robbery at Butler, Pennsylvania, during 1934. He stated that Fisher's body was shipped from Johnstown, Pennsylvania to his mother's home in Ann Arbor, Michigan, and that definite information concerning the mother's address could be obtained through a check of the records of the State Police at Johnstown, where the records of the undertaker who handled Fisher's body may be found.

Negleman further advised that Fisher had been involved in the robbery of a bank at New Castle, Pennsylvania a few years ago and had served sentences of imprisonment in both the Allegheny County Workhouse at Pittsburgh and the Ohio State Penitentiary. Negleman stated he had known Fisher and offered the following description of Billy Fisher:

Age:	32 or 33
Height:	5' 9" or 10"
Weight:	110 - 115
Build:	Very slender
Hair:	Chestnut
Eyes:	Unknown
Complexion:	Fair

Negleman stated that Deputy Sheriff EDDIE ZERNICKE (phonetic spelling) Stark County, Canton, Ohio, and SERGEANT ELMER CLARK, Canton, Ohio, Police Department, are close friends of Brennan, Seamon and Rich and from time to time have furnished them with official information.

Negleman stated Clark was one of the officers who returned him from Canton to Pittsburgh and that while he, Negleman, was being questioned in the Pittsburgh Bureau Office by Special Agent F. M. Ames during the latter part of February, this year, Clark told him to be very careful what he said and to "go easy".

Negleman also stated that STEVE WOODWARD, the Burgess of Charleroi, Pennsylvania, is a friend of Brennan and Rich and that Brennan and Rich go to his home quite often when in the vicinity of Charleroi. He further stated that the steward of the Moose Lodge at Roscoe, Pa., is likewise friendly with these individuals as is the constable, CHARLIE of Fredericktown, Pennsylvania.

Negleman advised that one JOE PETRUCCI, was involved in the same case that he, Negleman, was convicted in for violation of the Internal Revenue Laws; that Petrucci was placed on probation and then went to Detroit, Michigan, his home, where he is now employed by the Ford Motor Company.

Negleman stated that Petrucci purchased the Pontiac Sedan which Seamon had in his possession at the time he, Florence Wickley, and Carl Garland were living in Donora, Pa., at the home of the old crippled man.

He further stated that Seamon and Petrucci are very good friends and that no doubt Petrucci knows or can ascertain Seamon's whereabouts.

Negleman stated that not long ago, the Cashier of the First National Bank of Brownsville, Pennsylvania, had got in touch with Petrucci and had endeavored to make arrangements whereby Petrucci and Seamon and others would "knock off" a shipment of money to the bank.

Negleman described Petrucci as follows:

Age:	42
Height:	About 5' 6"
Build:	Heavy
Hair:	Dark
Eyes:	Dark

Negleman was questioned concerning the Monoco Club at Pittsburgh, Pa. He informed that he knew very little about the Monoco Club but that while he was in the Allegheny County Jail at Pittsburgh during March of this year awaiting removal to the Northeastern Penitentiary, he became acquainted with TOM DEVLIN, who was undergoing a sentence in the County Jail and who at one time, according to rumor, was interested in the Monoco Club.

Negleman also stated that he is acquainted with JAMES COURTNEY who at one time was interested in the Monoco Beer Garden at Pittsburgh. He stated that Courtney comes from DuLevy, Washington County, Pennsylvania, and at one time operated a number of beer joints in Washington County in association with a person who is now a Deputy United States Marshal at Pittsburgh. He could not recall the name of the Deputy Marshal. He stated that he was not well acquainted with Courtney and does not know his present whereabouts or present associates.

He also stated he was not acquainted with Henry Bergeles or Henry Biegle.

Negleman stated that he had no information concerning clubs at New Kensington, Pennsylvania.

Negleman informed that five or six months ago he overheard a conversation between George (Milton Lett) and Eddie Seamon about a five-passenger aeroplane which was kept in Philadelphia or vicinity and that he heard George say to Seamon, "Well, it might hold six men my size but it would never take off with six men your size".

Negleman also informed he heard someone of the Canton bunch talking about a Cord car which was also stored in Philadelphia and that a special contraption for the purpose of concealing a machine gun had been built into or attached to the motor.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, Cleveland, Ohio, dated February 17, 1936, which reflects interview with Negleman at Canton, Ohio, during which Negleman stated he had been approached by someone and asked to buy machine gun clips for Karpis. Negleman was questioned closely concerning this alleged incident and informed that the person who approached him was Joe Rich, who wanted some information about the National Guard Armory at Monaca, Pa., and the possibility of stealing machine gun clips and ammunition from the Armory. Negleman stated he told Rich he had no information about the said armory.

Negleman informed that about six months ago a Canton racketeer, whose name he cannot recall, who works in a tan mill at Canton, came to the Hockins Cafe at Webster, Pennsylvania, and asked him if he knew of a place for Karpis to "stay". He stated he and this fellow drove to the Belvedere Gardens at Monongahela, Pa. and that as they sat down in a booth this fellow remarked that he and Karpis had eaten spaghetti at the restaurant once and had occupied the same booth.

In conversation with Warden HILL of the Northeastern Penitentiary at Lewisburg, Pa., it was ascertained that Mr. Hill, prior to his appointment as Warden, was for many years a Post Office Inspector, therefore, no inquiries were made concerning possible relations between Post Office Inspectors and Negleman. It will be noted here, however, that when the Warden called for Negleman's file he was told that it was in the Parole Office.

If the Office of Origin or the Cleveland Office deems it advisable a letter will be directed to the Warden of the Northeastern Penitentiary asking him to advise this office in the event Negleman is to be released on parole.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE CLEVELAND BUREAU OFFICE will endeavor to locate the alleged rooming houses in Toledo, Ohio, described by Negleman as "hangouts" for hoodlums.

AT CANTON, OHIO will interview, if it is deemed advisable, the former Mrs. Brennan who is said to reside on the outskirts of Canton, near the Stark County Workhouse, and ascertain from her Brennan's connection and any information she may have concerning his association with the fugitives in this case.

Will endeavor to locate the fish hatchery, allegedly operated by an individual named Kimmel, on the outskirts of Canton, ascertaining if this place is a "hideout" for any of the persons involved in this case.

AT YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO will ascertain the character and reputation of the Albany Hotel, having in mind that it might possibly be a place frequented by Karpis and Campbell and other persons wanted for questioning in this case.

Will ascertain the identity of the person referred to by Negleman as Sam _____, who at one time lived at 5510 Woodlawn Avenue, telephone number ENDICOTT 9177.

Will ascertain from a review of the Cleveland Office files on various bank robbery cases, if a bank in the small town located somewhere between Canton and Alliance, Ohio was robbed twice during 1934 and 1935, and if a bank at Waynesburg, Ohio was robbed at any time during 1934 and 1935, this review to be made for the purpose of verifying information furnished by Negleman and for the purpose of setting out leads for fur-

ther investigation in the individual bank robbery cases.

THE PITTSBURGH BUREAU OFFICE at PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA, will contact the Probation Office for the purpose of obtaining the present address of JOE PETRUCCI, who is alleged to be a very good friend of Eddie Seamon.

AT PERRYOPOLIS, PENNSYLVANIA, will endeavor to find the farmhouse in which Seamon, Brennan, Campbell, and others are alleged to have spent the months of July, August, and September, 1935.

AT DONORA, Washington County, PA., will endeavor to locate the house, the upper portion of which was rented by Seamon, Florence Nickley, and Carl Garland during the forepart of 1935.

Will ascertain the reputation and character of the hotel located on Sixth Street in Donora, where Seamon and Lett allegedly spent the night during the early part of 1935. Investigation should be made at this hotel in an attempt to determine if it is frequented by any of the persons involved in this case.

AT WEBSTER, Westmoreland County, PENNSYLVANIA, will ascertain if the State Liquor price list, on which Negleman claims he wrote the license number of Karpis' car, is still secreted under or behind the cash register in the restaurant formerly operated by Negleman known as the Hockins Cafe.

AT JOHNSTONE, Cambria County, PENNSYLVANIA, will ascertain from the records of the State Police, all information available concerning BILLY FISHER, who was allegedly killed by the Police there during the latter part of 1934 or the early part of 1935. The name of the undertaker handling the body should be ascertained and his records examined for the purpose of securing the name and address of Fisher's mother in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Will ascertain the whereabouts of the widow of former Deputy Sheriff BOB COWELL, Washington County, Roscoe, Pa., and will make appropriate investigation in an attempt to ascertain if she now has in her possession any of the guns which were allegedly left with the Deputy Sheriff by Seamon, Campbell, Brennan, and others.

Will expedite the leads set forth in the report of Special Agent Wayne A. Sanders, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, dated April 16, 1936.

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April 17, 1936

Time: 7:30 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

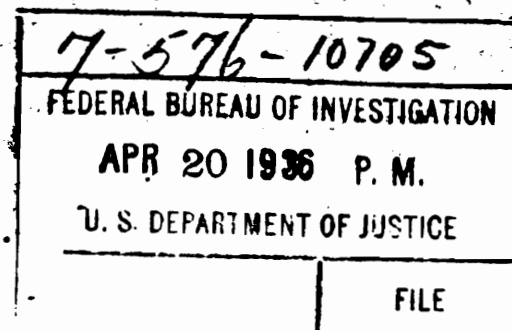
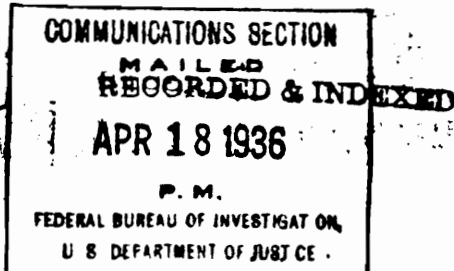
RE: Karpis and Campbell.

In the course of a tele-phone conversation with Mr. Connelley at Chicago he stated that developments in the search for the above fugitives indicated that they were on their trail. Mr. Connelley stated that Mr. Brantley had advised him in a telephone conversation a short while ago that they had located a hideout at Paris, Texas and that Karpis' woman's people had been identified; that through an informant they had obtained information that Campbell is living in Toledo, Ohio. Mr. Connelley stated that he would go to Toledo to supervise the investigation there and that he was confident Mr. Brantley would take care of the situation in Texas and Arkansas.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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April 16, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

RE: BREKID

This will advise that this morning I held a conference with Mr. Walter L. Barlow, Special Assistant to the Attorney General, who will try the Joe Adams-Duke Randall matter in Miami, Florida on May 25, 1936.

Mr. Barlow at that time informed me that it has been definitely decided that Judge Long of the Northern District of Florida will sit during the course of this trial. Mr. Barlow stated that he has never tried any cases before Judge Long, but he knows lawyers who have tried cases before this Judge and they have expressed the feeling that he is considered satisfactory.

Mr. Barlow asked me if it would be possible for me to assist him during the course of this trial in Florida, and that if I were permitted to proceed to that point it would be necessary to go down at least one week before May 25, 1936. I told him that I did not know whether I would be permitted to proceed to Florida with him; that I had not discussed this matter with you, but that I would bring it to your attention and advise him at a later date.

Respectfully,

K. R. McIntire

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CINCINNATI, OHIO.

FILE NO. 7-2

REPORT MADE AT LITTLE ROCK, ARK.	DATE WHEN MADE 4/16/36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 3/4 - 4/11/36	REPORT MADE BY B. L. DAMRON.
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DOCTOR JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. 1236, Et Al.		CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.	
Edward George Bremer, Victim.			
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Bath houses at Hot Springs, Arkansas, canvassed for information concerning Campbell but with negative results. Charles "Luckie" Luciano, New York City hoodlum and possible contact of subjects, now confined at Little Rock, Arkansas, pending removal New York City on state charge. Grace Goldstein alleged to have had Buick Sedan of Karpis serviced at Hot Springs on March 25, 1936 and drove car out on March 26, 1936, car carrying Louisiana license. Goldstein possibly contacting subjects and efforts being made to trace her activities. Goldstein left Hot Springs on April 10, 1936, and efforts are being made to locate her through relatives. Mrs. John Stover identified photograph of Karpis as being passenger on airplane trips. Description of clothes and articles found in Woodcock residence set forth and leads set forth for tracing. Investigation of long distance telephone calls from Hatterie Hotel with negative results.			
REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Illinois, April 11, 1936.			
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DETAILS:

Reference is made to the letter from the Chicago office to the Cleveland office dated February 12, 1936, letter from the Chicago office to the Little Rock office dated February 14, 1936, and the letter from the Chicago office to the Bureau dated March 10, 1936, all of which deal with the canvass of bath houses or similar health resorts for information concerning Harry Campbell. On March 4, 1936, the writer and Special Agent C. A. Mahan canvassed Bath House Row and other bath houses at Hot Springs, Arkansas, to ascertain if Harry Campbell was then taking the baths or was known at said bath houses. The bath houses contacted were as follows:

~~Majestic~~
~~Rockafellow~~
~~Arlington~~
~~Superior~~
~~Hale~~
~~Maurice~~

~~Fordyce~~
~~Quapaw~~
~~Ozark~~
~~Buckstaff~~
~~Lamar~~
~~Kingsway~~
~~Alhambra~~

Bath Houses
Hot Springs, Ark

Negative information was received at each of these bath houses with the exception of the Maurice Bath House where Miss Peters, Manager, stated that the photograph of Campbell appeared familiar and that she felt that he had been a customer at the bath house at sometime in the past. She could not recall the name used by Campbell and, therefore, was unable to locate the record showing the date, etc. It was her recollection that Campbell took the course of twenty-one baths and was accompanied by two other men. The three of them stated that they were from Oklahoma. She believed that one of the men was lame and might have walked with a cane. Miss Peters stated that for some reason this bath house has become the choice of the big-time criminals as among some of their past customers were the Touhy brothers, Capone, Dick Galatas, etc. She stated, however, that she would be glad to cooperate with the Bureau in a confidential manner and requested that any information she submitted be treated as such. She promised to make inquiries and a search of her records in an effort to locate the past record of Campbell and was later contacted by the writer on March 14, 1936, but at this time she stated that she had been unable to locate the record, nor could she recall the name used by Campbell or any further circumstances.

It will be noted from the summary report of Special Agent D. P. Sullivan, Chicago, Illinois, dated February 17, 1936, that Harry Campbell together with Wynona Burdette were in Hot Springs, Arkansas, in July, 1932, at which time Harry Campbell was taking the baths. Apparently, this information was obtained from Wynona Burdette but the bath house at which they received the baths was not mentioned. Identification Orders as to Campbell will be left at each of the bath houses at Hot Springs, Arkansas, as soon as the supply of the Little Rock office has been replenished.

By reference to the report of Special Agent J. B. Dickerson, New York City, New York, dated March 16, 1936, pages three and four, it will be noted that Charles "Lucky" Luciano is mentioned as a possible contact of the subjects and that information had been received that he was in Hollywood, Florida; also that Luciano is an associate of Louis Buchalter, alias Ruckhousa, alias Saffer, alias Lepke, who was supposed to be in Hot Springs, Arkansas. During intermittent occasions subsequent to the opening of the Oaklawn Park Race Track at Hot Springs, Arkansas, which was on February 22, 1936, the writer was in attendance at the races and during the night canvassed the gambling rooms in Hot Springs. On February 24, 1936, Luciano was spotted in the gambling rooms of the Southern Grill at which time, apparently, he was alone. On several occasions, thereafter, he was seen in the same establishment and on one occasion was followed at which time it was noted that he was residing at the Arlington Hotel and was keeping company with a platinum blond about five feet seven inches tall, weight approximately one hundred thirty pounds, and very well dressed.

On several occasions it was noted that Luciano was accompanied by a younger man who, apparently, was his body guard. This man appeared to be about thirty-three years of age, five feet ten inches tall, weight one hundred and sixty pounds, dark complexioned, dark hair, of foreign extraction, well dressed and neat appearance. He did not have a tough look.

It was also apparent that Luciano was very friendly with a young man of foreign extraction who resembled very closely the New York Police photograph of Mike Capola and it is possible that he is his younger brother. This young man appeared to be approximately twenty-five years of age, five feet five inches tall, weight one hundred forty-five pounds, build medium, dark complexion, with dark hair parted in the middle and slicked down.

Luciano also appeared friendly with the peroxide blond about five feet seven inches tall, weight approximately one hundred thirty pounds, well built and usually wore a gray mannish dress with gray hat and green hat band. This woman had a very clear complexion and, apparently, has a manufactured sun-tan. She was later seen at the race tracks in company with a blond woman weighing approximately one hundred sixty pounds, about five feet ten inches tall, and a small heavy set foreign looking woman. On March 21, 1936, the peroxide blond was seen talking to a foreigner and was overheard to remark that she had flown from New York City to Hot Springs via Memphis and Little Rock, had been in Hot Springs seven and one-half weeks and made mention of her husband who was in New York City.

Luciano was arrested at Hot Springs, Arkansas, on March 31, 1936, by local officers and a New York City detective and was later re-arrested by Arkansas State Rangers on a fugitive warrant based upon an indictment returned in New York City charging Luciano with compulsory prostitution. Luciano is now confined in the Pulaski County Jail, Little Rock, Arkansas, pending an appeal from the decision of the United States District Court at Little Rock denying a return of habeas corpus. The Governor of Arkansas has recognized an extradition warrant and has ordered his removal to New York City but said order has not been complied with because of the habeas corpus proceedings in Federal Court.

With reference to Buchalter, alias Buckhouse, alias Lepke, he was not seen by the writer at Hot Springs, Arkansas, or in company with Luciano.

On March 17, 1936, Special Agent in Charge Dwight Brantley of the Oklahoma City office telephonically advised the Little Rock office that information had been received to the effect that Milton Lett was probably at Hot Springs, Arkansas, but that he had no information as to his address or any contacts he was making in Hot Springs. Mr. Brantley further advised that Lett might possibly be with his woman named "Lucile" whom he is recently supposed to have married and that they may be driving a gray 1935 or 1936 Ford Coupe which might possibly have Louisiana license plates attached thereto. Mr. Brantley requested a discreet investigation at Hot Springs in an effort to locate Lett.

On March 18, and March 21, 1936, the writer canvassed the down town streets of Hot Springs in an effort to locate the automobile described by Mr. Brantley but without results. All parking lots and streets in the vicinity of Oaklawn Park Race Track were also canvassed for this car but with negative results. On the nights of the above mentioned dates, the writer also canvassed the gambling establishments at Hot Springs but with negative results. The photograph of Lett was shown to Bob Moore, Special Officer at the Southern Grill who was deemed reliable and he stated that he had never seen Lett in the Southern Grill or in Hot Springs.

On March 18, 1936, a telegram was received from the Oklahoma City office requesting information concerning Arkansas 1935 or 1936 license #53-617. The writer ascertained at the office of the State License Bureau at the State Capitol Building that Arkansas 1935 license #53-617 was issued to A. T. Seeflath of Collins, Arkansas, for a 1929 Ford Sedan, motor #964636 and was issued on January 22, 1936, from Drew County, Arkansas, by inspector #41, the application number being 51361. 1936 Arkansas license #53-617 was not recorded at the State Capitol but was ascertained from Mr. J. H. Wright,

License Inspector at Ft. Smith, Arkansas, that said license was issued to George C. Campbell, 730 or 930 Main Street, Van Buren, Arkansas, for a 1934 Ford Sedan, motor #18-1190702. Mr. Wright further stated that it was claimed by Mr. Campbell that the car had been licensed in Florida in 1935. The above information was transmitted to the Oklahoma City office by telegram of March 12, 1936.

On March 18, 1936, Mr. Charles Daniels, Cashier of the Union Bank and Trust Company, Monticello, Arkansas, telephoned the Little Rock office and advised that he is holding a one hundred dollar federal reserve note, 1928 series, Atlanta Branch Series #F-00210974-A, which was deposited by a local merchant; that on the previous Friday a young man appeared at the bank and inquired for the real estate department and, thereafter, inquired about the purchase of a small farm stating that he had \$200.00 in cash; that this young man also stated that he was buying up old gold and making about \$40.00 a day and desired to buy a farm on which to locate as his wife was about to give birth to a child; that when the merchant deposited the one hundred dollar federal reserve note, a discussion was had with the merchant as to the person who passed this \$100.00 bill as such a bill was unusual at Monticello, and it was ascertained that the same had been given to the merchant by the young man previously mentioned.

Mr. Daniels further stated that the matter had been reported to the Sheriff's Office and that there appeared to be something suspicious concerning this young man; that it had been ascertained that this young man subsequently purchased a farm in the District known as the Wolf Prairie and which is situated in the rural section away from all highways; also that this unknown individual purchased about \$300.00 worth of furniture from a furniture store and had it moved to this farm house at Wolf Prairie and when the furniture people returned, they stated that the farm house was a dilapidated shack with holes in the roof; that he had also ascertained that this young man together with another unknown man and three women were living at this farm at Wolf Prairie and on several occasions had driven into Monticello and purchased supplies from hardware stores, always going into the hardware stores through the rear entrances, and that the men were driving a 1934 model Hudson bearing Ohio license and a Ford V-8 bearing Georgia license #39885. He did not know whether this was a 1935 or 1936 Georgia license and stated that he would attempt to attain the Ohio license number on the Hudson and advise this office later. He was unable to give descriptions of the two men and three women but stated that they were acting very suspicious and might be wanted criminals.

The records of the Little Rock office disclose no \$100.00 bills paid as ransom in any kidnaping case. The Federal Reserve Bank at Little Rock had no record of the above mentioned federal reserve note.

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It will be noted from the Weynap file that the ^{helli}Ulliotts, relatives of William Mahan, have been passing \$100.00 bills and one of which was a federal reserve note of the Atlanta Branch being of a different series number from that above mentioned. It will also be noted from the Weynap file that Mahan is alleged to have changed all of the ransom money and obtained \$100.00 bills for the same.

A telegram was dispatched to the Atlanta office to obtain the name, address and description of the car for which the above mentioned Georgia license was issued and information was subsequently obtained from the Atlanta office that the said Georgia license was issued to Jack O'Neal at Watson's Tourist Camp, Columbus, Georgia, for 1935 Ford Fordor Sedan, motor #1320366. (See report of Special Agent Philip M. Breed, Atlanta, Georgia, dated March 31, 1936.)

It will be noted from the summary report of Special Agent S. K. McKee dated at Chicago, Illinois, February 18, 1936, that one James "Tip" O'Neill is mentioned as an intimate friend of James Patton of the Harvard Club. In view of the similarity of these names, a telegram was dispatched to the Detroit office to trace said Ford Sedan and information was received by telegram that the Ford Sedan had been shipped to the Ford Motor Company at Cincinnati, Ohio. The Cincinnati office, thereupon, was telegraphically requested to trace the sale of said car for the purpose of identifying the purchaser. Subsequently, a telegram was received to the effect that the Ford Sedan was purchased from the Bauer Motor Sales, Cincinnati, Ohio, on November 30, 1935, by Jack O'Neal of 712 Front Street, Newport, Arkansas, a dealer in second hand watches. The description of Jack O'Neal furnished in the telegram from the Cincinnati office did not fit the description of any of the subjects in this case. Furthermore on March 20, 1936, Mr. Daniels again communicated with the Little Rock office and advised that one of the parties previously mentioned by him had registered at the local hotel under the name of Jack O'Neal and that this party also registered for his wife and sister, the name of the wife being Mildred O'Neal but the name of the sister was not given and that the other man with him registered under the name of G. T. Boon.

Daniels also advised that O'Neal had sent a suit to the cleaners at Monticello and that a tag inside of the suit gave the name of "Carl Turner".

On the afternoon of the same day, Sheriff W. C. Grues of Monticello communicated with Special Agent in Charge Chapman Fletcher by long distance telephone and furnished the same information as given by Mr. Daniels.

On the following morning Mr. Daniels again advised that he had ascertained that on either Thursday or Friday, March 19, or 20, 1936, a long distance telephone call had been placed from telephone booth #1708 in the Ridgeway Hotel at Monticello, Arkansas, by either Jack O'Neal or C. T. Boone, possibly the latter, but that the tickets on the call had been forwarded to Little Rock and he was unable to ascertain to whom the call was placed. Subsequently, Sheriff Cruse called at the Little Rock office and advised that, apparently, Jack O'Neal and C. T. Boone were dealing in counterfeit money. This information was telephonically transmitted by Special Agent in Charge Fletcher to the Secret Service office at Memphis, Tennessee, who stated they would contact Sheriff Cruse.

On March 16, 1936, Special Agent J. P. Lacour, resident agent at Ft. Smith, Arkansas, received information from Buck Mooney, Arkansas State Ranger, stationed at Bentonville, Arkansas, to the effect that G. C. Feemster of Centry, Arkansas, had approached him concerning an introduction to a Special Agent of the Bureau indicating that he would be able to furnish some information of value. Mooney stated that it had been reported recently to the Sheriff at Benton, County, Arkansas, that some tough looking individuals had been hanging around Feemster's place recently and that a short time ago a gang was at Feemster's place and held pistol target practice nearby.

On March 20, 1936, Special Agent J. P. Lacour proceeded to Centry, Arkansas, where he interviewed Feemster thereafter submitting the following memorandum covering said interview:

G. C. Feemster is a real estate dealer of Centry, Arkansas, and from all accounts is infatuated with Jewell Johnson, the widow of Gen. Johnson, Arkansas bandit slain a few years ago near Centry, Arkansas.

G. C. Feemster claims that about eighteen months ago he sold a farm for Jewell Johnson and that this sale was on a monthly payment basis and that he collected the monthly payments and remitted them to Jewell Johnson and in that way came in regular contact with her until recently. Feemster claims that through this association with Mrs. Johnson, he met Edith Campbell, sister of Harry Campbell, in Tulsa, Oklahoma, and that he went on numerous parties with these women and other male friends of theirs in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Feemster claims that from statements made by Edith Campbell, Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell are supposed to have definitely and more or less permanently, located in or near Tulsa, Oklahoma, on or about the date that the Oklahoma Peace Officers had their convention in Tulsa at which the Director of this Bureau spoke. According to Feemster, the way that Edith Campbell referred to the presence of

these subjects in or near Tulsa was by the statement that "the boys are planted here." Feemster claims that he has gathered from his associations with Edith Campbell that she is in touch with her brother, Harry Campbell, at all times and that he, Feemster, firmly believes that she is although he claims not to know by what method or through what possible contacts. Feemster claims that this information is not the result of positive statements to him by Edith Campbell but obtained from droppings of conversations between Edith Campbell and Jewell Johnson and the other members of the parties he has been on.

Feemster claims that about two months ago it is his opinion that Harry Campbell and Alvin Karpis were staying at an unoperated tourist camp and filling station located just across the river bridge west of Sand Springs, Oklahoma, the place being the first camp on the left after passing the river bridge. This place according to Feemster, has some outbuildings or cabins back away from the road and he positively states that he cannot help but believe that these subjects were located at this place.

Feemster further stated that it is his opinion that Campbell and Karpis are now driving a black 1935 Plymouth Sedan bearing Oklahoma tags. Where this car was purchased or under what names or name the tags may have been purchased, is not known to Feemster. He further advises that Karpis and Campbell came almost directly to Tulsa from Atlantic City, New Jersey, after eluding the police at that point in January, 1935, and that they have been located in and out of Tulsa ever since that time. According to Feemster, these subjects are alleged to be well supplied with cash but the source of this money or whether it is the original share of the Bremer money cut to these subjects, Feemster claims not to know. He does state that it is his information that these subjects occasionally drive great distances from Tulsa and vicinity and pull various kinds of jobs.

Feemster claims not to know any particular or likely spot in Tulsa where these subjects might seek refuge or make contact with subject Campbell's family although he is positive that they are in constant touch with Edith Campbell as has been previously stated.

Feemster stated that he believed that he could obtain some definite information as to the whereabouts of these subjects in a comparatively short time if he had funds with which to entertain Jewell Johnson and Edith Campbell and their friends, but advised that it would be dangerous for him to contact agents of this Bureau assigned to the Tulsa District in Oklahoma as he claims that Edith Campbell

has remarked that Campbell and Karpis can recognize these agents and have dodged them once or twice on the streets. From what Feenster states, Karpis and Campbell occasionally venture boldly on the streets of Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Feenster further stated that should he be able to put these subjects on the spot, that it should be worth something to him and he was advised that any such arrangement as a reward was strictly a C.O.D. proposition with this Bureau; that rewards were only paid after the information had been furnished and proved valuable and successful and to this he stated that such a proposition was satisfactory to him should his name never be mentioned.

It is not known whether this interview with Feenster was requested by Feenster with the sole plan of trying to obtain money under pretense of being willing to furnish information in connection with this case or if he is really in earnest. However, from what has been stated concerning Feenster by Ranger Mooney and other officers in the vicinity of Gentry, Arkansas, Feenster should be in a position to obtain information in connection with this case.

Feenster wanted the writer to accompany him to Tulsa and go on a party with him and Edith Campbell and Jewell Johnson and expressed the belief that after a few nights information would begin to drop and that the writer could see that he was on the up and up. Feenster was advised that such a plan was impossible without express permission from the Director and the writer's immediate superior. Feenster seems to have a profound respect for the Director of this Bureau and expresses a desire to cooperate but at the same time intimates that it should be worth his while to enter into such a dangerous venture, since he at present has the confidence of Edith Campbell and her friends and that any known betrayal would be exceedingly dangerous to him.

Feenster claims to personally be acquainted with Karpis and Campbell having met them in Tulsa about two years ago but states that he has not seen them since about October or September, 1935, at which time they drove by his place en route to Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Feenster was furnished with the name and address of the Agent in Charge of the Little Rock Bureau Office and also the name and address of the writer at Ft. Smith, Arkansas, and advised to immediately communicate any valuable information which would be treated strictly confidential and was informed that the writer would call on him again when next in the vicinity of Gentry, Arkansas, for anything which he may have learned.

With reference to the above information supplied by Feenster, the same was discussed with Special Agent L. E. Kingman of the Oklahoma City office who was in Little Rock, Arkansas, on April 5, 1936. Agent Kingman stated that both he and Agent Paul Hansen are acquainted with the tourist camp mentioned by Feenster and the same is operated adjacent to the road between Sand Springs and Cleveland, Oklahoma, and at which tourist camp Fred and Ma Barker stopped over night a long time ago.

In order that interested offices may be fully advised as to recent developments in the vicinity of Hot Springs, Arkansas, and the new contacts with subjects as developed during recent investigation, the following is a summary of information previously submitted to the Bureau and other offices.

On or about the first of September, 1935, two men rented a cottage on Lake Hamilton which is near Hot Springs, Arkansas, the two men going under the names of Fred Parker and Harold King. After remaining for a short while, Harold King left and a short time thereafter, one Tommy Coleman joined Fred Parker at this cottage. A man by the name of "George" also visited at this cottage but his identity is unknown. Harold King was identified as Fred Hunter of Warren or Leavittsburg, Ohio. There was a conflict as to the identity of Fred Parker some persons stating it was Karpis and others stating it was not. These men left the cottage on Lake Hamilton on October 2, 1935. It appears that at the time Fred Hunter and Karpis and possibly Harry Campbell (who might possibly be identical with Tommy Coleman or George) were at this cottage on Lake Hamilton, one of them was in possession of a Hudson Coupe bearing Ohio license H372M which was listed to E. F. Parker, 325 North Phelps Street, Youngstown, Ohio. Investigation by the Cleveland office disclosed that this Hudson was sold to E. F. Parker who was accompanied by Fred Hunter, but on October 15, 1935, the Hudson Coupe was traded back to the Manning Marino Motor Company at Youngstown, Ohio, who had previously sold the car.

From investigation conducted at Hot Springs, Arkansas, it also appeared that Fred Hunter and possibly his associates, were in Hot Springs during the summer of 1935 as Fred Hunter was treated by a Dr. Paul Z. Browne, of Hot Springs, from June 15, to July 16, 1935.

Efforts are being made by the Little Rock office to locate and interview a negro woman who was called "Mina", who was a cook and maid at this cabin on Lake Hamilton during the time the men resided there and efforts are also being made to identify two local girls who visited the cabin on several occasions.

On March 31, 1936, the writer received information from a confidential informant at Hot Springs, Arkansas, to the effect that a person resembling Karpis had been in Hot Springs during November, 1935, and had arrived in a private airplane at the Municipal Airport. The writer then interviewed John S. Stover who has charge of the local airport at Hot Springs and who was a Government witness in the Kansas City Massacre case. Stover related that on November 11, 1935, a Stinson, four passenger airplane, bearing NC-12180, arrived in Hot Springs about noon and, apparently, came from the east and was occupied by three passengers and a pilot. Stover identified one of the passengers as Fred Hunter and stated the other party bore a slight resemblance to Karpis, especially in the facial characteristics from the nose down. He stated, however, that he did not get a very good look at this party and was going mostly on information supplied him by some post office inspectors. He stated that the party with Hunter, and possibly Karpis, had his hat pulled down over his eyes and was wearing shell-rimmed glasses. He saw no scars on the side of his face and was of the opinion that this party had an impediment of speech as he talked like he had mush in his mouth.

Stover related that after leaving the plane at Hot Springs, Hunter made inquiry as to whether some woman had been at the airport to meet them and when advised in the negative, Hunter then made a telephone call from the hangar after which he asked him (Stover) to drive them to town (efforts to trace this telephone call were negative as the call was a local call and no record made of the same; also, Stover stated he did not overhear any conversation). Stover related that he then drove Hunter and the other man, possibly Karpis, to down-town Hot Springs and they left the car at a point on Central Avenue near the Como Hotel, but he did not see them enter the hotel and does not know where they went after leaving the car. About a week later, he related Hunter returned to the airport in a taxicab and was accompanied by a young girl whom he described as eighteen years of age, five feet two inches tall, weight one hundred and fifteen pounds, medium dark complexion, dark curly, bobbed hair, and well dressed and at this time Hunter hired him to fly him and the girl to San Antonio, Texas, which he did; that upon arrival in San Antonio, they landed at the Army Auxiliary Field and immediately, thereafter, Hunter

and the girl left the airport or field in a taxicab. Stover stated that he registered the arrival of his plane with the officials of the Army Auxiliary Field at San Antonio and soon, thereafter, returned alone to Hot Springs and he has not seen Hunter or his girl associate since that time.

With reference to the man with Hunter and who bore a slight resemblance to Karpis, it was related by Stover that he never saw him after letting him out of the car near the Como Hotel and assumed that he left town with the woman about whom Hunter inquired. This assumption he based on the fact that later he learned from one of the employees of the airport, that some women in a Hudson Sedan had made inquiry at the airport on the morning of November 11, 1935, and he assumed that these were the women about whom Hunter had inquired.

With reference to the pilot and other passenger who went on from Hot Springs in the Stinson plane, Stover related that he could not identify them but that his employees might as they placed gasoline in the airplane at that time. Stover related that he personally took the number of this plane together with the name of the pilot and made a report of the same to the Chamber of Commerce who maintained records as to the arrival and departure of planes from the Municipal Airport. He obtained this information from the report and stated that the plane bore #WC-12180, and the pilot gave the name of "Fetner" and he believed that his first name was "Sam".

Stover further advised that recently Post Office Inspectors George Hill and W. W. Haynes of Tulsa, Oklahoma, had interviewed him concerning this same matter and at that time told him that Karpis was the associate of Fred Hunter who disembarked from the airplane at Hot Springs; that the post office inspectors had further told him that the Stinson airplane after leaving Hot Springs proceeded west and was forced down about twenty-five miles south of Ft. Smith, Arkansas, where they spent the night (believed to be Booneville, Arkansas), and the next day flew into Ft. Smith and thence to Tulsa, Oklahoma, and that the post office inspectors had told him further that Hunter was wanted by the Post Office Department and a two thousand dollar reward was outstanding for Karpis.

Stover is a personal friend of the confidential informant previously referred to and has promised to obtain all further information available concerning Hunter and his associates and will immediately notify the informant if Hunter or his associates appear, and the Little Rock office will, in turn, be notified by telephone.

Stover further related that he was sure in his identification of Fred Hunter, whose photograph the post office inspectors had left with him, stating that in July, 1935, he had flown Hunter to Tulsa, Oklahoma, from Hot Springs and on this occasion they remained in Tulsa only for about one hour after which they returned to Hot Springs. Stover stated that he registered the arrival of his plane at the Tulsa Airport on this occasion and that Hunter went to and from the airport in a taxicab. The number of Stover's airplane is NC-6585, and is a single motor plane painted red.

The above information was immediately submitted to Mr. E. J. Connelley at Chicago, Illinois, by letter dated March 23, 1936, with copies being directed to the Washington Field Office, San Antonio Office, Oklahoma City Office and Cleveland Office for appropriate investigation.

As will be noted from pages three to six inclusive of the reference report, John Zetzer was identified as the pilot of the Stinson plane and Karpis and Fred Hunter identified as the two parties who left the plane at Hot Springs, Arkansas, and John Brock was identified as being person who accompanied Zetzer in the plane from Hot Springs to Tulsa, Oklahoma. On page twenty-five of the reference report, it will be noted that this Stinson plane after leaving Hot Springs, Arkansas, proceeded to Ft. Smith, Arkansas, where it arrived on the morning of November 10, 1935.

By reference to page seventeen of the report of reference, it will be noted that John Stover failed to advise the writer of two trips he made with subject Karpis, one being a trip to Youngstown, Ohio, taking Karpis from Hot Springs to Youngstown and returning to Hot Springs with Clayton Hall, Karpis remaining at Youngstown. Later Stover went to Canton, Ohio, where he picked up Karpis and flew him to Hot Springs.

Subsequent to the interview with Stover by Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley and Special Agent in Charge Dwight Brantley, set forth on pages seventeen to twenty-two inclusive in the reference report, Stover delivered to the writer his pilot's log book, which disclosed entries of the following airplane trips some of which may be of value in future investigation:

June 28, 1935, Hot Springs, Ark., to Tulsa, Okla., and return.
July 4, 1935, Hot Springs to Tulsa, Okla., and return.
July 7, 1935, Hot Springs to Oklahoma City, Okla., and return.
July 25, 1935, Hot Springs, to Baltimore, Maryland, and return.
August 10, 1935, Hot Springs, to Gulfport, Miss., and return.
August 29, 1935, Tulsa, Oklahoma, to Springfield, Missouri.

September 1, 1935, Akron, Ohio, to Cleveland, Ohio.
 September 4, 1935, Cleveland, Ohio, to Hot Springs, Arkansas.
 September 6, 1935, Hot Springs, Arkansas, to Wichita, Kansas, and return.
 October 12, 1935, Hot Springs, Arkansas, to San Antonio, Texas, and return.
 (Above trips made in Stover's Ryan plane #NC-6585.)
 January 9, 1936, Hot Springs, Ark., to Springfield, Mo., to Wichita, Kansas,
 to Hot Springs, Ark. (Trip made in a Beechcraft.)
 January 10, 1936, Hot Springs, Ark., to New York City.
 January 13, New York City to Terre Haute, Indiana, to St. Louis, Mo., to
 Hot Springs, Ark.
 January 14, 1936, Hot Springs, Ark., to Youngstown, Ohio.
 January 15, 1936, Youngstown, Ohio, to Hot Springs, Ark.
 January 17, Hot Springs, Ark., to Canton, Ohio.
 January 18, 1936, Canton, Ohio, to Hot Springs, Ark.
 (The six above mentioned trips were made in Stover's Ryan airplane #NC-6585.)

Stover has advised the writer that he prepares his log book from memory and that the dates may not be exact. From his log book it would appear that he flew Fred Hunter and Connie Morris from Hot Springs, Arkansas, to San Antonio, Texas, on October 12, 1935; flew Karpis to Youngstown, Ohio, on January 14, 1936, returned to Hot Springs from Youngstown, Ohio, on January 15, 1936, with Clayton Hall, and flew to Canton, Ohio, on January 17, 1936, where he picked up Karpis and brought him to Hot Springs, on January 18, 1936.

Stover further stated that the exact dates of these trips could be verified by checking the hotel registers in Youngstown and Canton, he and his wife always staying in the better class hotels and that they always registered at the hotels under the name of John Stover and wife of Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Following the interview of John Stover by Special Agents in Charge Connelley and Brantley, the writer together with Special Agent John B. Little interviewed Mrs. John Stover which interview was had immediately upon her return to her residence and before she could have any conversation with her husband, this interview being on the night of March 4, 1936. Mrs. Stover was questioned concerning trips which she made with her husband in his Ryan airplane. At first she related only one such trip, stating that she had only made one trip with her husband since Christmas of 1935 and which trip was to Youngstown, Ohio. When questioned concerning any further trips she would not relate any other trips until cities and towns in Ohio were mentioned and the name of Canton was mentioned whereupon she recalled this trip.

Mrs. Stover stated that in January, 1936, she accompanied her husband on a trip to Youngstown, Ohio; that she did not know how her husband arranged for the trip as he merely told her he was going to Youngstown and inquired if she wanted to go along; that after being told of the trip she spent most of her time packing and making necessary arrangements and, therefore, did not see the passenger until she entered the plane the following morning; that she had never seen the passenger before and only knew him by the name of "Ed"; that on the trip from Hot Springs to Youngstown, they were forced down near Louisville, Kentucky, and they had lunch at the airport; that upon arriving in Youngstown, Ed mentioned something about a hotel but she and John decided to stay at a hotel closer to the business district; that Ed got out of the taxicab at the hotel he had mentioned and which is located only a block or two from the hotel at which she and her husband stayed (The Rodd House), *(Youngstown Ohio)* which is a large hotel; that they remained in Youngstown a day or two and some man came to the hotel and stated he was returning to Hot Springs in Ed's place and would be ready the following morning; that the following morning, they went to the airport where they were met by this man (Clayton Hall) and they started for Hot Springs; that on the return trip to Hot Springs, they were forced down at Paducah, Kentucky, being grounded by bad weather and had to spend the night at Paducah where they stayed at the leading hotel; that the following morning, they left Paducah and flew into Hot Springs and she believed John drove this man to the Majestic Hotel in Hot Springs. She stated that a week or so later, John asked her if she wanted to go to Canton, Ohio, and back with him; that they left the following day and flew direct to Canton, making the trip in one day; that upon arrival Johnny had forgotten the name of the hotel at which they were supposed to stop to get a passenger but they registered at a hotel and had the clerk notify all first class hotels of their registration in case any hotels had called for John; that the passenger finally got in touch with him and they left the following morning; that the following morning when they went to the airport to get the ship ready and the passenger met them at the airport; that when this passenger arrived she saw that it was Ed and she noticed that he arrived at the airport in a big coupe automobile being driven by another man whom she only saw at a glance and, therefore, could not identify him; that they immediately left Canton for Hot Springs but were forced down near Benton, Arkansas; that they tied the plane down near Benton and caught an automobile ride into Hot Springs, the man taking them to the airport;

that she and John then drove Ed into town and let him out at the entrance to the Majestic Hotel and she has not seen him since.

Mrs. Stover delivered to the writer a blank laundry slip which she had brought back with her from Youngstown and which disclosed that they had stopped at the Tod House in Youngstown. She could not recall the name of the Hotel in Canton, Ohio, but stated that it was one of the leading hotels and they had registered under the name of Mr. and Mrs. John Stover.

Mrs. Stover further stated that during both of these trips, Ed did very little talking and what he did say was some common place thing. She stated that when they had lunch in Louisville, Kentucky, there was very little conversation as they were rushed for time. She was unable to give any information as to Ed's identity or contacts. When shown several photographs including several poses of Karpis, she picked out the photograph of Karpis bearing the number 8-008 (Tulsa, Oklahoma, P.D. number) as being the photograph of "Ed" and she stated that this was a good likeness of him. She stated that the other photographs of Karpis were not very good pictures of him especially the full length photograph. She further stated that Ed had no visible scars on his face or hands, wore octagon shaped rimless glasses and was neatly dressed. She stated his hair was dark and not blond and he was clean shaven. Mrs. Stover showed some hesitancy in making identification of a photograph but when pressed for such an identification, she positively identified the above mentioned photograph of Karpis. She, apparently, was afraid to talk very much, however, she eliminated all photographs exhibited to her except the ones of Karpis.

John Stover was then questioned with regard to the discrepancies of his statements compared with those of his wife concerning the last arrival of Karpis in Hot Springs from Canton, Ohio, Stover having stated that the man who picked them up at Benton drove Karpis into town whereas Mrs. Stover stated that she and John drove Karpis to the Majestic Hotel. Stover stated that his wife was probably right and his wife called his attention to the fact that at the time they left for Canton, they left their daughter with Mrs. Stover's sister and, therefore, went after her upon arriving from Canton which accounts for their trip from the airport to down-town Hot Springs immediately after arriving at the airport from Canton. Stover then stated that his wife was correct.

Subsequent to the raid of the Woodcock residence near Hot Springs, Arkansas, mentioned on page seven of the reference report, a search of the immediate premises resulted in the re-

covery of 1933 Arkansas license #97-863, 1934 Arkansas license #18-606, 1935 Arkansas license #170-670, and 1935 Arkansas license #54-082. Inquiry at the State License Bureau at the State Capitol Building, Little Rock, Arkansas, by the writer and Special Agent R. L. Halls disclosed that each of the above license plates had been issued to E. E. Woodcock whose address had been given as 804 Quapaw, Route 2, Post Office Box 445, and 818 Central Avenue, Hot Springs, Arkansas. The writer also ascertained that when obtaining 1936 Arkansas license, Mr. Woodcock gave his address as Post Office Box 445, Hot Springs, Arkansas.

On March 30, 1936, and subsequent to the raid, Special Agent in Charge Dwight Brantley and Special Agent L. E. Kingman gathered two cartons of gingerale bottles and liquor bottles from the inside of the residence. A large black suit-case was packed with various articles gathered from all over the house which were mainly articles found in protected places such as the bathroom, medicine cabinet, dresser drawers, etc., and together with Special Agents Paul Hansen, J. C. Mertz, A. P. Barber, C. O. Hurt, the clothing found in the residence was packed in a suit-case and taken to the Little Rock office. Special Agents Kingman, Mertz and Hansen made careful and extensive efforts to develop latent fingerprints in the house but with negative results due to the fact that all of the furniture and woodwork of the house had, apparently, been exposed for sometime and had been impregnated with dust to such an extent that the powder failed to bring out even any fragmentary prints. Subsequently the following articles were forwarded to the Bureau to be processed for latent fingerprints and any such prints obtained compared with the fingerprints of Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, Fred Hunter, and Milton Lett, (The Bureau has failed to find a criminal record of Grace Goldstein by that name.):

- 19 Gingerale bottles
- 10 Beer bottles
- 2 Whiskey bottles
- 2 Gin bottles
- 2 Quart milk bottles
- 1 Champagne bottle
- 4 1/2 pint cream or milk bottles
- 1 Small whiskey glass
- A portion of a "New York Daily Mirror"
- 1 Conoco Road Map of the Republic of Mexico
- 1 Booklet entitled: "Weekly Doings of Houston, Texas' Largest City, and Galveston"
- 1 Plain sheet of paper with certain drawings thereon
- 1 Road map
- A portion of the "Cleveland Plain Dealer"

- 1 Highway map of Washington and Oregon issued by the Dixie Tourist Court, New Orleans, Louisiana.
- 1 Road map (AAA) of the eastern United States
- 1 Package of Diamond Dyes.
- 1 Map of New Mexico issued by Conoco Oil Co.
- 1 Package Dy-o-la Dye.
- 1 Road map of Louisiana, New Mexico, Texas, and adjacent states.
- 1 Startling Detective Magazine for April, 1936.
- 1 Master Detective Magazine for March, 1936.
- 1 Inside Detective Magazine for April, 1936.
- 1 Portion of the Tulsa, Oklahoma, World, (newspaper, dated February 27, 1936. This contains an article relative to the arrest of Burrhead Keady.)
- 1 Portion of the New York Daily News for March 23, 1936.
- 1 Container for Santa Oil
- 1 Presto Syringe container.
- 1 Container for Pure Test Iodine.
- 1 Packet of matches advertising ABC Bear
- 2 Packets of Diamond matches
- 5 Chesterfield cigarettes
- 1 number of bottles
- 1 Can of talcum powder
- 3 Glass coasters
- 1 Small earthenware jar
- 1 Adhesive tape spool
- 1 Container for Wards Redhead 12 gauge shotgun shells
- 1 Long glass tube containing Medicated discs and a few other miscellaneous articles.

Under date of April 10, 1936, the Bureau advised that all latent fingerprints developed from the paper specimens were identified as the fingerprints of some of the Special Agents; that on the 1936 Arkansas Game and Fishing Commission license #7051 issued to Ed Kane, three fragmentary latent prints were developed and upon comparison proved to be not identical with the fingerprints of Karpis, Campbell, Hunter, or Lett. The Bureau advised that a report of the results of the fingerprint examination of the various bottles would be forwarded in the near future. The Bureau is also making comparison of the handwriting appearing on the above mentioned fishing license to ascertain if the same is identical with the handwriting of Karpis.

With reference to the clothing found in the Woodcock residence on April 2, 1936, Special Agent B. P. Cruise listed and described them as follows:

Dobbs Gilt Edge hat - gray with black band.
Hoffman - Thomas - Toledo, with white slip of paper 2x5 in outside
band showing Lot - Z 16839

Style - Likely

Color - ECHU

Dim. - 5 5/8 x 2 3/8

6 5/8 6 3/4 6 7/8 7 7 1/8

7 1/4 7 3/8 7 1/2 7 5/8 7 3/4

with blue pencil mark through the 7 1/4 and the 7 and 7 1/2.

Stetson - gray with 2 in. black band.

Standard Quality

Size Stetson 7/8 (probably 6 7/8)

John Ward, 1710 Market St., Youngstown, Ohio.

Stetson Special - tan with torn band

Stetson Twenty

Size - Stetson 7/8 (probably 6 7/8)

The Hatterie, Elmer W. Wheatley, Proprietor.
Hot Springs, Ark.

Stetson Standard Quality, feather weight.

Color - dark blue - black band.

Welcher's Toggery, 714 Central Avenue, Hot Springs, National Park, Ark.

Showing the inked marking "Pete the Tailor
"N - Tourist."

Size - about 7 1/2.

Knox Voyageur - gray with 1 1/4 blk. band.

Size 6 7/8.

The Hatterie, Hot Springs, Ark.

Stylepark Majestic Quality Hat.

Size 6 7/8; color - gray with 3/8" black band.

Caddell's, Paris, Tex.

Made in Philadelphia.

Dark blue chauffeur's cap with mark "Goldsmith's, Memphis Greatest Store"
Size 7 3/8.

Tan canvas hunting cap with no trade mark or size shown.

Size - about 7 3/8.

1 Pair khaki trousers - freshly cleaned. Trademark - Sanforized Big
Smith, Fast Color. Size and other labels not shown.

3 Pairs washable white and blue thin stripe trousers - slacks - cleaned.
Trade mark - sanforized by Stifel. Initials in ink "H.J.K." and "F.G.".

- 1 Three piece suit with 2 pairs trousers - blue plaid.
- 2 Pair - blue trousers.
Cleaners marks "5487" and "21621".
No size or label. No brand - for man about 5' 10".
- 1 Three piece suit; color - dark blue plaid.
Society Brand.
Perkins Brothers Company, Paris, Texas.
Size about "34".
- 1 Oxford gray fine plaid trousers.
Cleaners marks "3728", "4001", "6644", "5259", "5487".
No size shown.
- 1 3 piece suit with 2 pair trousers - color - brown plaid.
Size - about 37 or 38, for man about 5' 10".
Brand mark removed.
- 1 Pair white buck shoes.
Size - 2809.
Kempner's Special.
- 1 Light gray necktie.
Rose & Sons, Youngstown - Warren.
- 1 Blue tie. Nichol's, Inc., 139 W. Federal St., Youngstown, Ohio.
- 1 Red and white tie. Zollinger & Harned Co., Allentown, Pa.
- 1 Red and white tie. Baker's, Cleveland.
- 1 Brown tie with no mark.
- 1 Brown tie with no mark.
- 1 14 1/2 Arrow white shirt - Laundry mark "F.G.".
- 1 White shirt - no label - laundry mark "WA, P-1".
- 1 Woman's dress - black & black cloth belt.
- 1 Short and 1 undershirt. Laundry mark - "F.G.".
- 1 Three piece suit. Richman Brothers 3011. Date 3-35. No. 15.
Salesman 33. City - not shown. Cleaners marks "K.P.L.", "H.Sims",
"7037-5-7 A", "07081" "E-Dixie", "2749", for man about 5' 9".
- 1 Dark blue top coat, pleated in back with belt across back.
Richman Brothers, no city shown. Size about 37.

- 1 Dark blue swimming trunks. Jantzen. Lockwood's, Hot Springs Nat'l Park, Arkansas.
- 1 Dark blue swimming trunks Mansco - trade mark - The Manhattan Shirt Co.
- 1 Soiled white and blue handkerchief.
- 2 Soiled white handkerchiefs.
- 1 Wardrobe suit-case about 3' x 2' x 10"

It will be noted from the above listed clothing that the initials "H.J.K." and "F.G." were found on some washable white and blue pin striped trousers - slacks - and that the initials "F.G." are the same initials that were found on the shirt located by the writer among the possessions of Connie Morris at the Hatterie Hotel.

Attention is also invited to the fact that the only ladies or womens clothing found in this house was a woman's dress, color - black, with a black cloth belt. It appears that this dress is identical with the dress being worn by Grace Goldstein in the photograph now in the possession of the Little Rock office which photograph shows her sitting upon the front bumper of her Buick Coupe. The original of this photograph and showing this dress was delivered to the writer when he interviewed Grace Goldstein at the Hatterie Hotel on Sunday, March 29, 1936, and the original has been initialed and placed in the Little Rock file as the same, apparently, may be of value as evidence at a later date.

The following memorandum was submitted by Special Agent in Charge Dwight Brantley concerning several interviews conducted at the Woodcock residence subsequent to the raid:

While Special Agents of the Bureau were occupying the house on the Malvern road which was raided during the morning of March 30, 1936, one Sonny Davies came to the premises and stated to Agent L. E. Kingman that he is the City Attorney of Hot Springs, Arkansas, and is a nephew of Mr. Woodcock, the owner of the house; that one Wilson who owns several houses and cottages on Lake Hamilton which is near Hot Springs had told him that the same man who rented the Woodcock place had approached him, Wilson, and tried to rent for two years a large house on Lake Hamilton, exhibiting at the time a large roll of money and offering to pay any reasonable rental. Davies stated that it was quite possible that some one connected with the people who lived on the Woodcock place may have also rented and be living in one of the Wilson houses on Lake Hamilton. Lake Hamilton is supposed to be four miles from Hot Springs on the Arkadelphia road.

During the afternoon of March 30, 1936, some people drove up to the house occupied by the Agents and a woman who stated her name is Mrs. Robert Baker, 404 Michigan Avenue, Urbana, Illinois,

and that she is the daughter of Mr. Lewis McHenry Howe, Secretary to President Roosevelt, and is visiting at Potash Sulphur Springs which is near the house, informed me that on the previous Saturday evening at 7:00 she was en route from Hot Springs to Potash Sulphur Springs and near the end of the pavement from Hot Springs, she picked up a man who was walking and he got off near the Woodcock place. She stated that she did not get a very good look at him as it was getting dark and he sat in the rear seat of her automobile; that he had a southern accent, she believed he was about five feet, nine inches tall, very thin, and had wavy hair. She said that she did not know that he went into the Woodcock house but he got out near the driveway leading thereto. Photographs of several individuals, included among which was one of Karpis, were presented to her but no identification of any was made.

On the morning of March 31, 1936, Mr. and Mrs. Bentley Thomas of Hot Springs came to the house and stated that they were friends of the Woodcock's and were visiting the Woodcocks at their home a few days prior to February 15, 1936, when two men came to negotiate for the rental of the house. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas said they were present and heard some of the conversation between Mr. Woodcock and these two men; that the larger of the two men did the talking and said he wanted the place for one year and paid at the time six months' rent in advance. This man said, according to the Thomas', that he was from Ohio not mentioning the town, and he had a wife and children who were to come later to live in the house. They said the large man was over six feet tall and would weigh around two hundred pounds, had a large nose, was, apparently, very pleasant and was rather talkative. The smaller man they described as about five feet eight inches tall, medium size, and was very quiet. Photographs of several individuals, included among which were different poses of Karpis, were presented to the Thomas' but no identification was made.

Subsequent to the raid Special Agent A. P. Barber made photographs of the Woodcock residence together with the surrounding territory and nineteen photographic views are being forwarded to the Bureau with its copies of this report and one set is being forwarded to the Cincinnati office to supplement the set of photographs previously delivered to Mr. E. J. Connelley in person.

On March 3, 1936, the writer called at the Hot Springs Police Department for the purpose of obtaining such information as might have been reported to this department subsequent to the raid and during the conversation with Chief of Detectives Herbert Akers, he inquired whether the person who purchased the Buick Sedan in

Hot Springs was the same person who rented the Woodcock residence and thereafter stated that he understood that this Buick Sedan had been purchased from the Cragson Buick Company in Hot Springs and was licensed under 1936 Arkansas license #5-762. Chief Akers further stated that the man who purchased this Buick Sedan was taken to the Buick Agency by Grace Goldstein and that the salesman who sold the Buick Sedan to this unknown man was the same salesman who sold 1936 Buick Coupe to Grace Goldstein. He further advised the writer that he had received information from some of the girls at Grace Goldstein's house that Karpis was wearing a vest under his shirt.

Due to the fact that on the night preceeding the raid, some lights were seen in the Woodcock residence and in view of information received as to the possible identity of the persons in the house at this time, the writer made inquiry of Chief of Detectives Herbert Akers and Chief of Police Joe Wakelin, jointly, if they knew who the officers were who were in the Woodcock house on the night before the raid and they both stated that they knew nothing about such an incident.

During the interview with Grace Goldstein by Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley set forth on page thirty-four, et seq., of the reference report, she handed to the writer a laboratory or medical examination report dated March 26, 1936, made out to Miss Morris and on the blank of D. C. Lee, M.D., Laboratory of Clinical Medicine, Suit 503, Medical Arts Building, Hot Springs National Park, Arkansas, on which appears the typed name of Dr. T. H. Blacke, but the ink signature of D. C. Lee. This report shows negative reaction as to the Wassermann blood test, the Kolmer Modification of Wassermann Reaction, and the Kahn Precipitation Test. Grace Goldstein stated that this was the last medical examination of Connie Morris but made no explanation as to how she came into possession of same. This medical examination report is being retained in the Little Rock file.

By reference to page thirty of the reference report, it will be noted that among the personal belongs of Connie Morris examined by the writer at the Hatterie Hotel, there was found a roll of film showing six exposures and which roll was still in a camera. The roll of film was sent to the Deluxe Photographers in Hot Springs for development. Subsequently, Chief of Detectives Akers turned over to the writer the six negatives and the proofs of said negatives. These six views consisted of three photographs of the black Great Dane dog

taken in the hills or woods in the rear of the Arlington and Hatterie Hotels and three photographs of Connie Morris, two of which were taken while she was standing on a beach and one, apparently, while she was fishing from a boat. One proof of each of these negatives was delivered to Mr. Connelley and one proof of each negative is being forwarded to the Bureau and the Cincinnati office with copies of this report. The negatives and other proofs are being retained in the Little Rock Bureau office.

It will also be noted on page thirty of the reference report that twelve negatives of photographs, apparently taken in Florida, several of which contained photographs of men, were found among the personal belongings of Connie Morris. Proofs have been made from these twelve negatives and a set of the photographs was delivered to Mr. Connelley in person. Another set is being forwarded to the Bureau with copies of this report and a set will be forwarded to the Cincinnati office after further reproductions are made.

By reference to page thirty-two of the reference report, it will be noted that certain long distance telephone calls are listed as having been made from telephone #3421, the Hatterie Hotel, Hot Springs, Arkansas. Through Mr. Sheppard, District Manager of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company at Hot Springs, the following list of telephone calls was obtained by the writer to supplement the list of calls obtained from Mr. A. B. Moore at Little Rock, Arkansas:

2/14/36 10:29 P.M.
To LD 131 Little Rock, Ark. The New Merchants Hotel.

2/14/36 11:41 P.M.
To Texarkana 1053 (See later call to this number)

2/20/36 12:01 A.M.
To LD 131 Room 251, Little Rock, Ark. (New Merchants Hotel.)

2/23/36 11:09 P.M.
to Memphis 79210

2/29/36 9:53 P.M.
To New Orleans - Galvez 4590

3/ 2/36 8:17 P.M.
To Texarkana 1053 - Miss Fannie Ritter

3/ 4/36 7:09 P.M.
To Memphis 79210

3/ 8/36 (Collect call)
From 198 Stamps, Ark. - Jane Johnson to Mary Wells.

3/10/36 11:52 P.M.
Station to Station call to Riverside 3809, St. Louis, Mo.

3/28/36 to 2568 Texarkana.

3/28/36 incoming call from Memphis, Tennessee, 79211.
Also incoming call from New Orleans - Galvez 4590.

3/29/36 From LD 1801 Arkadelphia to 3421 Hot Springs.

3/29/36 7:12 P.M.
Incoming call from 61 De Soto, Missouri.

3/30/36 2:32 P.M.
To Grace from Barbara Bradley, 346 DeSoto, Missouri.

With reference to the telephone calls to Memphis, Tennessee,
the following memorandum was submitted by Special Agent Paul Hansen:

Mr. D. M. Brachey, Manager, Southern Bell Telephone and
Telegraph Company, Memphis, Tennessee, advised that telephone No.
6-6800 is listed in the name of De Voy Hotel in Memphis; telephone
numbers 7-9210 and 7-9211 are pay telephones which are located
in the Graham Apartments, 1042 Madison Avenue, in Memphis. One of
these telephones are located on each side of the entrance at the Graham
Apartments. Brachey advised these Agents that the De Voy Hotel is a
reputable and first class hotel; that the Graham Apartments are about
third class apartments and that they cater a lot to transients and
show people; and that, while it would be possible for some good reputable
people to live there, he believes that it would not be unlikely for some
persons of very questionable characters to be found there.

Mr. Brachey also advised that after making a check of long
distance calls from 7-9210 and 7-9211, Memphis, Tennessee, that in
addition to the information contained in the memoranda of Agent Dameron,
a long distance telephone call was made on March 17, 1936, to No.
3421, Hot Springs, Arkansas, at 9:06 P.M. It was a three minute call
and the charges were fifty-five cents. There is no record of any
names. The long distance call made on March 28, 1936, from Memphis,
7-9211, was also checked but no additional information was obtained
regarding the names of the persons who called or who were called.

Agent W. T. Morton, resident agent of Memphis, is acquainted at the De Voy Hotel and had previously made an investigation at the Graham Apartments regarding some anonymous letters which were written to the management of these apartments by a former tenant with rather a warped mind. These agents and Agent Morton were advised by W. B. Buchanan, Manager of the De Voy Hotel, that Room 712 is occupied by Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Lyles and that they have occupied this room since some time before the first of January, 1936, as they were permanent tenants in this room when he came to this hotel as manager at that time. Lyles, according to Mr. Buchanan, is a gambler and presently operates a crap game in the Weekly Hotel in Memphis. He has told Buchanan that he has always gone to Miami, Florida, during the winter season but as he has been able to continue his racket in Memphis this winter, he has remained in Memphis and has not gone to Miami. Buchanan viewed the photographs of Karpis, Campbell, and Lett but was unable to identify them as being associates of the Lyles. One of Lyles' associates is one Baines, formerly a guest in this hotel in Room 708 and a gambler who is about forty-five years old, five feet, ten inches tall, weighs about one hundred sixty pounds, and is of dark complexion. Another associate of Lyles is one Tucker, alias Walker, a gambler who is about twenty-five years old, six feet one inch tall, weighs about two hundred and twenty-five pounds and is of light complexion. His wife is a decided blond about thirty years old and will weigh about one hundred twenty-five to one hundred and thirty pounds. Buchanan is apparently a reputable and reliable person and it is believed that he, as well as his Number 1 Room Clerk, will cooperate fully with the Bureau.

These agents in company with Agent Morton made inquiry at the Graham Apartments and were advised by Laura Edmiston, housekeeper, that the photographs of numerous members of the Barker-Karpis mob are not known to her; that all of the guests in this apartment at present are permanent guests; that she knows of none of her guests who have connections, either friends or relatives, in Hot Springs, Arkansas; that she has one daughter, a Mrs. Hargrove who resides in San Antonio, Texas, and one son who is an air pilot stationed at Panama. When asked if she had now or has had in the past any tenants by the name of King, she advised that she rented apartment No. 803 to G. A. King and his wife of Dallas, Texas, September 4, 1935, and that they vacated this apartment, apparently returning to Dallas, October 23, 1935. Mrs. Edmiston described King as being about thirty-two to thirty-five years old, five feet ten inches tall, weighs about one hundred sixty pounds, caramel brown hair, and rather light complexion.

With this couple was another couple who occupied apartment No. 604, who came at the same time and departed at the same time. This couple was Jack Berg and his wife, who registered from Houston, Texas, but who said his home was in Dallas. She described Jack as being a very small person of about twenty-five to thirty years of age, height five feet four or five inches tall, weighs about one hundred and twenty-five to one hundred and thirty pounds and of rather dark complexion. This Jack, she advised, had a rather peculiar habit of constantly having his hands in his pants pockets and as he talked his head was always slightly stooped. This is a very decided peculiarity of Harry Campbell and the general description given of this Jack answers fairly well with the description of Harry Campbell. The description given of King is not a good description of Karpis as Mrs. Edmison said that King did not have a narrow or long face and that his arms or legs were not noticeably long. She described King as being "grum", rather cross while Berg was a very pleasing looking fellow, was sociable, and always pleasant. There was no indication that either of these persons were flush with money and on one occasion King gave this housekeeper \$4.50 instead of \$8.50, the weekly amount of his rent. Each of them drove a late model V-8 Ford Coupe but Mrs. Edmison does not know what license tags they were using. They apparently had no job and told people at this apartment that they were connected with the races. While these two couples were in this apartment, they became intoxicated one night late, and some of them, she advised, were arrested by police officers and taken to the police station.

Agent Morton made inquiry at the Police Station and checked the records of the Desk Sergeant and Clerk of the Police Court which showed that Mr. and Mrs. C. A. King were arrested September 20, 1935, at 1042 Madison Avenue and were charged with drunkenness and disorderly conduct. The charge was dismissed September 21, 1935, and they were released. King gave as his occupation "dogman". There was no record in the Identification Bureau of this arrest and, therefore, these persons were not printed or photographed. A record of the description of King or his wife was not made. There was no record of Berg or his wife being arrested.

These agents with Agent Morton checked all the tourist camps in Memphis and on the main highways leading into Memphis within a radius of fourteen or fifteen miles from Memphis, to determine if the 1936 model Maroon Buick Sedan, motor No. 63052198, serial No. 2895972, which is equipped with 1936 Arkansas tag No. 5732, was at any of these tourist camps but the car was not found at any point and no information was obtained that it had been there.

The description of the above described automobile was given to Agent Morton, as well as Agents Denette and Pickard, in Memphis and Agent Morton was advised that the identity of the "Stuttering Kid", concerning which Agent Morton made an investigation in Memphis a few months ago, is probably Fred Hunter.

It is a suggestion of these agents that a copy of this memorandum be forwarded to the Nashville office with the light photograph of Karpis and the Tulsa Sheriff's office photograph of Campbell together with a photograph of Fred Hunter and Milton Lett in order that these photographs can be sent to Agent Morton and be displayed to Mr. Buchanan and his Room Clerk at the De Voy Hotel and Laura Edmiston and the manager of the Graham Apartments.

It might also be stated that Mrs. Edmiston advised that G. A. King's wife was a tall real dark complexioned girl of about twenty-five years and very attractive and that while they were living at the Graham Apartments her alleged mother visited them one day and her home is alleged to be in Dallas. Jack Berg's wife is a very small girl and a decided blond and appeared to be from twenty to twenty-five years old.

With reference to the telephone calls made to Texarkana, Arkansas, the following memorandum was submitted by Special Agents W. L. Buchanan and L. E. Kingman:

B. H. Cunningham, in charge of the Accounting Department of the Telephone Company at Texarkana, was contacted. It was ascertained that telephone #2568 and telephone #1053 are both listed in the name of Fannie Ritter and that they are located at 723 West Fourth Street and 722 West Fourth Street, respectively. These are two houses opposite each other and were described by Mr. Cunningham as being sporting houses. Telephone 5012 - two longs, was ascertained to be located at the Silver Slipper Night Club which is one and one-half miles from the city limits of Texarkana on West Seventh Street, being on Dallas Highway.

Agents hired an automobile with driver from the 806 Taxi Company. It was ascertained that Arthur Hatch was proprietor of this concern, which is located in the same block with the McCartney Hotel. This car was used in a general surveillance of the premises at 722 and 723 West Fourth Street and in looking over the club which was formerly known as the Silver Slipper. It was ascertain-

ed that these two individuals are natives of Texarkana and have confined their activities to that vicinity. They have been in minor trouble over bootlegging activities but do not possess extensive criminal records. Agents kept watch throughout the streets of Texarkana and the visits to 722 and 723 West Fourth Street and to Club Dallas and various other bootlegging joints and night clubs for the Red Buick Sedan bearing Arkansas license 5732. This automobile was not observed at any time.

Arrangements were made to engage Arthur Hatch and his automobile for the night of April 1, 1936, to be used in visits to sporting houses and night clubs. After contacts had been maintained for some time with Arthur Hatch and his brother, Billie Hatch, who is employed by Arthur, it was decided that these men could be used as reliable and trustworthy informants. Arthur Hatch stated that the two sporting houses at 722 and 723 West Fourth Street, owned and operated by Fannie Ritter, were all that were left of the old restricted district of Texarkana and that Fannie Ritter was a madam who had operated in Texarkana for many years. The house at 722 West Fourth Street is a large two story building. The house at 723 West Fourth Street is a one story building, and the girl who is in direct charge of this house is known as Pat, Patay or Patricia. It was later ascertained that her last name was Morris. In the contact with Arthur Hatch previous to visiting these places, he stated that he made very frequent calls for taxi service to these houses and often brought girls from these two places to fill dates at hotels; that he has the confidence of all the inmates. He stated at three A.M. on April 1, 1936, he had picked up a girl dressed in boots and breeches at 723 West Fourth Street and carried her to town and that she closely resembled the description of Ruth Hamm, alias Connie Morris. He stated that this girl and another girl were staying at the Parker Hotel and that he brought this girl to the Parker and that he afterward learned that one of these girls had received a telegram and that the two girls had taken an early bus on April 1, 1936, out of Texarkana for Stamps, Arkansas. He stated that these girls had come to Texarkana on a bus within the past two or three days from Hot Springs and that they were prostitutes who had operated at Hot Springs.

Agents, with Arthur Hatch, visited the house at 723 West Fourth Street and found therein Pat Morris, who is a very small slender blond, about thirty years of age, who in no way resembles photograph or description of Ruth Hamm, alias Connie Morris. She had two other girls in the house, one named Dixie Parker and the other named Alma. Neither of these girls resembled

Ruth Hamm, alias Connie Morris. With Pat Morris and Dixie Parker agents visited the place operated by Fannie Ritter at 722 West Fourth Street and observed all the inmates of that place, none of whom resembled photograph. Men visitors at both places were carefully scrutinized and none of them resembled parties sought in this investigation. It was mentioned to these girls that agents expected to visit Hot Springs shortly, and Pat Morris furnished Agent Buchanan with a note addressed to Grace Goldstein at the Hatterie Hotel introducing him in case he wished to visit this place. She stated that she was a very good friend of Grace Goldstein and often visited her at Hot Springs. She was asked as to what type of place Grace operated and stated that she operated a nice house with eight or ten girls. In the contacts with these girls it was learned that one or two girls had recently come to Pat's place from Hot Springs from Grace's place and that two of them had left that morning, April 1, for Stamps, Arkansas, which was their home. The impression was given to these girls that agents, particularly Buchanan, had recently been confined in jail and that a good time and party was being enjoyed because of that fact. Dixie Parker and Pat Morris accompanied agents in a tour of several night clubs with Arthur Hatch, the driver, and during this tour these two girls became very intoxicated. No direct questions were asked as to Ruth Hamm, alias Connie Morris, or as to any of the individuals mentioned in this case.

On April 2, 1936, efforts were made through contact with Mr. Saulsbury, Manager of the Western Union offices at Texarkana, to obtain a copy of the message delivered to the Parker Hotel to the two girls who were supposed to have been stopping who had recently come from Hot Springs. Mr. Saulsbury explained that no copies of incoming messages were kept. Delivery receipts were checked without success.

Arthur Hatch, acting as confidential informant, made inquiry at the Parker Hotel and learned that one of the girls stopping there was using the name of Jean Fritchard, this being the girl he had picked up at Pat Morris' place at 723 West Fourth Street about three A.M. on April 1, 1936, and that the other girl's name was June Johnson. Arthur Hatch then stated that he knew June Johnson quite well; that her home was at Stamps and that her real name was Eva Owens, and that she had practiced prostitution about a year around Texarkana but had recently been staying at Hot Springs and that Eva Owens, alias June Johnson, had left with another girl, evidently Jean Fritchard, on a bus for Stamps from Texarkana, Arkansas, on the morning of April 1, 1936.

Agents then proceeded with Arthur Hatch to Stamps, Arkansas, and contacted Eva Owens, alias June Johnson, and Maudie Clark, alias Jean Pritchard. It was represented that agents were oil men who had been on a trip to the oil fields near El Dorado, Arkansas, and were returning to Texarkana and were desirous of female company. Some time was spent on the afternoon of April 3, 1936, with these girls driving around the vicinity of Stamps, consuming liquor and visiting small filling stations, etc. During this contact with these girls they stated that they had recently come from Hot Springs. Eva Owens, alias June Johnson stated that she left Hot Springs on Tuesday, March 31, 1936. Maudie Clark, alias Jean Pritchard, stated that she had left Hot Springs on Sunday, March 29, 1936. It is quite evident that the telephone calls placed from Grace Goldstein's house of prostitution at Hot Springs to 2568 and to 5012 at Texarkana were placed by these two girls, as they formerly worked for Fannie Kitter and Pat Morris and were formerly residents at the Parker Hotel where the bootlegging establishment was operated by the present operators of Club Dallas. They stated that they had formerly worked at Hot Springs for Grace Goldstein and were informed that these agents intended to visit Hot Springs in the near future, and they recommended Grace Goldstein's place very highly. They were asked how many girls Grace had and stated that she usually had from eight to ten girls but that at the present time she only had four and that these girls were Pauline, Gretta, Mary and Connie. Maudie Clark furnished Agent Buchanan with a small business card of Grace Goldstein which she took from her purse and wrote her name as "Jean". They both stated that they were just vacationing at Stamps and resting up and that they intended to go back to Hot Springs some time soon. Neither of these girls resembles the photographs or description of Ruth Hama, alias Connie Morris. Maudie Clark is just past eighteen years of age and Eva Owens is not yet quite eighteen. These two girls are fairly attractive. Maudie has dyed dark red hair, which was formerly black, blue eyes, about five feet one inch tall, short and stocky build, rather the Irish type, and weight, one hundred eighteen pounds. Eva Owens is about five feet five, weighs one hundred and twenty-five pounds, has dark brown hair, dark blue eyes, olive complexion, and hair has not been dyed. Both of these girls were neatly and tastefully dressed and, apparently, have a good stock of expensive clothing.

On the night of April 3, 1936, a party was arranged by agents with these two girls and Agent Buchanan with informant Arthur Hatch went to Stamps and brought the two girls to Texarkana. Neither of these two girls would partake of sufficient liquor to become very intoxicated. In the course of general conversation

with them, the execution of Bruno Richard Hauptmann was announced over the radio, whereupon Eva Owens made a statement showing that her sympathy was entirely with the underworld, stating she was for any one who could get money by any means from those who had it. Both of these girls indicated quite plainly that they could not be used as confidential informants as they stated they knew several gangsters, bank robbers, etc., and that Hot Springs was a haven for such people and that their main source of income had been from this type of person. Maudie Clark mentioned that Bonnie Parker and Clyde Barron had visited her home near Stamps two days before they were killed and that they had frequently called there and purchased whiskey from her father. Both of these girls seemed to idolize Bonnie Parker and expressed a desire to imitate her. Both stated they would like nothing better than to become the wife or moll for some good gangster. In this connection, it should be mentioned that Eva Owens was particularly reticent and that she is extremely intelligent. Maudie Clark is somewhat garrulous and inclined to talk and boast about her connection with the underworld. These girls gained the impression that agents were connected with the underworld and that Agent Buchanan was hot and seeking to evade arrest. Eva Owens indicated that she had been in some serious trouble at some time or another in connection with assault with attempt to murder and that it had cost her a lot of money to get out of this trouble. She also indicated that at one time she had served some time for liquor charge. During their conversation about their experience at Grace's place in Hot Springs, Maudie Clark, alias Jean Pritchard, mentioned that she had had several dates with a Mr. Bell; that Mr. Bell had paid her as much as \$20.00 for one date; that he was from New York; that he was extremely nice to her and that she would be glad to go with him anywhere. She intimated that Mr. Bell might be a person sought by officers. She stated that he had a mean disposition and would be a dangerous man to deal with if he got mad at any one. These girls also mentioned the raid made on the Woodcock house, asking agents if they had heard anything about it. Agents, of course, professed ignorance of this incident. They stated that they understood that officers were seeking two men and two women who were supposed to have lived at this house and that officers were looking for a big red Buick; that several bombs had been thrown in this house but that the officers found no one there. It was apparent that these girls knew something about a big red Buick, but Eva Owens was reluctant to enter into any discussion of this type, and every time Maudie Clark would begin to talk of such things, Eva Owens would frown at her and stop the conversation.

It is the opinion of Agents that if Maudie Clark could be taken away from the company of Eva Owens that she would be inclined to do more talking. It is also the opinion of Agents that neither of these girls can be made a direct confidential informant. Agent Buchanan made tentative arrangement to meet Maudie Clark at Hot Springs at some later date or at Little Rock and indicated to her that he might come and get her or send for her. After these girls left the party, they returned by early morning bus to Stamps, Arkansas, but before leaving town they contacted Arthur Hatch and thanked him profusely for his having obtained the dates with Agents, and told him that they had been treated wonderfully and expressed a liking for Agents. Maudie Clark was especially impressed with Agent Buchanan. According to Arthur Hatch, they had no suspicion that Agents were officers of any kind but believed rather that Agents were of the underworld and that Agent Buchanan was seeking to evade arrest at the present time. It is believed that if Buchanan can contact Maudie Clark at some future date and if possible to get her away from the influence of Eva Owens, that information of value can be developed. No efforts should be made of any kind to seek information from Eva Owens as this girl is dangerously intelligent and all of her sympathies lie with the underworld.

No direct information was obtained as to present whereabouts as to Ruth Hama, alias Connie Morris but in the conversation her name was mentioned once or twice.

As is noted in the memorandum submitted by Agents Buchanan and Kingman, it was thought that Maudie Clark might be able to provide information of value as to Connie Morris and Grace Goldstein and, therefore, Special Agent Buchanan was instructed to continue his contact with Maudie Clark, his activities to be under cover.

The following memorandum has been submitted by Special Agent W. L. Buchanan covering his further activities with Maudie Clark, alias Jean:

Agent wired Maudie Clark (Jean) to meet him in Texarkana at 5:00 P.M., Wednesday, April 8, 1936. Upon arriving in Texarkana, agent met Jean and June (Eva Owens) at the bus station. It was deemed advisable to get rid of June as she is pretty smart and hard to talk to, and agent purchased her a ticket on the bus to Stamps, Arkansas, her home. While in conversation

with Jean, she stated that she had heard "Connie", alias Ruth Hanna, was in Texarkana, and that she was probably at Pat's Place - 722 West Fourth Street. Agent hired Arthur Hatch, taxi driver, and visited Pat's place and various other night clubs, but found this was a false rumor and that Connie had not been in Texarkana.

On Thursday morning agent with Jean proceeded by train (Missouri Pacific) to Little Rock, Arkansas, where agent secured a U-Drive-It car and proceeded to Hot Springs, Arkansas, arriving about 7:30 P.M. and letting Jean out at the Hatterie Hotel. Agent didn't go into the hotel as it was deemed advisable to let Jean visit Grace and the other girls alone.

On Friday morning April 10, 1936, agent phoned Jean about 11:30 A.M. and advised her to get dressed; that agent would come for her in about ten minutes. On arriving at the Hatterie Hotel, Agent met Jean standing in the doorway of the hotel. Jean stated she had been waiting about ten or fifteen minutes, and that she had been talking with Grace; that she, Jean, wanted agent to meet Grace, but Grace had to go shopping and to the beauty parlor and couldn't wait to meet agent. Jean further stated that we would return later and see Grace. Agent with Jean drove around Hot Springs and out #270 Highway and back to town on #7 Highway to the lake. While driving, agent mentioned about the officers making raids in Hot Springs on the liquor stores, in an effort to get Jean to mention something of the recent raid by agents of this Bureau but Jean would make no comment.

It should be noted that while en route to Hot Springs, Jean mentioned the fact that Grace had a large black Great Dane dog, and agent expressed his desire to see this dog.

Agent and Jean returned to the Hatterie Hotel about 5:00 P.M., and Jean introduced agent to "Mary", who was in charge of the place. Mary is described as about thirty-five years old, five feet five inches tall, weight one hundred and thirty-five to one hundred and forty pounds, brown hair, brown eyes, medium complexion, has a small white wart in the center of her nose and gold upper front tooth. Jean asked Mary if Grace was there and Mary stated that Grace had not returned. Agent bought several drinks and asked Mary to call all the girls in for a drink and Mary stated they were asleep.

Agent and Jean departed and while driving around passed the *Mountain View Tourist Park located on the edge of Hot Springs on U. S. Highway #270. Jean stated she had stopped there several times with "Mr. Bell" during January and February of this year; that they

stayed in cabin #3, and either cabin #7 or #8. Jean further stated that she met "Mr. Bell" at Grace's place about the middle of January, 1936, and that shortly after she met him, he bought a 1936 maroon colored Buick Sedan in Hot Springs; that Mr. Bell was a married man and lived up north. Jean stated that Mr. Bell was nice to her and always gave her \$15.00 or \$20.00 every time he came to see her. Jean further stated that shortly after Mr. Bell bought his new Buick car, Mr. Bell's boss came to Hot Springs and she, Jean, went with him a few times, but Mr. Bell didn't know about it. At this point of the conversation, we passed the airport near Hot Springs on Route #270. Agent asked Jean if she had ever been up in a plane, and Jean stated she had not; that she was scared to ride in a plane.

While eating supper with Jean, she stated that after she had gone with Mr. Bell several times, she was always telling Grace how much money Mr. Bell gave her, and Grace bawled her out and told her not to get tied up with him; that she, Jean, had been spending too much time with "Mr. Bell". Jean further stated that she thought Grace was jealous because she, Jean, was getting all the money from Bell and Grace wasn't getting any.

Agent and Jean returned to Grace's place about 10:00 P.M. and departed about 1:00 A.M. While there, Jean again asked if Grace was there and Mary stated Grace was out. While there, Agent met Dorothy, Greta, and on leaving met Barbara walking to the hotel.

Special Agent W. L. Buchanan is now at Hot Springs, Arkansas, conducting further under-cover investigation in an effort to obtain more detailed information concerning the activities, personal history, etc., of Connie Morris and Grace Goldstein and their activities with the subjects of this case.

Subsequent to the raid of the Woodcock residence and in accordance with instructions of Mr. E. J. Connelley, the writer returned to Hot Springs, Arkansas, on April 2, 1936, and remained there until April 8, 1936. On the latter date the writer and Special Agent F. S. Smith accompanied by Joe Anderson of the Kansas State Highway Patrol, and Post Office Inspector W. W. Haynes, proceeded to Tulsa, Oklahoma, on an expedite matter.

During the period April 2, to April 7, 1936, and on intermittent occasions, the writer advised Grace Goldstein of his presence in Hot Springs and that he was registered at the Marquette Hotel in order that she might advise the writer of any information she desired to give. During the same period of time, the writer made several contacts with John Stover, Manager of the Airport at

Hot Springs and also advised him as to the writer's local address in order that he might submit such information as he desired.

As mentioned in the reference report, Special Agent Frank S. Smith proceeded to Hot Springs, Arkansas, for the purpose of contacting Chief of Detectives Herbert A. Akers and to maintain contact with Joe Anderson through whom it was possible to obtain information as to further developments.

The following is a joint memorandum submitted by Special Agent Frank S. Smith and the writer concerning further information received at Hot Springs, Arkansas:

Special Agent Smith established contact with Chief of Detectives Herbert Akers immediately upon arrival at Hot Springs. Akers discussed in detail the activities and movements of subjects from the time he first reported to the Little Rock office the presence of some suspicious persons in a cabin at Lake Hamilton until the present time. He stated that he had received information that some suspicious persons were at Lake Hamilton and he obtained the license number of their car which he checked and later advised the Little Rock Bureau office; that he was advised later that one of these suspicious persons was Fred Hunter who was not wanted by the Bureau; that later the Post Office Inspectors advised him as to the connections of Hunter and Karpis and the airplane trips to and from Hot Springs (mentioning the trips to Youngstown and the arrival of the Stinson plane) and that Grace Goldstein and Connie Morris had been associating with Fred Hunter and Karpis; that he then recalled having seen some men in company with Grace but did not connect them with the men that had occupied the cabin on Lake Hamilton and did not know that it was Karpis; that he was also told by the Post Office Inspectors that a cab driver by the name of Brock, who is a brother of Lieutenant Cecil Brock of the Police Department, had gotten drunk and told Connie Morris of the efforts being made by the Post Office Inspectors to apprehend the men and Connie immediately left town; that prior to being advised of these facts by the Post Office Inspectors he and Special Agent Denron had been conducting an investigation as to the men who occupied the cabin on Lake Hamilton and that in his opinion if Brock had not "blown" the matter up, they would have been successful in locating the men.

Akers further stated that he understood that information had been obtained by the Bureau that Chief of Police Joe Wakelin

and Grace Goldstein had been in the Woodcock house on Sunday night and shortly prior to the raid; that he had thought the matter over and was contemplating going to the Chief and telling him that if such was a fact to lay the cards on the table as the Government was sure "to get under it" but such a procedure was, in his opinion, not advisable because of his position so he said nothing to the Chief. Akers would not specifically state that Chief Wakelin and Grace were in the Woodcock house on the night previous to the raid but intimated that such was a fact.

Akers stated that because of other pressing matters, he had been unable to devote much time to this matter but that he had arranged for "Ginger" to operate at the Hatterie Hotel for the purpose of obtaining information as to the activities of Grace and her connections with the subjects and any information he received through this "set-up" he would immediately advise Agent Smith. He further stated that he had no hard feelings toward the Bureau because of the raid and would cooperate fully and obtain what information he could. He was advised that the Bureau would pay him \$2,000.00 for information leading to the apprehension of Karpis and that such a reward would be delivered to him in cash by Agent Smith "without any strings attached" and he stated that such an arrangement was O.K.

During the course of the conversation Akers commented upon the existing friction between different Bureaus interested in the investigation of this case. He was told by Agent Smith that there was no friction on the part of our Bureau.

Akers stated that Grace Goldstein took Karpis' dog to her brother's house somewhere towards Texarkana which information he got directly from Grace; but she did not tell him the location of the brother. He further stated that he has been actively cooperating with the Post Office Inspectors and Joe Anderson in an effort to obtain information through sources here but he has been unable thus far to secure anything of interest and that neither the Post Office Inspectors nor Anderson have been able to obtain any information of value since the raid. He further stated that he felt that in the due course of time through his informant "Ginger" and other sources of information, he would be able to get a real "line-up" as to the location of the subjects, if such was known to Grace or her associates, and by his remarks at least inferred that he would advise Agent Smith of such information.

Agent Smith has contacted Akers on several occasions since their first meeting and his attitude appeared very friendly and cooperative.

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Joe Anderson, who is working with the Post Office Inspectors, was contacted by Agent Smith and later introduced to Agent Dameron whom he recognized as being one of the participants in the raid. He discussed very freely the ramifications of the case, the arrest of Burrhead Keady, and Brock at Tulsa, Oklahoma, and stated that Brock made a full disclosure of his association with Karpis and others in a mail robbery in Ohio and to his joint visit with Keady to Karpis and Hunter at Hot Springs. He expressed familiarity with all of the airplane trips made by Karpis and Hunter and mentioned the apprehension of Clayton Hall and his disclosures concerning the rental of the Woodcock residence and the purchase of the Buick Sedan for Karpis. Joe Anderson stated that he only wished that he could have Agent Smith with him in working out this case and that it was his desire to lend his cooperation to any of the Bureaus interested in the apprehension of Karpis, however, that he was assigned to work with the Post Office Inspectors and was obligated to keep them advised of any information that he might develop. He very frankly stated that he had a taxi driver and other sources of information in Hot Springs that were giving him the "low down" on Grace Goldstein and her connections with Karpis; that through his sources of information he has learned that on September 7, 1935, a taxi driver took one of these men from Hot Springs to the airport in Little Rock where the man caught the 11:00 P.M. eastbound American Airlines plane; that later and on September 21, 1935, another one of the men was driven from Hot Springs to the airport in Little Rock by the same cab driver and this man also took the 11:00 P.M. eastbound plane; that on both of these trips the men had baggage with them and sat in the front seat with the cab driver. (Note by Agent Dameron: These trips are possibly the trips made by two of the men who were at the cabin on Lake Hamilton during the fall of 1935 as it will be recalled that information was received that one of the men flew to New York and attended the Louis-Baer fight and another man left about a week later.)

Anderson further stated Grace Goldstein had purchased her 1936 Buick Coupe at the Oregon Buick Company in Hot Springs in December, 1935, and that the salesman who sold her the coupe also sold the Buick Sedan to Clayton Hall which is the car that is now supposed to be in the possession of Karpis; that through the local license inspector who went to the motor company and secured the information, he ascertained that the Buick Sedan was a maroon

colored 1936 model sedan, bearing motor #63058198 and serial #2895972, it being a five wheeled job with a built in trunk; also, that the car was licensed in Arkansas on January 25, 1936, under 1936 Arkansas license #5732 which, according to the records at the State Capitol and being application #112530, was issued to M. O. Ball, 318 Market, San Antonio, Texas; that he has also received information that on Wednesday night, March 25, 1936, Grace brought the Buick Sedan of Karpis to the Creason Buick Company for service and repairs but was unable to get it done there and took it to another garage (probably the same garage used by Grace) where the car remained until about 7:00 P.M. on Thursday at which time she drove it out. He had no information as to where she might have taken it; that when she brought the car in she mentioned about some new tires and also refused to have the car simonized stating that "he" preferred the dull finish; that when the car arrived at the garage and when it left, it was carrying Louisiana license plates that, apparently, had been on there for some time but he was unable to get the number of the license; that subsequent to the disappearance of the Buick Sedan, they checked the speedometer reading on Grace's Buick Coupe while it was parked in front of the hotel and the coupe disappeared later on but on the following morning about 11:00 A.M., Grace drove up to the hotel in the Coupe and the speedometer showed it had been driven four hundred and eighty miles. He stated that Chief of Detectives Akers told him that Grace had stated that she took the Great Dane dog (alleged to have been given to her by Karpis) to her brother on Friday, the brother being around Texarkana, but he didn't know whether this was the same trip that they clocked but was of the opinion that it was not as Texarkana is only about one hundred and fifty miles from Hot Springs.

Anderson further stated that on the morning of March 31, 1936, Grace wrecked her Buick Coupe at a point about two miles west of Kirby, Arkansas, on U. S. Highway #70, and he had been told that some forty-five automatic ammunition, a clip for an automatic and some broken phonograph records were seen at the wreck by spectators and that in his opinion she was returning from a possible contact with Karpis at the time she had the wreck; that since the wreck occurred his informant has stated that Grace approached him for the use of an automobile stating that she had to make an important trip; that his informant has since been negotiating for a car which he advised would be turned over to Grace after giving Anderson a complete description of the car including the license number and mileage at the time he turns the car over to her.

Anderson further stated that he had learned that Grace Goldstein had been married several times and that her last ex-husband

is Paul Gezain, alias Fridgety, alias Fidgety or Triggidie, sometimes called "Trig", who was formerly a shillier or crap dealer at Hot Springs but is now supposed to be in Memphis, Tennessee, where he is a gambler and pimp; that he also understands that Gezain is originally from New Orleans.

Subsequent to the conversation with Anderson he called Agent Smith to the hotel room of Post Office Inspector George Haynes of Tulsa, Oklahoma, where he again stated in the presence of Inspector Haynes that he desired to cooperate with Agent Smith but also desired Inspector Haynes to know of this as he was assigned to work with the Post Office Inspectors. Inspector Haynes, thereupon, expressed confidence in Agent Smith and by his remarks indicated that he desired to cooperate and everyone was working for the same purpose, i. e., the apprehension of Karpis. Subsequently, Mr. Haynes visited Agent Smith's room with Anderson, where he met both Agent Smith and Damron and freely discussed the ramifications of the case and future plans.

Agent Smith also was advised by Anderson that he had received information from a confidential informant that on one occasion, Chief of Police Joe Wakelin had exchanged license plates with Grace Goldstein and she made a trip into Oklahoma; that the informant changed the license and the Chief had him put Grace's license plates on his personal car; that Mrs. Wakelin wanted to use the car for something and the informant quickly obtained the Chief's license plates from Grace and put them back on his car.

Anderson stated the informant told him that on Sunday night (night previous to the raid) Grace Goldstein came by the Police Station, picked up Chief Wakelin and they went for a ride. It was Anderson's opinion that the Chief and Grace were the parties in the Woodcock residence on this night.

It will be recalled that on Tuesday, March 31, 1936, when Grace Goldstein was located in Hot Springs and interviewed by Special Agent in Charge M. J. Connelley, she stated that she had wrecked her Buick Coupe shortly prior, thereto, and the car was almost completely destroyed.

Accompanied by Joe Anderson, the writers proceeded to Kirby, Arkansas, and by neighborhood inquiry and examination of the road ascertained that the Buick Coupe had been wrecked at a point about one hundred yards east of the bridge crossing Bear Creek and on U. S. Highway #70 about two miles west of Kirby. Near the point of the wreck is a mail box of a Mr. O'Neal. Neighborhood inquiry disclosed that the wreck had taken place about 11:00 A.M. on Tuesday, March 31, 1936; that the car had been traveling at a high rate of

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speed and hit some loose gravel which caused it to overturn; that one Arthur Anderson, a medicine salesman, had seen the wreck and was the first man to reach the car; that along the road was found some broken phonograph records, some .45 shells and a clip for an automatic pistol; that in the back of the car was a suit-case and an extra battery was on the floorboard inside the car. Efforts are being made to ascertain why she was carrying phonograph records and not the phonograph machine. Also, Anderson received information from his informant that Grace stated the extra battery was in her machine because she had to buy a new battery and the people would not give her enough for her old battery. Efforts are being made to ascertain where she purchased this battery as it is possible that this place was the destination of Grace.

Arthur Anderson was interviewed by Special Agent Smith who was accompanied by Joe Anderson and Post Office Inspector George Haynes. He stated that he saw Grace Goldstein wreck her Buick Coupe at which time she was driving at a high rate of speed and proceeding toward Hot Springs; that he went to her assistance and drove her to Kirby where she telephoned for a wrecker; that during the ride into town she stated that her name was Grace Goldstein of Hot Springs and was merely out driving at the time of the wreck; that when he went to the assistance of Miss Goldstein he noticed around the car some broken phonograph records, a clip for an automatic pistol and some loose cartridges that fit the clip; that in the compartment of the car he observed a pistol and a black jack and on the floor board inside the car was an extra car battery.

With reference to the extra car battery above mentioned, the writers were informed by Joe Anderson that his informant stated that Grace told him that while on a trip her battery had gone down and she was forced to buy a new one; that the people would only give her about \$1.50 for her old battery so she kept it and was bringing it back to Hot Springs; that the informant stated that the battery now in the Buick Coupe is a new Willard Battery. Arrangements have been made with this informant by Joe Anderson, whereby he will damage the battery and then advise her that it was broken in the wreck and if she will give him the guarantee papers or tell him where to send the battery, he will have it replaced and in this manner it is expected that information will be obtained as to where the battery was purchased which might possibly be the point of destination of Grace on the trips she made from Hot Springs.

In addition to obtaining this information, the informant has promised Anderson to obtain a description of the battery, including any number thereon, from which it might be traced.

It will be noted from an examination of the highway map of Arkansas that U. S. Highway #70 goes from Hot Springs, Arkansas, to DeQueen, Arkansas, thence to Wichita Falls, Texas. However, this highway is also a direct route to Paris, Texas, by turning off of highway 70 in Oklahoma on to U. S. Highway #271. In view of the fact that one of the hats found in the Woodcock residence was purchased at Paris, Texas, it is possible that this may have been the destination of Grace.

From an examination of the highway map, it will also be seen that by turning off of Highway #70 at DeQueen, Arkansas, and proceeding south on U. S. Highway #71, it is possible to go into Texarkana, Arkansas, and thence into Louisiana. Grace has previously stated to the local police that she took the Great Dane dog to her brother in Texarkana or near Texarkana.

Inquiry was then made at the toll bridge where U. S. Highway #71 crosses the Red River south of Ogden, Arkansas, where Mrs. Hiram Sanderson, wife of the toll bridge keeper, stated that about the latter part of March, either a Friday or Saturday, she recalled a light green 1936 model Buick Coupe crossing the toll bridge about 2:00 P.M. and going toward Texarkana; that she recalled this automobile because of the fact that a large black dog with slick hair and cropped ears was in the car and of which she was afraid; that the automobile was being driven by a woman approximately 30 - 35 years of age, and she was alone; that she believes the woman had some baggage on the ledge in back of the seat and was wearing a jacket of some kind. The photograph of Grace Goldstein was exhibited to her but she could not positively identify it. The photograph of the dog was also exhibited to her and she stated that it looked like the same dog that was in the Buick Coupe. She stated that she had not seen or recognized this woman or the automobile since that time but that they might possibly have crossed the bridge again without any one taking notice of them. She did not recall of ever having seen a maroon colored Buick Sedan cross the bridge but stated that she would watch for such a car and would take the license number of any car of that description.

Ben Sanderson is at the toll bridge from 7:00 P.M. to 5:00 A.M. Upon interview he stated that he did not recall seeing a green colored Buick Coupe with or without a dog and being driven by a woman. However, he stated that he recalled seeing a maroon colored 1936 Buick Sedan with Louisiana license plates cross the bridge on several occasions; that this Buick Sedan crossed on several occasions about the month of January or February, 1936, and a large heavy set man and a woman were in the car. Upon examining the photograph of Grace Goldstein he could not make an identification. (This might possibly have been Clayton Hall.)

Mr. Hiram Sanderson is a brother of Sheriff James Sanderson of Ashdown, Arkansas, and has been found to be very reliable and cooperative. He and his wife, together with Ben Sanderson, his nephew, were given the description of the 1936 Buick Sedan and they promised to be on the alert for an automobile of such description and promised to make a note of the license number of all cars of similar description and immediately notify the Little Rock office by long distance telephone if the Buick Sedan returned. They also promised to watch for Karpis, Hunter, Grace Goldstein, Connie Morris and the Great Dane dog, photographs of these individuals and the dog having been exhibited to them, and to immediately notify the Little Rock office should they put in an appearance.

Inquiry was also made at the toll bridge where U. S. Highway #67 crosses the Red River at Fulton, Arkansas. However, no information was obtained at this bridge concerning either the Buick Sedan or the Buick Coupe.

It will be noted from an examination of the highway map that for some reason Grace Goldstein took a circuitous route in proceeding from Hot Springs to Texarkana if, in fact, she went into Texarkana over U. S. Highway #71, as the most direct route from Hot Springs is by state route 7 from Hot Springs to Arkadelphia, thence by U. S. Highway #67 to Texarkana. It will also be noted that the route by Arkadelphia is paved whereas the route by DeQueen or U. S. Highways #70 and #71 is not paved between Kirby and the toll bridge near Ogden.

In view of the fact that the speedometer on Grace's automobile showed a trip of 480 miles on one occasion and the fact that she was traveling on U. S. Highway 70, at the time of her wreck, an estimate of where a point 240 miles from Hot Springs would have placed her was made and such a trip could have placed her in Paris, Texas, or some point south or east of Shreveport, Louisiana, possibly Alexandria or Monroe, the State of Louisiana being taken into consideration because of the license plates on the Buick Sedan.

In view of the request made by Grace of the informant for an automobile and the above mentioned facts as to her previous trips it was thought that she might possibly be contemplating another trip and possibly contacting the subjects on such trips. Arrangements have therefore been made through Joe Anderson whereby his informant is to lend his automobile to

Grace after making a note of the mileage, description of the car and license plates which will in turn be given to Anderson and an effort will be made to ascertain where she proceeded.

Upon receipt of the information as to the use of the Louisiana license plates on the Buick Sedan, the New Orleans office was requested to expedite the investigation as to a possible registration of this automobile in Louisiana.

At the time Agent Smith contacted Post Office Inspector Haynes and Joe Anderson he advised them that Agent Dameron was assigned to Hot Springs as a regular agent out of the Little Rock office while he, Agent Smith, was especially assigned to this case; that Agent Dameron was handling some routine matters in Hot Springs and rendering such assistance that he, Agent Smith, might desire.

At the time contact was made with Chief of Detectives Herbert Akers by Agent Smith, he was advised that Agent Dameron was in Hot Springs handling some routine matters and rendering such assistance as was necessary and Agent Dameron has called at the Police Station on several occasions on routine matters.

Continuous contact is being maintained with Post Office Inspector Haynes and Joe Anderson and daily contact maintained with Chief of Detectives Akers. Intermittent contact is also being maintained with John Stover, airplane pilot.

It will be noted from the above memorandum that at the time the Buick Sedan purchased for Karpis was in the garage at Hot Springs on the night of March 25, 1936, and at the time of its departure on the night of March 26, 1936, it was alleged to have carried Louisiana license plates.

On April 6, 1936, the New Orleans office was telegraphically requested to expedite the investigation requested in the letter from Special Agent in Charge Connelley to the Aberdeen office under date of April 1, 1936, a copy of which letter was forwarded to each field office requesting investigation as to the registration of the Buick Sedan. Subsequently the New Orleans office advised that there was no record of the registration of said Buick Sedan in either the State of Louisiana or the State of Mississippi.

It will also be noted from the above mentioned memorandum that one Paul Gezain, alias "Fridgety, alias "Fidgety," or "Triggidie", is alleged to be the ex-husband of Grace Goldstein and was formerly at New Orleans, Louisiana, and supposedly living somewhere in Memphis, Tennessee, at the present time. This

information was submitted to the Nashville office by air mail, special delivery on April 6, 1936, and the matter is still under investigation in said District.

On April 10, 1936, Special Agent in Charge Connelley telephonically advised from Cleveland, Ohio, that informant Clayton Hall was proceeding to Hot Springs, Arkansas, and would be accompanied by Special Agents John Madala and W. J. McRulty for the purpose of allowing Hall to contact Grace Goldstein in an effort to ascertain the present whereabouts of the subjects or Connie Morris. On April 12, 1936, Clayton Hall attempted to contact Grace Goldstein at the Hatterie Hotel, Hot Springs, Arkansas, at which time it was ascertained that Grace Goldstein had left Hot Springs, Arkansas, for an unknown destination. Further efforts are being made by Hall to contact Grace Goldstein and a subsequent report will be submitted covering this activity.

Reproductions of the photographs of Grace Goldstein, Ruth Hamm, alias Connie Morris, and Fred Hunter are being forwarded to each office with its copies of this report for use in investigation.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

TO ALL OFFICES: All offices receiving copy of this report will examine same carefully, and coordinate the information contained herein with the information they are working on in their respective Districts and conduct the necessary investigation, it being noted that this, apparently, is definite and conclusive as to the information concerning Karpis and his present associates.

In addition to this investigation, the following definite leads are requested of auxiliary offices: (In conducting investigation, auxiliary offices should not disclose the identity of Clayton Hall as the disclosure of his name would destroy his value as an informant in future activities.)

THE SAN ANTONIO OFFICE at Corpus Christi, Texas, will conduct appropriate investigation at the Grande Courts Tourist Camp where, apparently, the subjects may have resided.

THE DALLAS OFFICE at Paris, Texas, will conduct appropriate investigation through Caddel's and the Perkins' Brothers, through whom, apparently, Karpis purchased some clothing.

THE JACKSONVILLE OFFICE - reproductions or proofs of twelve negatives found among the possessions of Connie Morris are enclosed with copies of this report for appropriate investigation, information having been received from Clayton Hall that the photographs were taken in Florida and the men shown in the photograph are residents of Florida and are engaged in deep-sea diving.

Through Mrs. Howard T. Sims, P. O. Box 515, Station A, Orlando, Florida, and the Silversprings Court, Silversprings, Florida, will conduct appropriate investigation concerning the activities of the subjects including Fred Hunter and their two lady companions, Grace Goldstein and Connie Morris.

THE ST. LOUIS OFFICE at St. Louis, Missouri, will conduct appropriate investigation concerning long distance telephone call made from the Hattarie Hotel to Riverside 3809, St. Louis, Missouri, which investigation was previously requested by telephone.

At De Soto, Missouri, will ascertain to whom is assigned telephone numbers 61 and 346 and conduct appropriate investigation as to any connection between these parties and the subjects of this case or Grace Goldstein.

THE NEW ORLEANS OFFICE will conduct appropriate investigation at the Tropical Tourist Inn, Henderson Point, and the Arrow Tourist Apartments at New Orleans, Louisiana, concerning the activities of subjects and their women friends, it being possible that they stayed at these tourist places.

Will also conduct appropriate investigation as to telephone number, Galvez 4590 at New Orleans, Louisiana.

THE NASHVILLE OFFICE at Memphis, Tennessee, will ascertain if any information is available concerning the subjects or their associates at Goldsmith's (apparently a Department Store) it appearing that a chauffeur's cap found at the Woodcock residence was purchased at this store.

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April 18, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Atlanta, Georgia.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218, et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM;
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the information obtained from Ray Art, Harry E. Cook and Frank Jennings contained in the reports of Special Agents Louis Delotte, dated at Nashville, Tennessee, April 4, 1935 and H. F. Small, dated at Nashville, Tennessee, April 30, 1935, which pertains particularly to the fact that when Duke Randall made a trip to Etowah, Tennessee he was accompanied by a driver, whose car he had hired in Atlanta, Georgia for transportation from Atlanta, Georgia to Etowah, Tennessee, and return to Atlanta, Georgia.

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You will observe in the signed statement furnished by Duke Randall to Special Agent P. C. Dunn on January 26, 1935 at Miami, Florida, which is found on pages 61 and 62 of the report of Special Agent in Charge J. E. Hanson, Jacksonville, Florida, dated February 20, 1935, that Randall admitted having rented the car at Atlanta for the trip to Etowah.

The reports fail to indicate that any interview has ever been conducted with the driver, nor is his identity known at the present time. In view of the statement of Harry E. Cook to the effect that Randall did not make the statement, "Forgot about Adams and the license plates", it is decided that the party who drove Randall to Etowah be located and interviewed thoroughly with regard to any conversation which was held between Randall and Harry Cook. You will recall that Randall has definitely stated that he informed Harry Cook to forget about Adams and the license plates, for which reason \$50 was delivered to Harry Cook by Randall. It is believed that Randall's driver will recall this conversation and may be used during the forthcoming trial to corroborate the statement made by Randall to this effect.

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April 12, 1934.

It is suggested that Randall undoubtedly rented a car from one of the well known rental agencies in Atlanta.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc-Mr. E. J. Connelley, Chicago
St. Paul
Cleveland
Cincinnati

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FBI DALLAS 4-17-36 3-55PM IN

DIRECTOR

PHONEL BREKID INVESTIGATION PARIS TEXAS AND VICINITY RESULTED IN LOCATION
OF TWO BROTHERS OF GRACE GOLDSTEIN OF HOTSPRINGS ARKANSAS WHOSE CORRESPONDENCE
NAME IS JEWEL LAVERNE GRAYSON. INFORMATION OBTAINED THIS WOMAN WITH MAN
POSING AS HER HUSBAND WITHIN RECENT MONTHS HAS VISITED THESE RELATIVES
SEVERAL OCCASIONS USING GREEN BUICK COUPE CARRYING HIGH POWER RIFLES DIS-
PLAYING LARGE SUM OF MONEY THE BLACK GREAT DANE DOG NOW AT HOME OF ONE
BROTHER AND WAS SEEN BY ME YESTERDAY. THIS WOMAN IS NOT NOW AT THE HOME OF
EITHER BROTHER NOR IS THE MAN POSING AS HER HUSBAND. THE MAN REPRESENTING
HIMSELF AS HER HUSBAND BELIEVED TO BE KARPIS. THE COMMUNITY IN WHICH RELATIVES
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TO ADAPT HIMSELF TO LIVING CONDITIONS AND CAMP FOR PERIOD OF 30 DAYS ON A
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APPROPRIATE OUTFIT WILL BE SUFFICIENT. HAVE CONFERRED WITH CONNELLEY WHO
SHARES THE OPINION HERE EXPRESSED. BELIEVE AGENT BUCHANAN SUITABLE FOR THIS
ASSIGNMENT. ADVISE ME CARE DALLAS OFFICE WHETHER AUTHORITY GRANTED THIS
SETUP. AGENT BUCHANAN AND I ARE RETURNING PARIS AND VICINITY THIS EVENING
CONDUCT FURTHER INVESTIGATION THIS MATTER. PARTICULARS BEING FURNISHED
AIR MAIL.

BRANTLEY

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W. J. Brennan
W. J. Brennan

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April 21, 1936

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. COFFEY

Re: Alvin Karpis, with aliases, Fugitive,
I. O. #1218, et al.
Kidnaping.

I am transmitting herewith a business card of the El Comodoro Hotel, on the back of which is the following message:

"To Mrs. Ryan 1004 & 05
I do hope you will enjoy this little bunch
of flowers.
Can we do anything for you?
Mr. Adams"

It is requested that the handwriting appearing on this card be compared with the known handwriting of Joseph H. Adams, to determine whether the message on the card was written by Adams.

This card is contained in an envelope addressed to Mrs. C. E. Ryan, which constitutes Government Exhibit 109, and which was introduced during the course of the second Bremer trial at St. Paul, Minnesota.

It is requested that this envelope and card be returned to Division One at the earliest possible moment.

Very truly yours,

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Case: Re: Alvin Karpis, with aliases, Fugitive, Number: 7-576-10710
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Edward George Bremer, Victim -
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Specimens:

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signed Mr. Adams on reverse side. (questioned)
" B. Envelope marked "Gov. exhibit 109" Jan. 16, 1936.
Requested that the handwriting appearing upon the card
be compared with the known handwriting of Joseph H. Adams.

Examination requested by: Director

Date received: 4-22-36 jwp 11:00 AM

Examination requested: Document

Result of examination:

Examination by: Appel (1)

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Examination requested by: Director

Date received: 4-22-36 jwp 11:00 AM reasigned 4-22-36 4:00 PM

Examination requested: Document

Result of examination:

Identical

Examination by: Major (AE)

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Adams - we to

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Date received: 4-22-36 jwp 11:00 AM

Examination requested: Document

Result of examination: 4/16

*Believe for Adams with card
and name "Mrs E. Ryan" envelope*

Examination by: Pickering (A)

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Record of Telephone Call or Visitor.

April 13 1936.

Time 1:23 P.M.

Name Chief of Police Frank J. Boss,

Chief of Police at Akron, Ohio tele.

Referred to

Details:

Chief Boss telephoned directly from Akron and upon being advised that the Director was not in, he advised the writer that they have received some very good information that Karpis is in Akron and wanted the Bureau to have this information. Officer James Lane who was the first person to receive the information came in on the line and stated that it was good information. I told Chief Boss that I would immediately transmit this information to the Assistant Director in charge of investigative matters and thanked him for calling. The telephone number of the Police Dept. is Jefferson 5515 and is a private line. I immediately contacted Mr. Tamm's office and advised Mr. Hood of the above in Mr. Tamm's absence.

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is given immediate
attention.

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FBI CLEVELAND 4-13-36 9-12P JFO

DIRECTOR

PHONE BREXID. J H LAYNE MOTORCYCLE OFFICER AKRON ADVISED CHIEF OF POLICE BOOS THAT LAST NOVEMBER HE OBSERVED SUSPICIOUS ACTING MAN THOUGHT TO BE KARPIS IN PEOPLES DRUG STORE, GOODYEAR AND PIONEER STREETS, AKRON, BUYING GAUZE AND BANDAGES. ZIMMERMAN OPERATOR OF STORE DID NOT KNOW IDENTITY OF MAN AND ONE KLEIN EMPLOYEE OF ZIMMERMAN SHOWED ZIMMERMAN PICTURE OF KARPIS AND IDENTIFIED IT AS MAN FREQUENTING STORE. NUMEROUS PHOTOGRAPHS WERE DISPLAYED TO ZIMMERMAN AND KLEIN AND BOTH PICK KARPIS PICTURE AS PERSON BUYING GAUZE AND BANDAGES, WHICH PERSON BELIEVED TO BE EMPLOYED AS SUPERVISOR A AND P TRUCKING COMPANY AKRON, FURTHER INVESTIGATION BEING MADE. CONNELLEY ADVISED BY TELEPHONE. NO DEVELOPMENTS YOUNGSTOWN OR TOLEDO.

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*Letter to Chief of Police
Akron Ohio
re. CLEVELAND K.M.*

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April 16, 1936.

7-576-10712

Mr. Frank J. Bong,
Chief of Police,
Akron, Ohio.

My dear Chief:

I wish to express to you my sincere appreciation for the telephone call which you made directly to this Bureau on April 13, 1936, at which time you believed that you had information with regard to the location of Alvin Karpis in Akron, Ohio. Despite the fact that subsequent investigation disclosed that the party believed to have been identical with Alvin Karpis was in fact someone else, I want you to know that I am grateful for your splendid spirit of cooperation in bringing to my attention a matter which is so truly one of interest to this Bureau.

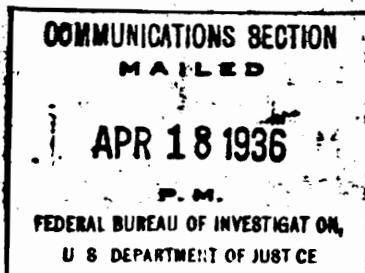
Assuring you of my desire to cooperate in all matters of mutual interest, I am

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
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DIRECTOR AND SAC KANSAS CITY

PHONE. BREKID. SHERIFF FROM DODGE CITY KANSAS EN ROUTE FROM PACIFIC COAST TO DODGE CITY AT ALBUQUERQUE LAST NIGHT PUT OUT STORY THAT KARPIS FANNED MACHINE GUN AT SAN DIEGO APRIL 11 TH AND IS TRAVELING EAST IN MAROON COLORED BUICK SEDAN ARKANSAS LICENSE 5732 WITH ANOTHER MAN AND A WOMAN. SUGGEST THAT KANSAS CITY QUEP SHERIFF AT DODGE CITY AS TO SOURCE OF HIS INFORMATION AND IF THOUGHT ADVISABLE ASK LOS ANGELES TO MAKE CHECK AT SAN DIEGO. THIS STORY GOT ON U.P. WIRES.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

EAT:CDW

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

April 13, 1936.

Time - 1:45 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Frankie Foster.

OK
Edw J. Connelley

SAC Whitley telephoned me from the New York Office with reference to the situation out in Utah involving the above named person. He said he has been talking with Inspector McDermott of the New York Police Department about the case, and the Inspector is somewhat concerned over the extradition of Foster, stating that while it appears as though the extradition is going through all right, there is always a possibility in dealing with men like Foster that some technicality will come up to prevent removal. In this connection, Inspector McDermott asked Mr. Whitley if the Bureau would consider filing a complaint against Foster for unlawful flight to avoid prosecution so that he could be picked up again and his bond raised. Foster is at this time free on bond of \$10,000.00.

Upon your authorization, I told Mr. Whitley he should take this matter up with the U. S. Attorney, and if the U. S. Attorney is agreeable to the filing of a complaint, it should be done, and Inspector McDermott advised that it is a pleasure for us to be of service to him in the filing of this complaint, etc, etc.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

Cincinnati, Ohio

FILE NO. 7-45

REPORT MADE AT Cincinnati, Ohio	DATE WHEN MADE 4-20-36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 4-14-36	REPORT MADE BY J. E. Thornton
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. #1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I. O. #1236; et al EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NAT'L FIREARMS ACT
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Correspondence list of Fred Hunter, #51783, Ohio State Penitentiary, is no longer in existence. Last known address Box #395, Leavittsburg, Ohio. Ohio State Penitentiary photograph secured.			
REFERENCE: Letter Cleveland Office dated 4-9-36.			
DETAILS: AT COLUMBUS, OHIO D. J. Bonzo, Record Clerk, Ohio State Penitentiary, Columbus, Ohio allowed agent to examine the file for Fred Hunter alias Fred Harris, #51783, who was received at that institution on 4-17-23 from Trumbull County to serve from 2-27 years for Larceny and Unlawful Possession of Dynamite. He was paroled on 6-1-26 and received a final release on 6-7-27. The file reflects that he worked for 21 months at the Brick Plant, Junction City, Ohio which has since been discontinued. Mr. Bonzo endeavored to secure his correspondence list at the Prison Post Office but advised that the list is no longer in existence. There is a copy of Indictment #3081, which alleges that Fred Hunter and Arthur Sullivan on 10-12-22 at Trumbull County did take, steal and drive a motor vehicle which was the property of James Fenton. H. A. Burgess was prosecuting attorney of Trumbull County at that time and the case was tried at the January term of Court, in 1922 in Common Pleas Court. There is no further information concerning this Arthur Sullivan and there is no record of his ever being sent to the Ohio Penitentiary.			
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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>E. J. Connelley</i>		SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	
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The file reflects that George Hunter is the father of Fred Hunter and lived at 408 Beldon St., Warren, Ohio, and that he had two brothers, Albert and William who also lived at Warren, Ohio. (No other address in file.) **Hunter*

Mr. Benson could not recall this man even after looking through the file and examining his photo and was unable to secure any information as to any friends that Hunter might have developed while serving his time. Hunter had no trouble while incarcerated.

A description of Hunter as obtained from the file is as follows:

Name	Fred Hunter alias Fred Harris
Age	34 (1923) Born, Warren, Ohio
Height	
Weight	118
Build	Medium
Complexion	Fair
Eyes	Blue
Occupation	Welder
Remarks	Impediment in speech
Address	Latest address in file 6-7-37 was Box #305, Leavittsburg, Ohio.

Two copies of photograph of Hunter, taken in 1923, were secured and on 4-18-36 one copy was transmitted to the Chicago Office by letter, requesting that copies be made and furnished the interested offices. One copy was also forwarded to the Cleveland Office.

UNDEVELOPED LEAD:

CLEVELAND OFFICE, at Trumbull County, will contact H. A. Burgess, who was Prosecuting Attorney in 1922 for information concerning the identity of Arthur Sullivan who was jointly charged with Hunter in Indictment #3081, and then consider the advisability of contacting him.

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BREKID AP REPORTS NEWS ITEM FROM SANDIEGO CALIFORNIA
 INDICATING FEDERAL AGENTS CHECKING ON **KARPIS** THERE STOP
 INVESTIGATION WAS CONDUCTED THERE YESTERDAY BY AGENT THIS
 OFFICE IN TRACING PISTOL CONNECTION THIS CASE MENTIONED REPORT
 SA C D WHITE LOSANGELES NOVEMBER SIXTEENTH LAST

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Edward J. Bremer
at San Diego

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

EAT:CDW

Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

April 15, 1936.

Time - 11:15 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

Mr. Nathan	_____
Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. Baughman	_____
Chief Clerk	_____
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Mr. Tracy	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

Mr. Connelley telephoned me concerning the investigation of this case in Arkansas and vicinity, and said that in talking with the Little Rock Office this morning, he learned that they had finally identified the woman who has heretofore been known to us as Grace Goldstein, a prostitute or keeper of a house of prostitution in Hot Springs. Grace Goldstein is apparently Jewell Laverne Grayson, and her people apparently reside in the vicinity of Paris, Texas. It is entirely possible that she is now in the vicinity of Paris, Texas, and in this connection, Mr. Connelley said that SAC Brantley of the Oklahoma City and Agent Buchanan are going to proceed at once into that vicinity for the purpose of making a survey of the situation, it being borne in mind that possibly the subjects themselves are there.

Mr. Connelley said that if nothing develops in the investigation at Paris, Texas, it appears that Mr. Brantley may return to his headquarters at Oklahoma City until the woman shows up again in Hot Springs.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

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FBI KANSAS CITY MISSOURI
DIRECTOR.

APRIL 18, 1936. 3-49 PM CST WK

PHONE. BREKID. RE CONFERENCE TELETYPE FROM EL PASO. SHERIFF DODGE CITY KANSAS
OUT OF TOWN CANNOT BE LOCATED UNTIL MONDAY WILL BE POSSIBLE THEN.

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Edmund G. Bremer

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J. EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

April 16, 1936

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Re: Alvin Karpis, with aliases, Fugitive
I. O. #1218, et al.
Edward George Bremer, Victim -
Kidnaping.

Reference is made to the telegram dated April 16, 1936, received from the Jacksonville office, which informs that attorneys representing Adams and Randall at Miami, Florida, filed motions on April 15, 1936, to suppress evidence consisting of statements made by defendants, the motions alleging the statements were made under duress, at the same time adding the names of eight Agents. The motions further allege that the statements of Randall were obtained after he had been held illegally for five days and demand that he be furnished copies of such statements. The motions also allege that the statements of Adams were obtained through trickery.

This will inform you that I have communicated with Mr. Walter L. Barlow in this matter and he has informed that he has just received copies of the motions to suppress. He informed me that he is arranging for the motions to be heard in the chambers of Judge Ackerman at Miami during the latter part of next week. He informed that it will be necessary for him to prepare a traverse to the motions, and to this end he will need the statements of Special Agent in Charge Hanson, and Agents Nichols, Dunne and Goings, explaining the circumstances under which signed statements were obtained from Adams and Randall. Such statements have been obtained from all except Special Agent in Charge Hanson, and he is being telegraphically requested to submit his statement by air mail, special delivery, without further delay.

Mr. Barlow indicated that the only Agents who will have to be present at Miami, Florida, during the latter part of next week are Hanson, Nichols, Dunne and Goings. He stated that as soon as he learns the exact date on which the motions will be heard he will notify me so that the Agents can be notified to proceed immediately to Miami, Florida. I will keep you advised in this matter.

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Respectfully,

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

APRIL 20, 1936

Transmit the following message to: SAC, DALLAS

BREKID MOTIVY FORMER SPECIAL AGENT R. L. JONES REPORT UNITED STATES
ATTORNEY'S OFFICE MIAMI, FLORIDA, 9 A. M., FRIDAY, APRIL 21 AND
REPORT TO WALTER L. BARLOW. SUBPOENA WILL BE SERVED ON JONES AT
MIAMI. JONES' PRESENCE IMPERATIVE. ADVISE IF HE WILL COMPLY WITH
THIS REQUEST.

HOOVER

Edward J. Brennan

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BREKID. ATTORNEYS REPRESENTING ADAMS AND RANDALL AT MIAMI FILED
MOTIONS APRIL FIFTEENTH TO SUPPRESS EVIDENCE CONSISTING OF STATE-
MENTS MADE BY DEFENDANTS ALLEGING STATEMENTS MADE UNDER DURESS AND
NAMING EIGHT AGENTS STOP MOTIONS ALLEGE STATEMENTS OF RANDALL
OBTAINED AFTER HE WAS HELD ILLEGALLY FOR FIVE DAYS AND DEMAND THAT
HE BE FURNISHED COPIES OF SUCH STATEMENTS STOP IN ADAMS CASE
ALLEGATIONS ARE THAT STATEMENTS WERE OBTAINED THROUGH TRICKERY
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FBI TRENTON, N. J. APRIL 19, 1936 4:50 P.M. KLR:RBT

D.M. LADD,
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION,
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,
ROOM 1900, BANKERS' BUILDING,
CHICAGO, ILLINOI.

UNKNOWN SUBJECTS ROBBERY OF ERIE RR TRAIN, BUTLEY, NEW JERSEY.
TIS. FORWARD AIRMAIL SPECIAL TRENTON OFFICE TWO PHOTOGRAPHS EACH
FRED HUNTER, MILTON LETT AND SAM LOKER MENTIONED CLEVELAND LETTER
TO ALL OFFICES THIRTEENTH INSTANT RE BREKID.

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Edmond George Brown

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1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

April 20, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

Special Agent J. V. Murphy has submitted the following information:

In conversation with Special Agent E. J. Dowd, it is my understanding that Agents are now endeavoring to locate a farm in either Texas or Louisiana, where Karpis and others are supposed to be located.

It is my recollection that in interview one Russell Cooper at McAlester, Oklahoma State Penitentiary, made mention that he heard through underworld rumor that Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell had a hideout near Vena, Arkansas. This information was recorded at the time of interview, but was thought at that time to be of little value.

It is suggested that you review your file in connection with the above information and take such action as is warranted.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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- E. J. Connelley

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DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

INC:ON

April 8, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. EDWARDS.

Re: Handwriting Specimens of Karpis
available for Laboratory
Comparison Purposes.

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During a recent examination requested in connection with the Brekid Case it was determined that the only available handwriting specimens of Karpis in the Laboratory consist of fingerprint card signatures which are, of course, not as suitable for handwriting comparison as would be more extensive specimens.

In view of this fact it is suggested that the Investigative Unit make an effort to obtain more adequate specimens of the writing of Karpis, particularly in view of his present fugitive status.

Respectfully,

E. P. Coffey
E. P. Coffey.

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J. EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. EDWARDS

Re: Handwriting specimens
of Alvin Karpis avail-
able for laboratory
comparison purposes.

Reference is made to the memorandum of Mr. Coffey to
you dated April 8, 1936, concerning available handwriting
specimens of Karpis in the laboratory and his request for
additional and more adequate specimens of the writing of this
individual.

Your attention is directed to the handwriting specimen
of this individual contained in the laboratory file under the
name of R. S. CARSON, a photostatic copy of which was made for
use in the trial of Joe Adams which will occur at Miami,
Florida on May 25, 1936. The photostatic copy of Carson's
handwriting, which is the handwriting of Alvin Karpis, appears
on a registration card bearing #807 of the Hotel Danmor,
Atlantic City, New Jersey, under date of January 18, 1935.

This is the only other available handwriting specimen
of Alvin Karpis.

Very truly yours,

E. A. Tamm

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H. J. [signature]

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Post Office Box 4907
Jacksonville, Florida
April 20, 1936.

Mr. E. J. Connelley
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Post Office Box 812
Chicago, Illinois.

RE: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley dated April 11, 1936, at Chicago. One copy of this report was received at the Jacksonville Office on April 20, 1936.

With reference to the laundry slip found in the house which was raided near Hot Springs, and which is a slip of the American Laundry, 21 North Parremore Street, you are advised that this laundry is located in the City of Orlando, Florida. It is known as the American Laundry & Cleaning Company, and the office address and telephone numbers are as shown in the report.

With reference to the articles listed on page 30 of the report, it is noted that there was included in the effects of Bonnie Morris a calling card of Mrs. Howard T. Sims, Post Office Box 5155, Station A, Orlando, Florida. One Howard Sims, who is apparently the husband of this woman, was recently interviewed by an agent of this office as an informant in connection with the location of Hugh Kent, with aliases, I.O. #1358, and his associates. Sims furnished certain information and agreed to cooperate with this office in locating these persons.

It is noted that Sims, when interviewed, was under indictment in Federal Court on a liquor charge, and desired to obtain consideration in connection with this case in return for supplying the Bureau with information. He was to be arraigned at Orlando, Florida, during the past week, and promised to endeavor to make contact with the wanted fugitives prior to that time. However, he has not communicated with this office. It is not known whether he was sentenced to the penitentiary when arraigned.

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April 21, 1936

Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
1900 Bankers' Building,
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. 1218; ET AL;
Edward George Bremer, Victim;
KIDNAPING.

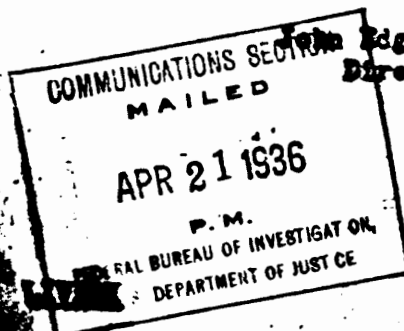
Dear Sir:

You have heretofore been requested by
Mr. Foxworth during telephonic conversations to
submit to the Bureau a full and complete statement
regarding the difficulties encountered with the Post
Office Inspectors in connection with the above entitled
investigation, with particular respect to their lack
of cooperation with this Bureau.

To date the Bureau has not received
this report from you, and it is requested that it be
forwarded at your earliest opportunity.

Very truly yours,

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John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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