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PRIVACY ACTS**

**SUBJECT: BARKER/KARPIS GANG  
BREMER KIDNAPPING**

**FILE NUMBER: 7-576**

**SECTION : 218**



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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

Cincinnati, Ohio

FILE NO.

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REPORT MADE AT Trenton, New Jersey	DATE WHEN MADE 7-28-36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 7-6,15-36	REPORT MADE BY B. F. Meekins
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. #1232 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>Gregory L. Codomo resides at 310 West Webster Avenue, Roselle Park, N. J. but can be reached generally at 91 Washington Avenue, Nutley, N. J. where he is employed at Gasoline Service Station and Parking Lot by his brother, Leonard, who stated will be glad to assist in pointing out Gregory L. Codomo. While not at 91 Washington Avenue, Nutley, N. J., Leonard Codomo can be reached at Regent Hotel, Newark, N. J.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- P -</p> <p>REFERENCE: Bureau letter to Nashville, 5-21-36; letter to Jacksonville, 6-16-36; letter from Jacksonville, 6-23-36.</p> <p>DETAILS: <u>AT NEWARK, NEW JERSEY</u></p> <p>Leonard Codomo, brother of Gregory L. Codomo, advised that Gregory L. Codomo is now residing at 310 West Webster Avenue, Roselle Park, New Jersey, but that he can generally be more easily reached at 91 Washington Avenue, Nutley, New Jersey, where he is employed at a Gasoline Service Station and Parking Lot operated by Leonard Codomo, and at which place he often sleeps at night.</p>			
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Leonard Codomo, who is well known to Special Agent C. J. Martin by reason of previous interviews in this case, advised that his brother would be most willing to cooperate in any fashion and that the latter's whereabouts being always known to him, he would be glad to assist at any time in locating Gregory L. Codomo. Mr. Leonard Codomo, when not at his place of business at 91 Washington Avenue, Nutley, New Jersey, can be located at his residence at the Regent Hotel, Bleeker Street, Newark, New Jersey.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Cincinnati, Ohio.

FILE NO. 7-4 RBT

REPORT MADE AT Trenton, New Jersey	DATE WHEN MADE 7-27-36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 7-11-36	REPORT MADE BY C. I. Lord
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. #1232 ET AL. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Record of G. L. Gates obtained at Newark Police Department, together with that of Jack Penny, an associate.

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**REFERENCE:**

Report of Special Agent V. E. Criss, Chicago, Ill., 6-27-36.

**DETAILS:**

AT NEWARK, NEW JERSEY

The following information was obtained at the Newark Police Department:

G. L. Gates, with aliases, is wanted for a \$10,000 swindle scheme, together with one Jack Penny, by the Police Department of Newark, New Jersey. Gates and Penny by means of a fake horse race tipster racket (wire tapping game) swindled \$10,000 from a man in Newark, N. J. on October 2, 1930. No further information was obtained regarding this, as announcements were made that William Elmer Meade had been taken into custody. The following, however, are the records of the two individuals:

Only new record obtained in regard to Gates is:

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<p>APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>E. L. Ruchman</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE</p> <p>COPIES OF THIS REPORT</p> <table style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td>3 - Bureau</td> <td>1 - Phoenix</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2 - Cincinnati</td> <td>1 - Wash. Field</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2 - Chicago</td> <td>1 - Boston</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1 - San Antonio</td> <td>1 - San Francisco</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1 - Pittsburgh</td> <td>1 - Omaha</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1 - New York</td> <td>1 - Jacksonville</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1 - Cleveland</td> <td>2 - Trenton</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2 - St. Paul.</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	3 - Bureau	1 - Phoenix	2 - Cincinnati	1 - Wash. Field	2 - Chicago	1 - Boston	1 - San Antonio	1 - San Francisco	1 - Pittsburgh	1 - Omaha	1 - New York	1 - Jacksonville	1 - Cleveland	2 - Trenton	2 - St. Paul.		<p>DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES</p> <p style="font-size: 1.5em; text-align: center;">7 1 576 +12452</p> <p style="text-align: right;">AUG 1 1936</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>jsm</i></p>
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The following is record obtained in regard to Jack Penny:

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A photograph of Gates was obtained and is being retained in the files of the Trenton Office for future reference.

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JEM:OLP

July 30, 1936.

Time - 10:55 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

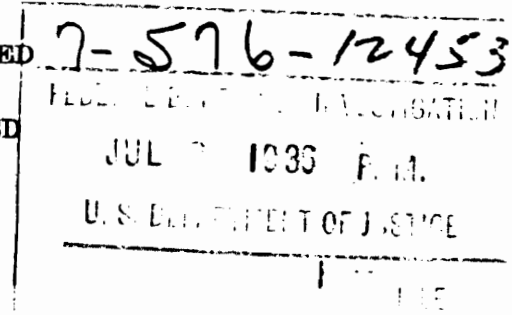
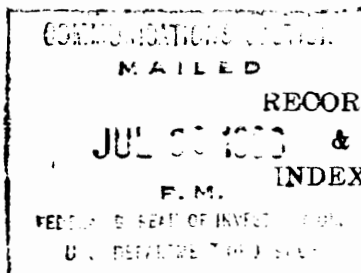
Re: Karpis case.

Mr. Brien McMahon telephoned and stated he had just talked to St. Paul and nothing would be done about the indictments until November; that Karpis would be brought back and tried at that time and if the state authorities in Missouri had not acted by then, that angle could be forgotten.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

Mr. Nathan .....  
Mr. Tolson .....  
Mr. Eughman .....  
Mr. Clegg .....  
Mr. Coffey .....  
Mr. Dawsey .....  
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Mr. Egan .....  
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Mr. Glavin .....  
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Mr. Joseph .....  
Mr. Lester .....  
Mr. Nichols .....  
Mr. Quinn .....  
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Mr. Tracy .....  
Miss Gandy .....



Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

POST OFFICE BOX 812  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

July 29, 1936

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

AIR MAIL - SPECIAL  
DELIVERY.

Dear Sir:

RE: JOSEPH R. WEIL alias The  
Yellow Kid - F.B.I. No. 14923

Charles O. Long, who gave information which resulted in the apprehension of William Elmer Mead, advises he is quite certain he can locate Joseph R. Weil if the Bureau desires to apprehend him.

Shortly after the apprehension of William Elmer Mead an article appeared in a newspaper, the name of which is not recalled, quoting Postal Inspector Herbert Graham, New York, New York to the effect that all hotels were going to be circularized in an effort to locate and apprehend Joe Weil alias the Yellow Kid. This article also denoted Weil as Public Enemy No. 1 as far as the Postal Department was concerned.

Please advise if the apprehension of Weil alias The Yellow Kid is desired.

Very truly yours,

*D. M. Ladd*  
D. M. LADD,

Special Agent in Charge.

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*Edw. J. Foran*  
*Confidential informant*

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August 4, 1936.

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7-576 -12454

Special Agent in Charge,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
I. O. #1216, et al; Edward  
George Bremer, Victim;  
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of July 29,  
1936, requesting advice as to whether the location and  
apprehension of Joseph R. Keil, alias The Yellow Kid,  
are being sought by the Bureau.

This will inform you that the Bureau is not  
seeking Keil's apprehension.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY

cc St. Paul  
Cleveland  
Cincinnati

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CINCINNATI

FILE NO. 7-37

REPORT MADE AT Kansas City, Missouri	DATE WHEN MADE 7-29-36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 6-29-36 7-19, 21-36	REPORT MADE BY W. E. HOPTON
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1232, ET AL EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Joseph Rich, United States Penitentiary Annex, Leavenworth, Kansas, stated he has never seen Alvin Karpis and that Karpis is unknown to him. He is, however, acquainted with Fred Hunter. Mrs. Gertrude B. Miller has not to date visited Harry Campbell. Stop notice placed on 1933 Standard Ford Coupe, Motor Number 18-429014. Additional investigation being conducted to locate Milton Lett.

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**REFERENCE:**

Letters from the Cleveland Office dated June 17, 1936; July 6, 1936 and July 10, 1936.

**DETAILS:**

Joseph Rich, United States Penitentiary Annex, Leavenworth, Kansas, upon interview by Special Agent A. E. Farland and the writer, stated that he is the husband of Edna Haney and that he has lived in Canton, Ohio for about eight or ten years, having originated from Akron, Ohio.

As suggested in the letter from the Cleveland Office dated July 6, 1936, Rich was first questioned concerning a possible white slave charge, particularly with regard to prostitutes who are working in Edna Haney's house in Canton, Ohio. In this connection Rich stated that he has never heard of an individual by the name of Daisy Farmer, but that he is acquainted with Eddie

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Danforth, who, he states, is a pimp and spends considerable time around Canton, Ohio; that his information is that Eddie Danforth comes from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He stated that he is acquainted with Helen Rose and Dolly Rogers, who at present are working for Edna Haney. He mentioned that these two girls came to Edna's house voluntarily, stating they were from Alton, Ohio.

During the interview Rich mentioned that the only houses of prostitution in Canton with which he has had any dealings are Edna Haney's place, located at 404 Walnut Street, and Minnie Staley's house of prostitution located at 410 4th Street, S.E., Canton, Ohio. With regard to Minnie Staley's place he stated that this individual rents out rooms. Rich stated further that he has known Fred Hunter for about two or three years, having met him at the Country Club, located between Canton, Ohio and Massillon, Ohio, at which place Hunter formerly worked as a gambler. When asked whether he ever met any of Fred Hunter's friends he stated he has not and he has not seen Fred Hunter during the past year.

When questioned concerning various places in Canton and vicinity which are known to the writer, Rich mentioned that he was barely acquainted with underworld conditions in that city, and stated very definitely that he never frequents the airport in Canton, Ohio. He could not recall any time he had ever driven to any airports in Canton, Ohio or vicinity.

With regard to his LaSalle automobile, he mentioned that he bought this car new at Canton, Ohio and that he is not the only person who drove it, mentioning that an individual who was known to him as "Scottie", and who works occasionally for Edna Haney and Minnie Staley, often drove his LaSalle car. When asked whether he might have met Alvin Karpis or whether he had ever seen him in Canton, Ohio, he insisted that he had never seen Karpis and has never known him. Photographs of Karpis and Grace Goldstein were exhibited to Rich, who, after examining same, stated he has never seen either one of the individuals, except to mention he has seen Karpis' picture in newspapers on various occasions.

It was noted during the course of the interview that Joe Rich was very cautious in answering questions and paused for an unusual length of time before answering interrogatories.

On June 29, 1936, the Motor Vehicle Commissioner's Office, Topeka, Kansas, advised they have no record of a registration of 1933 Standard Ford Coupe, Motor Number 18-429011. A "stop" card was placed in their files on this automobile.

On July 21, 1936, Mr. E. H. Eckholdt, Secretary to the Warden, United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, advised Special Agent A. E. Farland and the writer that Mrs. Gertrude Billster



has not to date visited Harry Campbell and he has not received any word from her regarding a contemplated visit. In view of the fact that the rules of the penitentiary are that visitors, especially those from other cities, should not be detained when calling to visit relatives, it was decided that the best way to cover the visit of Gertrude Billeter Miller with her husband, Harry Campbell, would be to have the guard who accompanies Campbell to the visiting room listen carefully to the conversation which ensued between them. Mr. Eckholdt stated that when she calls at the penitentiary he will immediately notify the Kansas City Bureau Office.

On June 22, 1936, a mail tracing was received on a letter addressed to Mr. Roy Cole, 150 Lulu, Wichita, Kansas, with the return address Mrs. Lena Sawyer, Hamilton, Illinois. In view of the fact that previous investigation has shown that Clifford Collins, a close associate of Milton Lett, resides at 150 Lulu, it was deemed advisable to ascertain the identity of Mr. Roy Cole.

Special Agent J. C. Mertz was advised by Miss Brown, at the office of D. W. Watson, Superintendent of Mails, Wichita, Kansas, that the Collins family still resides at 150 Lulu Street, Wichita. The substitute mail carrier on the route at 150 Lulu Street advised Special Agent Mertz that there is a rather large man living at that address and he was of the opinion that he was Roy Cole. The regular carrier on the route was contacted by Miss Brown at which time he advised he knows nothing about Roy Cole, but he believes reliable information concerning the occupants of that address can be obtained from Mrs. Lorena Lyons, a widow, who lives next door, at 1 1/4 Lulu Street.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE CLEVELAND BUREAU OFFICE at Canton, Ohio, will conduct investigation to determine the identity of the individual known to Joe Rich as Scottie, and who is supposed to work occasionally for Edna Haney and Minnie Staley. It is possible that this individual may have information of value in connection with the relationship between Joe Rich and Alvin Karpis.

Will also conduct investigation to determine whether it is possible that Alvin Karpis may have stayed overnight at Minnie Staley's house of prostitution.

THE KANSAS CITY BUREAU OFFICE at Wichita, Kansas, will contact Glen Walters, mail carrier on the route 150 Lulu Street, for the purpose of ascertaining the identity of Roy Cole.

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607 U. S. Court House  
Foley Square  
New York, N. Y.

JEM:EL  
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July 30, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Re: BREXID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of July 10, 1936, in which you requested that a check be made at the office of the Macfadden Publications, Inc., for the purpose of securing copies of the various issues of their publications in which articles have appeared pertaining to the Bremer kidnaping case.

Special Agent J. B. Dickerson of this office called at the Macfadden Publications, Inc. and had the index cards in the files of that company checked. It was ascertained that whenever a person's name appears in a story, the same is entered on an index card, so that it is possible to check the names and addresses of various persons to determine in what publications their names appear.

The names and aliases of the subjects in the Bremer case were checked through this index, and it was ascertained that the publications listed below were the ones in which mention is made of the Bremer case and the subjects therein. For the information of the Cleveland Office, the only three detective magazines published by the Macfadden Publications, Inc. are Master Detective, True Detective Mysteries and Famous Detective Stories.

The following are the items appearing in the various issues of these magazines:

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TRUE DETECTIVE MYSTERIES

1. April, 1935 issue, pages 59 and 114. In the story entitled "The Inside Story of Billinger" mention is made of Alvin Karpis, Fred Barker and Arthur Barker.

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2. October, 1934, pages 62 and 63. In the section called "The Line-Up" appear the pictures of Alvin Karpis and Arthur Barker. Their descriptions are set forth and mention is made that they are wanted by the Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice.

MASTER DETECTIVE

3. May, 1935, page 6. Story entitled "Secret Facts About the Deadliest Woman in America". This story is about Ma Barker and the Bremer kidnaping case. On the pages on which this story is printed are set forth pictures of Arthur Barker, Fred Barker, Alvin Karpis, Russell Gibson, Ma Barker and other pictures pertaining to the Bremer case.
4. On page 50 of the same issue, in the section called "The Line-Up", appear a picture of Harry Campbell and a write-up setting forth his description and the fact that he is wanted by the Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice.
5. March, 1935, page 52. In the Line-Up, appears the picture of Dr. Joseph P. Moran. His description is set forth and the fact that he is wanted by the Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice.
6. On page 53 of the same issue, in the Line-Up is the picture of Phoenix Donald. His description is given and the fact that he is wanted by the Warden, Oklahoma State Penitentiary, McAlester, Okla. It might be stated here that Donald is identical with William Weaver, who is connected with this case.
7. August, 1935, page 54. In the Line-Up appear the picture and description of Alvin Karpis and the statement that he is wanted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice.
8. October, 1935, page 50. In the Line-Up appears the photograph of Myrtle Eaton. Her description is given and the statement that she is wanted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice.

SAF, Cleveland.  
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It will be noted from the above that the only story pertaining to the Bremer kidnaping case is the one entitled "Secret Facts about the Deadliest Woman in America".

Mr. Shuttlesworth, editor of the Master Detective, was contacted by Agent Dickerson in an effort to find out if this was the only story appearing in the Macfadden publications with reference to the Bremer case, and he caused another check to be made, and advised that the story mentioned above is the only story that appeared in the Macfadden publications pertaining to the Bremer case. The information set forth as to other issues of these publications pertains mainly to the pictures and write-ups appearing in the Line-Up section as carried by the Master Detective.

These six issues of the magazines referred to are being forwarded herewith to the Cleveland Office.

Very truly yours,

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cc: Bureau  
Chicago  
Cincinnati  
St. Paul

R. WHITLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Cincinnati, Ohio

FILE NO. 7-36

REPORT MADE AT <b>Oklahoma City, Okla.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>7-29-36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>7-14 &amp; 25-36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>John R. Welles</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. #1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>Kidnaping; Harboring; Obstruction of Justice; National Firearms Act.</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Lloyd P. Malone, El Reno, Oklahoma, criminal attorney, denies knowing Alvin Karpis or ever getting express package at Oklahoma City for him. Claims never to have been in St. Paul, to have no connections in Kansas City, and to have used fictitious name when registering in Oklahoma City hotels due to being there with women other than his wife.

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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent L. B. Reed, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, 6-19-36, and letter from St. Paul Office, 6-27-36.

**DETAILS:**

On July 14, 1936, Mr. Lloyd P. Malone (not Malone) was interviewed at his law offices in El Reno, Oklahoma. Malone was very nervous in making answers to questions, and when shown photographs of Alvin Karpis and other members of the Bremer kidnaping gang, he stated emphatically that he had never seen any of these persons. He was asked what connections he had in Kansas City and stated he had none. He was asked when he was in St. Paul, Minnesota, and he said that he had never been in St. Paul. He was asked why he was using an assumed name when registering in Oklahoma City hotels and why he registered as being from Kansas City, and he stated that Mack Porter, the fictitious name under which he registered in Oklahoma City, is the name of his partner and that he registered in this manner due to the fact that he was staying in these hotels with women other than his wife. He said that he used his partner's name

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as it was his understanding that his partner was using his name under the same circumstances.

Melone further advised that he had never obtained any express package of any kind in Oklahoma City for himself or for anyone else.

Melone was not advised of the fact that the Bureau is aware of his connections with Attorney David Tant of Oklahoma City, as it was considered advisable due to investigations being conducted in other cases to not let David Tant find out that his activities are known to the Bureau.

P E N D I N G .

97245

1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

July 30, 1936.

97243

Collector of Customs,  
Marine Division,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

RE: MOTORBOAT REGISTRATION

This office is endeavoring to locate a Plymouth automobile motor bearing number PJ 322772, and it is possible that the above described motor may have been converted into a marine engine for a motorboat.

It is respectfully requested that this office be advised in the event a motorboat bearing a motor with the above number is registered in this district.

Thanking you for this and past favors, I am

Very truly yours,

JBP/LJB

CC - Bureau  
- Chicago  
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J. P. MacFARLAND  
Special Agent in Charge

RE: BREXID

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*[Handwritten signature]*

June 16, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

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Re: Police Corruption,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Mrs. Gladys Sawyer, who was recently interviewed in Omaha, Nebraska, voluntarily furnished the information that the contact of the Karpis-Barker gang with the Police Department at Cleveland was James Patton, one of the operators of the Harvard Club. She also stated that after she, Paula Harmon, and Wynona Burdette were arrested in Cleveland on September 5, 1934, and were taken to the Cleveland Police Department, the police matron and a detective asked her if she knew Patton and when she replied in the affirmative she was told that \$500.00 would put all three of the said women on the street. She declared that it was her intention to go through with this deal in order to be released, but that before this matter could be consummated her little girl, Francine, visited the police of the true identity of those women whereupon the detective told Mrs. Sawyer that the deal was off and that the Department of Justice would talk to them.

This information is being furnished you so you will be completely advised of all police corruption which comes to the attention of the Bureau. A letter is being directed to the Cleveland Office calling its attention to this information, and a request is being made of the Cleveland Office to determine the identity of all police matrons employed by the Cleveland Police Department during September, 1934, in the hope that we may be able to ascertain the identity of the particular police matron mentioned by Gladys Sawyer.

The Omaha Office is being requested to again interview Mrs. Sawyer to obtain the best possible personal description of the police matron and the detective who allegedly propositioned her.

Respectfully,

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K. R. McIntire.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION 67210

Form No. 1  
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Cincinnati**

FILE NO. **7-11 MS**

REPORT MADE AT <b>Buffalo, N.Y.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>7/31/36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>7/27/36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>G. V. DOHERTY</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - I.O. #1218, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Review of files indicates all flash cards and mail covers placed have been cancelled and as there is no further investigation, this case is closed, in this district.


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**REFERENCE:** Letter from St. Paul office dated 6/19/36.

**DETAILS:**

A review of the files at the Buffalo Bureau office in instant case indicates that all flash cards and mail covers placed have been cancelled, and as there is no further investigation to be conducted this case is being considered closed.

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July 29, 1936.

Time - 3:55 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

I telephoned SAC Stein at the St. Paul Office and informed him that today, the Bureau is forwarding to him a copy of a letter which we have addressed to Mr. John L. Connolly, Corporation Counsel at St. Paul, in which we inform Mr. Connolly that arrangements are being made through Mr. Stein for him to interview BYRON BOLTON, with the consent of the United States Attorney, of course, as soon as the case against Jack Pfeiffer has been disposed of by sentence.

I told Mr. Stein that while our attitude toward Mr. Connolly and the other local authorities should be one of complete cooperation, we want to make sure that if and when Mr. Connolly or anyone else interviewed Bolton or the other subjects of these cases, an Agent of the St. Paul Office who is thoroughly conversant with the details, preferably Mr. Stein himself, is present at all times so that if any admissions are made about which we are not advised, we can take appropriate action.

Mr. Stein understands perfectly what the Bureau wants in this situation, and will act accordingly.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

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1448 Standard Building,  
Cleveland, Ohio

July 31, 1936

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

Dear Sir:

Please furnish this office with three dozen rolls  
of tape for the dial recorder now in use at Toledo, Ohio,  
on the BREKID case.

It is absolutely essential that this tape be  
furnished immediately and that the full amount of tape  
ordered be furnished.

The machine is using about two rolls of recording  
tape a day.

Very truly yours,

J.P. MacFARLAND,  
Special Agent in Charge

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Special Agent in Charge  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sir:

RE: BREYER

Reference is made to recent correspondence in connection with efforts to locate Milton Lett.

A review of the file in the Kansas City Bureau Office fails to show the results of investigation which may have been conducted by the Chicago Office in connection with our letter dated June 6, 1936, transmitting information furnished by an informant, Tony Miesel, to the effect that Milton Lett was at that time associated in some manner with the Saley Brothers Construction Company, which company was employed in taking up a pipe line at Wilmington, Illinois.

For future guidance of this office in connection with further dealings with this informant, it is requested that we be advised the results of any investigation conducted in this connection.

Very truly yours,

W. A. SMITH VEC  
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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*Edward A. Bremer*

Post Office Box 812

Chicago, Illinois

July 21, 1936

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Special Agent in Charge  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Sir:

Re: BREKID

Various communications appearing in this file refer to reports from the Philadelphia Office, which reports have not been received at this Office. Particular attention is directed to the fact that this Office has not received copies of the report in this matter of Special Agent J. L. Fallon dated at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, July 11, 1936, or of the report of Special Agent Fallon dated at Philadelphia, July 7, 1936.

It is requested that copies of these reports be forwarded to this Office for the completion of the file in Chicago and in the future copies of all reports in this case should be indicated for the Chicago Bureau Office.

Very truly yours,

DEL: LJM

E. M. LADD  
Special Agent in Charge

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Cleveland  
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*Edw. J. Brennan*

Post Office Box 1469  
Little Rock, Arkansas  
August 1, 1936

Special Agent in Charge  
Cleveland, Ohio

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Dear Sir:

Re: Brekid.

In accordance with your recent request of the Oklahoma City office there are enclosed herewith three (3) snap shot photographs, one being a group picture, including both Mr. and Mrs. John Stover (so marked), one being a photograph of Stover and the remaining one being of Mrs. Stover.

It is suggested that reproductions be made of these photographs and appropriate copies forwarded to interested offices.

For your information and of possible assistance in conducting investigation the following descriptions of Mr. and Mrs. Stover were provided by Special Agent B. L. Larson who is acquainted with both parties:

Name:	John Stover	Mrs. John Stover.
Age:	38 (approx.)	35
Height:	5 ft. 6 in.	5 ft. 7 in.
Weight:	130 lbs.	125 lbs.
Build:	Small	Medium
Hair:	Wavy - bushy, curly	Dark
Complexion:	Fair	Medium
Scars etc:	Scar in one leg, causing noticeable limp.	None
Occupation:	Airport manager and pilot	House wife

The enclosed photographs were obtained by Agent Larson through personal interview with Mr. and Mrs. Stover.

Very truly yours,

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CHARLES E. FLETCHER,  
Special Agent in Charge

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Cleveland, Ohio

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, et al;  
Edward George Bremer - Victim;  
Kidnaping.

Dear Sirs

Reference is made to the letter of the Little Rock  
Office to the Cleveland Office dated August 1, 1936 referring  
to photographs of Mr. and Mrs. John Stever.

It is the Bureau's desire that at least one copy  
of the photograph of John Stever be forwarded to the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

CC - St. Paul  
Cincinnati  
E. J. Connelley at Chicago

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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box 1276,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma,  
July 30, 1936.

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TO ALL BANKS IN THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

Your attention is invited to my circular letter dated June 25, 1936, requesting your cooperation in furnishing any information concerning the location of \$1,000 bills issued by the Atlanta Federal Reserve Bank, bearing serial numbers F000224514 to F00022500A, in connection with a kidnaping case presently under investigation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice.

The continuance of your cooperation and assistance in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

In the event any of these bills pass through your bank, it is requested that you retain them in your custody and immediately communicate with this office by telephone, collect, or telegram, Government Rate, collect. Wires should be addressed to "Special Agent in Charge, Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, 224 Federal Building, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma"; the telephone number is 2-8186.

Very truly yours,

*Dwight Brantley*  
DWIGHT BRANTLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

July 31, 1936.

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

Dear Sir:

On July 30, 1936, the writer conferred with United States Attorney E. B. Freed, at which time Mr. Freed advised that he has no complaints or criticisms to make of the Bureau, and that he is quite pleased with the service which he is receiving from the Bureau's local unit.

Mr. Freed indicated that as yet he has not received a report covering harboring investigations being made in connection with the BREKID case in Toledo. Upon receipt of such a report Mr. Freed indicated that he would give close study to the same and use his best efforts to secure a successful prosecution of the persons involved.

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Very truly yours,

*J. P. MacFarland*  
J. P. MacFARLAND  
Special Agent in Charge

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with  
aliases, et al -  
Edward George Bremer,  
Victim - KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of July 31, 1936,  
disclosing a recent interview with United States Attorney  
L. B. Freed, of Cleveland.

It is desired that you immediately and without any  
delay courteously and diplomatically explain to Mr. Freed  
that the investigation in this matter is now incomplete,  
but that just as soon as the investigation has been  
completed, a comprehensive report disclosing all of the  
evidence in the matter will be submitted to him.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

cc- E. J. Connelley, Chicago
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U. S. Department of Justice  
1300 Liberty Trust Building,  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

August 1, 1936.

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

Re: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to letter dated July 27, 1936, from Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, as to why Thelma Holst was interviewed at Philadelphia, Pa., without the instructions of Mr. Connelley.

This letter is awaiting the return of Special Agent in Charge R. E. Vetterli, at which time it will be answered.

Very truly yours,

*R. E. Vetterli*

R. E. VETTERLI,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 4907  
Jacksonville, Florida  
July 30, 1936.

Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

RE: BREXID.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated July 24, 1936, with which were transmitted copies of a letter directed to the Bureau by Deputy Sheriff E. W. Osteen, DeLand, Florida, concerning information that certain quantities of the Bremer ransom money will be brought into the vicinity of DeLand, Florida, during the next month.

Special Agent C. B. Winstead, of this office, called at the office of the Sheriff at DeLand and ascertained that Mrs. Frank (E.W.) Osteen is a deputy sheriff and clerk in the office of the Sheriff, and that she forwarded the communication in question to the Bureau at the request of Deputy Sheriff W. M. Slaughter. It was determined that Mrs. Osteen has no personal information in this connection.

Agent Winstead interviewed Mr. Slaughter, and there is set out herein a summary of the information furnished by Slaughter.

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Slaughter advised that on April 30, 1936, he arrested at Daytona Beach, Florida, a confidence man who gave the name of F. A. Shaw. Shaw was charged with vagrancy and placed in jail but was not fingerprinted. The same night Shaw furnished a \$25.00 cash bail for his appearance on May 1st and released, and this bail was subsequently estreated upon Shaw's failure to appear.

Slaughter advised that about two days later he was in Liggett's Drug Store, at the corner of Beach and Orange Avenues, in Daytona, and inquired of a clerk named Mrs. Usher as to the location of Paul Martoccia, and of a blond girl named Doris Dillinger who is also a clerk in the drug store. Slaughter advised that Mrs. Usher replied that she did not know where these persons were, and then asked Slaughter if he were trying to locate that "hot money". Slaughter endeavored to have her elaborate on the statement relative to "hot" money, but she informed him that she had no further information, and would not furnish it if she did for fear of reprisals.

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With reference to Paul Martoccia, it is noted that he is reported to be the collector for the Mayor of Daytona Beach, E. H. Armstrong. Frequent reports have been made that Armstrong receives graft from criminal activities in Daytona Beach, particularly from confidence men. It is well known that confidence men have operated extensively in Daytona Beach.

Slaughter advised that after receiving this information from Mrs. Usher he recalled having heard that Paul Martoccia drove into the place occupied by William Weaver on the date of Weaver's arrest and was there questioned by Bureau Agents. For this reason he came to the conclusion that the reference of Mrs. Usher to "hot" money related to some of the Bremer ransom money. Slaughter advised that it was his understanding that when Martoccia was questioned by Agents they held him until he was identified by Mayor Armstrong as being a local citizen.

In this connection, it is noted from an examination of the report of Special Agent M. W. Meekins dated at Jacksonville, September 9, 1935, and the report of Special Agent E. J. Connelley dated at Chicago, September 7, 1935, that certain persons did call at the place occupied by Weaver after his arrest and were questioned by Bureau Agents. However, it does not appear that Martoccia was among these persons or that the circumstances as related by Mr. Slaughter occurred in connection with the questioning of any persons by the Agents.

Some days later Slaughter was advised by one Pete Rogers, a former hanger-on with confidence men and a small-time gambler, that Martoccia and the gang had some money which was getting too hot for them and they were anxious to get rid of it.

About July 16, 1936, one Parker Jeffcoat, who owns a boat at Daytona Beach called the "Sea Hawk", reported to Slaughter that on the night of May 1, 1936, in accordance with previous arrangements, he met four men at Fort Pierce, Florida, for a trip on his boat. These men were reported to be Paul Martoccia, Don Crowley, Jim Titus, and a small Jewish confidence man from Chicago whose name was not recalled. Martoccia had told Jeffcoat that the purpose of this trip was to fish at sea, but that no fishing was engaged in. Instead, they went directly to the Bahama Islands. Jeffcoat told Slaughter that these men had suitcases which were very heavy, but that although their clothes became soiled they never opened these suitcases for clean clothes or shaving

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utensils. At the Bahamas, these men went ashore but associated only with negroes, and although they took their luggage ashore with them they slept each night on the boat, and none of them cleaned up during the six days that they remained in the Bahamas, or on the return trip, except that they borrowed Jeffcoat's razor on the return and shaved. In all, the trip consumed eight days, one day being required for the trip each way.

Jeffcoat further advised Slaughter that Martoccia has two machine guns, and that he wanted to take them on the trip but Jeffcoat would not permit this. Jeffcoat further advised that during the trip the other men kidded Crowley about being "hot" in Volusia County.

Slaughter further advised that he has ascertained that the person arrested by him as Shaw is also known as Don Crowley, and as Don Nabors. He has further ascertained that this person has purchased two 1936 Buick sedans from the Buick Agency in Daytona Beach under the name of Fred Shaw. Both of these cars are green, one being lighter than the other. When he arrested Shaw he was driving one of these Buicks, and his recollection is that it bore 1936 Florida license D 52-510. Doris Dillinger was with Shaw at the time of the arrest. It is Slaughter's information that these two cars were paid for in cash.

Slaughter further advised that Jeffcoat told him that Paul Martoccia had stated that he wanted to make the same trip again in three months, and at the time Jeffcoat related this story to Slaughter he stated that Martoccia had just informed him that the trip would be made in about three weeks, but that Don would not be going on the trip and in his place one "Red", believed to be a confidence man named "Red" Spitler and known under the alias of "Red from Rome", would take Crowley's place on the trip.

After Agent Winstead first talked to Slaughter the later made inquiries at Daytona Beach to determine whether Jeffcoat was available and advised that he was on a fishing trip. Agent Winstead inquired of Slaughter as to whether Jeffcoat had ever told him anything about the contents of the suitcases, and Slaughter replied that Jeffcoat had stated that the suitcases contained money and jewelry.

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According to information furnished to Agent Winstead, Martoccia has been recently reported to be in Columbus, Ohio. The information is to the effect that Martoccia was connected with certain persons who are alleged to have been involved in a recent cigarette hi-jacking, and that he left Daytona Beach at about the time of this occurrence. It was further stated that during June, 1936, Don Crowley is reported to have been registered at the Seville Hotel, Toledo, Ohio.

It is further noted that Slaughter advised Agent Winstead that on July 28, 1936, one "Red" Carroll, who operates a beach bar room known as the "Show Boat" at Daytona Beach, and who is connected with Martoccia, approached Slaughter and advised that Crowley is anxious to determine whether he can return to Daytona Beach without being arrested. Carroll is alleged to have informed Slaughter that if he would leave Crowley alone it would be worth \$500.00 to Slaughter, and that the \$500.00 would be placed at some point where Slaughter could find it. Slaughter advised Agent Winstead that when he arrested Shaw he believed that Shaw was connected with a confidence game perpetrated on a Mr. Daley, of Toronto, Canada, who was taken for \$5,000 in April at Daytona Beach.

For the information of the Bureau, it is noted that there is considerable antagonism between the office of the Sheriff at DeLand and the Mayor and Police Department at Daytona Beach. The Sheriff at DeLand is, so far as is known, an honest officer. However, it is believed probable that he would welcome an investigation by the Bureau which would involve Mayor Armstrong and his henchmen in possible Federal prosecution.

With reference to the possibility that the money, if any were actually transported to the Bahamas, was Bremer ransom money, it occurs to me that this possibility is extremely remote. However, it is known that a number of confidence schemes have been perpetrated at Daytona Beach during the past few months and there is a possibility that some money obtained in such schemes may have been involved.

In connection with the confidence game in which Mr. Daley was the victim, an investigation under the National Stolen Property Act is being instituted by this office. Daley is a Canadian, and it is reported that his payment to the confidence men was made in Canadian money and it might be possible that this money was taken to the Bahama Islands for exchange.

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Mr. Slaughter advised Agent Winstead that Jeffcoat will keep him informed as to the proposed future trip, and Slaughter in turn will advise this office.

Inquiries will be continued in this connection by this office, and the possibility of the individuals in question being involved in confidence schemes will be kept in mind, in addition to the possibility of implication in the instant case.

Descriptions of the persons mentioned herein, as furnished by Mr. Slaughter, are being set out below for future reference.

Name	Paul Martoccia
Age	About 38 years
Height	About 5' 6"
Weight	About 155 pounds
Eyes	Dark
Hair	Black
Nationality	Italian
Build	Heavy
Complexion	Dark
Occupation	Gambler
Residence	Daytona Beach, Fla.
Marital Status	Divorced
Arrests	About 1931, violation N.P.A. Convicted Fed.Crt.Probation.

Name	Fred Shaw, aliases: F.A. Shaw, Don Crowley, Don Nabors
Age	About 30-35 years
Height	6' 3" (About)
Weight	About 200 pounds
Build	Heavy
Eyes	----
Hair	Dark brown
Nationality	American (N.Y.)
Complexion	Ruddy
Occupation	Con-man
Residence	Unknown
Arrested	4/30/36, Vagrancy, DeLand S.O. Defaulted bail.

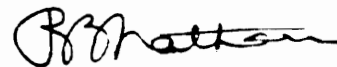


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Name	Jim Titus
Age	About 30 years
Height	About 5' 11"
Weight	About 225 pounds
Build	Heavy
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Black
Nationality	American (Fla.)
Complexion	Dark
Occupation	Civil Engineer, City of Daytona.
Residence	Daytona Beach
Marital Status	Married

Very truly yours,



R. B. Nathan  
Special Agent in Charge.

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AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY.

Cc: Mr. Connelley, Chicago  
Cincinnati  
Cleveland  
St. Paul

Jax #7-24

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

July 31, 1936

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

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau and each office receiving a copy of this letter, is the log of the telephone tap on the telephone of the bonding company of Earl (Ike) Wittenberg, 538 Erie Street, Toledo, Ohio, telephone MAin 9711, from July 18 to 21, 1936, inclusive. A review of the log reflects little of value to this investigation, but does indicate that the members of this bonding company are able to "fix" minor police cases, and that they are very friendly with certain members of the police department.

Also enclosed for the Bureau and designated offices is the log of the telephone tap on Adams 1556, the telephone of Maxine Belmont, 2501 Warren Street, Toledo, Ohio, from July 18 to 21, 1936, inclusive. The call made at 9:50 A. M., July 18, 1936, indicates that Maxine talked to "our boys last night and they said that those fellows had no business coming in there." This evidently refers to a conversation with members of the vice squad about Officer Holderman catching Betty in bed with a man at the Shelby Hotel, as reflected by the tap for July 17, 1936. An examination of the log indicates several other references to this incident by Maxine Belmont, indicating that she does not consider it proper for a uniform officer to enter the Shelby Hotel, and that she talked with the vice squad about it.

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- Cincinnati (Encs. 2)  
- St. Paul (Encs. 2)

Very truly yours,

*J. P. MacFarland*  
J. P. MacFARLAND  
Special Agent in Charge

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EARL (IKE) WITTENBERG

July 18, 1936

9:24 AM Incoming RAG  
Woman - Is Joe there?  
Joe - (Talk about personal business.)

9:26 AM Outgoing Adams 4214 RAG  
Woman - Is Thelma there?  
Man - No, she went to Detroit with Charley this morning,  
so I'm filling in for her.  
Girl - How's business?  
Man - Nothing yet this morning, but there's a big docket today.  
Girl - Uncle Ben says business is lousy, but he's always beefing.  
What does the book show?  
Man - Well, there's \$213.75 in the book up to this morning and  
\$220.00 is a full week so we should make it easily.  
Girl - What's he complaining about?  
Man - There were a couple of good weeks where we went \$200 over  
so they expect that every week.  
(Talk about personal affairs.)

9:30 AM Incoming RAG  
Girl - Is Thelma there?  
Man - No, she and Charley went to Detroit about 8:45 this  
morning, Frances.  
Frances - What is Lucy's number?  
Man - Adams 4214, I just talked with her.

9:45 AM Incoming RAG  
Girl - Daddy, can you play a number for me today?  
Man - What's the matter with the lady downstairs?  
Girl - She's not here today.  
Man - Well save it until Monday - I'll win then.

9:50 AM Incoming RAG  
Man - Is Thelma there?  
Man - No, she's gone to Detroit

10:49 AM Outgoing Main 8453 RAG  
Man - Talks to woman on personal business but adds they are  
over the week's quota.

10:52 AM Outgoing Main 2015 RAG  
Man - I want to make an appointment with Dr. Boyce  
Woman - I can't make any until the 3rd of August as Dr. Boyce  
on a vacation.  
Man - I'll call again, thank you.

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11:16 AM	Outgoing	Jefferson 1671	Rag
	Man - Where's my wife?		
	Girl - She's not back yet.		
11:24 AM	Incoming		Rag
	Girl - Is Dave in?		
	Man - No, but he should be back in 10 minutes		
	Girl - Will you tell him to call Adams 0312		
11:34 AM	Outgoing	Adams 0312 Stone's Grill	Rag
	Man - Is Elsie there?		
	Girl - I'm sorry, but Elsie is busy.		
	Man - Alright.		
11:37 AM	Outgoing	Main 6221	Rag
	No answer		
11:41 AM	Outgoing	Jefferson 1671	Rag
	Man - Has my wife come home yet?		
	Girl - No.		
11:45 AM	Incoming		Rag
	Girl - Is Thelma Jacobs there?		
	Man - No, she's in Detroit today		
11:48 AM	Incoming		Rag
	Girl - Is Joe there?		
	Man - No, he's gone home in the machine		
12:12 PM	Incoming		Rag
	Man - There's a man over in the Safety Bldg. named August Malmros locked up for being drunk. He wants somebody to go his bond.		
	Man - What is your name?		
	Man - Pool, but I'm not going his bond		
	Man - Has he got any money?		
	Man - Well, he says he can make arrangements.		
	Man - I'll go over and see him.		
1:20 PM	Outgoing	Police Department Adams 4141	Ejd
	Benny - Have you got a Malmer for drunk. His union called up and asked me to get him out but they would put no money up. Has he got any money on him, Tom?		
	Tom - (Turnkey) - No, he ain't got a penny.		
1:45 PM	Outgoing	Police Department	Hbd
	Man - How much is that Napoleon Giles bond?		
	Turnkey - \$2,500		
	Man - Who made that bond, Tom?		
	Turnkey - The judge.		

2:10 PM Incoming HED  
 Man - What is that man you got on the drunk charge address?  
 Man - 16 Naple St. He works in No. 4 Department at Libbey-Owens.  
 Man - Thanks, I think I'll take a run out there.

2:22 PM Outgoing Main 6335 HED  
 Man - When you get there tomorrow tell Thelma she won't have  
 to come back on the train, that you'll bring her back.  
 Man - Alright, I'll tell her.

2:55 PM Incoming HED  
 Woman - Is Ike there, Benny?  
 Benny - No, he went to the barber shop.

3:28 PM Outgoing Police Dept. Adams 4141 HED  
 Man - Canfield, this is Benny.  
 Turnkey - So far there's nothing.

3:30 PM Outgoing Adams 4141 police dept. HED  
 Man - Sergeant, is Newman there?  
 Man - No, he's down at Summit and Cherry.

3:46 PM Incoming HED  
 Man - Are you going to take care of Melrose, this Swede that we  
 got on D & D?  
 Man - We ain't going to take care of him.

3:47 PM Incoming HED  
 Woman - Is Ike there yet?  
 Man - No, he hasn't come back yet

4:20 PM Incoming HED  
 Boy - Where's mama?  
 Man - I don't know. She called me but I wasn't here.  
 Boy - Alright

4:31 PM Outgoing Main 8949 HED  
 Man - Elsie, ask ma if she knows where Jeannie went.  
 Woman - She says she doesn't know.

5:25 PM Outgoing Main 8949 HED  
 Woman - Celia tell Edith to dress the baby and bring her down  
 here to the office to me.  
 Woman - Alright.

5:35 PM Incoming HED  
 Child calling - Mummy I don't want to come down there to eat.  
 Woman - Alright, Dolly, I'll pick you up as soon as I eat...  
 Child - OK.

5:45 PM Outgoing Kenmore 1671 HBD  
Girl - Mamma, is Dave there?  
Woman - He called and said he would be here at 7:15  
Girl - I'll be right home.

6:18 PM Outgoing Police Dept. Adams 4141 HBD  
Abie - Turnkey, anything new  
Turnkey - No, just a drunk and train rider  
Abie - OK, kid.

6:29 PM Outgoing Adams 7548 EJD  
Man - Let me talk to Ken  
Ken - Hello  
Man - Say, Ken, stop around tonite, I got some new spots lined up.  
Ken - I'm going out right now and won't return until 9 o'clock.  
Man - That's alright, I'm working tonite, call around, I have something important to say to you.

6:35 PM Outgoing Main 4214 EJD  
Man - This is Wittenberg, did Shapiro talk to you the other day about an Auburn car?  
Man - This is Ross, he must have talked to my brother. He is now on a vacation and will not be back for a week.  
Man - Uh. OK.

7:40 PM Outgoing Police Dept. Turnkey Adams 4141 EJD  
Man - Anything doing?  
Turnkey - No, they ain't nothing doin.

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9:10 AM                      Outgoing                      Adams ???? (2187)                      EJD  
Man - Mr. Dowd, this is Joe Jacobs an old friend of yours. Did you have an opportunity to take that matter up for me, that we were talking about  
Mr. Dowd - I'm going to give that matter attention this afternoon, when I see Mr. Eddy, and I'm going to see what I can do for you. I have been very busy with council meetings and could not do it before. Call me tomorrow afternoon and I'll let you know  
Mr. Jacobs - Thanks Martin, I will.

9:20 AM                      Incoming    EJD  
Girl - Is Thelma there?  
Man - She's not here, she's home sleeping, she only got back this morning at 7 o'clock  
Girl - Will she be at the office later  
Man - I can't say  
Girl - Ok

10:15 AM                      Outgoing                      Main 1661                      EJD  
Man - Did Thelma get up yet?  
Woman - No  
Man - The Big Man wants to meet me, I am arranging it thru Martin.  
Woman - You mean the city manager?  
Man - Yes, and I'm getting nervous around here, I want to get away. Thelma should be down here for an hour or so, she's getting paid for it  
Woman - Starts to talk in Jewish  
Man - Never mind that, talk in English (and rings up).

10:35 PM                      Incoming    EJD  
Man - I'm sending a man over there for an application and driver's license in the name of Al Shurer, you will find the papers in the left hand corner of the drawer.  
Man - I got them, but there is a note on it, "Security \$5.00"  
Man - I got the \$5, give the papers to the man  
Man - Alright, OK

11:20 AM                      Outgoing                      Forest 5989                      EJD  
Thelma called some girl and they discussed what they did over the weekend. The girl Thelma was talking to stated in an excited voice, "Oh, that little snot has a big Cord roadster out here. I'm going to take a ride in it. Call me later, Thelma."

11:50 AM Incoming HBD  
Some girl called Thelma and they discussed going to lunch.

11:51 AM Incoming HBD  
Woman - Is Mr. Earl Wittenberg there?  
Thelma - No, he isn't.  
Woman - I'll call him back.

12:15 PM Incoming HBD  
Woman - Is Mr. Earl Wittenberg there yet?  
Thelma - No, he isn't.

12:17 PM Incoming HBD  
Man - This is Alpine. Is Earl Wittenberg there?  
Thelma - He's across the street  
Man - I'll walk over there

12:35 PM Incoming HBD  
Man - Did you get a man out of jail by the name of Gus Melrose? He was in last Friday on a drunk charge.  
Man - I don't know anything about him.  
Man - Thanks.

12:37 PM Incoming HBD  
Woman - Hello Ike, I've been trying to get you.  
Ike - I can't see you before Thursday. Call me at noon Thursday, will you?  
Woman - OK

12:39 PM Outgoing Main 0981 HBD  
Man - This is Ike, play 231. 15 and 15.

12:40 PM Incoming HBD  
Dave - Ike, this is Dave  
Ike - Yeah, Dave, they've got him with four others on the holdup of LaTabernella  
Dave - Can you get him out?  
Ike - No I can't get him out now, they are holding him on suspicion. I'll let you know, though.  
Dave - Alright.

12:55 PM Outgoing Main 0564 HBD  
No answer

12:57 PM Outgoing Main 0564 HBD  
Man - Where's Johnnie?  
Woman - Johnnie went down town  
Man - Here's Johnnie now.

12:59 PM Incoming HBD  
Woman - Ike did you get the eggs?  
Ike - I forgot the basket. I'll have to get them tomorrow.



1:15 PM Incoming HED  
 Woman - Is Thelma there?  
 Man - She just went into the back room

1:20 PM Outgoing Adams 2690 HED  
 Man - I'll be there in 15 minutes  
 Woman - OK

1:22 PM Incoming HED  
 Woman - Wait a minute Muzzy wants to tell you something  
 Child - A boy threw a green apple and hit me on the head  
 Send the police out after him  
 Man - OK  
 Child - Goodbye

1:26 PM Incoming HED  
 Woman - Mr. Wittenberg the Old Timers Association is giving a  
 baseball game Sunday. The tickets are 80¢ a couple.  
 Wittenberg - Send me over a couple.

1:38 PM Outgoing Main 2325 HED  
 Man - Is Henry Lenard there?  
 Woman - He's off today

1:40 PM Outgoing Main 2325 HED  
 Man - Let me speak to Mr. Jacobs  
 Man - Hello  
 Man - Uhus, that fellow was here and left me \$5 for you. He  
 said he would pay you the rest next pay day.  
 Man - Well for Christ sake. Alright.

1:50 PM Incoming HED  
 Girl called Thelma and they discussed personal affairs.

1:59 PM Outgoing Adams 4141 Police Dept. HED  
 Ike - This is Ike Hank. Anybody want us?  
 Turnkey - There's nothing doing Ike

2:00 PM Outgoing Adams 4214 HED  
 Girl - Adams 4214  
 Thelma - Anybody there?  
 Girl - Yes  
 Thelma - Goodbye.

2:15 PM Incoming HED  
 Man - Is Davie there?  
 Man - No he isn't.

2:25 PM Incoming HED  
 Girl - I just took a letter from Judge Ramey. He offered me a  
 dollar but I didn't take it. What did you have to tell  
 me?  
 Thelma - I can't tell you now, I'll tell you later.

2:35 PM	Outgoing	Main 2555	HBD
	Girl - Main 2555		
	Man - Is the Shagus there?		
	Man - Hello		
	Man - This is the soldier. Did you put this car here to be washed?		
	Man - I don't want you running up here every day for money		
	Man - I wouldn't have to if you would give it to me when I ask you		
	Man - Don't bother it then		
2:45 PM	Outgoing	Main 6665	HBD
	Man - Anything for me		
	Woman - Mr. Notinger is waiting to see you		
	Man - I'll be right over		
2:50 PM	Incoming		HBD
	Man - Ike this is Harry Kirtley, Judge Ramey raised the bond in the Rush case to \$500. How much will that be?		
	Ike - That will be \$25. Do you want us to take care of it for you?		
	Man - I'll let you know.		
2:55 PM	Incoming		HBD
	Girl - Called Thelma and they talked about personal affairs.		
3:30 PM	Outgoing	Adams 0450	HBD
	Man - Stock 240 Bond 489		
4:05 PM	Outgoing	Main 6146	EJD
	Woman - Is Bill there?		
	Bill - Hello		
	Woman - This is Mrs. Nessbaum, is my car ready?		
	Bill - No, Mrs. Nessbaum, but it will be in about fifteen minutes		
	Woman - Alright, I'll walk over and get it		
4:40 PM	Incoming		EJD
	Woman - Is Earl there?		
	Man - No he is not		
5:25 PM	Incoming		EJD
	Woman - Hello, Ike, going to call for me?		
	Ike - Yeah, where are you? At home?		
	Woman - Yes		
	Ike - Alright		
5:50 PM	Incoming		EJD
	Man - This is Myer, I'll be there in a few minutes, I'm getting my radio put in		
	Man - OK		

6:25 PM Incoming EJD  
 Man - Got out to 1909 Elm St. and see Mary there and get \$12.50  
 for a \$200 bond for Peter Trezena  
 Man - I'll have to wait until Davey returns  
 Man - OK

6:37 PM Incoming EJD  
 Man - Is Shapiro there?  
 Man - No he isn't, whose is this?  
 Man -

7:15 PM Incoming HED  
 Man - Peter Trezenka is in jail for neglect, get him out and  
 bring him over to the office. I'll be right down  
 Man - Alright

7:40 PM Outgoing Adams 4141 police dept. HED  
 Man - Casmer what day is the Trezenka trial set?  
 Turnkey - It's set on the 24th  
 Man - What is that doctor's name?  
 Turnkey - Curl

7:45 PM Outgoing (recorder did not work) HED  
 Man - Dr. Curl this is Mr. Wittenberg. You know those two brothers  
 that are in jail about the Crane Bros.? Are they working?  
 Dr. C - Yes, one is a butcher and the other owns his own foundry  
 out on Albion St. Those men are not mixed up in that.  
 Wittenberg - Thanks, doctor.

8:15 PM Outgoing Main 6450 HED  
 Man - How are you?  
 Woman - Busy now. Call me later

8:30 PM Incoming HED  
 Man - Louie this is Dave talking. Say that Coon they picked up  
 for the LaTabernilla holdup is a good nigger. He had a  
 couple hundred bucks just the other day. You might go over  
 and see what you can get out of him. You might get a chance  
 to make a couple of bucks and that's what you are in the business  
 for. I don't know this name but they call him Stagger Martin.  
 Find out what he's got and get what you can.  
 Man - Alright. They also talked about trading cars.

8:35 PM Incoming HED  
 Man calling - This is the Turnkey. Dave is here and said he would  
 be here for about twenty minutes. He told me to call  
 you and tell you.  
 Man - Alright, thanks.

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11:05 AM Incoming HBD  
A girl called Thelma and they talked about what they did last night

11:10 AM Incoming HBD  
Man - Thelma when you go down town today get a pocketbook for the kid.  
Thelma - Alright  
Man - What's doing?  
Thelma - There's nobody here yet.

11:45 AM Outgoing Forest 4879 EJD  
Thelma - Asks man to play 512 for her  
Man - OK

12:15 PM Outgoing Main 0971 EJD  
Man - This is Ike - play me 375 and 376 on both books at a dime each  
Man - OK

12:45 PM Outgoing Forest 1955 (?) EJD  
Thelma calling - Hello Lena  
(They talked about personal affairs)

1:50 PM Outgoing Adams 4141 police dept. EJD  
Man - Police Dept. Clerk's office  
Man - Is Ike there  
Ike - Hello  
Man - Check and see if those two fellows are back yet. I see in the paper where they went after them.  
Ike - OK

1:51 PM Outgoing Kings. 1435 EJD  
Man - Is Bill there  
Woman - No, he is not

2:07 PM Outgoing Main 8453 EJD  
Man - Where were you?  
Woman - I just returned from the market  
Man - Where were you around noon?  
Woman - I was at the market  
Man - The car is ready in the garage  
Woman - OK, I'll call up about it.

2:14 PM Incoming EJD  
 Woman - Did you hear anything, Thelma?  
 Thelma - Yes, I think they'll be able to place him at the  
 Water Works  
 Woman - Why didn't they call me about it?  
 Thelma - I don't know

2:16 PM Outgoing Adams 4111 Ejd  
 Man - Is this the jail  
 Man - Yes  
 Man - What time does John come in?  
 Man - Three o'clock

2:30 PM Incoming EJD  
 Man - This is Ike, I'm going over to the barber shop; as soon  
 as that fellow comes to work call him  
 Man - OK

3:20 PM Incoming EJD  
 Man - Stocks 829 - Bonds 697

3:25 PM Outgoing Forest 4878 HED  
 Thelma called some girl and they talked about personal affairs

3:40 PM Outgoing Main 0226 HED  
 Thelma - Will you call Mrs. Nesbaum to the phone?  
 Woman - She's not at home

4:01 PM Outgoing Adams 4141 Police Dept. HED  
 Thelma - Ben some man is here and wants to know if a woman by  
 the name of Buchanan left any money here for him  
 Man - Wait a minute and I'll ask Ike  
 (He never came back to the phone and Thelma hung up after about  
 ten minutes)

4:14 PM Outgoing Main 6241 Cadillac-Oldsmobile HED  
 Man - This is Wittenberg. Is my car ready yet?  
 Man - No, it won't be ready for an hour yet.  
 Man - I'll be by for it at 5:15 then

5:00 PM Incoming HED  
 Man - Is Ben there?  
 Man - No, he's gone.

5:30 PM Outgoing Main 6335 No answer HED

5:40 PM Incoming HED  
 Woman - Benny will you get that for me?  
 Benny - Yeah, I've got it.

5:45 PM Incoming HBD  
 Man - This is Marshal Bitsey (phonetic) Is that girl going to appear tomorrow morning?  
 Man - I think so.

5:46 PM Outgoing Main 6335 No answer HBD

5:47 PM Outgoing Adams 4214 No answer HBD

5:50 PM Outgoing Adams 4141 police dept. HBD  
 Man - Who is this talking?  
 Man - McClesky.  
 Man - Where is Newman?  
 McClesky - Newman is at Superior and Adams from 3 to 6 on the crosswalk

6:10 PM Outgoing County Jail (recorder not working) HBD  
 Man - County Jail  
 Man - Is Bill O'Wan (phonetic) there?  
 Man - He's out on Telegraph Road  
 Man - When he calls in have him call Wittenberg at Main 9711  
 Man - He should call in 5 or 6 minutes. I'll tell him.

6:12 PM Incoming HBD  
 Man - Have you got him yet?  
 Man - No, I haven't been able to get Bill O'Wan yet. You call me back in about a half an hour. He's going to call me before then

6:20 PM Incoming HBD  
 Man - Say Sammy Riestein got caught in Maumee the other day, he was going 56 and the speed limit is 50. Officers Sheppard and Van Rensler got him. Can you fix it? He's supposed to appear there at 7:30 tonight. He was driving an Oldsmobile car.  
 Man - Tell him to forget about it I'll fix it. I call Jim Highland after a while.

6:30 PM Outgoing Adams 9121 HBD  
 Man - Sam, I straightened it out for you. I saved you a sawbuck.  
 Sam - OK I'll take you to the Chink's tomorrow night. I'll meet you at six o'clock, Dave  
 Dave - Alright

6:30 PM Outgoing Adams 4141 police dept. HBD  
 Man - Casmer did they bring those people back yet?  
 Turnkey - No  
 Man - Anybody looking for me?  
 Turnkey - No, just had one in today. A and B. made his own bond. You know the one they had on the \$5,000 bond, they dismissed the charge.  
 Man - I thought so, it was just a family quarrel.

6:35 PM Incoming HBD  
 Girl - Davie this is Charlotte. My neighbor got a ticket. Can you fix it for her?  
 Davie - I can't fix it now, the chief makes them account for every ticket. We even have to pay our own now. I guess she'll have to pay the buck.  
 Charlotte - OK, Davie

6:45 PM Incoming HBD  
 Woman - Davie is Muz there?  
 Dave - No, he's not here

6:50 PM Incoming HBD  
 Man - Davie, did they bring those people back yet?  
 Dave - No they haven't  
 Man - What did you do today?  
 Dave - 37  
 Man - What's on the books?  
 Dave - 33  
 Man - That's fine. I'll be down in a few minutes

7:05 PM Outgoing Adams 4912 EJD  
 Man - Is this Valentine's Theatre? This is Abe, say I'm bringing a couple of kids over to see the show.  
 Man - OK, I'll be seeing you

7:15 PM Incoming EJD  
 Girl - Hello Dave are you busy?  
 Dave - No, where you at?  
 Girl - At the Joker Beauty Parlor  
 Dave - Did you eat yet?  
 Girl - No  
 Dave - OK, I'll pick you up there in a few minutes

7:40 PM Incoming EJD  
 Man - Is Dave there?  
 Man - No he is not, who is this?  
 Man - This is Ken, will Dave be back?  
 Man - Yeah, he just went out to eat.  
 Man - Tell him I'll be down to see him  
 Man - OK, Ken.

8:10 PM Incoming EJD  
 Woman - Calling Mr. Shapiro  
 Man - Yes, this is Abe Shapiro, you were lucky to get me, I just walked in  
 Woman - We can get a place over the store at 1424 Cherry St., there are several other women after it, but I did not see what I wanted it for.  
 Abe - I'll see that fellow tomorrow and call you about four o'clock keep cool about it. So long honey

8:12 PM

Incoming

EJD

Man - Who is this?

Man - This is Morris

Man - We have a fellow in named Joe Kansas Miller. Will you  
take care of him?

Man - OK

8:25 PM

Incoming

EJD

Man - This is Ike. Is there anything doing Abe?

Man - No, nothing at all.

Man - OK



MAXINE BELMONT

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1:15 AM	Outgoing	Main 0596	RAG
	Wanted to know what time Johnny was coming home		
1:40 AM	Outgoing	Adams 4941	RAG
	Lena and Maxine carried on idle conversation then		
	Lena asked Jenny if she gave you that, but she said she hadn't.		
	Maxine - That's OK, I'm not in any hurry for it.		
	Lena - You know Marie is open but she has no phone		
	Maxine - I'll tell you all about it when I see you tomorrow.		
9:50 AM	Outgoing	Adams 0655	MJK
	Woman - Hello		
	Maxine - Hello, is that May?		
	May - Yes mam		
	Maxine - I was talking to Jenny and our boys last night and they		
	said that those fellows had no business coming there;		
	that they were just putting on and would hardly be back.		
	May - Yes?		
	Maxine - Our boys were awful burned about it and said they		
	couldn't come in without them.		
	May - Yes?		
	Maxine - He goes off duty at 3 and I don't think he'll be in.		
	May - We'll be careful we have the door open now but when we		
	are busy it is closed		
	Maxine - Alright, May		
11:16 AM	Outgoing	Main 0596	MJK
	No answer		
11:18 AM	Outgoing	Adams 2832	MJK
	No answer		
11:20 AM	Outgoing	Main 0596	9 MJK
	No answer		
11:21 AM	Outgoing	Adams 4261	MJK
	Woman - Hillcrest		
	Johnny - Bill Smith, please		
	Woman - Thank you		
	Woman - Hello		
	Johnny - Is Bill in?		
	Woman - Who is this?		
	Johnny - Johnny Thomas		
	Woman - I think you might catch him in room 811		
	Johnny - Alright, thank you.		

11:25 AM Outgoing Main 0596 No answer MJK

11:27 AM Outgoing Adams 4141 MJK  
 Man - Police Department  
 Johnny - Give me the telephone number of the license bureau  
 Man - Adams 3286, extension 10, and if you can't get it on  
 that try Adams 3288

11:28 AM Outgoing Adams 3286 MJK  
 Johnny asked to talk to Mr. Welt and this number  
 but was disconnected, apparently wrong number

11:29 AM Outgoing Main 0596 No answer MJK

11:30 AM Outgoing Adams 2382 MJK  
 Man - Treasury Division  
 Johnny - Finney Welt  
 Man - Yes  
 Johnny - This is Johnny Thomas would it be alright if I  
 took care of that first thing Monday morning?  
 Welt - You bet it would Johnny  
 Johnny - Alright thanks, very much

12:03 PM Outgoing Main 0596 MJK  
 Man - Hello  
 Johnny - Hello, did you take that off from last night?  
 Man - No  
 Johnny - Take it off and I'll be down in ten minutes and take  
 care of it  
 Man - I have a check for you  
 Johnny - That's good  
 Man -  
 Johnny - I suppose he was mad  
 Man - No, he didn't seem excited  
 Johnny - Did he come in himself?  
 Man - Yes  
 Johnny - I'll be down in a little while

1:00 PM Outgoing Adams 0655 MJK  
 Maxine - Hello, Viola  
 Viola - Yes mam  
 Maxine - Put Betty on  
 Betty - Hello  
 Maxine - Hello, Betty, how are you?  
 Betty - Alright  
 Maxine - Nobody was up there  
 Betty - No?  
 Maxine - I don't think they will either  
 Betty - Jenny called up  
 Maxine - did she?  
 Betty - Yes

Maxine - We talked to our friends last night. They said those parties did not have any business coming around

Betty - Yes

Maxine - If you want me, I'll be home all afternoon

Betty - Alright

Maxine - If that same party comes, call me up and I'll talk to him

Betty - Alright, Maxine

Maxine - I'll call you later

2:01 PM

Incoming

RAG

Lena and Maxine carry on idle conversation about personal affairs

2:32 PM

Incoming

RAG

Maxine - Hello

Sadie - No business down the street. They are all sitting in the windows

Maxine - Will see the first of the week. (Idle conversation)

2:55 PM

Outgoing

Adams 2114

RAG

Red Cab

Maxine - Send cab to 2105 Warren right away

7:10 PM

Incoming

No answer

MJK

9:47 PM

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12:01 AM Incoming No answer MJK  
12:03 AM " " "

12:05 AM Outgoing Main 0596 MJK  
Man - Hello  
Maxine - Irvin is Johnny there?  
Irvin - No, he just stepped out  
Maxine - Where did he go?  
Irvin - Downstairs Melrose  
Maxine - Do you know the telephone number  
Irvin - No

12:05 AM Called information for number of Melrose Hotel MJK  
Adams 6234

12:06 AM Outgoing Adams 8234 MJK  
No answer

12:08 AM Incoming MJK  
Maxine and Johnny argued at length about where she had been  
all evening, he accused her of being drunk in the afternoon.  
She claimed to have been home for four hours. Johnny hung  
up on her

11:19 AM Incoming RAG  
Man - This is Julius. Is Mr. Davis going to be there today?  
Maxine - I don't know, maybe.  
Julius - Well he promised me a job and I want to know how  
much he'll pay me  
Maxine - What do you want me to ask him?  
Julius - Ask him to call me at Lawndale 7558

11:48 AM Outgoing Main 6221 MJK  
Maxine called for correct time. Was told it was 11:48/

12:29 PM Incoming MJK  
Jenny - Hello, Maxine  
Maxine - Yes, Jenny  
Jenny - I thought I would see you last nite  
Maxine - I met some people and couldn't get away  
Jenny - Could you come over here before I leave?  
Maxine - When are you leaving?  
Jenny - They are calling for me at one.  
Maxine - It's nearly one now  
Jenny - Well, I wanted to give you the money. I don't want  
to take it with me.  
Maxine - Alright, I'll be over.

2:48 PM Outgoing Main 0596 RAG  
Maxine and Johnny talked on personal affairs

2:55 PM Incoming RAG  
Johnny - (More personal business)  
Maxine - Tomorrow night I want Irvin to take me out to  
Reno about 8 o'clock  
Johnny - Alright

5:42 PM Incoming RAG  
Johnny - I'll be home in 10 minutes

9:15 PM Incoming No answer Rag

10:47 PM Outgoing Adams 0719 RAG  
Maxine - How's everything Rosie?  
Rosie - The circus quieted business. There's nothing doing.  
(More personal talk)

10:52 PM Outgoing Main 0596 RAG  
Johnny - Calling out. Say Irvin you can close up early tonite.  
I sent that bottle of VO to Packey so better get another  
one. How's business?  
Irvin - Just beer - kind of quiet

11:05 PM Incoming RAG  
Maxine and Lena gossip and Lena says she has to meet the  
Shamuses at 2 PM tomorrow

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12:08 PM	Outgoing	Adams 2113	MJK
	Johnny called for correct time - 12:08		
12:40 PM	Outgoing	Main 7177	MJK
	Johnny called Jimmy Hayes of the Travelers to tell him that there were 3 apartments vacant where he lived as the rent was being raised to \$60 per month and that he thought he might move also as he didn't think they were worth \$60.00.		
1:00 PM	Incoming		MJK
	Johnny - Hello		
	Sadie - Hello is your better half there?		
	Johnny - She has gone downtown. I expect to meet her at 3 o'clock.		
	Sadie - Have her meet me at the drug store next to the Paramount at 4 o'clock		
	Johnny - Alright		
1:16 PM	Outgoing	Main 0596	MJK
	Irvin - Hello		
	Johnny - Irvin, anything doing		
	Irvin - No		
	Johnny - Anybody call me		
	Irvin - No		
	Johnny - Anybody call me?		
	Irvin - No		
	Johnny - I'll be down in a little while.		
2:27 PM	Incoming	No answer	RAG
5:39 PM	"	" "	RAG
8:15 PM	"	" "	RAG

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Maxine - Hello Rosie  
Rosie - Hello  
Maxine - How are you  
Rosie - Alright, how  
Maxine - Alright, I  
Rosie - Are you coming  
Maxine - Yes  
Rosie - I'll see you

**MJK**

Johnny - Hello  
Maxine - Hello Johnny. I just got home  
Johnny - I am busy yet, I'll be home as soon as I close up  
Maxine - Alright

**MJK**

Outgoing

(not recorded)  
(Probably Shelby Hotel)

**RAG**

Maxine - I called the electric people and they'll be there  
this afternoon to fix the bell

Girl - It's working now though

Maxine - Tell him to look it over anyway

Girl - Somebody here wants to talk to you

Girl - This is Miss Aida

Maxine - What are you doing now?

Girl - I'm working for a private family in Battle Creek, Mich.

Incoming

Helen - Are you going to the baths tomorrow?  
Maxine - I won't know until late tonite  
Helen - I don't like rings  
Maxine - Jenny's gone away for a couple of days so I'll have to  
be over on Summit Street. I may call Lena and have her  
meet me in Detroit  
Helen - If you have your car I'll drive you up  
Maxine - I'll call you later

**RAG**

Outgoing to C  
Johnny - This  
tire  
Girl - Alright

Outgoing to C. age Main 3822 RAG  
Johnny - This is Mr. Thomas - Will you have Red look at that  
tire and put 24 lbs. in it

**RAG**

Outgoing

Girl - Sears Roebuck Co.  
Marine - How late are you open tonite?  
Girl - 5 PM

Main 8211

**RAG**

11:58 AM Outgoing Adams 7282 RAG  
Johnny - Is Don there?  
Don - Hello  
Johnny - Say, bring a paid receipt of \$10 and I'll give  
you that. I think I'm going to sell that damn  
thing back to you. It's not doing me any good and I get  
little use out of it  
Don - Well I'll see you this afternoon Johnny. What time?  
Johnny - Come over about 3.

1:25 PM Outgoing Main 8622 RAG  
Maxine - How late are you open tonite  
Girl - 6 PM

1:26 PM Incoming No answer RAG  
1:27 PM Outgoing Adams 3558 No answer RAG  
1:29 PM Incoming No answer RAG  
2:13 PM " " RAG  
2:23 PM " " RAG

1:19 PM Outgoing Adams 2380 RAG  
Maxine - How late are you open?  
Girl - 5 PM

1:19 PM Outgoing Adams 0655 RAG  
Maxine - Jack's going to clean #1 room tonite. You can  
clean the furniture and take down the drapes there.  
Viola - The curtains have been up 2 months so I'll take  
them down  
Maxine - I'll see you later.



AMK:EG

July 31, 1936.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Little Rock, Arkansas.

Re: Brekid.

Dear Sir:

Under separate cover there are being returned to your office the various bottles, papers, and miscellaneous articles which were submitted by your office under dates of April 1 and April 2, 1936 in connection with the above-entitled case.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

cc ✓ St. Paul  
✓ Cincinnati  
✓ Mr. Connelley - Chicago  
✓ Cleveland  
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*Edw J Bremer*

AK:EG

July 31, 1936.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Re: Brekid.

Dear Sir:

The following articles, which were submitted by your office under date of March 26, 1936 in connection with the above-entitled case, are being returned to your office under separate cover by registered parcel post:

One bottle Argyrol solution with label of Jones Pharmacy  
One bottle bearing label of Sybila Drug Company  
One bottle on which appears a label of White's Drug Stores  
One carton marked "Asepto Syringe"  
One syringe  
One small box containing elephant charm  
One green celluloid toothbrush holder  
One prophylactic toothbrush carton  
One green toothbrush  
One yellow toothbrush  
One razor blade holder  
One small tin box marked "Acetidine"  
One small tin box labeled "Five Jefferson Union fuses"

Very truly yours,

RECORDED

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION  
MAILED  
cc - St. Paul  
Cincinnati  
Mr. Connelley, Chicago  
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P. O. Drawer 567  
San Francisco, California

July 29, 1936.

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

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated July 1, 1936, requesting that specimens of the handwriting of Arthur R. Barker, alias "Doc", and Elmer Farmer be obtained from them at Alcatraz Penitentiary.

Special Agents A. M. Jankowski and E. J. McCabe obtained the enclosed four pages of specimens of the handwriting and handprinting of Elmer Farmer, but Arthur Barker refused to be interviewed or to cooperate with Agents in any way. There was, however, found one specimen of the handwriting of Arthur Barker, addressed to the Deputy Warden, dated February 20th, which specimen was obtained and is enclosed with this letter.

Warden J. A. Johnston advised that this was the only specimen of the handwriting of Arthur Barker available.

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Very truly yours,

7-576-12471

AUG 5 1936

*W. L. Listerman*

W. L. LISTERMAN

Special Agent in Charge

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Copy and Specimens Retained in Laboratory

Doc Barker

1300 Liberty Trust Bldg.,  
Philadelphia, Penna.  
August 2, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sir:

Re: BREXID

In accordance with the request contained in your letter dated July 29, 1936, there are being transmitted herewith copy of report of Special Agent J.L. Fallon dated at Philadelphia July 7, 1936 and copy of report of J.L. Fallon dated at Philadelphia July 11, 1936.

In the future copies of all reports in this case will be forwarded to the Chicago Office.

Very truly yours,

R.E. VETTERLI,  
Special Agent in Charge

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REPORT MADE AT <b>Cleveland, Ohio</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>8/1/36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>7/23, 27, 28, 29/36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>R. C. SURAN</b> <div style="text-align: right;"><b>EJB</b></div>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. 1232; ET AL EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT</b>
<p><b>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</b></p> <p>Investigation conducted at houses of prostitution located the Shelby Hotel and at 900 1/2 Monroe Street, Toledo, Ohio, without information being obtained concerning "pay off" but these places operate with little interference from police department. Riverside Inn, formerly operated by Pauline Weinstein, now being openly operated by Marie Harrington. No reaction of value obtained over telephone taps maintained on Maxine Belmont and Earl (Ike) Wittenberg as result of above investigation. "Push-En-Up" Tony Morollo states that during prohibition era he paid \$150 per month to Ludy Fleming former state prohibition officer, and \$100 per month to Earl McBride, city officer for protection, also states in 1931 Ted Angus attempted to extort \$250 per month from him for protection. John Martha states that members of hoodlum squad, Toledo, Ohio, Police Department, drank with Willie Harrison at Casino Club. Mrs. Georgette Marsh furnishes further information concerning past history of Belle Born.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- P -</p> <p><b>REFERENCE:</b> Report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, dated at Cleveland, Ohio, 7/25/36; reports of Special Agent R. C. Suran, dated at Cleveland, Ohio, 6/19/36 and 6/20/36.</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>[Signature]</i>		SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	
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DETAILS: Reference is made to the report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, dated June 19, 1936, which reports the results of a survey made by Agents, of several houses of prostitution in Toledo, Ohio, and to the report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, dated at Cleveland, Ohio, June 20, 1936, which sets forth certain information concerning Maxine Belmont, notorious madam in Toledo, Ohio. As indicated in other previous reports submitted in connection with the harboring investigation at Toledo, efforts have been made to find evidence of the present "pay off" in Toledo, and the probable connection of George Timiney and Ted Angus with this "pay off." In order to obtain information concerning this situation telephone taps have been maintained on the telephones of Maxine Belmont Thomas and Earl (Ike) Wittenberg.

The telephone logs submitted to date have shown that when trouble arises in the houses of prostitution in Toledo, Ohio, Maxine Belmont discusses the matter with other madams in Toledo. The telephone log submitted in connection with the tap on the Wittenberg telephone indicates definitely that Ike Wittenberg and his brothers, Myer and Dave, are the Municipal Court fixers and when arrests are made at the houses of prostitution various madams discuss the arrests with one of the Wittenbergs. The telephone taps to date have revealed no information concerning any "pay off" or George Timiney. The Wittenberg tap revealed on one occasion that Ted Angus was supposed to sign a bond for Wittenberg, but further details concerning this were not secured, as Ted Angus could not be located by the bonding company.

In view of the fact that little information has been secured to date relative to the matter in which the Bureau is interested it was considered advisable to conduct further investigation at the houses of prostitution in Toledo, Ohio, with the thought in mind that during the course of the investigation Maxine Belmont, or the Wittenbergs, would receive or make some telephone call which would furnish information of value to the present investigation. Accordingly, on July 27, 1936, Special Agents R. C. Suran and E. J. Wynn conducted an investigation at the house of prostitution operated by Rosie Bush at 900 $\frac{1}{2}$  Monroe Street. Maxine Belmont is alleged to have an interest in this place.

When Agents Wynn and Suran called at the house at 900 $\frac{1}{2}$  Monroe Street, one inmate was located therein, who gave the name of Betty Lewis, but who later stated that her true name was Lydia Pease. Other persons in the house were two colored maids, who gave the names of Henreyetta Brown, 1103 Washington Street, Toledo, Ohio, and Mary Anderson, 900 $\frac{1}{2}$  Monroe Street. A man who gave the name of Carl Weirich, 2403 Lawton Street, Toledo, Ohio, was also in the house and explained his presence in the house by stating that he was doing some repair work for Rosie Bush, whom he had known for about two years.

At the time Agents called at the house Lydia Pease was scantily clad in the garb of a prostitute and readily admitted that she was practicing prostitution at the place and that Rosie Bush was the madam.

Lydia Pease was brought to the U. S. Court and Customs Building for questioning and she stated that she began the practice of prostitution in August of 1933 at a house formerly operated by Pauline Martin at 46 1/2 Michigan Street, Toledo, Ohio. She stated that she continued to work at the above house until August of 1935, when she secured a job as a prostitute at the house of Rosie Bush at which place she has continued to work until the present time. She stated that the charge for a date at this house is \$1.00 and up, fifty percent of which is paid to Rosie Bush.

Lydia Pease stated that there are five other prostitutes employed by Rosie Bush, who work the night shift from six P. M. until four A. M. She stated that she was the only girl who worked the day shift.

She further advised that she never knew of the vice squad making an arrest at the house operated by Pauline Martin and she has observed the vice squad at Rosie Bush's place only on one occasion, and that was about two weeks prior to the date of this interview. She stated that at that time Officer Gilley and another officer came to the house and she solicited Gilley and was arrested and fined \$10 and \$3.70 costs before Judge Ramey. (Information concerning this arrest is contained in the telephone logs previously submitted.) This woman stated that if the vice squad came to Rosie Bush's house during the time the night shift was on she had never heard about it. The above information submitted by Lydia Pease was incorporated in a written statement, which is being retained in the Cleveland office file.

In addition to the above, Lydia Pease stated that she had heard there was a "pay off" during the years 1933 and 1934, but that Pauline Martin denied this when she questioned her. She stated she has heard nothing concerning a "pay off" since she has been working at her present place of employment. At the time Lydia Pease was located by Agents a number of obscene photographs and cartoon pamphlets were observed in one of the rooms. She denied that these articles were sold at the house and explained that they must have been left there by some "John" (customer). She later destroyed them.

The following description was obtained of Lydia Pease by Agents from observation and interview:

Age	-	28 years
Height	-	5'4"
Weight	-	128 pounds
Eyes	-	Blue
Hair	-	Black
Photo	-	In files of Toledo PD
Fingerprints	-	" " " " "
Residence	-	1935 Vermont St., Toledo, O.
Relatives	-	Mother - Mrs. Vida Tracy, Continental, O.
		Step-father - Cloyd Tracy, "
		Brother - Homer Hitchcock, whereabouts unknown
		Sister - Nellie Richard, 1935 Vermont, Toledo
Marital Status	-	Divorced - former husband - Lawrence Pease, Continental, O.

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After the interview with Lydia Pease Agents returned to 900 $\frac{1}{2}$  Monroe Street, and there located Rosie Bush. Rosie Bush stated that she has been operating a rooming house at 900 $\frac{1}{2}$  Monroe Street, for the past 18 months and she rents the premises from the Bartley Company, Toledo, Ohio, through Mr. A. Doering; that she makes her home at the Michigan Hotel. She denied that she operated a house of prostitution, but did admit that the girls who worked there lived elsewhere. While not admitting that the place was a house of assignation she did state that she permitted the girls privileges and she did not question their activities. She stated she charged the girls \$10.00 a week for room and board and received no further money from them. She denied that Maxine Belmont had an interest in the house and stated that she knew Maxine, but not very well, and that she had not seen Maxine for some time. She denied knowledge of any "pay off" and pretended not to know what was meant by the word.

The following is a description of Rosie Bush as obtained by Agents from personal observation and interview:

Age	-	53 years
Height	-	5'1"
Weight	-	140 pounds
Build	-	Stout
Eyes	-	Blue
Hair	-	Light brown
Marital Status	-	Divorced - former husband - Joe Bush, New York City
Residence	-	Michigan Hotel
Nationality	-	Jewish (Refused to state place of birth, but admitted it was not in U. S. She claims to be American citizen.)
Occupation	-	Operator of house of prostitution



On July 27, 1936, Special Agents D. P. Sullivan and J. V. Murphy visited the Shelby Hotel, 729 $\frac{1}{2}$  Summit Street, and there found Elizabeth "Betty" Hahn, and Martha Martin, prostitutes, who are working in this house of prostitution. The negro maid on duty at this place was Viola McClary, who stated she resides at 353 $\frac{1}{2}$  Avondale Avenue, Toledo, Ohio; that she was employed by Maxine Belmont at \$8.00 per week, and has been so employed for about four years. She stated she does not know where Maxine Belmont resides, or what her telephone number is, and Maxine usually called the Shelby Hotel in the morning and evening. She stated that occasionally police officers come up into the Shelby Hotel and look around and go out; that if there is a "pay off" to any one she has no knowledge of it.

Elizabeth Hahn and Martha Martin were taken to the Federal Building, where they were interviewed. Martha Martin refused to make a signed statement, but stated in substance as follows:

That she is 22 years of age, born in Toledo, Ohio, November 11, 1913, and educated in the public schools, leaving school in her senior year at Scott High School. She stated she has been practicing prostitution about three years, and has practiced prostitution for the past six months in Toledo, Ohio, at the Shelby Hotel; that a little over three years ago she left Toledo and went to Chicago, Illinois, where she secured a job as a waitress, working first in the Y. M. C. A. Hotel restaurant, and later at a restaurant on Roosevelt Road; that she could not maintain herself on the wages paid her, and after securing an apartment at 12 Oak Street, Chicago, she started practicing prostitution, taking care of her dates at her apartment. She stated she came to Toledo of her own volition, via bus and after securing a room at the Francis Hotel, learned from a girl friend named Mickey that she could get a job as a prostitute at the Shelby Hotel, and she did obtain such a job at the Shelby, where she has been for the past six months. She stated she pays \$15.00 a week as "board", but admitted she does not live there or eat her meals there, although she occasionally gets a light lunch. She denied that she had to divide part of her earnings with the landlady of the Shelby Hotel, and also denied knowing Maxine Belmont, but understood she is the operator of the Shelby Hotel, although she does not stay there, but employs a housekeeper to look after her interests. Martha Martin stated she secured her job at the Shelby Hotel from the housekeeper named Mary, who is a Jewish woman and comes there at night. Martha Martin denied any knowledge of any "pay off."

Martha Martin stated that the only time she saw the police, either plain clothes, or uniform officers, come to the Shelby Hotel, was in the latter part of June, 1936, when two plain clothes officers came to the Shelby Hotel and found a man in the hotel and arrested her, charging her with visiting; that at the time she was taken to the Safety Building where police headquarters are located, but she has not locked

up, and she phoned and as the officers were booking her on the charge, a bondsman by name of Wittenberg furnished her bond of \$25.00 for which she paid him \$10.00 premium, and she was released. She stated on this charge she later paid a fine of \$10.00 and costs, amounting to over fourteen dollars; that before she was arraigned on this charge she was fingerprinted and photographed by the police. Martha Martin denied knowing Harry Campbell, Alvin Karpis, "Doc" Barker and other members of the Barker-Karpis gang.

Elizabeth Hahn, in a signed statement made July 27, 1936, stated she was born at Toledo, Ohio, July 10, 1906, was reared and attended school in Toledo; that she married Clifton Hahn at Fort Wayne, Indiana in October, 1931, and after living with him six months, separated and he obtained a divorce. She stated that before starting to practice prostitution she was employed by the telephone company in Toledo as a telephone operator, and in the early part of 1932 she started to practice prostitution, having secured such a job in a house operated by Helen Morgan, between Napoleon and Wauseon, Ohio, where she stayed for a while, then returned to Toledo, Ohio, and obtained a job as a prostitute at the Shelby Hotel and has been there continuously to the present time; that Maxine Belmont operates the Shelby Hotel, but Jennie Miller manages it for her; that a Jewish woman, first name Mary, is the housekeeper.

Elizabeth Hahn stated the price of a date at the Shelby Hotel is \$2.00 and up, but they usually would take what they could get. She stated there are about 14 rooms in this house, and they usually have two girls during the day, from 7:30 A. M. to 6 P. M., and from 4 to 6 girls at night. She stated the police have never raided the Shelby Hotel during the daytime, but have raided it on several occasions during the past three years at nights. She stated that Johnnie McCarthy, Michalak, and Art Brown, of the old hoodlum squad formerly stopped in and looked around the place almost every week, but they never arrested anyone, and never closed down the house; she stated that about ten days ago Sergeant Holderman and another uniform police officer came to the Shelby Hotel and caught her in bed with a man; that Holderman finally agreed to let the man go as he was a married man, and did not arrest her and never said anything about closing the place, but stated he would be back and if he found any other visitors he would arrest her. Elizabeth stated she informed Maxine Belmont about the incident, and Maxine said that Holderman had no right to arrest anyone at the Shelby Hotel unless there was one of the vice squad with him.

Elizabeth Hahn denied any knowledge of a "pay off" and stated that Maxine Belmont never told her or any of the other girls at the Shelby Hotel anything about her business. She stated she does not know where Maxine resides, or the number of her telephone; that Maxine usually called

the Shelby Hotel about twice a day, in morning and evening, to keep in touch with what was going on. Elizabeth Hahn stated that while not working at the Shelby Hotel she resides at 222 Second Street, Toledo, which is also the address of her father, William Howe. She claims she was never arrested for any offense.

Photographs of members of the Barker-Karpis gang were exhibited to Elizabeth Hahn, and after examination of same, she stated she was unable to recognize any of them as persons who had visited the Shelby Hotel while she has been there during the past three years.

The signed statement of Elizabeth Hahn is being retained in the files of the Cleveland office.

Following are descriptions of Martha Martin and Elizabeth Hahn, prostitute inmates of the Shelby Hotel, which descriptions were obtained by observation and interrogation:

	<u>MARTHA MARTIN</u>	<u>ELIZABETH "BETTY" HAHN</u>
Age	22 yrs. (born 11/11/13)	30 yrs. (born 7/10/06)
Height	5'6"	5'3"
Weight	143 pounds	125 pounds
Build	Medium heavy	Medium
Hair	Originally brown, formerly hennaed blonde	Brown, bobbed
Eyes	Gray	Gray
Complexion	Fair	Sallow
Occupation	Prostitute	Prostitute
Race	White	White
Nativity	Toledo, Ohio	Toledo, Ohio
Nationality	American	English-Irish descent
Marital Status	Single	Divorced
Residence	Francis Hotel, Toledo, O.	222 Second St., Toledo, O.
Relatives	Father and mother dead	Father, Wm. Howe, same address
Criminal Record	Arr. Toledo PD latter part of June, 1935 charged with visiting. Fined \$10 and costs.	Claims to have none
Photo and Finger-prints	Taken by Toledo PD latter part of June, 1935 and forwarded to Washington, DC.	Not available

On the night of July 27, 1936, Special Agents E. J. Wynn, E. J. Dowd and R. C. Suran conducted an investigation at the Riverside Inn, 921 Summit Street, Toledo. This is a house of prostitution formerly operated by Pauline Neinstein and which house was previously visited by Agents on June 11, 1936, at which time the Neinstein woman was operating it. The place is now operated by Marie Harrington.

There was one inmate in the house at the time Agents called, who gave the name of Dee Dickson, but who later stated her true name was Dorothy Mae Tate. This woman stated that she had been in the house for only two days and that she had arrived in Toledo, Ohio, from San Francisco, California, about ten days ago. She maintained that she resided at the Riverside Inn and had no other local address. Also in the house was a woman by the name of Jennie Ekelman Lorenz, who was found at the house when Agents conducted an investigation on June 11, 1936. She at that time maintained she was only a visitor there. Both of the women were brought to the temporary offices in the Edison Building in Toledo, Ohio, for further questioning in view of the fact that it appeared that the Lorenz woman had charge of the place and for the further reason that the Tate woman admitted she had recently come from California.

The Tate woman refused to admit she had been transported in interstate commerce, but admitted she was practicing prostitution at the Riverside Inn. She denied having any information concerning a "pay off" as did the Lorenz woman. After being questioned the women were returned to the Riverside Inn.

Agents J. V. Murphy and D. P. Sullivan maintained a surveillance of the Riverside Inn after the women were returned there and shortly afterwards the Tate woman left the place and was followed by Agents Murphy and Sullivan to the Northern Hotel. Further investigation was conducted by Agents Murphy and Sullivan on July 28, 1936, and it was found that the Tate woman was residing at the Northern Hotel with Robert Tate, who claimed to be her husband. This man admitted that he had transported his alleged wife from San Francisco.

The complete facts concerning the possible White Slave Traffic Act violation are being set out in a separate report.

During the course of the investigation on July 27, 1936, no comment was made over the telephone of Maxine Belmont concerning the investigation and the log revealed that Maxine was away from home most of the day.

At 7:05 P. M. on July 27, 1936 the following conversation was overheard by Agent Guerin on the telephone of Earl (Ike) Wittenberg:

Outgoing call to Main 5459.

Man calling believed to be

Shapiro (the Muzzler); Hello there, how are you?

Woman answered: So-so. All the places are closed up again, the Greeks, you know. (Federal Agents)

Man: I didn't know that, I was over to Abe Siegel's and those people next door were open.

Woman: (A girl's name was mentioned indistinctly) was kept from 10 to 3. (This probably refers to one of the women questioned at the Federal Bldg. by Agents.) They were looking for books and records.

Man: Hell, I thought things were OK, but I guess not. Well, I'll be G\_\_ D\_\_. Gee, Pauline got \$200 down but nothing for 3 or 4 months. There's \$1300 left on it too. Probably be able to buy a lot for little or nothing now.

Woman: I suppose so.

Man: I'll call you tomorrow.

The Pauline referred to in the above conversation is probably Pauline Weinstein, who is reported to have sold out the Riverside Inn to Marie Harrington.

According to information previously furnished by Deane Allen there was, during the year 1933, a drinking joint operated by an Italian known as "Push-Em-Up Tony" and it was at this place she, on one occasion, saw Doc Barker with George Timiney.

Agent Murphy that "Push-Em-Up" Tony was an Italian by the name of Tony Morollo, who resided at 423 Dorr Street, Toledo, Ohio.

On July 27, 1936 Agents Wynn and Suran located Tony Morollo at the above address and brought him to the temporary offices in the Edison Building for questioning. Morollo stated that he is presently employed by the City Park Recreation Board that during the prohibition era he was a bootlegger.

He stated that he was arrested eight or nine times for violation of the National Prohibition Act and in November, 1928 he was sentenced at Toledo, Ohio, to serve 18 months at the United States Penitentiary, Atlanta, Georgia, and was paroled at the expiration of six months of his sentence; that prior to that conviction he served 175 days in the workhouse at Toledo, Ohio.

He further advised that in June, 1934, he was arrested for selling liquor without a license and convicted in Municipal Court at Toledo, Ohio, and received a 30 day suspended sentence and \$250 fine; that he appealed this conviction and it is presently pending.

Tony advised that from 1927 to 1931 he operated a speakeasy at 1002 1/2 Washington Street, Toledo, Ohio, with the exception of the time when he was in the penitentiary or jail. He stated that during the time he operated this place George Timiney and his girl friend, Deane Allen, visited his place and he was friendly with both of them.

He stated that during the year 1925 Clarence Vena, colored politician in Toledo, Ohio, collected \$500 per month from him as a "pay off" to Federal Agents; that during 1931 one Abe Levinsky collected \$250 a month from him, which amount was split between the state and city officers, \$150 going to Ludy Fleming, the state officer and \$100 to Earl McBride, city officer, who at that time was working with Ludy Fleming.

He stated that prior to paying the above amount in 1931 Ted Angus on one occasion called him on the telephone and told him that he would have to pay \$250 a month if he wanted to operate; that he refused to pay Ted Angus and the following day he was raided by Fleming and McBride, but the officers found no evidence as he, Tony, was expecting the raid. Thereafter he began paying to Levinsky, who was later slain, allegedly by members of the Licovoli mob.

Morollo advised that in August, 1933, he opened up a tavern known as the Saw Dust Trail, Washington and Michigan Streets, Toledo, Ohio, in partnership with Jim Ross an Italian from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; that he continued to operate this place until September, 1934, and it was at this place he was arrested for selling liquor without a license. He stated Ross is now in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and the last he heard he, Ross, was in jail.

He stated that George Timiney frequented the Saw Dust Trail with his girl friend, Edith Marks, and that Deane Allen also visited the place. Tony was shown the photographs of the Barker-Karpis gang and he stated that the photographs of Doc Barker appeared familiar to him, but he could not identify it as the likeness of any individual who visited the Saw Dust Trail; he likewise stated that the photograph of Milton Lett looked familiar but he was unable to state where he had seen this person.

He stated that it is his information that Ted Angus collected from the houses of prostitution in Toledo, Ohio, during 1931, and so far as he knows Ted Angus is still collecting the "pay off" from the houses, but that he, Tony, has not been in touch with the rackets since September, 1934, and he is not in a position to state whether Ted Angus is actually the "pay off" man at the present time.

He stated that Harry Bernstein also was supposed to collect from houses of prostitution for a short time recently but he has no evidence of this.

Morollo expressed his contempt for Ludy Fleming and Ted Angus, but stated that Bert Angus and George Timiney were "pretty good fellows."

On the afternoon of July 29, 1936, John J. Murtha called at the temporary offices being maintained at Toledo, Ohio, and was interviewed by Special Agent D. P. Sullivan, and provided additional information to that previously obtained from him. He stated that during the summer of 1934, while he was working at the Casino Club, members of the hoodlum squad of the Toledo Police Department, frequently visited the Casino Club. He stated that generally four or five of the squad travelled together. He recalled one occasion particularly when officers McCarthy, Michalak, Art Brown and Chris Brennan called at the club and sat at the bar. Willie Harrison was already there and when these officers came in he spoke to them as though he were acquainted with them. They laughed and joked together and Willie Harrison bought a drink for everybody at the bar, including the officers. Murtha recalled that McCarthy was not a liquor drinker, that on this occasion he ordered a coca cola. Murtha stated that he believed that Bert Angus was sitting at the table with a party and did not come to the bar. McCarthy did not finish his coca cola and all four officers left together.

Murtha is not friendly with Ted Angus, stating that Ted is very close with his money and would not even let him take a drink. He stated that members of the gang spent money freely, frequently bought drinks for the house and purchased the best liquor. He stated that they never bought him a drink that he felt that neither Ted Angus nor the gang trusted him; that they said little to him and he felt that Ted had told members of the gang not to buy him drinks, or to talk with him. Murtha stated that he recalled that Jimmie Wilson talked and sat at the tables with the girl singer named Jerry; that Ruth Angus frequently visited the club during the time these men were frequenting it; that members of the gang were liberal in their tips to the entertainers giving them dollar bills; that when there were five or six present, the entertainers would get as high as two or three dollars from the party.



Murtha stated that Ted Angus was very friendly with the gang that he would go over to a table and talk confidentially with them and would go outside with various members of this crowd and talk with them in their cars; that the Casino Club carried cold beer, but if anyone desired to purchase a case of cold beer, Ted Angus would tell them, or have Murtha tell them, that the only beer they had was warm beer, but members of the gang never had any difficulty in getting a case of cold beer; that Ted Angus warned Murtha that he should be certain to put all the necessary ingredients in their drinks with all the garnishings such as orange peel and cherries.

Murtha was questioned closely but refused to change the story he formerly told that he had never seen George Timiney at the Casino Club at night or in the company of members of this gang.

Murtha stated that he had never heard that Johnny Coleman, piano player at the club, when members of the Barker-Karpis gang were frequenting it, was no longer in Toledo. Murtha stated that he is well acquainted with Leo Walsh, who is the director of several orchestras operating under the WPA. Walsh has a wide acquaintance with musicians and Murtha stated that he will contact Walsh to ascertain the present whereabouts of Coleman and of the girl singer named Jerry who formerly worked at the Casino Club.

On July 23, 1936, while on the train from St. Paul, Minnesota, to Chicago, Illinois, Special Agent D. P. Sullivan met Mrs. Georgette Marsh, who was returning to her home after appearing as a Government witness in the recent HANAP trial at St. Paul. Mrs. Marsh was interviewed and she mentioned in referring to Belle Born that this woman was considered one of the smartest women connected with notorious criminals. She stated that Fitzgerald formerly was closely associated with Homer Wilson, Harvey Bailey, Old Gus Shay and others in the perpetration of bank robberies; that Belle Born was trusted implicitly by this mob. Mrs. Marsh stated that she obtained her information concerning Belle Born from Old Gus shortly before his death, in about December, 1933. Old Gus told her that it was Belle Born, not Charles Fitzgerald, who cased the Lincoln National Bank job at Lincoln, Nebraska, which netted \$1,000,000.00; that Belle Born ran the roads about Lincoln and made the getaway charts used in that robbery; that money obtained in bank robberies was frequently turned over to Belle by the mob for safekeeping and she distributed the shares to the various members of the mob. Mrs. Marsh stated that she knew the truth of these statements because Gus Winkler, her former husband, was arrested and charged with the Lincoln Bank robbery and she personally contacted the man responsible for same and recovered the bonds at a cost of about \$200,000, most of which was paid by Al Capone at her intercession.



Mrs. Marsh stated that Lillian Holden was another very capable woman whose ability was recognized by hoodlums; that this woman was likewise capable of casing a bank job; that Lillian Holden is now the sweetheart of Joseph Bergl, car dealer of Cicero, Illinois.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

# 11281

Laboratory Report

Case: Re: BREKID

Number: 7-576-12471

Specimens:

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Examination requested by: San Francisco

Date received: chp 8-4-36 4:00 P.M.

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Result of examination:

Examination by: Appel (1)

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

*8/6 Will be compared with anonymous  
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is fully completed*

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Cincinnati, Ohio**

FILE NO. **7-2**

REPORT MADE AT <b>Little Rock, Arkansas</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>7/31/36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>7/22, 23/36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>B. L. DAMRON</b> <b>COH</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases; et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <b>Ed Simmons, Wilson, Arkansas, owner of 1936 Arkansas license 68-424, is a painter by occupation and bears good reputation. No further leads in Little Rock district except withdrawing "stop" notices as to automobiles when same no longer necessary.</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">- R. U. C. -</p> <p>DETAILS:</p> <p>Under date of May 3, 1936, the Birmingham office advised by letter of the receipt of information concerning a 1936 Ford Coupe bearing 1936 Arkansas license 68-424 which was occupied by two men and a woman, the latter identified as Ruth Hamm, with aliases, girl friend of Freddie Hunter.</p> <p>The records of the Arkansas State License Bureau, Little Rock disclosed that 1936 Arkansas license 68-424 was issued to Ed Simmons of Osceola, Arkansas, for a 1936 Ford Coupe. On July 22, 1936, Special Agent J. R. Calhoun was advised by Deputy Sheriff Jess Greer, Osceola, Arkansas, that Ed Simmons is a white man residing at Wilson, Arkansas, but works most of the time at Osceola, Arkansas, he being a painter by occupation. Deputy Sheriff Greer also advised that Mr. Simmons bore a good reputation and had no gang connections.</p> <p>The Little Rock office has previously placed stop notices with the State License Bureau as to Plymouth Sedan, motor No. PJ-322,772 and 1935 Ford Tudor, motor #2,044,337. On July 28, 1936,</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>[Signature]</i>		SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	
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<b>3 Bureau</b> <b>2 Cincinnati</b> <b>2 Birmingham</b> <b>1 St. Paul</b> <b>1 Chicago</b> <b>2 Little Rock</b>		<div style="font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold;">7 576-12474</div> <div style="text-align: right;">AUG 4 1936</div> <div style="text-align: right;">AUG 5 1936</div>	
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it was verified that these stops are still of record. Stop cards will be maintained until advised by the office of origin that they may be withdrawn.

No further investigative activity is pending in the Little Rock district and this case, therefore, is

- REFERRED UPON COMPLETION TO THE OFFICE OF ORIGIN -

Post Office Box 515  
Saint Paul, Minnesota  
June 30, 1936

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PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

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Very truly yours,

C. W. STEIN  
Special Agent in Charge

JEB:ACF

cc Cincinnati  
Chicago  
Cleveland

AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY



Division of Investigation

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When Connelley gets here show him this case for denance & get details relative to this new alibi & version of Karpis capture. of course what

they say about Connelley is bunk. They dislike him because he made them look like monkeys & because he stood up for the B.I. I only wish we had more like him. J. G. X.

What are  
the facts?

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cc Cincinnati  
Chicago  
Cleveland

AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

Also show to Mac Farland because  
he should know of Hetrick's real  
make-up since fear Hetrick has  
foiled Mac if we may judge from  
Mac's correspondence with him.  
JCH.

# Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 1276  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma  
July 27, 1936

DB:VC

PERSONAL and CONFIDENTIAL

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

During the course of the investigation by this Bureau looking to the apprehension of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, your attention probably was directed to the activities of one Joe Anderson, connected with the Kansas State Highway Patrol, Topeka, Kansas, which organization is under the supervision of Wint Smith. As you were probably informed, Anderson was working with the Post Office Inspectors out of Tulsa and Ohio, in an effort to effect the apprehension of Karpis and Campbell and others, who it is alleged participated in the robbery of a mail train at Garrettsville, Ohio in November of 1935. Anderson, according to my information, was loaned by the Kansas organization to the Post Office Inspectors to aid and assist them in their investigation.

Anderson was with some of the Post Office Inspectors in Ohio and made a trip from Cleveland, Ohio to Little Rock, Arkansas by plane, in company with two Post Office Inspectors and Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, prior to the raid on the cottage near Hot Springs, Arkansas on March 30, 1936, in an effort to apprehend Karpis. Anderson remained in the vicinity of Little Rock and Hot Springs for several weeks, in fact, until the apprehension of Karpis in New Orleans. Agent F. S. Smith of this office was assigned to be with Anderson and the Post Office Inspectors during their stay in Arkansas, which he did, and accompanied them practically everywhere they went, and was able to keep apprised of their activities at all times.

You will recall that a confidential informant by the name of Hall from Ohio, was accompanied to Little Rock and Hot Springs, Arkansas by Special Agents of the Bureau during the course of this investigation. Hall was to contact certain individuals in Hot Springs in an effort to ascertain the whereabouts of Karpis and Fred Hunter. Some information was furnished the Bureau during the course of this activity to the effect that Joe Anderson and Wint Smith were in the vicinity of Little Rock and Hot Springs, that they had learned that Hall was coming to Arkansas, and it was indicated that Anderson and Smith would make an effort to contact Hall, interview him, and otherwise interfere with the investigation being conducted by the Bureau. It seems that Anderson, with some of the Post Office Inspectors, had, prior to this time, contacted Hall in Ohio, and had engaged in activity there which had the effect of interfering with the activities of the Bureau. Mr. Tamm called me by long distance telephone about this time and directed me to proceed to Arkansas in an effort to ascertain all facts and information concerning the activities of Anderson and Smith, especially

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FBI - OKLAHOMA CITY  
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FBI - HOT SPRINGS  
FBI - LITTLE ROCK  
FBI - NEW ORLEANS  
FBI - WASHINGTON  
FBI - BUREAU

with reference to their proposed efforts to contact Hall while he was in Arkansas. I proceeded to Little Rock and Hot Springs, and found that Anderson and some Post Office Inspectors were there, but Smith was not present. Anderson stated that he desired to talk to Hall, as he had contacted him in Ohio, but that inasmuch as we preferred they not approach him and considered it unwise for anyone so to do, save Bureau representatives, he said he would not do so. In so far as I know Anderson did not approach Hall at a time when he was in Arkansas. I, of course, was in Texas during the course of much of this investigation.

Special Agent L. E. Kingman informs me that recently while he was in Enid, Oklahoma in connection with the investigation of the activities of Larry DeVol, an escapee from a Minnesota penal institution, a former associate of Karpis, and who was killed by Enid officers, and questioning of Donald Reeder, also an escapee from Minnesota, who was apprehended in Enid, and who had committed some bank robberies in Kansas with DeVol, he saw Joe Anderson and "Cap" Edwards, also a member of the Kansas State Highway Patrol. Anderson and Edwards were there conducting investigation of DeVol and Reeder in connection with their participation in the robberies of some Kansas banks. Mr. Kingman informs me that Anderson informed him that information had reached him, he did not indicate through what sources, very likely through Post Office Inspectors, to the effect that representatives of the Bureau had told a story in Ohio to the effect that Anderson and Wint Smith had physically attempted to contact Hall while he was in the custody of Agents in Arkansas, and interview him contrary to the wishes and desires of the Bureau, and that they had otherwise interfered with the investigation, which we were conducting in an effort to apprehend Karpis. Anderson also told Mr. Kingman that this was not true, that he had only expressed a desire to talk to Hall, but that when he was informed that we did not wish it, he made no effort so to do; that he considers the circulating of such a rumor unfair, that such a statement is injurious to him, and that he does not feel that such a report should be circulated. Mr. Kingman stated that Anderson told him that he felt disposed to go to Washington, contact you, inform you of the facts in the matter, because he feels that you have not been furnished all of the information in connection with the affair, and that he is sure that when you do know the circumstances, that you will direct an investigation to determine who is responsible for the circulation of such rumors and reports concerning him and Major Smith.

A. B. Cooper, a private detective in Oklahoma City, formerly connected with the Burns Detective Agency in this State, informed me a day or two ago, that recently he was in Wichita, Kansas, where he saw Joe Anderson, and that Anderson approached him and imparted to him generally the information furnished to me by Agent Kingman concerning Anderson's attitude; that Anderson was carrying on this conversation in the presence of the Sheriff at Wichita, Kansas, whose name Cooper does not remember, but who was supposed to be seeking re-election, but was defeated. Cooper told me that he informed Anderson that he felt that this Bureau did a "damn good job in apprehending Karpis and Campbell" and numerous other outlaws, that he is for us, and that nothing Anderson could say to him would in any way alter his feelings toward our organization. Cooper stated that he felt that I

should know about this, and I, of course, thanked him for furnishing me the information.

Agent Kingman informs me that Anderson told him that he is not perturbed particularly because we apprehended Karpis, but that he does feel that some false reports have been circulated concerning him, and while he should like to have been present when Karpis was apprehended, that he was unable to be there, and he is not angered thereby.

It is my understanding that Anderson is well thought of by Governor Landon, that he is considered a "personal investigator" for Governor Landon, and has access to him at any time that he desires.

Agent Kingman informed me that during the time he was talking to Anderson he, in a casual and jocular manner, mentioned to Anderson that in the event his "Boss", meaning Governor Landon, is elected President of the United States, that he has heard that Landon proposes to make Wint Smith Director of this Bureau; that Anderson replied that he is certain, in his own mind, that were Landon elected President that he would make no attempts to appoint Wint Smith to any Federal post, and that he is well acquainted with Smith and that he is positive that Smith has no desire, whatever, to be Director of this Bureau, should Landon become President.

I have not seen Anderson since sometime in April, at a time when he was in Arkansas; and, of course, have had no opportunity to talk to him. So far as I know, I am on good terms with him and he told Kingman that he likes former Special Agent Paul Hansen, Agent F. S. Smith, Agent Kingman, and me. Anderson, of course, works out of Topeka and I have no idea when he will be in the State of Oklahoma, and do not have any opportunity to talk to him.

These are matters which I felt should be brought to your personal attention and I trust that you will appreciate the considerations which prompted me to write you as I have, concerning them.

Sincerely yours,

*Dwight Brantley*

1448 Standard Building,  
Cleveland, Ohio

July 31, 1936

Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation, Re: Theft of Hertz Drivurself  
Washington, D.C. Automobile

Dear Sir:

Please find attached hereto three copies of a memorandum prepared by Special Agent E.J. Wynn, covering the theft from him of a Hertz Drivurself Automobile, which was rented by Special Agent D.P. Sullivan, in connection with the Brekid investigation.

Very truly yours,

J.P. MacFARLAND,  
Special Agent in Charge

J-M/lrl  
Enclosures (3)

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
AUG 21 1936
U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

*E. J. Wynn*

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COPY

July 30, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE J.P. MAC FARLAND

Re: Theft of Hertz Drivurself Automobile from  
the possession of Special Agent E.J. Wynn  
at Toledo, Ohio on July 29, 1936.

Please be advised that Special Agent D.P. Sullivan, on special assignment at Toledo, Ohio, contracted for the rental of a Hertz Drivurself automobile, bearing 1936 Ohio license plates 3637-A, for his use and the use of the special squad on duty at Toledo, Ohio; that on the afternoon of July 29, 1936 this car was being used by me on official business and was parked by me at shortly before 2:00 p.m. in front of the Plaza Hotel, 2520 Monroe Street, Toledo, Ohio, I having gone to this hotel after having maintained an all-night telephone observation on the telephone tap of Maxine Belmont. I was in the hotel for approximately thirty minutes and upon going to the spot where I had parked the car observed that it was missing. This car was locked and I had the keys in my possession.

I immediately called the Hertz Drivurself Company by telephone and reported the loss, giving the attendant all particulars and he advised me that it would not be necessary to report the matter to the police inasmuch as he would handle the situation. Later in the day I turned over the keys to this automobile to the Hertz Drivurself representative at Toledo, Ohio.

At the time this car was stolen there was no official property which was charged to me in the car, and no other government property, to my knowledge, as it is not the practice to keep government property of any kind in automobiles in Toledo, Ohio.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ E.J. Wynn  
E.J. WYNN  
Special Agent

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7-571-12477



Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box #1525  
Pittsburgh, Pa.

August 1, 1936.

Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letters dated December 11, 1935, and April 28, 1936 (7-576).

There is transmitted herewith additional lists, furnished by the Federal Laboratories, Incorporated, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, reflecting sales of Thompson Sub-Machine guns in the following States during the periods indicated: -

Tennessee - October 18, 1933 to July 26, 1934  
South Dakota - May 2, 1930 to July 26, 1934  
Utah - July 15, 1930 to July 26, 1934  
Virginia - April 1, 1929 to July 26, 1934  
Rhode Island - April 19, 1929 to July 26, 1934  
South Carolina - February 6, 1931 to July 26, 1934  
Oregon - April 25, 1930 to July 26, 1934  
Vermont - June 27, 1934 to July 26, 1934

Very truly yours,

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CC - Cincinnati

R. L. Shivers  
R. L. SHIVERS,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF:  
THOMPSON SUBMACHINE GUNS SOLD IN VERMONT FROM  
JUNE 27, 1934, TO JULY 26, 1934, AS FAR AS THE  
RECORDS OF THIS OFFICE DISCLOSE

<u>PURCHASER</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>SERIAL NOS.</u>
State of Vermont Att: Motor Vehicle Dept. Montpelier	6/27/34	1	<u>12663</u>

*No further record  
of machine guns sold*

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THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF:  
THOMPSON SUBMACHINE GUNS SOLD IN OREGON FROM  
APRIL 25, 1930, TO JULY 26, 1934,  
AS FAR AS THE RECORDS OF THIS OFFICE  
DISCLOSE

<u>PURCHASER</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>NOS. OF GUNS</u>
Chief of Police, Portland	4/25/30	1	8817
Sheriff of Coos County, Coquille	12/9/31	1	7377
Dept. of State Police, Salem	4/27/32	4	9084 9185 9006 12558
Bureau of Investigation 313 Old Post Office Bldg., Portland	7/6/33	1	6562
Sheriff Umatilla County, Pendleton	4/10/34	1	8966
Division of Investigation 411 U.S. Courthouse, Portland	4/24/34	1	6876

No prior record of 11/11/31

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THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF:  
THOMPSON SUBMACHINE GUNS SOLD IN SOUTH CAROLINA FROM  
FEBRUARY 6, 1931, TO JULY 2, 1934, AS FAR  
AS THE RECORDS OF THIS OFFICE DISCLOSE

<u>PURCHASER</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>GUN NOS.</u>
Sheriff McTeir, Beaufort	2/6/31	1	2641
Chief of Police, Greenville	5/26/32	1	5298
Law Enforcement Division Office of Governor, Columbia	7/26/32	2	10617 11558
State of South Carolina Office of Governor, Columbia	8/30/33	2	5205 8798
City of Columbia Police Dept.	11/29/33	2	7062 7483
Town of Clinton	12/28/33	1	1782
South Carolina Penitentiary, Charleston	3/12/34	1	8368
Governor's Office, Columbia	3/14/34	2	7550 9036
Town of Cherow	4/28/34	1	12913
Charleston Coutny, Charleston	5/10/34	1	13854
Sheriff Spartanburg County Spartanburg	6/4/34	2	10516 10330
Sheriff Greenville County Greenville	6/13/34	1	8691
W. T. Neill (Fed. Lab. Salesman) c/o Chief of Police, Columbia	6/7/34	1	1763

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THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF:  
THOMPSON SUBMACHINE GUNS SOLD IN RHODE ISLAND FROM  
APRIL 19, 1929, TO JULY 26, 1934, AS FAR AS THE  
RECORDS OF THIS OFFICE DISCLOSE

<u>PURCHASER</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>GUN NOS.</u>
Joseph L <del>X</del> Sack, Comititut	4/19/29	1	6045
Andrew Harris for Rhode Island State Prison, 51 Washington St. Providence	8/2/29	1	6328
Samuel <del>X</del> Colitz 189 Main St. Pawtucket	11/6/29	1	9052
Chief of Police, Arctic	6/9/30	1	7951
Chief of Police, Cranston	6/23/30	1	6501
Col. R.M <del>X</del> Cutts 70 Kay St. Newport	7/20/31	1	6240
City of Woonsocket Police Dept.	12/28/33	2	3715 3379
Providence Police Dept. 161 Fountain St.	3/27/34	1	7767
<del>X</del> Colitz Hdwe. Co. 735 Westminster St. Providence	11/20/29	1	6456

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THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF:  
THOMPSON SUBMACHINE GUNS SOLD IN UTAH FROM  
JULY 15, 1930, TO JULY 26, 1934, AS FAR AS  
THE RECORDS OF THIS OFFICE DISCLOSE

<u>PURCHASER</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>SERIAL NOS.</u>
Chief of Police, Salt Lake City	7/15/30	3	<u>6662 8374</u> 10857
Bureau of Investigation 900 Ezra Thompson Building Salt Lake City	7/6/33	1	<u>8544</u>
Sheriff of Salt Lake County Salt Lake City	8/23/33	1	<u>5978</u>
Bureau of Investigation 900 Ezra Thompson Building Salt Lake City	9/20/33	1	<u>7782</u>

*no further*

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THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF THOMPSON  
SUBMACHINE GUNS SOLD IN SOUTH DAKOTA FROM MAY 2, 1930,  
TO JULY 26, 1934, AS FAR AS THE RECORDS OF THIS OFFICE  
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<u>PURCHASER</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>SERIAL NOS.</u>
First National Bank, Leads S.	5/2/30	1	7007
Police Dept. Aberdeen	7/29/30	1	7217
Chief of Police, Watertown	7/24/30	1	8320
Sheriff Johnson, Sioux Falls	10/4/30	1	6309
Sheriff of Fall River County, Hot Springs,	10/20/30	1	6383
Sheriff Lawrence Coutny, Deadwood,	5/23/31	1	4950
City of Leads	3/8/33	2	7252 6872
South Dakota State Penitentiary Sioux Falls	3/22/34	1	8089

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THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF:  
THOMPSON SUBMACHINE GUNS SOLD IN VIRGINIA FROM  
APRIL 1, 1929, TO JULY 26, 1934, AS FAR AS THE  
RECORDS OF THIS OFFICE DISCLOSE

PURCHASER	DATE	QUANTITY	SERIAL NOS.
Police Dept., Alexandria	4/1/29	1	5130
L. Oppleman, 818 Main St. Lynchburg	6/13/29	1	5006
Major Youell, Richmond Penitentiary, Richmond	11/9/29	4	7620 6462 6245 5824
Agusta Hdwe. Co., Staunton	2/20/30	1	6078
Greenhow Maury, Jr. (Fed. Lab. Salesman) 6th and Canal Sts. Richmond	7/12/32	1	8322
City of Suffolk, Dept. of Public Safety	3/30/34	1	7513
City of Charlottesville	3/30/34	1	8280
City of Danville Police Dept.	3/22/34	2	8570 13671
Riverside and Dan River Cotton Mills Inc. Pay Dept. Danville	5/8/34	2	5925 6115
Federal Reserve Bank, Richmond	5/31/34	2	11546 12275
City of Richmond	6/18/34	2	10632 13247
Officer in Charge, Naval Supply Depot Sewalls Point	8/12/35	8	
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THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF:  
 THOMPSON SUBMACHINE GUNS SOLD IN TENNESSEE FROM  
 OCTOBER 18, 1933, TO JULY 26, 1934, AS FAR AS THE  
RECORDS OF THIS OFFICE DISCLOSE

<u>PURCHASER</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>SERIAL NOS.</u>
Brush Mountain Prison, Petros	10/18/33	2	8172 5939
State Penitentiary, Nashville	10/20/33	2	5908 8274
Davidson County, Jail, Nashville	1/25/34	2	3668 3255
City of Johnson Police Dept.	3/2/34	1	8816
City of Greenville Police Dept.	3/28/34	1	8148
Division of Investigation Medical Arts Building Nashville	5/28/34	3	8466 12802 10334

*No further record of these  
 guns for N.Y.*

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404 NEW YORK BUILDING  
SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA

July 28, 1936.

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

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

HANAP

Dear Sir:

With further reference to my letter of July 25, 1936, regarding City Attorney John L. Connolly's desire to interview Bryan Bolton for possible information which may assist the City in removing Tom Brown from the Police Department, Mr. Connolly called at the St. Paul Office on July 28, 1936. He stated that he intended to make a case against Brown before the Civil Service Commission on the theory that Brown, if not a co-conspirator in the Hanap case, was at least an aider and abettor. Grounds for discharge would be partially supported by the evidence brought out in the recent trial of Jack Peifer in the Hanap case and other information which he has already secured. He stated that he intended to confer with United States Attorney George Sullivan at an early date to learn whether his files disclose any evidence in the Brekid case that might be of assistance in substantiating the charges against Brown.

Very truly yours,

C. W. STEIN,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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July 31, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Dear Sir:

There is transmitted herewith a voucher in favor of Frank  
R. Moore, Limited, in the amount of \$215.00, representing charges for  
certain photographic work done in connection with the Bremer Kidnaping  
Case.

The Bureau is of the opinion that the charges made by this  
concern are extremely excessive inasmuch as it has been determined that  
the cost of the materials used in connection with the work represents  
only a very small portion of the total amount of the voucher. It is  
therefore desired that you advise the Bureau as to the reason for the  
charge of \$5.00 per plate and why bids for the work in question were not  
solicited.

Unless the amount charged by this concern can be justified  
to the satisfaction of the Bureau, the voucher will not be passed for  
payment.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice  
1300 Liberty Trust Building  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

August 4, 1936.

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

ATTENTION: TECHNICAL LABORATORY

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated July 28, 1936, to the Philadelphia Bureau Office, in which the Philadelphia Office was requested to obtain handwriting specimens of Walter Robert Armstrong, who is incarcerated at the present time in the New Castle County Workhouse, Wilmington, Delaware.

There are transmitted herewith four sheets of white paper and two sheets of yellow paper, containing handwriting and hand-printing specimens written and printed by Walter Robert Armstrong.

There is also transmitted, under separate cover, one attendance ledger book, which was loaned the Philadelphia Bureau office by Mr. Burton Smallwood, Superintendent of the Sunday Breakfast Mission, Wilmington, Delaware. Mr. Smallwood advised Special Agent E. J. Gebben, of this office, that all of the entries appearing in this ledger from October 26, 1935 to the last page, which is dated February 23, 1936, are in the handwriting of Walter Armstrong.

It is requested that this ledger be returned to the Philadelphia Bureau Office when it has served its purpose.

Very truly yours,

*R. E. Vetterli*

R. E. VETTERLI,  
Special Agent in Charge

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1  
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

CINCINNATI, OHIO

FILE NO. 7-43

REPORT MADE AT <b>CINCINNATI, OHIO</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>8-3-36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>8-3-36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>H. D. HARRIS MGR</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases - FUGITIVE I. O. #1232, et al., EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NAT'L. FIREARMS ACT.</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

F. C. Tuttle, Cincinnati, Ohio, unable definitely to identify photograph of Matthew Happpie, as confidence man using name Huntington, but states is a resemblance. Is also unable to identify photograph of Jack Gordon alias John William Pincott.

**REFERENCE:**

Report of Special Agent H. D. Harris, Cincinnati, 6-23-36; letter from the Boston Office 7-18-36.

**DETAILS:**

**AT CINCINNATI, OHIO**

Mr. F. C. Tuttle, 3980 Rose Hill Ave., Cincinnati, was shown photograph of Matthew Happpie, which accompanied letter of reference from the Boston Office, along with a group of other photographs and was unable to make any identification. Upon his particular attention being called to this photograph, however, and after studying it for some time Mr. Tuttle advised that he believed there was a strong resemblance to the confidence man using the name of Huntington, although there has been a decided change in appearance if this is the same man. It will be noted that this photograph was taken in 1914 when Happpie was 21 years of age, and it is believed that if a later photograph of Happpie can be secured Mr. Tuttle may be able to make an identification.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED <i>[Signature]</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES <b>7 1576-12482 AUG 5 1936</b>
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Included in the photographs shown Mr. Tuttle was also that of Jack Gordon alias John William Pincott identified by the English authorities as the individual who sent the cablegram to Mr. Tuttle on 6-5-36, signing the name of Jenkinson. Mr. Tuttle was unable to make any identification whatever of this photograph.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

BOSTON OFFICE is requested to contact again the informant who furnished information concerning the individuals involved in defrauding Mr. Tuttle, with a view to ascertaining complete details from this informant. It should be definitely ascertained what remuneration this information will desire and arrangements should be made to work this out in whatever manner is necessary. The Boston Office should ascertain definitely from this informant if Matthew Happnie, Mass. State Reformatory #20376 is the individual known to him who used the name of Huntington.

NEW YORK OFFICE at New York City, is requested to expedite the investigation previously requested in this matter by report from the Cincinnati Office dated 6-23-36 and letter from the Cincinnati Office dated 7-24-36.

PENDING.

August 3, 1936.

## MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Reference is made to the letter from the St. Paul Office to the Bureau dated June 30, 1936, reflecting an interview by Post Office Inspectors S. J. Hettrick and J. F. Cordrey with Alvin Karpis. At the time of that interview, the said Inspectors held a conversation with Special Agent J. E. Brennan at St. Paul, in which the said Inspectors made certain allegations which are briefed as follows:

1. That Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley interfered with a confidential informant in such a manner as to make it impossible for him to furnish information to the Post Office Inspectors.
2. That Agents in Toledo detained a doctor and a nurse who had knowledge of Sam Coker, making it impossible for Post Office Inspectors to interview these persons.
3. That this Bureau is endeavoring to locate a certain party in Toledo whose location is known to Post Office Inspectors, but who refused to furnish his present whereabouts.
4. That Post Office Inspectors know the location of Milton Lett, but will not furnish that information to this Bureau.

From an examination of the files and the letter of Mr. E. J. Connelley to the Bureau dated July 23, 1936, the following are the correct facts in the matter.

1. The confidential informant referred to is Clayton Hall. On March 25, 1936, Hall was first interviewed by Special Agents at his home in Youngstown, Ohio. Having information of value, he was furnished with \$5.00 and a small slip of paper bearing the name of Special Agent E. J. Egan and the address of the Cleveland Office.

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with the request that he appear at that office the following day, March 26, 1936, for further interview. Hall failed to appear as expected. Unsuccessful efforts were made to locate him. At 5:00 P. M., March 27, 1936, Post Office Inspector Hettrick telephonically advised Special Agent in Charge J. P. MacFarland that Post Office Inspectors had Hall in custody.

Inquiries disclosed that Hall had commenced to proceed to the Cleveland Office from Youngstown, Ohio on the morning of March 26, 1936 as requested by Agents; that he had been stopped by about twelve men; that several of these men were Post Office Inspectors; that he advised these Inspectors that he was on his way to the Cleveland Bureau Office; that he displayed to them the \$5.00 bill furnished him by Agent Wynn, likewise furnishing the slip of paper bearing Agent Wynn's name and the address of the Cleveland Office. Despite this the Inspectors held him in custody, took him to the Police Department where they accused him of being a mail robber, and on three different occasions placed him in the show-up to be viewed by witnesses.

On the evening of March 27, 1936, being advised that Hall was in the custody of the Post Office Inspectors, Special Agents E. J. Dowd and W. B. O'Haboney proceeded to Youngstown, Ohio, where they learned that Hall had information concerning the location of Alvin Karpis, but before furnishing such information desired the presence of representatives of the Bureau. This was, undoubtedly, the only reason why the Bureau was advised by Postal Inspectors to the effect that they had arrested Hall. When Agents inquired concerning the whereabouts of Hall, Postal Inspector in Charge Briggs replied, "He is not under arrest but we have him in tow, and at the proper time will produce him".

The allegation of the Postal Inspectors that Mr. Connelley's conduct prevented Clayton Hall from furnishing information of value is entirely baseless. As soon as Agents arrived in Youngstown, Ohio a conference was held with Hall, at which time he furnished information to the effect that Alvin Karpis could be located in a house near Hot Springs, Arkansas. In keeping with this information



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Post Office Inspectors, together with Special Agents, proceeded to Hot Springs where a raid was conducted at 6:00 A. M., March 30, 1936, at the Karpis hideout at Potash Sulphur Springs, near Hot Springs, Arkansas. It will be recalled that Karpis, having been tipped off to this anticipated raid by Connie Hama, who had gotten her information from one Brock, a taxi driver in Hot Springs, had fled from this hideout on March 26, 1936.

The falsity of the allegation of the Postal Inspectors as to Clayton Hall's reluctance to furnish that information is further exemplified by the fact that through conversations between Special Agents and Postal Inspectors arrangements were made whereby on April 9, 1936 Hall proceeded to Hot Springs, Arkansas in anticipation of obtaining information from Grace Goldstein concerning the location of Karpis. While Hall was residing in Hot Springs as a confidential informant, the Bureau learned the location of the relations of Grace Goldstein near Paris, Texas. As a cooperative measure this information was disclosed to the Postal Inspectors, who promised to treat the same confidentially. Despite this promise Inspector Cordrey disclosed this information to Herbert "Dutch" Akers at Hot Springs, and on April 24, 1936 Inspector Cordrey and Akers vigorously interviewed the inmates of Grace Goldstein's house of prostitution in Hot Springs in an effort to learn the location of Grace Goldstein. This upset the entire plans of the Agents insofar as the work of Clayton Hall was concerned. The result was that his services could no longer be used in Hot Springs, for which reason he was told to return to his home.

2. Reference is made to the allegation that Agents in Toledo picked up the doctor and nurse who had information regarding the location of Sam Coker, which made it impossible for Postal Inspectors to interview these persons. The facts are as follows:

The Postal Inspectors who had apprehended John Brock in connection with the Garrettsville mail robbery of November 7, 1935 learned from Brock that Sam Coker had been hospitalized in the Mercy Hospital in Toledo during the time the Garrettsville mail robbery

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occurred. He also advised them the correct name under which Coker was received, and indicated strongly that Harry Campbell could be located through Sam Coker, Campbell having paid Coker's hospital bill in cash. During discussions with Postal Inspectors they advised Special Agents that Coker had been registered in the said hospital under the name of Tony Coleman.

On the afternoon of May 6, 1936, Special Agents E. J. Eynn and J. M. Jones proceeded to the hospital where they met Postal Inspectors Claggett, Cordrey and Hettrick. Inspector Hettrick obtained the desired information from the Sister Superior at the hospital before Special Agents had an opportunity to interview her. In the belief that he was seeking the same information which had been obtained by Inspector Hettrick, Special Agent Eynn asked Inspector Hettrick if he desired to furnish the information which he had obtained from the Sister Superior, whereupon Inspector Hettrick stated to Agent Eynn, "You had better go in and get it yourself". Agents Eynn and Jones then interviewed the Sister Superior, and being unsuccessful in locating any record for Tony Coleman or Sam Coker, the Sister, realizing that they were inquiring concerning the same individual as the Inspectors had inquired, then produced the record of one Robert Pratt, which record she had furnished Postal Inspectors.

The Agents went somewhat further in their inquiries and upon examining clinical records and the list of attending physicians and nurses they learned that Coker had been attended by a nurse, Miss Bobbie Bobbletto. Information previously obtained by Agents indicated that Miss Bobbletto was very fond of Sam Coker, alias Robert Pratt. It is highly important that we remember that this investigation was conducted on the afternoon of May 6, 1936 and that Harry Campbell and Sam Coker were apprehended during the early morning hours of May 7, 1936. The Agents further ascertained that Coker had been attended by Dr. Howard Murphy. Miss Bobbletto was located at the home of Dr. Howard Murphy, 3315 Parkroad, Toledo, Ohio on the evening of May 6, 1936. Briefly, both Miss Bobbletto and Dr. Murphy identified the photograph of Sam Coker, and Miss Bobbletto furnished information as to the location of Harry Campbell and Sam Coker.

Because of the extreme importance of this matter, it was not deemed advisable that either Dr. Murphy or Miss Bobbletto be permitted to interview persons out of the presence of Agents. For

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this reason and with the consent of Dr. Murphy, Agents were stationed at his home and accompanied him to such points as it was necessary for him to proceed during the evening and night of May 6, 1936. Miss Robbletto expressed a willingness to remain in the presence of Agents, and in order to make her voluntary detention a pleasant one, she was removed to the apartment of Special Agent B. M. Hirsch at the Hillcrest Hotel in Toledo. At this point she was entertained by Mrs. Hirsch and Agent Hirsch who returned later in the evening. After the raid had been conducted on May 7, 1936, resulting in the apprehension of both Sam Coker and Harry Campbell, Miss Robbletto was taken to her home at 8:00 o'clock on the morning of May 7, 1936.

There can be no substance to the allegation that the conduct of Agents made it impossible for Postal Inspectors to interview either Dr. Murphy or Miss Robbletto. By virtue of the presence of Agents with these persons during the night of May 6, 1936, they know definitely that the Postal Inspectors made no effort to communicate with them. In addition to this, it should be stated that on the morning of May 7, 1936, after Campbell and Coker had been apprehended Agent E. J. Wynn met Inspector Hettrick at 9:00 A. M., at which time Inspector Hettrick was not aware of the fact Campbell and Coker had been apprehended. Inspector Hettrick then advised Agent Wynn that it was fortunate for the Agents that they had followed the Postal Inspectors in their inquiries at the hospital in view of the fact that the Special Agents did not know the name under which Sam Coker was hospitalized. He indicated that had it not been for the inquiries of the Postal Inspectors immediately preceding the Agents it would have been impossible for the Agents to locate the records concerning Sam Coker.

3. The Bureau is not advised of any person whose apprehension it is now seeking in Toledo, Ohio, whose location is known by Inspector Hettrick, but who refuses to furnish the location of this person. Mr. Connelley has stated that he is of the belief that Hettrick is speaking about something concerning which he knows nothing.

4. Reference is now made to the allegation by Inspector Hettrick that he knows the location of Milton Lett, but will not

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furnish the same to this Bureau. Mr. Connelley has stated that Lett's location is being sought by this Bureau on a possible harboring charge. He is also definitely wanted by the Post Office Inspectors inasmuch as he is the individual who purchased the car which was used by the gang during the course of the Garrettsville robbery. There is little cause to believe that the Postal Inspectors know Lett's whereabouts, since they would be very anxious to cause his apprehension for their own purposes.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

EAT:CDW

To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

AUGUST 4, 1936

Transmit the following message to: CLEVELAND.

RETEL AUTHORITY GRANTED TAP TELEPHONE CHARLES LONG STOP RELATIVE  
CONTEMPLATED ARREST INDIVIDUALS BELIEVED POSSESSING STOLEN BONDS  
AGENTS YOUR OFFICE SHOULD TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO DETAIN FOR  
INTERROGATION ANY PERSONS BELIEVED POSSESSING STOLEN BONDS.

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Edw. J. Brennan

1616 Federal Reserve Bank Bldg.,  
Kansas City, Missouri,  
August 3, 1936.

Mr. John Moss,  
Postmaster,  
Nevada, Missouri.

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Confirming your recent telephone conversation with Special Agent V. W. Gillen, please place a thirty-day cover on all mail, including air mail, registered, parcel post and special deliver, received by Roy Rizor.

It is also requested that a similar cover be placed on the mail of Vern Griffith.

In forwarding tracings to this office, please refer to our file 7-37.

Your cooperation in this matter is appreciated.

Very truly yours,

W. A. SMITH  
Special Agent in Charge.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

FORM NO. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

N. Y. FILE NO. 7-120

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REPORT MADE AT: NEW YORK CITY	DATE WHEN MADE: 8-4-36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 7-29-36	REPORT MADE BY: J. B. DICKERSON
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases. DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O.1232, et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING - HARBORING - OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:  Mr. H. G. Perry, manager of salesmen, A. A. Vantine Products Corporation, dealers in beauty aids, toilet requisites and specialties, admits traveling from Little Rock, Ark. to New York City by plane on September 21, 1935. Does not appear to have any connection with this case. Stop orders against Clarence Weberbrand and William J. Mitchell again requested of Immigration and Naturalization Service, New York City.  R.U.C.			
REFERENCE:  Report of Special Agent B. L. Damron, Little Rock, Ark., dated April 19, 1936. Letter From Chicago Office to New York Office, dated July 25, 1936. Letter from Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, St. Paul, Minn., dated July 18, 1936.			
DETAILS:  In the reference letter dated July 25, 1936, the New York Office was requested to make an investigation at 71 5th Avenue, New York City, to ascertain the identity of Mr. H. G. PERRY. This lead was originally set forth in the report of Special Agent B. L. Damron, Little Rock, Ark., dated April 19, 1936.			
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APPROVED AND FORWARDED  R. L. Whitely SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	7-576-12425 BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE ROUTED TO: FILE		
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Agent called at 71 5th Avenue, New York City, and ascertained that Mr. PERRY was connected with A. A. VANTINE PRODUCTS CORPORATION, dealers in Vantine's Incense, beauty aids, toilet requisites and specialties. The writer interviewed Mr. PERRY, and he advised that he is manager of salesmen for the company and does quite a bit of traveling; that he recalls being in Little Rock, Ark., last September, and that he traveled by plane of the American Airlines, Inc. from Little Rock to New York City; that he left there on a Saturday, and after making a further check, he ascertained that it was Saturday, September 21, 1935. He stated that he recalls only three passengers on the plane; that one of these passengers was JAMES DUNN, a movie actor; that another was a man from Los Angeles, Cal., and the other a man from Port Arthur, Tex. He was unable to furnish any descriptions or information about the men from Port Arthur or Los Angeles.

Since it does not appear that Mr. PERRY has any connection with this case, further investigation is not deemed necessary.

The letter of reference dated July 25, 1936, requested that stop notices not be removed against WILLIAM J. MITCHELL and CHARLES HEBERBRAND, which notices had been placed through the District Director of Immigration and Naturalization, Ellis Island, N. Y. As stated in the letter of July 2, 1936 from this office to the Cincinnati Office, these stop orders were cancelled. However, upon receipt of the reference letter dated July 25, 1936, another letter was directed to the District Director of Immigration and Naturalization, Ellis Island, N. Y., requesting that stop orders be placed against MITCHELL and HEBERBRAND so that in the event either of these men presented a passport for entry into this country, the New York Office might be notified at once.

Stop orders were placed by the New York Office in the State of Connecticut against the following cars:

1935 Plymouth Sedan, Motor No. PJ-322772.  
 1935 Ford V-8 Two-Door Sedan, Motor No. 2044337.  
 1933 Standard Ford Coupe, Model No. 40, Motor No. 18-429014

In the reference letter dated July 18, 1936, the New York Office was advised that stop notices should be continued on certain \$1,000 bills presumably obtained by CASSIUS McDONALD in Havana, Cuba, in exchange for the BREMER ransom money, particularly



those described as Atlanta Federal Reserve \$1,000 bills, serial numbers F00022451A to F00022500A. Stop orders were placed by the New York Office against the bills mentioned above through a circular letter in the summer of 1935, and the same have not been cancelled.

As there are no further active leads in the New York office territory as to the location of parties wanted in connection with this case, or as to the automobiles or money mentioned above, this case is being considered

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June 26, 1936

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

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter of June 3, 1936, relative to ALVIN KARPIS being in Chicago, Illinois and living with one FOGARTY, a gambler, with the knowledge of Chief of Detectives John L. Sullivan.

Investigation at the Statistical Department, Bureau of Identification, Chicago Police Department developed that the only known Fogarty arrested for gambling was one FRANK FOGARTY, who was arrested three times during September 1935 for gambling; that he gave as his address 1871 Milwaukee Avenue, and was arrested at 2639 Milwaukee Avenue, Chicago, Illinois on each occasion. The arresting officers were Joseph Henratty and Edward Healy.

Fogarty's description is given as age 28; occupation clerk; weight 220 pounds; height 6 feet 3 inches; build medium; complexion ruddy; eyes brown; hair black.

The following persons were interviewed and shown picture of Alvin Karpis but they could not recognize him as anyone whom they had seen residing at the rooming house at 1871 Milwaukee Avenue:

Steve Neuwirth, 1871 Milwaukee Avenue, in charge of the rooming house at that address.

Steve Pabinski, 1869 Milwaukee Avenue, who resides in the same building as Neuwirth.

Joe Goldberg, 1879 Milwaukee Avenue, who operates a junk yard in the rear of said building.

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Meyer Novitz, 1865 Milwaukee Avenue, who operates a service station at that address.

Nat A. Harris, 1871 Milwaukee Avenue, who operates a tin shop at that address.

Mrs. John Morris, who operates an ice cream stand across the street at 1864 Milwaukee Avenue.

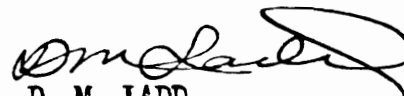
Arthur Rivers, 1871 Milwaukee Avenue, who has resided for 2 years at said rooming house.

At 2639 Milwaukee Avenue, which is a bookie and gambling establishment no one identified the picture of Alvin Karpis as anyone having frequented that place.

Officer Joseph Hanratty of the Shakespeare Police Station and Officer Edward Healy, Lincoln Police Station were interviewed, and both stated that they were quite positive that Alvin Karpis did not live at 1871 Milwaukee Avenue, or travel around with Frank Fogarty, inasmuch as the Police detail had been on the lookout for Karpis, in that the parents of Karpis reside in the neighborhood where Fogarty's arrest was made.

As set out in letter from this office dated June 9, 1936 Karpis has denied that he was in Chicago since the fall of 1934, and it is doubted that further investigation will develop any information to show otherwise.

Very truly yours,

  
D. M. LADD,

Special Agent in Charge.

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Mr. D. M. Ladd,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Post Office Box 812,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER -  
Victim; KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of June 26, 1936,  
with regard to Frank Fogarty, 1871 Milwaukee Avenue, Chicago,  
Illinois, who may be identical with the Fogarty who is alleged  
to have lived with Alvin Karpis in Chicago with the knowledge  
of Chief of Detectives John L. Sullivan.

In view of the information contained in your letter,  
it is desired that Fogarty be located and interviewed thoroughly  
to determine whether it is possible that he could have harbored  
Alvin Karpis in Chicago with the knowledge of Chief of  
Detectives John L. Sullivan.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

August 3, 1936.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

RE: BREKID

The investigation at Toledo is being continued and inquiry is being made of all persons who were in any way associated with the Casino Club during the summer of 1934 when the Karpis-Barker gang frequented that place. Numerous persons have identified the gang and have indicated that there appeared to be a close friendship between Ted and Bert Angus and members of the Karpis-Barker gang. Others have indicated that members of the gang appeared at the Casino Club with bandages on their hands and "Doc" Barker is alleged to have appeared at the Club with bandages around his head and on his nose. You will recall that he had an operation performed on his nose in an effort to change his appearance.

Information has also been obtained to the effect that Ted and Bert Angus were close friends of "Killer" Burke, who is presently incarcerated in the Michigan State Penitentiary, Jackson, Michigan. It has been indicated that Burke lived with Bert Angus in Chicago and visited with the Angus brothers during the course of his trips to Toledo and prior to his apprehension. Ted Angus, who has departed from Toledo until the first of September, has indicated to his friends that he will visit "Killer" Burke at the penitentiary at Jackson, Michigan. There are also indications that the gang spent money freely and liberally at the Casino Club, it being alleged they spent in the neighborhood of \$100 a day for drinks alone.

One Richard Vogt worked next door to the Casino Club during the summer of 1934 and was familiar with the gang and also with Ted and Bert Angus. After the gang disappeared from the Casino Club Ted Angus told Vogt that the men had been transferred to Minneapolis, Minnesota, indicating that they were Prohibition agents.

Donald McGregor of the Toledo Police Department and a former member of the Vice Squad advised Agents that he was given no explanation as to why he was removed from the Vice Squad recently, but that he had heard various stories concerning his transfer; that the apparent rumor was to the effect he had run into Federal agents too frequently and was too friendly with them. It will be recalled that McGregor is the officer who came upon Agents in the house of prostitution operated by Kitty Diamond on June 11, 1936. McGregor also indicated that it is rumored he is too friendly with

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a police official who has been talking too much to Federal agents. Undoubtedly McGregor was referring to Captain Hennessey who has been very friendly with the Bureau. McGregor further advised that he understood he had been too active on the Vice Squad and had stepped on someone's toes. He refused to state who had objected to his activities on the Vice Squad and stated that he would not put the "finger" on any policeman although a policeman had put the "finger" on him.

Information was obtained by the investigating agents in Toledo to the effect that the Reverend Charles B. Harrison, now living in Columbus, Ohio, had while living in Toledo made an investigation for the council of churches relating to graft and corruption. He has been interviewed and has advised that Ted Angus has been the pay-off man in Toledo for many years. He did not know, however, the identity of the individuals who paid off to Ted Angus or the manner in which the pay-off was made or who received the benefits. He indicated that George Timiney, Toledo police officer, could not be trusted in matters concerning houses of prostitution and gambling because he was certain that Timiney was receiving protection money. The information furnished by Harrison was of a very general nature, much the same as would be obtained from current newspaper articles.

Information was secured by the investigating Agents in Toledo to the effect that Alvin Karpis had divided \$5,000 with George Timiney in the Algeo Hotel in Toledo. It appeared that this information had come from Sergeant Lynn Mathews who was formerly on the Vice Squad and is now charged with the responsibility of the police garage in Toledo. He was accordingly interviewed and stated that he did not desire to become involved with Captain Timiney and did not desire to be known as a "squawker" in the police department, stating "you fellows know how it is in this department, if they get down on you for squawking you are down". He informed that from some civilian whose name he has not learned he obtained the information to the effect that Karpis divided \$5,000 with George Timiney in Karpis' room in the Algeo Hotel on one occasion. Mathews has promised to learn the identity of this individual so that he may be interviewed by the Agents.

Respectfully,

  
E. A. Tamm.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

August 3, 1936.

Time - 2:20 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Special Agent A. H. Johnson telephoned me from the Chicago Office with reference to the activities of their informant Charles O. Long. Long came into the office this morning with some information concerning \$150,000 in bonds which are said to have been stolen in the robbery of some bank in the vicinity of New York City, the exact robbery not being known to Mr. Johnson and the informant. Long said there is supposed to be a meet tonight in Cleveland, which meet he would like to attend, because in this manner he can get in contact with the parties who have the bonds, and arrange to have them brought to Chicago on a plan to purchase them. Mr. Johnson was calling for Bureau authority to advance this man his railroad ticket and some money for this trip.

I told him to advance this man the money, about \$25.00 or \$30.00, and let him go over to Cleveland and see what he can do, advising the Cleveland Office in the premises so that they might know what is going on.

Mr. Johnson said he would keep in close touch with this situation, and try to make a case if possible.

Time - 4:15 P.M.

Mr. Johnson telephoned me again relative to this situation, and said that since the above telephonic conversation with me, Informant Long came into the office, and said he had received a telephone call; as a result of this there is a possibility in connection with this meet in Cleveland that the bonds will be there. Consequently, this is going to mean that we will have to send an Agent along with the informant, and have the Cleveland Office send a couple of Agents meet the train, and work out appropriate arrangements to cover this meet tonight between the informant and the other men.

Despite the fact that we have no definite information relative to the actual existence of these bonds and as to their stolen character, I told Mr. Johnson to go ahead with the plan above outlined, advising the Cleveland Office, of course, so that they might have some Agents available.

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DIRECTOR

PHONE. UNDER SURVEILLANCE OF SPECIAL AGENT W J DEVEREAUX INFORMANT CHARLES LONG ARRIVED CLEVELAND LAST NIGHT FROM CHICAGO REGISTERING AT STATLER HOTEL HERE. SPECIAL AGENT A H JOHNSON TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED THIS OFFICE THAT LONG HERE TO CONTACT INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE TO PASS ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS IN BONDS STOLEN FROM NEW YORK. IF CONTACT MADE BY LONG HERE IS TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS AT CERTAIN HOUR TO MEET INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE TO DELIVER BONDS TO HIM. LONG WILL ARRIVE TEN MINUTES <sup>later</sup> IN KEEPING APPOINTMENT AND PLAN IS FOR AGENT TO EFFECT ARREST OF INDIVIDUAL BEFORE HIS ARRIVAL AND TO ARREST HIM UPON ARRIVAL AT CONTACT PLACE. ADVISE WHETHER SUCH ARREST SHOULD BE MADE WITHOUT WARRANT AND WHETHER PLAN INDICATED SHOULD BE FOLLOWED, IF NOT, SUGGEST PROCEDURE. AUTHORITY ALSO REQUESTED TO TAP TELEPHONE LONG AT SAID HOTEL

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W. L. LISTENMAN 557,  
Los Angeles, California  
August 1, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,  
Los Angeles, California

Dear Sir:

RE: BREXID

Reference is made to your letter dated June 24, 1936, addressed to this Office, wherein you request that one BREXID be located and interviewed.

Please be advised that inquiries at the General Delivery Window, San Francisco Post Office, revealed that there was one letter for one Robert Reed, and also a forwarding address, on behalf of a Robert Reed to the Stewart Hotel, San Francisco.

The above referred to letter bore the postmark New York City, July 13, 1936, addressed to Robert Reed, General Delivery, Los Angeles, California, forwarded to San Francisco. The letter was taken out of the box yesterday and placed in the dead letter section, inasmuch as there was no return address on the envelope.

Inquiries at the Stewart Hotel revealed that a Robert W. Reed, and his mother, Mrs. C. E. Reed, arrived on July 16, 1936 and left on July 22, 1936. At the time the above Reeds departed from the Stewart Hotel, they left the following forwarding addresses: General Delivery, Los Angeles, California, and 6025 Jefferson Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

A copy of the letter dated July 21, 1936 from the Cleveland Office to this Office, containing information regarding Robert Reed, is being submitted herewith for your assistance in the event Robert Reed is located.

Very truly yours,

W. L. LISTENMAN

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Post Office Box 612,  
Chicago, Illinois

August 4, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,  
St. Paul, Minnesota

Dear Sir,

Re: BREKID

It is noted in a letter written to the St. Paul Office by the Oklahoma City Office, dated July 26, 1936, that a stop card had been placed with the Oklahoma State Highway Commission on June 18, 1936 with reference to 1935 Ford V-8 Tudor Sedan, motor No. 3,044,337.

This motor No. should be 2,044,337.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,  
Special Agent in Charge

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

FILE NO. 7-3

REPORT MADE AT Louisville, Ky.	DATE WHEN MADE 8/4/36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 7/31/36	REPORT MADE BY John L. Madala CAK
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases; I.O. #1232 - FUGITIVE; et al; EDWARD G. BREMER - VICTIM;			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING - HARBORING - OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</p> <p style="text-align: right;">.45 Colt Automatic Pistol, No. C175221 sold by Belknap Hardware &amp; Mfg. Co., Louisville, Ky., on March 9, 1935, to Galax Hardware Co., Galax, Virginia. <i>Proven prior 7-5-36</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">P.</p> <p>REFERENCE: Letter from the New York Bureau Office to the Cincinnati Bureau Office, dated 6/2/36.</p> <p>DETAILS: Reference letter advised that on May 9, 1936, the New Orleans Bureau Office requested the New York Office by teletype to trace Colt .45 automatic Pistol, commercial model, #C175221. It further recited that by letter dated May 26, 1936, Mr. Albert Foster, Jr., of the Colt's Patent Fire Arms Manufacturing Company, advised that this gun was shipped to the Belknap Hardware &amp; Manufacturing Company, Louisville, Ky., on November 7, 1934.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">AT LOUISVILLE, KY.</p> <p>At Belknap Hardware &amp; Manufacturing Company, First &amp; Main Streets, Agent contacted Mr. A. Heyburn, Buyer of firearms, who advised that Colt .45 automatic Pistol, No. C175221, was shipped to the Galax Hardware Company, Galax, Virginia, on March 9, 1935.</p> <p>For the information of the Washington Field Office the above described pistol was taken from the possession of either Alvin</p>			
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Karpis or Fred Hunter at the time they were arrested by Bureau Agents at New Orleans, La.

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THE WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE at Galax, Virginia, is requested to contact the officials of the Galax Hardware Company, and ascertain from them to whom Colt .45 automatic pistol, #C175221 was sold or shipped.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CINCINNATI, OHIO**

FILE NO. **7-82**

REPORT MADE AT <b>Chicago, Illinois</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>8/4/36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>7/28-31/36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>V. E. CRISS</b> VEC:mwc
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, et al.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

CHARLES O. LONG advised WILLIAM ELMER MEAD drove to Omaha, Nebr. from Yellowstone National Park, leaving auto trailer at Scottsbluff, Nebr. LONG and Mrs. MEAD, subsequent to MEAD'S arrest, drove to Scottsbluff and picked up trailer. Mrs. MEAD drove MEAD'S car with trailer attached from Omaha to Chicago. Address of C. HOFFMAN, Room 1038, 190 N. State Street, Chicago, found in possession of MEAD, is address where LONG receives his mail.

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**REFERENCES:**

Report of Special Agent J. L. Flood, Omaha, Nebraska, dated July 23, 1936;  
Report of Special Agent V. E. Criss, Chicago, Illinois, dated July 16, 1936.

**DETAILS:**

**AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS**

CHARLES O. LONG, upon being interviewed, stated that he met Mrs. MEAD in Omaha, Nebraska a day or so after WILLIAM ELMER MEAD was apprehended; that Mrs. MEAD obtained the keys to Mr. MEAD'S Ford 1935 tan sedan, bearing Texas license plates, from MEAD'S attorney; that he, LONG, drove Mrs. MEAD in the said car to Scottsbluff, Nebraska, where they picked up the trailer from a Chevrolet Garage, which was left there by Mr. MEAD. They then drove back to Omaha, Nebraska and Mrs. MEAD, as he, LONG, understands, then drove the Ford automobile with the

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trailer attached to Chicago. Mrs. MEAD also stated that Mr. MEAD had driven in to Omaha from Yellowstone National Park.

In the reference report of Special Agent J. L. FLOOD, it was noted that Mr. MEAD stated that he had arrived in Omaha, Nebraska the day before by plane from Chicago; further, in the same report it is noted that the address of C. HOFFMAN, Room 1038, 190 North State Street, Chicago, was found in a notebook taken from MEAD. MEAD stated that HOFFMAN was a friend of his, but LONG had advised previously that this is the address where he had received his mail and where he had received a telegram from MEAD while at San Antonio, Texas.

It was noted in the report of Special Agent F. C. DORWART, San Francisco, California, dated July 3, 1936, Page 4, that the California State Division of Criminal Identification and Investigation, Sacramento, California, no longer wanted CHARLES O. LONG, with aliases. A disposition sheet with this information inserted accompanies this report to the Bureau.

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