

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION
AND
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**SUBJECT: BARKER/KARPIS GANG
BREMER KIDNAPPING**

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
Post Office Box 2118
Detroit - Michigan
August 11, 1936

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to letter from the Chicago Office to the Detroit Office dated July 25, 1936, in the above entitled case.

There are being transmitted herewith photographic copies of the fingerprints and photographs of Bert Angus and Joseph Roberts, both bearing State Bureau of Identification, Lansing, Michigan, #80391. Pursuant to the request contained in reference letter, it is requested that the Bureau prepare several copies of these photographic copies and forward same to the Cleveland Office for use in conducting investigation at Toledo, Ohio.

Very truly yours,

H. H. Reinecke
H. H. Reinecke
Special Agent in Charge

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August 24, 1936.

7-576-12601

Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Re: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the request of the Bureau Office at Detroit, Michigan, dated August 11, 1936, I am transmitting herewith six photographic copies each of the fingerprints and photographs of BERT ANGUS and JOSEPH ROBERTS, both bearing State Bureau of Identification, Lansing, Michigan, #80391.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure #1146204.

CC - Bureau Office,
Detroit, Michigan.
Bureau Office,
Saint Paul, Minnesota.
Bureau Office,
Chicago, Illinois.
Bureau Office,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

August 12, 1936.

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

Dear Sir:

RE: BREXID

Enclosed herewith are forty-six photographs of individuals whose descriptions are similar to that of one PAUL RENO, subject in the investigation being conducted in Toledo, Ohio, and which photographs were transmitted to this office under date of July 31, 1936.

These photographs were exhibited to [redacted] who stated that none of them is the photograph of PAUL RENO.

Very truly yours,

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

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Post Office Box 211

Chicago, Illinois

August 12, 1936

Special Agent in Charge
Little Rock, Arkansas

Dear Sir:

Re: BREXID

Reference is made to your letter of July 24, 1936, advising that you were shipping a wardrobe suitcase containing the personal effects of Alvin Karpis to this Office.

I desire to advise that upon receipt of this suitcase the writer communicated by telephone with Mr. John Karpavics and on August 11, 1936, he and Mrs. C. J. Vento, called at this Office and claimed same.

The articles contained in this suitcase were inventoried and checked against the receipt which you forwarded with your letter and was signed for by John Karpavics, Mrs. Vento signing as a witness. This receipt was also signed by Special Agents Jerome Doyle and A. J. Norstrom of this Office.

This receipt, properly executed, is being forwarded herewith to your Office for completion of your files.

Very truly yours,

D.L.L.

enc.

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St. Paul
Chicago
Little Rock

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D. H. L.L.
Special Agent in Charge
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404 New York Building
Saint Paul, Minnesota
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Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

HANAP - BREKID

Assistant United States Attorney George Heisey today turned over to this office photographs of various individuals connected with the Hanap case and which photographs were formerly exhibits in the case. He also turned over to me the records of the Riverside Hotel, Reno, Nevada, which were used to prove that Fitzgerald and Breddie Barker were out there in July 1935. Other records turned over by Mr. Heisey included the cancelled check for \$100,000 which was used to procure the cash to be paid as ransom in this case. This was a check drawn by the Hamm Brewing Company of St. Paul on its account. Other exhibits turned over were the records of the United Airlines Company at Chicago, which were used to prove that Fitzgerald and Barker flew to Reno, Nevada, from Chicago in July 1935.

The original ransom notes in this case have likewise been given to this office by Mr. Heisey. Please advise me whether you desire me to forward the above mentioned exhibits to the various individuals and companies who originally produced them. Attached to this letter are the original ransom notes in the Hanap case. It is believed that the Bureau may desire to make them part of its exhibit.

John L. Connolly, City Attorney, St. Paul, Minnesota, today advised me by letter that he feels that it will be necessary to introduce pictures of the two houses in Sarsenville where Hamm and Bremer were held. He also states that it will be desirable to have photostatic copies of the notes in both cases. Inasmuch as the original Brekid notes are still in evidence pending the outcome of Sawyer's and McDonald's appeal, they cannot be obtained by Mr. Connolly. It is suggested that the Bureau consider forwarding photostatic copies of the ransom notes in

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both cases to this office for transmission to Mr. Connolly.

Its advice is also solicited as to whether photographs of the two houses in Bensenville should not also be forwarded to Mr. Connolly. The files in this office contain the photographs of the Bartholmey home in Bensenville, where William Hamm, Jr., was held. However, the files do not disclose photographs of the Farmer home where Edward Bremer was held. Should the Bureau authorize giving these photographs to Mr. Connolly, it is requested that the Bureau furnish copies of the photograph of the Farmer home to this office.

Very truly yours,

C. W. CLIN
Special Agent in Charge

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cc Chicago
Cincinnati

Handwritten notes:
Advised that
Chicago
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Bureau
Bensenville
Bartholmey
Farmer
Hamm
Bremer

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August 20, 1936.

7-576-12604

Mr. C. W. Stein,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
New York Building,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Re: HANAP - BREXID.

Reference is made to your letter of August 12, 1936 wherein copies of the ransom notes in the above-mentioned cases were sent to your office for transmission to John L. Connolly, St. Paul, Minnesota. You also request authority to keep the two houses in Bensenville to Mr. Connolly as of the Barker home where Edward Bremer was held, for your office for this purpose.

As requested you refer to the home of Harold Allderton in St. Paul, Minnesota as stated and, accordingly two copies of the ransom notes are being transmitted under separate cover together with one copy of each of the ransom notes in the two cases as follows:

One beginning, "My Dear Father Deeres" and signed, "A preciative, Edward Bremer".
One beginning, "My Dear Father:" and signed, "Edward".
One beginning, "My Dear Lily" and signed, "As . . . Ed".
One beginning, "My Dearest Pats & Hertzyl" and signed, "Your Own Daddy".
One beginning, "Dear Walter: I'm sorry to have" signed, "Edward E. G. Bremer".
One beginning, "Dear Doctor: I am enclosing" and signed, "Edward G. Bremer".

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Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota,
August 20, 1936.

Ransom note beginning, "Dearest Pats, Please don't worry" and signed "Yours Ed".
Ransom note beginning, "Chas. McGee or Honest Adolph, The coppers joined".
Ransom note beginning, "Adolph Bremer, We are now dealing with you" and signed, "E. G. Bremer".
Ransom note beginning, "Mr. Chas. McGee, You are hereby declared in" and signed, "E. G. Bremer".
Ransom note beginning, "TO THE PAYOFF MAN From here on" and signed, "E. G. Bremer".
Ransom note beginning, "TO THE PAYOFF MAN From here on you are to assume" and signed, "E. G. Bremer".
Ransom note beginning, "YOUR LAST CHANCE" and signed, "E. G. Bremer".
Ransom note beginning, "Chas. McGee or Payoff Man (John B. Brakeham)" and signed, "E. G. Bremer".
Ransom note beginning, "Mr. Wm. Dunn, You have evidently verified" and signed, "William Hamm, Jr.".
Ransom note beginning, "Mr. Wm. Dunn, You're so Goddamned smart" and signed, "William Hamm, Jr.".
Ransom note beginning, "Mr. Wm. Dunn, If you are" and signed, "William Hamm, Jr.".

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

AIR MAIL.
SPECIAL DELIVERY
cc-Cincinnati
Mr. E. J. Connelley Chicago
Cleveland

Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 812,
Chicago, Illinois.

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August 4, 1936

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

Dear Sir,

Re: BREKID.

Charles O. Long, informant of this Office, who assisted in the apprehension of William Elmer Mead, advised that a William Grier or Greer, who claims to be a Special Investigator for the Department of Justice, passed through Chicago about July 15, 1936 and visited with his, Long's, foster-sister, a Mary Gallagher, whom he, Grier, had known when attending High School with her at Lawrence or Bladin, Nebraska.

Long states that Grier told his sister that he knew she had a brother named Charles Long who was a notorious confidence man, and who the Government Agents were watching very closely; that he, Long, had worked with William Elmer Mead, who was recently apprehended, and that they had "cleaned up" nearly a million dollars in the last year or so; that Grier also advised her to tell Long to "dig several ditches behind himself and not to get into any trouble as the Government would prosecute him on the first opportunity".

Long obtained the information from his sister that William Grier received a degree in law from Creighton University, Omaha, Nebraska about 1931 or 1932 and had been down in South Carolina; from there had gone to California and was on his way back to Washington, D. C. when he visited with her.

Long requested that his sister not be contacted as prior to receiving the above information from Grier she never knew that he, Long, was a former confidence man, which he has subsequently denied to her.

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It is requested that a check be made to ascertain if William Grier is in any way connected with the Bureau or the Department of Justice and this Office be notified of the results.

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Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge

Mr. Nathan	✓
Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Baughman	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Coffey	
Mr. Dawsey	
Mr. Edwards	
Mr. Egan	
Mr. Foxworth	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Harbo	
Mr. Joseph	
Mr. Lester	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Quinn	
Mr. Schilder	
Mr. Tamm	
Mr. Tracy	
Miss Gandy	

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August 11, 1936

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7-576-12605
Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of August 4, 1936, in which you advise that one William Greer or Greer recently approached Mary Gallagher, the foster sister of Charles O. Long, and represented to her that he was a Special Investigator for the Department of Justice.

This will advise you that one William A. Greer was employed as a law clerk in the Department of Justice until 1918 when he retired. There is no showing as to the date on which this employment commenced. No other individual by the name of Greer or Greer has been in the employ of the Department.

The Bureau's records disclose that one William A. Greer by letter dated March 18, 1934 requested an application blank for the position of Special Agent. By letter dated March 22, 1934 the Bureau forwarded to Mr. Greer, Hotel Carling, 1511 North La Salle Street, Chicago, Illinois, a blank form to be used in applying for appointment to the position of a Special Agent. Mr. Greer did not return the application blank. The Bureau's files and the Department's files fail to disclose any further information with regard to William Greer or Greer.

It would appear from the facts contained in your letter that there is no violation of the Impersonation Statute.

Very truly yours,

cc-St. Paul
Cincinnati
Cleveland

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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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 Bureau letter of June 9, 1936 directed to your office to which were attached two photostatic copies of an article relating to Sheriff James O'Reilly, entitled "A Metropolitan Sheriff".

The Bureau requested that your office make a discreet and confidential investigation to verify the information contained in the above mentioned article concerning O'Reilly's efficient administration of the Sheriff's Office in Lucas County.

To date no advice with reference to this matter has been received from your office. Please give this matter your immediate attention.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover,

Director.

cc-Mr. Connelley (Chicago)
St. Paul
Cincinnati

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J. H. KRM



Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
508 Medical Arts Bldg.,
Nashville, Tennessee.

August 12, 1936.

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

Dear Sir:

Bureau letter dated August 6, 1936,
requests that the Nashville Office return to the
Bureau one copy of the mimeographed summary report
of Special Agent K. R. McIntire, dated April 10,
1935, in the case entitled Alvin Karpis, with aliases,
et al.; Edward George Bremer, Victim, Kidnaping.

This is to advise that the Bureau
furnished the Nashville Office only one copy of this
report, in view of which, it will be retained at
the Nashville Office, in the absence of further
instructions from the Bureau.

Yours very truly,

T. N. Stapleton

T. N. STAPLETON,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 2118

Detroit - Michigan

August 12, 1936

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Transmitted to the Bureau and to the offices listed below are copies of two letters written by Dolores Delaney, an inmate of the United States Detention Farm, Milan, Michigan—one to her mother and the other to her father. Also transmitted are copies of letter written to Miss Delaney by John Karpevich, 2843 North Francisco Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Photostatic copies of the above letters were received at the Detroit Office through Mr. John J. Ryan, Superintendent of the Detention Farm.

Very truly yours,

H. H. Reinecke
H. H. Reinecke
Special Agent in Charge

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Milan, Michigan
Box 1000
Aug. 1 - 1936

Dear Mother

I received your last letter sometime ago but I couldn't answer until the first. I had already written you last month in answer to the letter you sent me for my birthday. Didn't you get it? I am not much in the mood for writing right now and you can most likely understand why. It almost seems as if I can't stand it - He really didn't deserve what he got - Mother - I believe I know him better than almost anyone in the world and he is so good - really and truly. I would take his place glad if I could - And now I'm not even sure if we will be allowed to write to each other any more - I honestly believe I'll go crazy if I can't hear from him at least once in awhile. Just to see a few lines of his hand writing and to hear how he is feeling would help so much - and to think I may even be denied that just drives me daffy. Oh, Mother Darling, don't worry about me any. I suppose I'll live through it. They say a person can get over anything - and if I ever get over this I'll believe it. I do love him so much. Once I never even dreamed it possible to care so much for anyone.

I received a letter from Karpis' a few days ago and they said little Ray is getting bigger and meaner every day. It seems he is taking after me in some respects, especially the the meanness.

I heard from Babe and Bud last month and also got the sweetest letter from Dad. I was certainly surprised to hear from him. He sent me a dollar for my birthday. I am going to write him again as soon as I get to feeling better. I have had the beastliest headache for the last week.

This letter is nothing but complaints but I will try to write much more cheerfully next time. As I said I didn't feel like writing but I felt I should answer your last letter and let you know I was still alive and kicking. I dont suppose I should send this letter to you but now that it's written I shall mail it. I shall close for now and expect to hear from you soon.

Love

Dolores

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Milan, Michigan
Box 1000
Aug. 3 - 1936

Dearest Dad:

I wrote you last month and I have been wondering whether or not you received my letter. I couldn't write to you directly just then so I sent it to Bud and asked him to forward it to you. How are you getting along now? okay, I hope. Have you heard from any of the family lately? I guess there are none of us any too crazy about writing letters. Bud has been writing me every month pretty regularly and so has Mother. I hear from Babe once in awhile but I haven't heard from Mugs for about a year. Karpis' write to me pretty often to tell me about Little Ray and I have been hearing from Alvin each week. He was sentenced and sent away last week tho' and I won't be able to hear from him so often now, if at all. He said he was going to try hard to get permission to keep writing to me and I sure hope he can do it - I'd sure hate to think I could never hear from him anymore - his letters mean a lot to me. Well, I don't suppose you're especially interested in those things, are you?

Well, Dad, I certainly wish you could see your grandson - he's sure a dandy - the folks say he is getting bigger and meaner every day - so I guess he is taking after me in some respects - what do you think? He is certainly big for his age and he runs around like a little jack-rabbit. You know he is eighteen months old now but he looks like he is over two. His hair is real light brown almost blonde and his eyes are blue. He looks like his Dad and he's good looking if I do say so myself - although I may be the only one who thinks so - who knows - well, it makes no difference.

Today is Sunday and it is sure a long day - they always are - there never seems to be anything to do. Weekdays I work on the ironing board doing the guards shirts - I'm just crazy about it.

Hey, got a girl friend yet? Don't say no 'cause I won't believe you - How could a big, good looking guy like you keep away from them - I'm not fooling now - I'm serious as can be. I have a car outside which I am having sold but when I get out I am going to buy a new one and I shall drive up to see you and find out for myself. Would you like that? I'll probably bring my great big son up with me - wouldn't you like to see him?

I suppose everyone has been talking about the weather but then it has sure been something to talk about. It was dreadful here for a few weeks but it's cooled off some lately. If it had kept up much

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longer I don't know how I could have.

Well, Darling, I shall say goodbye now as I know I am probably boring you. Write soon.

Love and kisses

Your "baby"

Dolores.

P.S. You can say "hello" to the girl friend for me.

P.S. 2 - But don't kiss her for me. I'm afraid I'd be too jealous to like her that well.

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2843 N. Francisco Ave.
Chicago, Ill.
Aug. 4

Dear Dolores:-

We just received a letter from Alvin. We dont know whether you knew that he is already in Leavenworth. He is well and says that it is much better than he expected. He also said that if he is allowed to he will write to you next week. (he's allowed to write 1 per wk) If not he asked me to tell you that he is O.K.

Raymond is getting along fine. He's 18 months old now so we thought it was time for long pants for him. We got him a pair of light summer slacks. We just tried them on and he looks so cute in them. The bigger he gets the more independent he gets. He doesnt want anyone to help him any where.

Your brother was here on his way to work today. We havent heard from your sisters or your mother.

Raymond was feeling sick for a few days during the heat wave. In fact we were all feeling it. But we are all fine now. It has cooled off now.

If you hear from Alvin let us know.

Sincerely,

J. Karpavicz

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Post Office Box 2118
Detroit - Michigan
August 12, 1936

Mr. John J. Ryan
Superintendent
United States Detention Farm
Milan, Michigan

Dear Mr. Ryan:

Re: BREKID

This will acknowledge receipt of photostatic copies of two letters written by Dolores Delaney, an inmate of your institution, one to her mother and the other to her father, as well as of letter received by Miss Delaney from John Karpavics of Chicago, Illinois.

Thank you for your cooperation in transmitting these to us.

Very truly yours,

H. H. Reinecke
Special Agent in Charge

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington Field Office, Room 4244,
Washington, D. C.

August 13, 1936.

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

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, w.a.; DR. JOSEPH P.
MORAN, w.a. - FUGITIVE, I.C.#1232;
et al; EDWARD G. BREMER - VICTIM;
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES;
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL
FIREARMS ACT.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the request contained in your letter dated August 7, 1936, I am returning herewith one mimeographed copy of the summary report of Special Agent K. R. McIntire, dated April 10, 1935, in the above entitled case.

Very truly yours,

J. M. Keith

J. M. KEITH, EAT
Special Agent in Charge.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

EAT:CDW

Federal Bureau of Investigation

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

August 10, 1936.

Time - 9:02 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Special Agent S. K. McKee telephoned me from Cleveland with reference to the setup there in Cleveland. He said that he had a talk with Mr. Connelley at New York relative to the situation in Cleveland, and Mr. Connelley is of the opinion that rather than making raids on the various houses of prostitution there at this time, it would be well to get copies of various vice surveys made by the Cleveland Health Clinic which show the extent of prostitution in Cleveland, the location of the various houses, and use these surveys as the basis for the general investigation. Mr. McKee said they are writing in to the Bureau for authority to place a couple of telephone taps, one on the largest house of prostitution in Cleveland, and the other on the telephone of the person who is supposed to be the "big shot" in the slot machine racket in Cleveland. While these taps are running, they are going to make observations in the vicinity of possibly 40 or 50 of the houses of prostitution, and ascertain definitely that they are running as houses of prostitution before they are raided.

In connection with the investigation there, Mr. McKee said that they would like to have a couple of Buicks. He said that of the automobiles assigned to the Cleveland Office, one is the emergency car, and the others are Hudsons, some of which are undergoing repairs. I told Mr. McKee to get in touch with the Pittsburgh Office and see if Mr. Shivers can spare two of his Buicks. I told him that Shivers would have to send one Buick in any event, but that if he could not conveniently spare two, he, McKee, should get in touch with the Detroit Office to get this automobile. If the Detroit Office can not spare it, he should get in touch with the Indianapolis Office. Mr. McKee said they are also going to need the dial recording machine which is now in the possession of the Pittsburgh Office, and I told him that this machine can be brought over in the automobile which is brought from Pittsburgh.

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In connection with the transportation of the automobiles from the various offices to Cleveland, Mr. McKee said that since he would not particularly need all of the men assigned to the special squad until the telephone taps are placed, he could send his men after the automobiles and thus not cripple the offices from which the automobiles are obtained any more than possible.

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Mr. McKee said that as soon as they get the situation with reference to the telephone taps lined up, they are going to need Special Agent J. M. Jones to put them in. I told him that Jones is probably in Toledo at this time, since we wired him about Friday in New York to report to Agent Suran in Toledo when he finished in New York.

He continued that they wanted to request authority to hire either a Ford or a Chevrolet at the local Hudson dealer. I granted this authority, but cautioned Mr. McKee to be careful with the car and see that it is not lost.

Respectfully,


E. A. TAMM.

Post Office Box 1060
Trenton,

Federal Building
New Jersey

August 13, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
San Antonio, Texas.

Re: BREXID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of August 5, 1936 relative to G. L. Bates being wanted by the Newark, New Jersey Police Department.

Detective John Reilly of the Newark Police Department stated that he was interested in the case against Bates, but he had received a letter some time in March or April from Chief of Police Owen F. Kilday of San Antonio, Texas, advising that they could locate Bates in Newark, New Jersey. The case was discussed with the prosecutor who advised the Police Department at that time, that he would not authorize their bringing Bates back from that distance. Also, the man who was swindled by Bates in Newark, New Jersey, now resides in Reading, Pennsylvania, and he would not come to Newark for the complaint without the police paying his way. For this reason, they can do nothing about it. Mr. Reilly, stated, however, that if Bates were to be picked up nearer to Newark, for instance, New York City, they would be only too glad to have him brought back to Newark.

Very truly yours,

CIL:RET

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E. L. RICHMOND,
Special Agent in Charge.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Cincinnati, Ohio**

Cleveland FILE NO. **7-1**

REPORT MADE AT Cleveland, Ohio	DATE WHEN MADE 8/11/36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 8/7 to 10/36	REPORT MADE BY S. K. McKee SKM/EDB
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:

Copies of surveys of commercialized vice in Cleveland as prepared by investigators of American Social Hygiene Association during 1928-1930-1932 secured and they indicate extent and location of houses of prostitution. Investigation of vice, gambling and official corruption in Cleveland to be made for use as background in harboring inquiry this case. Present investigation will cover observations of various houses of prostitution in order to definitely ascertain activities and taps on telephones of Ardelle Quinn and Kate Weisenberg, leading figures in vice and gambling, will be installed immediately.

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REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent C. E. Smith, dated at Cleveland, Ohio, 8/4/36.

DETAILS:

AT CLEVELAND, OHIO

Special Agents S. K. McKee, C. E. Smith, J. E. Brennan, A. P. Kitchin, R. T. Noonan, and J. B. Fitzgerald have been assigned to conduct an investigation at Cleveland and other necessary points, of the harboring of fugitives incidental to the kidnaping of Edward George Bremer, and with respect to the general situation in Cleveland in the way of vice, gambling and official corruption, which made the harboring violations

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possible, this investigation being under the supervision of Inspector E. J. Connelley.

It is planned to make surveys of vice and gambling conditions in Cleveland in order to obtain information in the way of background and data as to police connections with the underworld prior to commencing the actual investigation with respect to the harboring case proper, as it is believed that data regarding these conditions will be of material assistance when the harboring case is undertaken.

At the present time it is contemplated that the following individuals are possible subjects of this investigation. However, none of their names will be carried in the title of this case until the investigation has reached the stage where it can be submitted to the United States Attorney at Cleveland for prosecutive action:

Arthur W. Hebebrand;
James Patton,
James "Tip" O'Neill and wife;
William Fergus;
Sharkey Gorman;
C. H. Mitchell;
Milton Lett;
John Brock;
George "Burrhead" Keady; and
Frank J. Noonan,

in addition to the police officer or officers who participated in the harboring activities.

Ultimately it is planned to visit a representative number of houses of prostitution and question the madams and inmates for information as to their background, activities, relations with the police, etc. in order to obtain data on official corruption, if possible. Any violation of the White Slave Traffic Act developed through these inquiries will be referred to the interested offices for attention.

At the present time, in line with plans approved by Inspector E. J. Connelley, observations will be made of various houses of prostitution in order to definitely ascertain that these places are operating on that basis, so this information may be available when it becomes desirable to visit these houses and take aggressive action. During the period the above observations are being made, it is planned to install telephone taps on the telephones of Arielle Quinn, 1916 East 84th Street, and Nat Weisenberg, 3558 Rymont Boulevard, Cleveland, Ohio, who are regarded as leading figures in the vice and gambling groups here, for the purpose of obtaining possible information regarding the mediums

through which pay offs are accomplished and the persons to whom the pay offs are made. At later dates additional taps may be installed on the basis of information obtained through the above taps, or independently. It is observed that the house of prostitution operated by the Quian woman has been mentioned during the course of the harboring investigation at Toledo, also in the case entitled, MRS. MAE SCHEIBLE, with aliases; BARBARA WILLIAMS, ET AL - VICTIMS; WHITE SLAVE TRAFFIC ACT. Weisenberg is alleged to be the king pin in the slot machine racket in Cleveland, and has connections with and is intimate with Art Hebebrand and his associates at the Harvard Club in Newburg Heights, Ohio, a suburb of Cleveland, which is the place where fugitives in this case are alleged to have spent considerable time and through whose operators they secured places to live, and received other assistance while in this vicinity.

Through Mr. Howard W. Green of the Cleveland Health Clinic, 1900 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, copies of surveys of the vice conditions in the city, made during 1928, by investigators for the American Social Hygiene Association, were obtained. The summary portions of the latest of these surveys will be incorporated in this report, as they give a good picture of the vice setup in the city. Also obtained from Mr. Green was a copy of the survey map showing location in the city of houses of prostitution. This map and the various surveys indicate rather conclusively that the larger percentage of houses of prostitution are located in the eastern section of the city in a fairly well confined area.

Through Mr. Delo Mook of the Legal Department, The Cleveland Trust Company, who is an official of the Cleveland Health Clinic, copies of two additional surveys for the years 1930 and 1932 were obtained. Mr. Mook advised that copies of all of these surveys had been furnished to the police chief and to the mayor at the times they were made, but that no action had been taken as a result thereof. According to Mr. Mook the only action taken by the police with respect to commercialized prostitution has been sporadic raids on houses of prostitution during election periods and when new police chiefs have assumed office. Mr. Mook offered to have a new survey made in order to show present conditions and to include, if possible graft paid by resort operators to officials. The writer advised him that we would be glad to receive a copy of such a survey, but that we did not wish to request that an additional survey be undertaken.

The above contacts with Mr. Green and Mr. Mook were made on the basis of possible white slave traffic act violations and both men assured the writer that the contacts would be treated in confidence.

The survey obtained from the Cleveland Health Clinic deals with the vice situation from the standpoint of go-betweens, hotels where women may be obtained, houses of prostitution maintained by madams,

who share in the earnings of the inmates, houses of prostitution maintained by one or more prostitutes who retain their own earnings, massage parlors, and street walkers. Each of the above classifications are dealt with in numerous fact pictures with key reference to dates, names and addresses and other factual data. From these surveys will be taken the locations of some houses of prostitution for use in the present investigation. It is to be noted from the various surveys that the condition of commercialized vice in Cleveland became more aggravated during the period of 1928-32, and inasmuch as nothing has been done about the situation by the local authorities, it is only reasonable to assume that it has not improved recently.

SUMMARY OF SURVEY DATED JANUARY 9-17, 1928

This third survey of commercialized prostitution conditions in Cleveland was made during the second week of January, 1928. All places reported upon in October, 1927, were rechecked; and in addition, many new resorts were discovered.

In comparing the present conditions with the findings in October, 1927, it may readily be seen that the vice situation in Cleveland today is considerably worse.

The October survey showed 35 resorts operating as houses of prostitution; 29 of these places were found to be flagrantly operating, and of which 28 were colored and one white. The 6 that were found closed had discontinued operating for various voluntary reasons. The information obtained indicated that the local authorities had not been responsible for these discontinuances.

In addition to the 29 places previously reported upon, and found operating during this survey, 34 new resorts were located, of which 28 were flagrantly operated and 6 clandestinely; and of these 24 were colored (flagrant).

Most of these places are conducted by Negro prostitutes. From one to three prostitutes dwell in each of these dilapidated, unsanitary, ill smelling houses, and ply their trade with extreme flagrantcy from 11 A. M. until long after dark. They were seen seated and standing in the open doors and behind lace-curtained windows, calling out and tapping on the window panes to all white men who chanced to pass.

On such streets as East 12th (2400 block); Scoville, S.E., (1200-1900 block); Parkman Court (1200 block); Webster (1200 block); Marion Avenue (1500 to 1900 block); and other streets in juxtaposition thereto, one could not venture without being accosted at nearly every

other doorway or window.

During the afternoons school children pass through some of these streets and even their presence did not act as a deterrent to the activities of the prostitutes.

The Negro prostitutes confine their activities almost wholly to white men. Repeatedly scores of white men, some of whom appeared to be natives and others foreigners, were seen to enter and leave the various houses.

The main source of attraction of the Negro prostitutes is the pervert practices which they offer. These women do not hesitate to describe in unmistakable terms the most revolting and degrading pervert acts which they are willing to perform for sums ranging from \$1 to \$2.

Some of these women admitted having come to Cleveland from Detroit because they had heard of the more favorable prostitution conditions to be found here. When questioned about police vigilance, such answers as "We see none of them,"; "They pass through, but don't bother us much" and "It's easy to work here" were received.

After seeing these prostitutes operating day after day and observing new places opening almost daily, one cannot question the accuracy of the remarks of the prostitutes, as given above.

The parlor house or brothel situation is somewhat different. This type of resort is scattered quite generally throughout the residential section which lies east of 14th, to 105th Street, from St. Clair to Woodland Avenue; and in most cases is clandestinely conducted.

The patrons of these places are usually men known to the madams or inmates, or brought or sent by taxicab chauffeurs, bellboys in hotels, or other third parties who aid or abet in the practice of prostitution.

These parlor houses usually harbor from two to four inmates whose prices range from \$3 to \$10.

Perversion is not practiced as much in these places as it is in the cheaper resorts.

In October, 1927, 15 such resorts were investigated. During the January recheck, these and two additional ones were reported upon. Among the 17 visited, one was flagrantly conducted, 10 clandestinely, and 3 were found to be not operating, having removed to parts unknown on account of complaints of neighbors, 2 were relocated at new addresses to which they had but recently moved in order to secure larger and more

luxurious quarters; and one, which was formerly a parlor house, was rented by two prostitutes who now conduct the premises as a house of prostitution.

The madams and inmates of these places did not hesitate to state that the police do not interfere with them, provided outward decency is maintained and that there are no boisterous carryings on.

Most of the resorts of this type serve intoxicants at prices ranging from 25 to 75 cents per drink. In some of them the inmates share in the revenue derived from this source, whereas in others they do not.

The hotel situation is about the same as in October. Five of the 7 reported upon were operating much more flagrantly with prostitutes. In two instances the managements had augmented the number of residential prostitutes because of a large convention; as a result, the two places were being run in true parlor-house style. In the two hotels in which no violations were found during this survey, the management of one had changed, and the other had no resident prostitutes. In addition to the 7 hotels originally reported upon in October, at least 15 others were visited, but no violations were observed.

Among the prospective go-betweens, a score or more were interviewed. The majority suggested places previously visited and eight offered new resorts.

Bellboys, other hotel employees, taxicab chauffeurs, etc., when approached, were only too eager to act in the capacity of go-betweens. From the higher-priced resorts these go-betweens receive a percentage of the customers' spendings; but as to the cheaper places the go-betweens depend entirely upon the generosity of the prospective customer for a liberal tip. None of the go-betweens asked any questions which might be construed to mean that they were seeking the identification of the potential customer.

Of the 9 massage parlors investigated, 4 were previously reported upon and 5 new ones were located, all of which were operated by white persons. Four of those reported on in October and one new resort were found to be operating flagrantly; two of the new ones were running clandestinely, and two were found to be respectable. The 7 operating illegally, advertise from day to day under the Beauty Parlor Classification of the Cleveland Plain Dealer.

In some of these so-called massage parlors sexual intercourse or perversion could be had; in others only "local treatments" (i. e. masturbation). None of the persons connected with these resorts hesitated to admit the true character of the places.

The Downtown retail business area between Public Square and 22nd Street, from Superior to Prospect Avenues, had more than its quota of disorderly hotels. These included both those which catered exclusively to the business of prostitution, and the ones in which the bellboys and other employees provided resident or non-resident prostitutes on request of male patrons.

The vast Negro quarter, which extends roughly from 9th to 55th Street between Central and Orange Avenues, and in its most thickly populated area scores of flagrantly conducted brothels. Colored prostitutes stood in doorways or sat at windows, and called or tapped, and in many instances implored white passersby to enter their hovel-like resorts wherein all sorts of sexual perversion were offered at prices ranging from \$1 to \$2.

The mid and uptown rapidly deteriorating residential and secondary business centers, from 55th to 107th Streets between Lexington and Carnegie Avenues, had more or less scattered white resorts. These places were mainly clandestinely conducted. They included private dwellings given exclusively to the business of prostitution and apartments in large and small apartment houses, many of which were alleged to have more disorderly tenants than respectable ones.

Throughout the period covered by the ten investigations, the surveys clearly indicated that conditions remained practically the same. Here and there a few colored resorts were closed, only to have new ones spring up in the immediate neighborhood.

Some of the resorts operated by white persons were proceeded against by the authorities, and invariably the operators resumed business at new addresses, usually not far from the old place of activity. Resort keepers and prostitutes repeatedly stated that spasmodic raids by the police had occurred. They termed these raids as "spring cleaning" and "knockoffs before election to make a good showing", all of which they admitted had been anticipated by the resort operators. The occasional spurts of law enforcement did not discourage nor seriously inconvenience the violators. According to their statements, such raids were looked upon as "temporary business set backs", the financial losses involved being easily retrieved in the time elapsing between raids. As a result, many of the same resorts continued to operate, in some instances with the same prostitutes. Even along the streets, as well as in some hotel lobbies, the same street-walking prostitutes were encountered time and again. The addresses reported repeatedly during the past surveys show that a majority of the resorts were in continuous operation throughout the past three and one-quarter years.

Each day and night the streets were observed for street walkers. In the down-town section of the city an occasional prostitute was found; usually she operated very cautiously in selecting the type of man to accost.

On upper Euclid Avenue in the neighborhood of 77th Street and vicinity, seven or eight street walkers were seen nightly; they usually confined their approaches to men in automobiles who cruise about for the purpose of picking up prostitutes or charity girls.

The white street walkers apparently are the only ones who fear the police. They admitted that if they were fortunate enough to have trade sent to their homes, they would not run the risk of arrest, as the vice squad apparently tries to keep some of the streets free of street-soliciting prostitutes.

To my mind the situation in Cleveland is steadily getting worse. Information secured in Detroit tended to indicate that the police are doing effective work in repressing prostitution there; Toledo was said to be in the throes of another vice clean up; and with the laxity of law enforcement so apparent in Cleveland, it seems beyond reasonable doubt that that city is bound to receive many of the prostitutes from these two nearby communities.

SUMMARY OF SURVEY DATED OCTOBER 10-16, 1930

Since July, 1927, ten surveys of commercialized prostitution conditions have been made in Cleveland, Ohio. Each was of seven days' duration, which length of time was ample to secure an impression of general conditions. On account of the great size of the city, a detailed study of all neighborhoods would have required considerably more time than was available for the purpose.

The purpose of these surveys was to ascertain the localities in which commercialized prostitution was in operation, secure an estimate of its extent and the methods employed in operating the resorts, and to discover what if any repressive measures were used by the local authorities.

The first survey indicated that the major part of Cleveland's commercialized prostitution problem was centered in various areas or localities each of Public Square.

It may, therefore, be assumed that with this continuity of operations, the owners of their agents, or both, must have guilty knowledge of the activities of their disorderly tenants.

During this last survey, resort keepers and prostitutes stated that the new Chief of Police instituted a clean up as soon as he had taken office, and that his raids lasted for some five weeks, but finally, it was said, they had diminished greatly in number. Some of the resort keepers stated that the Chief had been severely criticized by the local newspapers for his activities against vice when the city was being overrun by racketeers who committed major crimes which went unsolved. When questioned, various underworld characters stated that a resort keeper or a prostitute have very little to fear from the police, provided they do not engage in window or doorway soliciting, or operate so flagrantly as to invoke complaints from their neighbors.

The results of the raids surely indicated no substantial improvement as regards commercialized prostitution. Most of the same resorts were found still to be operating, a majority of them as flagrantly as ever before.

It may be assumed that white resorts, operating flagrantly, would immediately invite complaints from citizen neighbors and so attract attention from the police, and as a result very few white places apparently were conducted flagrantly. But the colored resorts could not operate more flagrantly, openly or boldly than was found to be the case. One madame said, "I've never had any trouble with the police, and I've been here for ten years." Another one said she had been operating there for over 20 years and had never come in contact with the authorities. She said that in the event of a raid or arrest, a conviction meant nothing more than a small fine.

Among the colored prostitutes the amount of perversion offered was startling. It was apparent that they were utilizing this type of immoral act to stimulate business, and in very plain and unmistakable terms, they repeatedly described the various types of sexual perversion in which they were willing to indulge. It seemed that the colored prostitutes dealt almost exclusively with this trade. Colored men were not accosted, whereas any white man, as soon as he came within hailing distance of a resort, was attracted by loud window tapping and calling, many times simultaneously from both sides of the street.

The various phases of prostitution encountered during this survey, have been classified, as follows:

CLASS C: Embraces all third parties, such as hotel clerks, bellboys and elevator operators, taxicab chauffeurs, etc., who aid or abet in procuring trade for individual prostitutes, or for resorts wherein prostitution is practiced.

Each one of the 45 prospective go-betweens interviewed offered to aid the investigator in one way or another to secure a prostitute. Some of them demanded a sort of cursory identification, whereas a majority readily and promptly volunteered pertinent information as to the immediate whereabouts of prostitutes or resorts, when the intentions of the investigator were intimated to them. Of these 45 prospects, only 7 were reported upon in detail because the other 38 suggested prostitutes or places already known about or reported. The 7 included 5 bellboys (2 white, 3 colored) and 2 white taxicab chauffeurs; 5 operated in a semi-flagrant manner, that is, they did not volunteer the information until they knew that the interviewer was seeking a prostitute, and 2 operated in a semi-clandestine manner, in that they demanded a sort of cursory identification. The 7 recommended 2 brothels (Class H resorts) and 3 hotels (Class D).

A brothel owner admitted that when customers were sent to her by hotel bellboys or brought by taxicab chauffeurs, she gave them \$2 for each customer. This, of course, was indirectly paid by the patron, inasmuch as the price quoted to such customers always included an extra fee of \$2 for the go-between.

CLASS D: This class embraces buildings, licensed by city ordinance as hotels, wherein prostitutes may reside and practice immoral acts, or where rooms may be rented to prostitutes and their male customers for immoral purposes, or where prostitutes from outside are permitted to visit male guests in their rooms.

The hotel situation in Cleveland during this last survey was found to be substantially the same as in all previous investigations. There were in all 16 hotels visited, all of which had been previously reported upon; 4 of the 16 were found still not catering to prostitution; and 12, one of which had previously been found to be respectable, were involved in catering to prostitution in one way or another by either harboring prostitutes, or permitting them to frequent the rooms of male guests, or renting rooms to transient couples for immoral purposes. The 12 operated in a semi-flagrant manner, and of the total of 15 prostitutes interviewed in them, 2 offered sexual intercourse only, and 13 tendered sexual intercourse or perversion, at prices ranging from \$3 to \$7.

CLASS E: Embraces individual prostitutes operating in one or two-family dwellings, flats or apartment houses without the supervision of a madam.

Last February, 55 Class E resorts were reported upon. During this last survey 50 of them (2 white, 48 colored) were revisited. Of that number, 26 (2 white, 24 colored) were found to be still operating, and 24 colored were found to be closed. In a few instances the reasons for the closures were attributed to police activities, but in most of the cases the investigator was unable to obtain reasons other than that the former occupant had moved to parts unknown. In addition there were 19 new colored places discovered. In all, 45 (2 white, 43 colored) places were found to be operating; 44 (1 white, 43 colored) operated flagrantly and 1 white resort was being conducted semi-clandestinely.

In these 45 places there were interviewed a total of 51 (2 white, 49 colored) prostitutes, of which 18 (2 white, 16 colored) offered sexual intercourse only and 33 colored tendered sexual intercourse or perversion, at prices as follows: 49 colored quoted \$1 to \$2; and 2 white prostitutes asked \$3 and \$5, respectively.

CLASS G: This class includes massage parlors which advertise in the local newspapers, where the operators, under the guise of therapeutic treatments, offered various forms of immorality.

An appreciable improvement was noted in the massage parlor situation. One of the most effective means of reducing this type or phase of prostitution, has been to deny the operators of such "massage parlors" the right to advertise in local newspapers. The legitimate massage parlor operators of Cleveland were alleged to have informed the newspapers that many of the so-called massage parlors, whose advertisements they had been accepting and publishing in the Personal and Beauty classifications, were nothing more than resorts wherein prostitution or other forms of immorality were being practiced. As a result, the Cleveland Plain Dealer refused to accept advertisements for such "parlors", unless the operators were duly licensed Masseuses. Two of the massage parlor operators stated to the investigator that they had been denied the right to advertise in the newspapers. One other stated that a police officer attached to the police precinct in which her resort was located, had called upon her and informed her that in order to give a massage, the operator would have to be licensed; but he also informed her that it was not necessary to have a license to "give body rubs." However, she said she had been advised to "get rid" of one of her operators who, she admitted, practiced sexual intercourse and perversion.

The daily press carried advertisements of four massage parlors, each of which was investigated and found to be legitimately conducted.

The five parlors which had been previously reported as operating illegitimately, were also reinvestigated. Two were found to be still operating illegally, and three had moved. Two of these three were said to have been forced out by the police, and the other one had discontinued on account of lack of business. The two found to be operating admitted that their patronage had decreased considerably since being denied the right to advertise in the local newspapers; they said that it was only possible for them to continue operating because they had an established clientele. In both instances, illegitimate treatments were offered. One operator tendered sexual intercourse or a local treatment (masturbation), and the other offered local treatment only, at prices ranging from \$2 to \$3.

CLASS H: Embraces resorts operating with prostitute-inmates supervised by a madam or other operator.

The results of this last survey seemed to show only a slight improvement in this class of prostitution resorts in Cleveland. In February, 1930, there were reported 16 (9 white, 7 colored) such places. Upon investigation, 2 white resorts were found to be still operating; 2 white ones had been closed by police activity; and 12 (5 white, 7 colored) had discontinued their operations for reasons which the investigator was unable to ascertain. In addition, 4 (3 white, 1 colored) new places were found to be operating.

Of the total of 6 places found to be operating, 1 colored resort was being flagrantly conducted and 5 white ones were operated clandestinely.

In these 6 places a total of 9 (6 white, 3 colored) prostitutes were interviewed; 2 whites offered sexual intercourse only, and 7 (4 white, 3 colored) tendered sexual intercourse or perversion, at prices ranging from \$2 to \$7.

CLASS K: Embraces observations made daily of street conditions, with particular attention to the prevalence and activity of street-walking prostitutes who use the main thoroughfares as a means of securing patrons.

During the course of this survey the main thoroughfares and adjoining streets were kept under daily observation, and many of the same prostitutes who had been noticed soliciting time and again were seen. The investigator was flagrantly and boldly accosted by 20 dif-

ferent prostitutes in various sections of the city, chiefly along Euclid Avenue in the vicinity of 77th Street, and to a somewhat less extent in the main business section. Of the 20 (12 white, 8 colored), 4 white prostitutes offered sexual intercourse only and 16 (8 white, 8 colored) tendered sexual intercourse or perversion, at prices ranging from \$2 to \$5.

CONCLUSION

The attempt at repression of commercialized prostitution in Cleveland under the new Chief of Police brought about the closing of a few resorts, but it was apparent that the closing in most instances was only temporary, new resorts were discovered, and the methods of operation of prostitutes and resort keepers had not changed appreciably.

Cleveland is still in the category of cities having a large number of flagrantly operated and easily accessible resorts catering to prostitution.

SUMMARY OF SURVEY DATED APRIL 6-12, 1932

During April, 1932, a seven-day survey of the commercialized aspects of prostitution was made in Cleveland, Ohio. The purpose of the survey was to ascertain the locations in which prostitution is most prevalent, its extent and accessibility, the methods employed in the operation of the resorts, and whether or not the local authorities invoke repressive measures, or pursue a policy of toleration.

The survey had not progressed very far before it became evident that most of the prostitution resorts are situated east of Public Square between Payne and Orange Avenues.

Those most flagrantly conducted are located in close proximity to the principal retail business area. They are concentrated mainly in and about the Negro center, and gradually become more scattered and clandestine as the easterly sections are approached. Some resorts have already penetrated well into neighborhoods which were, in some instances still are, considered the better residential east side areas.

Experience has shown that prostitution interests usually seek locations in the poorer sections of a city, apparently because the residents seldom protest against their operations.

The persons engaged in the business of prostitution, if given an opportunity, will use whatever tactics seem necessary to increase the patronage of their resorts. The method which apparently yields the best returns is known as "window tapping", and "doorway soliciting", and archaic procedure prohibited in many cities even during the days of the "Red-light districts."

It was said that Cleveland abolished its red-light district years ago. It did so, but has since permitted prostitution resorts to again become established in groups which create the atmosphere of a "line" in certain areas.

The area from 12th to 14th Street on Scovill Avenue and vicinity is commonly regarded as a "vice district", and differs only from that of former days by the absence of the red lights and raucous strains of the automatic pianos.

Until a year or so ago this neighborhood was almost wholly colored. Quite recently white prostitutes have invaded it, and have become inmates in resorts said to be operated by colored "landladies."

In some of the places both colored and white inmates are harbored; whereas others are exclusively white. Most of these brothels commence operations as early as 10 A. M. and continue into the night.

Each house attracts patronage by window tapping, and scarcely any man is permitted to pass without being tapped to from the windows of the houses on both sides of the street. On occasion groups of men, some potential customers, others merely sightseers, were seen entering and leaving the resorts, and loitering about on the street.

On two different afternoons several boys, not over 16 years of age, who appeared to be high school students, were seen wandering about in the vicinity of the resorts, stopping in front of various houses, looking intently and curiously in at the women.

A prostitute-inmate of one resort was asked if boys of the age of the two standing in front of the house were admitted. She answered, "No, you got to be 18 to get in here. That's pig meat." Her inmate friend, however, was not quite so particular. She "hustled", as they term window soliciting, the boys, and one was seen to enter later.

Various reasons were cited for the influx of white prostitutes into this area. Some claimed the patrons tired of colored

prostitutes; others that it is the only section where money may be made; and still others stated that of all the police precincts in Cleveland this, the First Precinct, is the best to operate in.

The question of police protection was advanced, and various opinions were voiced by persons identified with prostitution. Some said that the uniformed officers on post are paid by the resort operators not to become too conspicuous near their places, others claimed that they avoid arrest by "paying off" members of the vice squads, whom they described as having become "very hungry" of late, and still others mentioned that, if arrested, their lawyers usually "square things" with the arresting officers so that "they go easy on the stand", and the case is either "thrown out", or the defendant discharged. As one put it, "You can do anything with 'oday' (money) and the right backing."

Most of the persons interviewed seemed unanimous in the opinion that they have been unable to figure out how the new mayor ultimately intends to act regarding prostitution.

It is said that when he first assumed office a general "shake up" in the Police Department took place. A new Director of Public Safety was appointed and a "clean up" was ordered. Many resorts in the vicinity of East 65th Street were closed, some of the downtown hotels, which operated exclusively as prostitution resorts, were also closed and remained so for a month. A general shifting around took place, and the cheaper prostitutes flocked into the precincts where the police interfered least with their activities.

The more or less spasmodic raiding, which occurred when the new administration took office, gradually subsided, and prostitution again came to the surface, greater in volume and decidedly more flagrant than observed for some time in the past. Commercialized prostitution has apparently been allowed to spread unchecked, and undoubtedly has brought about the deterioration of more than one neighborhood.

The deteriorating process, and the manner in which some property owners and other persons engaged in legitimate enterprises may unwillingly become parties to furthering the business, was aptly described by the proprietor of a small hotel who said, "Suppose my place was located in that neighborhood (he referred to the area where many resorts are grouped together). I couldn't get respectable guests to my hotel and I'd either have to go to the wall or turn the place into a joint." During the survey 99 resorts, catering in one way or another to commercialized prostitution, were located. What percentage of the whole they constitute cannot be estimated. The limited time devoted to the field work precluded discovering many more. However, the violations that were found have been classified and analyzed as follows:

Class A

This phase embraces the commercialized amusements such as dance halls, cabarets and other public places which very often become associated with prostitution or offer facilities conducive to sexual delinquency.

The inquiries made and information secured showed that the conduct of dance halls and cabarets in Cleveland was orderly, and that the premises were not being used by prostitutes or others to further the business of prostitution. Inasmuch as no disorderly conditions were noted in this type of place, detailed reports were not made.

Class B

This class includes rooming houses, the operators of which usually exact "privilege" fees from resident or non-resident prostitutes for allowing the premises to be used for immoral purposes. It is a phase of commercialized prostitution usually most prevalent when prostitutes are unable to find other places in which to operate.

In Cleveland prostitutes do not need to use the rooming houses on account of the large number of centrally-located furnished apartments which are available, and apparently better suited to their comfort and business purposes.

Class C

In this group are included third parties, such as bell-boys, taxicab chauffeurs, and others who aid or abet in the procurement of prostitutes for immoral purposes.

Go-betweens are considered a valuable asset to prostitution by those engaged in the business. Some resort keepers as well as individual prostitutes are almost wholly dependent upon them for patronage. Potential customers who are unacquainted with the location of resorts likewise depend upon the go-between for information. They are, therefore, much in demand, and are usually compensated for their services by both the prostitute and her customer.

In Cleveland their main business is "taking care" of or "fixing up" strangers who seek their aid. Neither the bellboys nor the chauffeurs interviewed offered their services until they had an inkling that a prostitute was being sought. Then, without hesitancy or question, they volunteered to make the necessary arrangements.

Some bellboys stated that since the depression they have lost contact with many places because of the few requests received from prospective customers, others, however, manage to keep "a few good spots (resorts) on tap" (available).

Taxicab chauffeurs apparently have a larger group of brothels to draw from and some had in their possession many cards and addresses which they said had been furnished to them by prostitutes, pimps, and resort keepers. From the open and unsuspecting manner in which they operated it was evident that they were not afraid of "the law" (authorities).

Thirty-one go-betweens (14 bellboys, 14 taxicab chauffeurs, 3 hotel clerks) were interviewed, of which 3 (bellboys) stated that they were forbidden by the management of the hotel in which they were employed to recommend prostitutes; the other 28 volunteered their services. Only 14 (7 bellboys, 4 taxicab chauffeurs, 3 hotel clerks) were reported upon in detail, as the others suggested resorts either known or previously visited.

All 14 operated flagrantly, suggesting, introducing or arranging introductions to prostitutes operating in hotels and apartments.

Class D

In this classification are included the hotels wherein prostitution is practiced either by resident or non-resident prostitutes, with or without the knowledge and consent of the management.

A fair cross-section of the more popular centrally-located hotels was investigated.

Of the 11 (4 first-class, 3 second-class and 4 third-class) three (1 of each class) did not cater to prostitutes, whereas the other 8 did, 5 of which operated flagrantly, and 3 clandestinely. Four of them had resident prostitutes, and 4 had prostitutes frequenting the rooms of male guests.

There were 10 prostitutes interviewed in these hotels; 5 offered sexual intercourse only and 5 sexual intercourse or perversion at prices which ranged from \$2.00 to \$5.00.

Class E

This type includes the individual prostitutes who club together in private dwellings, flats and apartments, share in the upkeep of the place, but do not divide their earnings with a madame.

Some of these prostitutes had undoubtedly operated in brothels, and from the interviews had with many they appeared thoroughly conversant with vice conditions in different sections of the country. They are migrating, go from one city to the other and usually anchor in one place until "the law gets too hot", or "trade" (business) too poor. All regard Cleveland as one of the easiest cities to operate in, but bitterly complained of business conditions.

The colored prostitutes seemed to be in a majority so far as flagrancy of operation is concerned, but both white and colored claimed that even though "trading" is bad in Cleveland, they at least do not have to fear police apprehension.

During the seven days 58 Class E resorts were discovered. One operated in a vacant store, 24 in private dwellings, 24 in apartments, and 9 in flats.

Of the 58 prostitutes (19 white - 37 colored, 2 colored and white operating in the same place) 46 (7 white - 37 colored - 2 mixed) operated flagrantly by resorting to window tapping, and 12 (white) plied their trade semi-clandestinely.

In these 58 places, 67 (25 white - 42 colored) prostitutes were interviewed, of which, 26 (15 white - 11 colored) offered sexual intercourse only, and 41 (10 white - 31 colored) sexual intercourse or perversion, at prices mainly \$1.00 among the colored and \$2.00 among the white.

Class F

The reports in this division, set forth such information as was secured from various persons interviewed, pertaining to the alleged attitude of the police or other authorities toward prostitution, and their activities in its repression. It is thought that these reports are sufficiently explicit so that further elaboration is not here necessary.

Class G

In this classification are included the disorderly massage parlors; the only phase of commercialized prostitution in Cleveland which has shown an improvement.

During previous surveys a number of such resorts, disorderly to a high degree, advertised in the local press and apparently did a lucrative business. The newspapers have now discontinued such advertisements and as a result this vicious type of place has been put out of business.

All such resorts previously reported upon were sought, but no one was able to give the investigator information concerning their present whereabouts.

Several massage parlors listed in the Classified Telephone Directory were visited. All were apparently respectably conducted, so far as prostitution was concerned and when the resorts that had advertised were mentioned, the operators stated that they had been driven out of business by the State Board of Examiners, and the newspapers.

Class H

The prostitution resort, frequently referred to as a brothel, is included in this classification. It embodies places conducted by third parties who exploit prostitute-inmates by sharing in their earnings.

This type seems to be increasing in number. They range from the lowly \$1.00 and \$2.00 places, harboring white and colored prostitutes, to the more expensive resorts in the better neighborhoods.

Prices in all have been drastically reduced. Like other phases of prostitution they have been affected by the depressed business conditions.

A rather startling trend was discovered in that some resorts harbored both white and colored inmates, a condition seldom found in most cities.

Like the Class E places above described, these resorts were flagrantly conducted, and instead of attracting the manual laboring type of trade as they did in the past, their main patronage now appears to be younger men of the "white collar" class.

Thirty-three such places were found and investigated; 23 occupied private dwellings, 3 flats, 5 stores, and 2 apartments.

Of the 33 resorts (14 white, 2 colored, 17 mixed), 29 (10 white,

2 colored, 17 mixed) operated flagrantly, and 4 (white) clandestinely.

In these places a total of 76 prostitutes (58 white, 18 colored) was interviewed of which 14 (7 white, 7 colored) offered sexual intercourse only, and 62 (51 white, 11 colored) sexual intercourse or perversion at prices varying from \$1.00 to \$5.00.

Class K

This division embraces a daily observation of the streets in respect to the presence and activity of street-walking prostitutes.

It was found that the downtown business area was frequented by some street walkers, but a larger number were observed in the mid-town section.

An accurate appraisal of street conditions can not be made because, during 5 of the 7 days, it either rained or snowed. However, 17 (white) street solicitations were recorded, and 23 (white) accostings observed. All were flagrantly conducted.

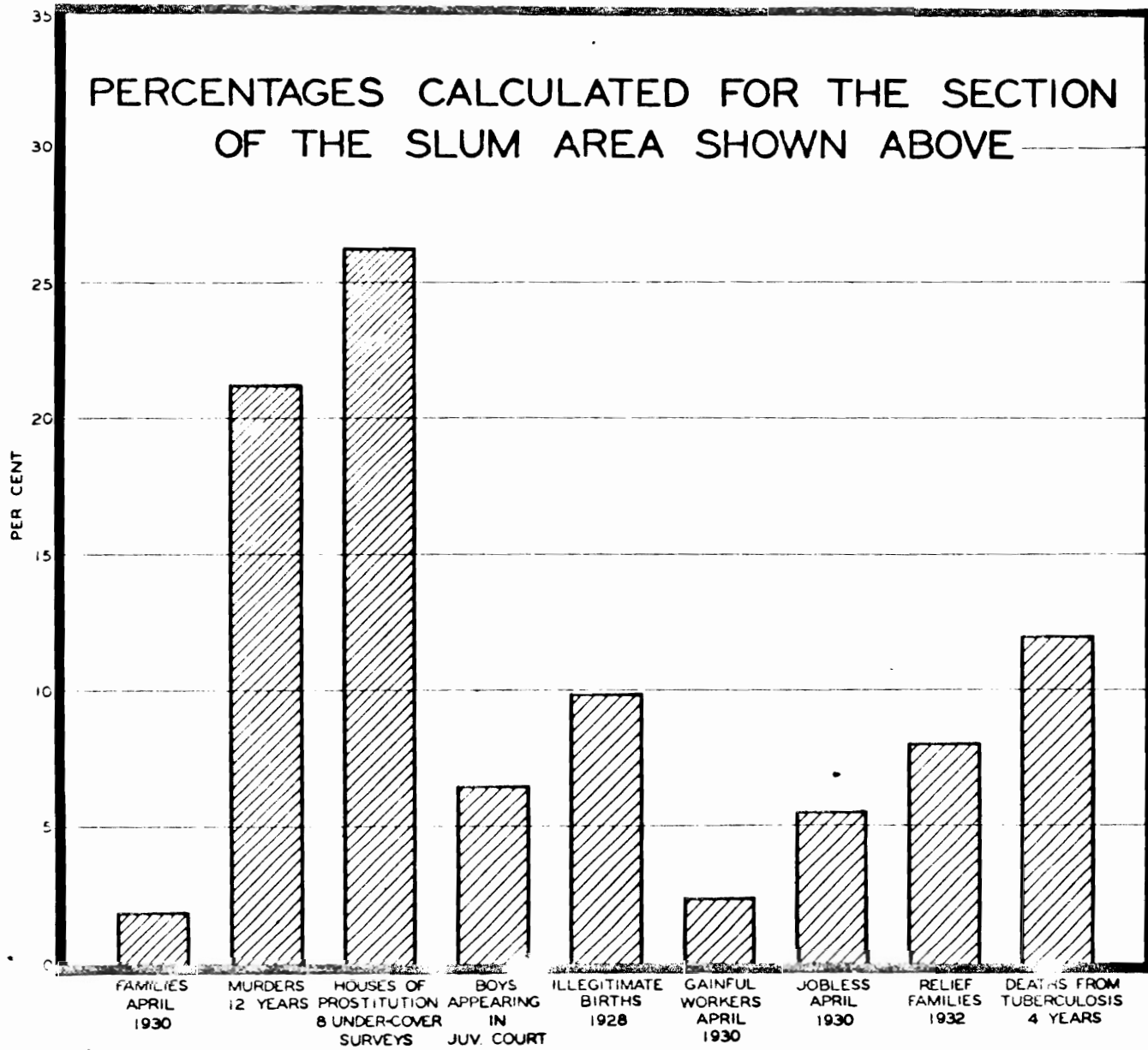
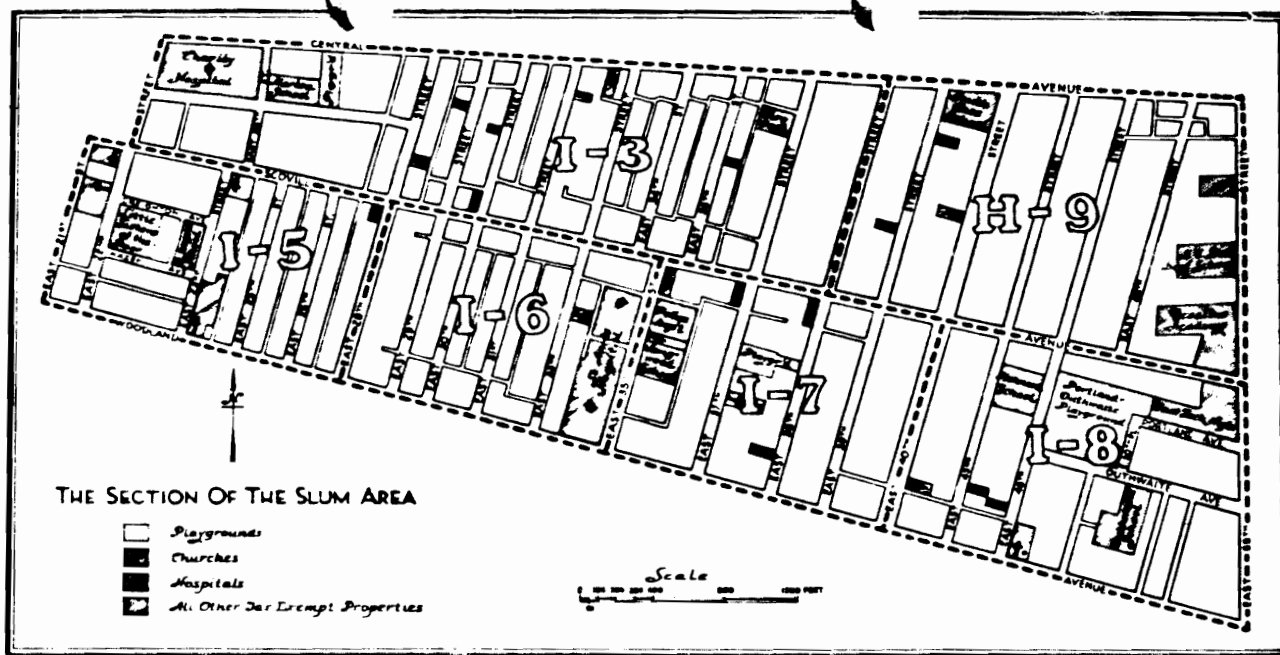
Seventeen prostitutes were interviewed, 5 offered sexual intercourse only and 12 sexual intercourse or perversion at \$2.00 and \$3.00.

CONCLUSION

Prostitution conditions in Cleveland are worse today than noted during any of the previous surveys; while comparisons are often termed odious, a better perspective of local conditions would perhaps be had if it were said that more flagrant prostitution violations can be observed in Cleveland in one day than in Buffalo in seven, Detroit in seven, Chicago in fourteen, or New York City in thirty days.

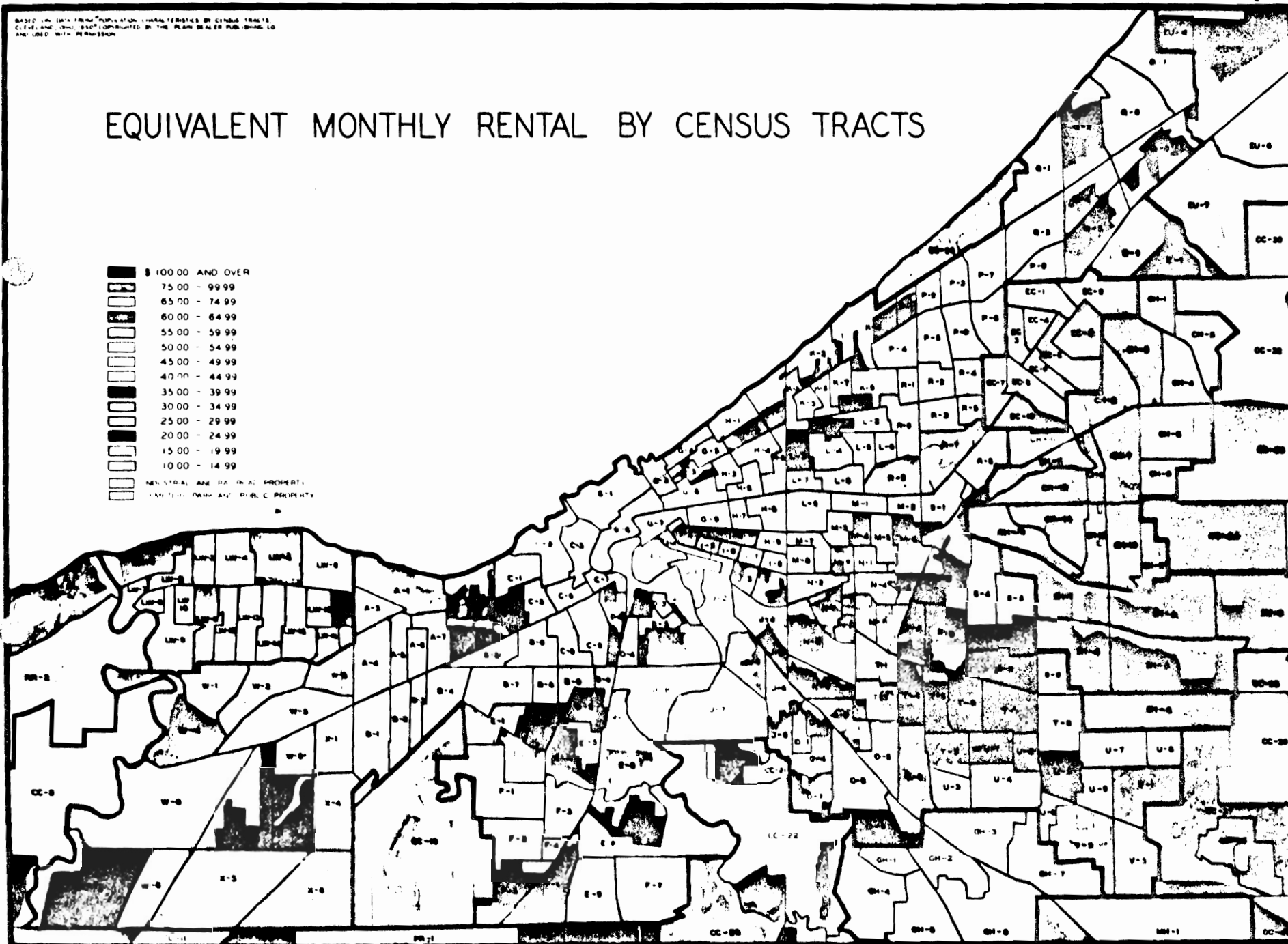
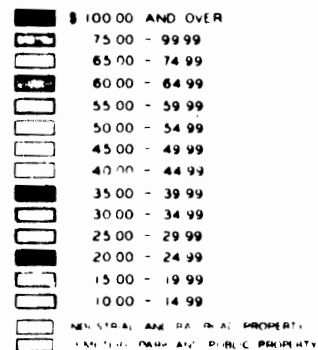
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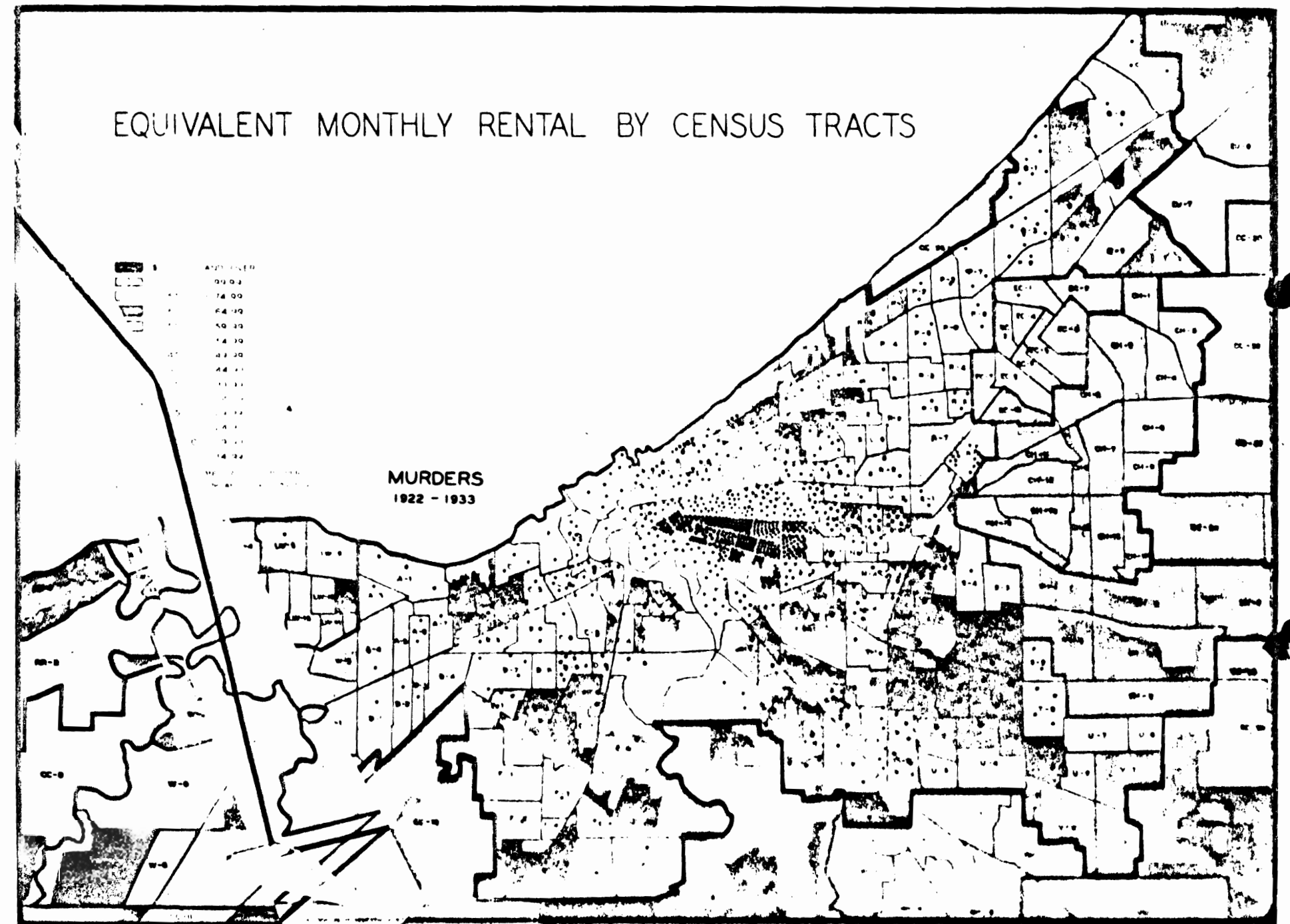
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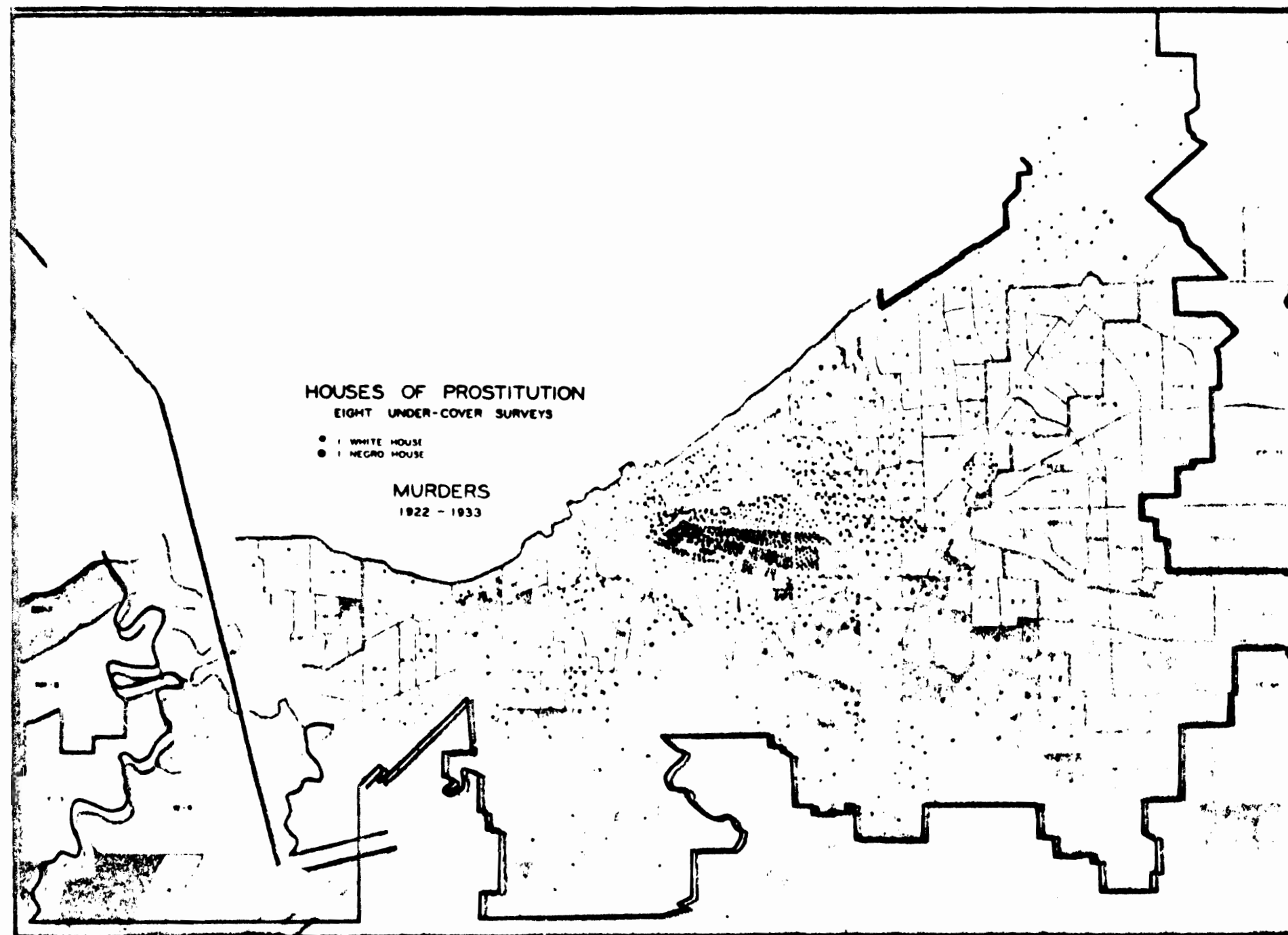


BASED ON DATA FROM POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS BY CENSUS TRACTS
CLEVELAND, OHIO, 1950, COMPILED BY THE PLANNING BOARD, 1950
AND USED WITH PERMISSION

EQUIVALENT MONTHLY RENTAL BY CENSUS TRACTS







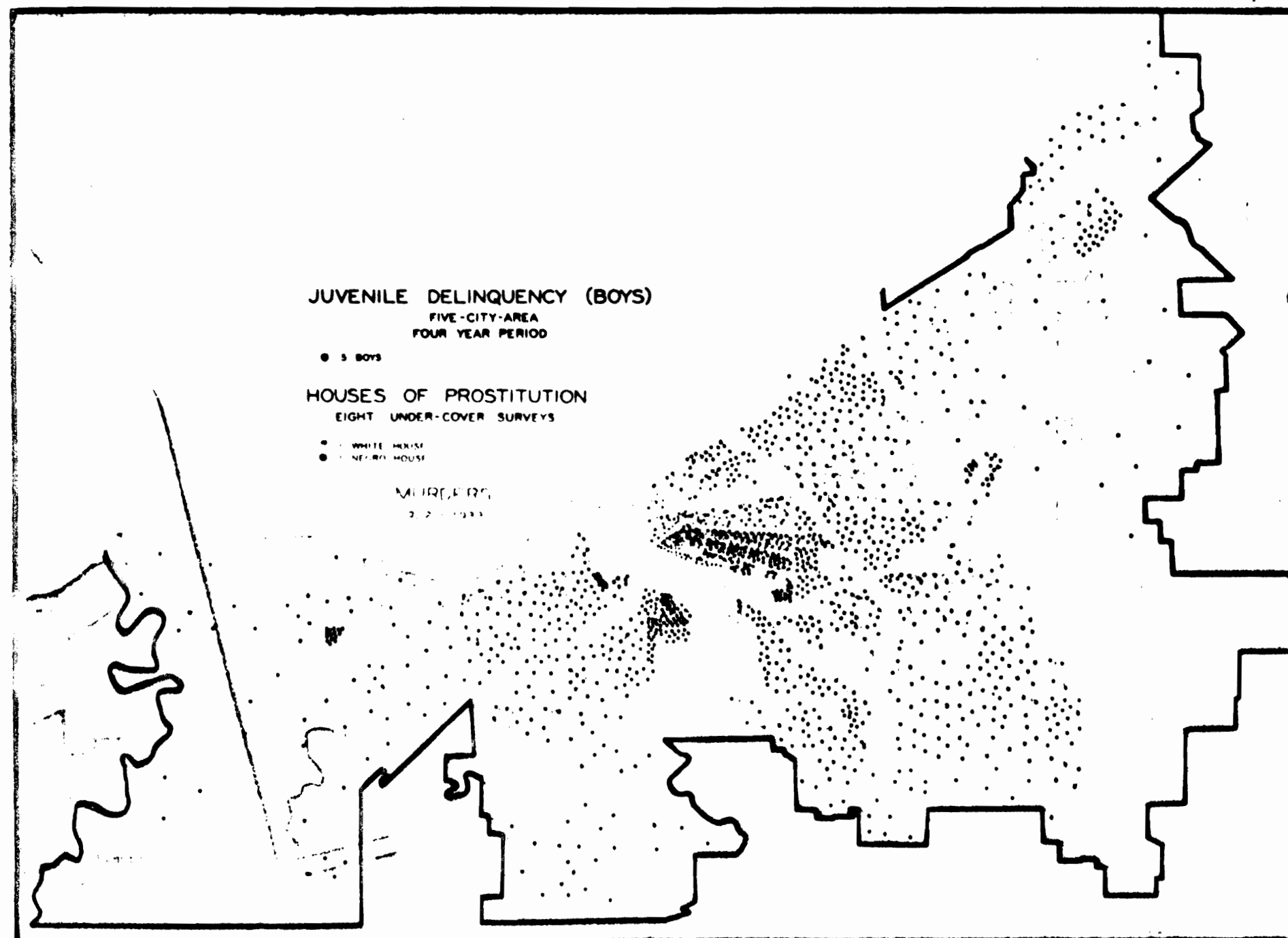
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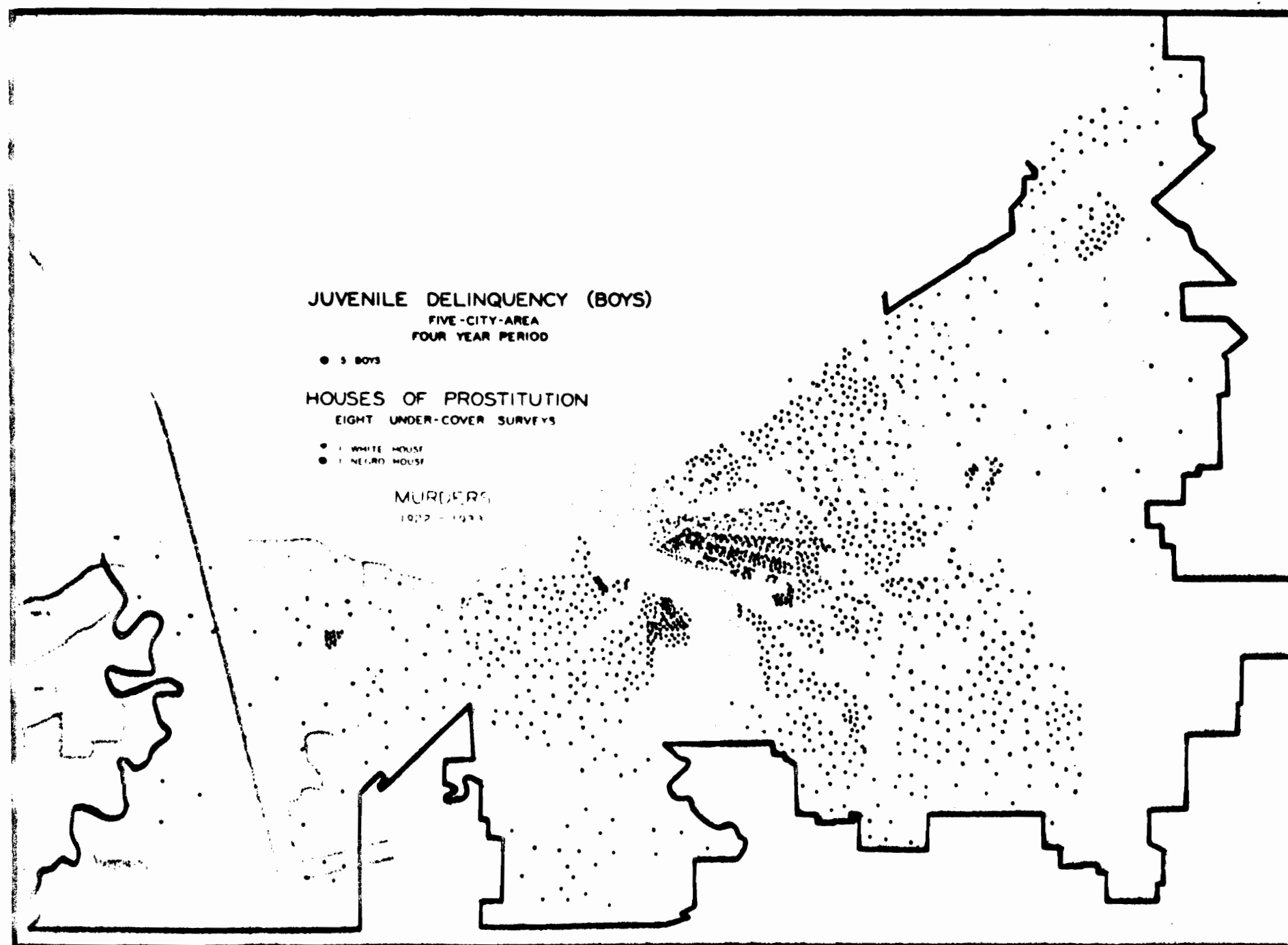
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HOUSES OF PROSTITUTION
EIGHT UNDER-COVER SURVEYS

• WHITE HOUSE
• NEGRO HOUSE

MURDERERS
2, 2 - 1933





DEATHS FROM TUBERCULOSIS
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FOUR YEAR PERIOD

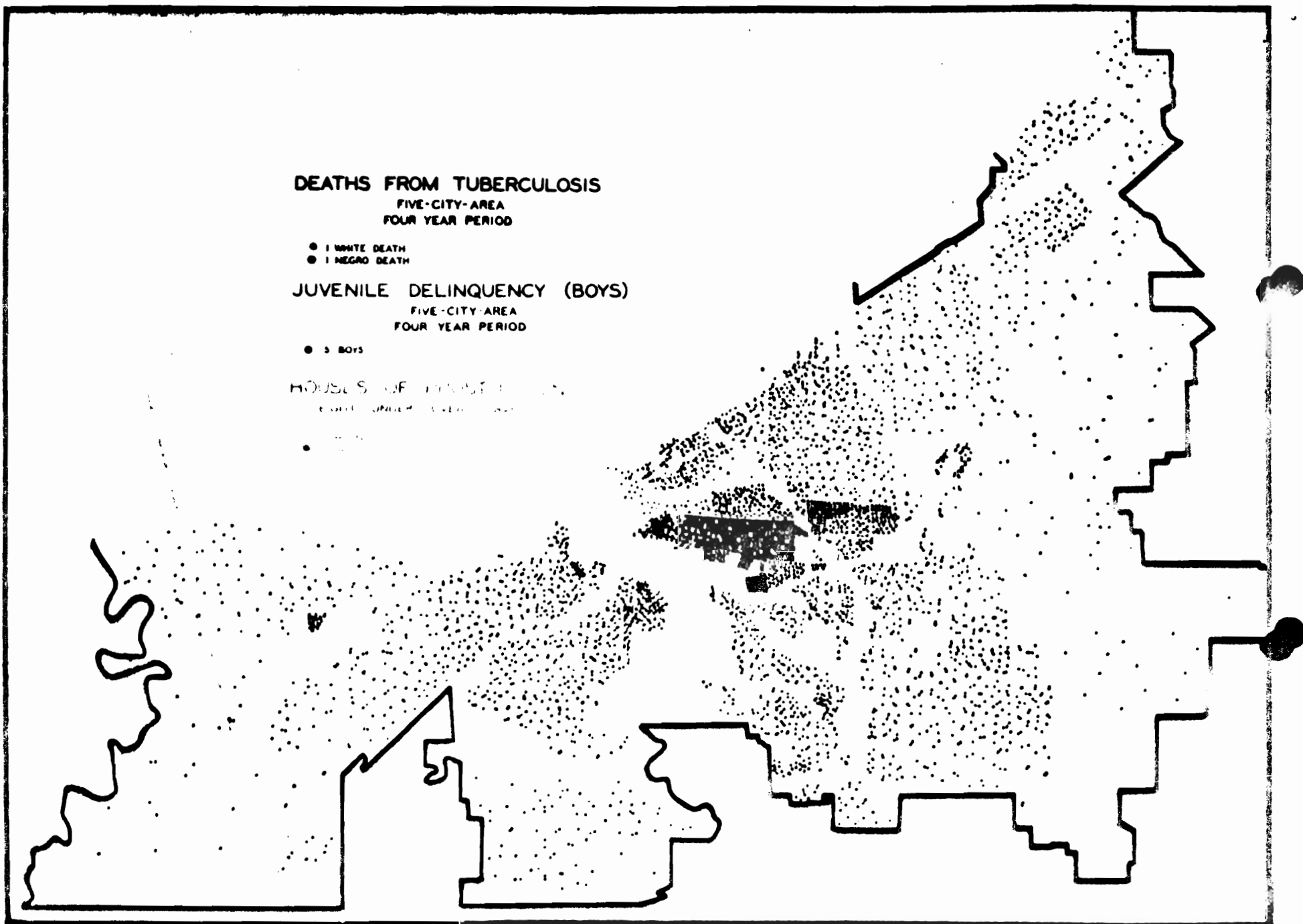
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JUVENILE DELINQUENCY (BOYS)
FIVE-CITY-AREA
FOUR YEAR PERIOD

- 5 BOYS

HOUSES OF MINISTERS
FIVE-CITY-AREA
FOUR YEAR PERIOD

- 1 HOUSE



SLUMS - A CITY'S MOST EXPENSIVE LUXURY

One small section of slum area in Cleveland in which the community invested over \$5,000,000 in public and semi-public buildings produces a tax-rate income of \$225,000. It costs the city, county, and Board of Education \$1,357,000 to render such direct services as good municipal housekeeping and education require. Thus, this area shows a net cost to the taxpayer of \$1,132,000 annually -- a loss of well over a million dollars a year. Private funds increase this cost to \$1,747,000 a year -- a total approaching two million dollars a year.

When fire protection in a residential suburb costs \$.63 per 1,000 dollars of appraised value of land and buildings, \$.50 seems too large for a section of slum area. When police protection costs \$4 per family in a suburban city, \$.58 seems high.

Since only 5,244 families live in the area, each family is being subsidized to the extent of over \$333 per year by tax funds and private funds. And yet these families have no right to be content. They should demand more -- a decent environment in which to live. They live in "cast-me-down" dwellings which in the heyday of high rents cost them over \$25 per family per month.

They suffer from crime -- over 21 per cent of Greater Cleveland's murders during the past 12 years were committed in this tiny section with an area of only 0.55 per cent of the area of Greater Cleveland and a population of but 2.1 per cent of the population of Cleveland, Lakewood, Cleveland Heights, East Cleveland and Shaker Heights. Among them were not necessarily the murderers. The murderers may have lived in the fine residential suburbs, but the murders were committed in the section. It provided an ideal place to commit a murder, with its dark alleys, tumbled-down buildings, junk yards, and other obstacles to peace and order.

They suffer from vice -- over 26 per cent of the houses of prostitution located in eight under-cover surveys made in this community during the past few years flourished in this area. Doubtless, the residents do not patronize the prostitutes -- they lack the funds. (A map showing the distribution of the patrons geographically would be interesting.)

They suffer from delinquency -- more than 6 per cent of the boys brought into Juvenile Court lived in this area, a rate three times the average for the entire community. Only 89 boys appear in Juvenile Court per 1,000 boys 10-17 years of age in the community, 307 in this area.

They have illegitimate births -- 10 per cent of the mothers giving birth to an illegitimate child lived in the area.

They have large numbers of deaths from tuberculosis -- nearly 12 per cent of all during a four-year period.

They suffer most from unemployment -- 5.5 per cent of the jobless lived in the area in April, 1930, as compared with 2.2 per cent of the gainful workers. They had many jobless in January, 1931, 120 per 100 families.

These people need relief -- food, clothing, and shelter. As many as 8.0 per cent of all relief families in 1932 were in this section where 1.9 per cent of all families live. Over half of the 5,244 families were on relief in 1932.

They need help -- a decent place to live, in a decent environment, with decent opportunities for all.

7-571-1213

They affect the lives and happiness of others besides themselves. The children's nurse or the cook suffering from a venereal disease or from tuberculosis affects others than herself. They ride in public conveyances with us. They work in our offices and plants. They work even in our homes. Their health and welfare affects ours.

It is one thing to read a murder story or to see one screened, and another thing to be in the midst of a murder. It is one thing to know that there is such a thing as commercialized prostitution, and another thing to live in a neighborhood which reeks with it.

It is one thing to educate the youth at a cost ranging between \$1,000 and \$2,000, to provide schools, churches, and other public or semi-public buildings with a capital cost of over \$5,000,000 and it is another thing to raise good citizens in an area with frequent murders, flagrant prostitution, and all the other things with which crime and vice are associated.

With fewer and fewer available living quarters, or rather "existing" quarters, in the section and with more and more unfavorable social conditions, the present population must scatter. The process is already well under way. -- Further progress along these lines means lower property values in these other sections, ruined investments, and a reduced tax duplicate.

No single map can delimit a slum area within any American city. The area at best is difficult to define. The following pages of maps in combination provide a means of delimiting such areas. The last map shows the Cleveland five-city area divided into 14 economic areas based on monthly rental of rented homes and value of owned homes. Where people have to live in such houses as can be rented for \$10 to \$15 a month, they certainly do not have free choice and are forced to live in most undesirable neighborhoods.

The geographical distribution of crime as indicated by murders is not uniform as shown on the first overlay.

The geographical distribution of vice as indicated by houses of prostitution is closely related to the distribution of crime as shown on the second overlay.

The geographical distribution of delinquency as indicated by boys appearing in Juvenile Court shows a broader coverage.

The geographical distribution of deaths from tuberculosis indicates the unhealthy condition of the people.

Thus, slum areas are defined and delimited. When defined and delimited, they may be eradicated.

Distinguished foreign housing experts have recently told Americans -- more specifically Clevelanders -- what they have done under similar circumstances. Would it not be well for Cleveland to act now? So costly a sore, festering in the center of any community has enormous potential dangers.

The Federal government has for months been about to spend some \$9,000,000 in low-cost housing in Cleveland. Will this program now be accelerated?

Howard Whipple Green

August 8, 1935

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U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

Special Agent in Charge
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Sir:

Re: Alvin Karpis
Edward G. Bremer
Kidnap

Enclosed is to be a letter dated July 1, 1935, captioned as above, addressed to the Atlanta office, a copy of which was furnished your office, requesting that extensive handwriting specimens be secured from various subjects now incarcerated in Federal Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas. It was indicated that in order to secure these additional specimens, it was suggested that the subject had been removed to the Federal Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, where it is believed he is presently confined. It is requested, therefore, that your office endeavor to secure the additional handwriting specimens from Alvin Karpis.

For the information of your office, handwriting and handwriting specimens were secured from Alvin Karpis by this office and forwarded to the Bureau under date of July 13, 1935, in connection with the Jurok and Synap cases. Karpis at this time furnished five sheets of lined paper containing handwriting specimens and one sheet of unruled paper containing a handwriting specimen. The specimens obtained at the time were somewhat meager and Karpis indicated at that time that he was unwilling to furnish further specimens. It is possible that Karpis' attitude may have changed since the handwriting specimens were secured from him and the information being furnished in order that you may be advised as to his present attitude as to furnishing such specimens.

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1443 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

August 13, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Omaha, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

RE: REXID

Transmitted herewith for your use in future interviews with Mrs. Gladys [X] is copy of the report prepared by Special Agent C. E. Smith, dated at Cleveland, Ohio, July 21, 1936.

Very truly yours,

Enclosure 11
CC - Bureau
- Chicago
- Cincinnati
- St. Paul

J. E. [X]
Special Agent in Charge

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

1216 Smith Young Tower

San Antonio, Texas.

August 11, 1936.

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

ALVIN KARPIS, et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

Complying with request contained in your letter dated August 7, 1936, I am returning herewith one mimeographed copy of the report of Special Agent K. R. McIntire, St. Paul, Minn. dated April 10, 1935, by registered mail.

Very truly yours,

Gus T. Jones

Gus T. Jones,
Special Agent in Charge.

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1442 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

August 13, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Sir:

RE: B-711D

In connection with investigation being conducted as to
harboring violations at Toledo, Ohio, it is requested that you
forward to Special Agent R. C. Suran, c/o E. J. Kynn, Post Office
Box 383, Toledo, Ohio, a copy of the log maintained as to the
telephone tap on the Casino Club, Toledo, Ohio, during the forepart
of 1935.

Very truly yours,

CEW/JB
CC - Bureau
- Cincinnati

J. P. MacFARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

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

Dear Sir:

A press dispatch appearing in the "St. Paul Pioneer Press" dated August 4, 1936 indicated that William Bryan Bolton was recently interviewed by Mr. John L. Connolly, City Corporation Counsel, and Mr. Charles Tierney, Inspector of Detectives, St. Paul Police Department, in the presence of a Special Agent of this Bureau. It is also indicated that a police stenographer was present.

It is desired that the information which was obtained from Bolton by Mr. Connolly and others be forwarded to the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

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John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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cc Mr. Connelley (Chicago)
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BOLTON QUESTIONED ABOUT TOM BROWN

**Detective's Ouster Delayed,
Hinting at New Information
on Charges.**

Byron Bolton, confessed kidnaper, was questioned privately by city officials in the Ramsey county jail for two hours Monday afternoon concerning possible connections between Thomas A. Brown, suspended police detective, and the abductors of William Hamm Jr. and Edward G. Bremer.

Brown, a former chief of police, was implicated in the Hamm kidnaping in court testimony given by Bolton, who has admitted participating in both abductions.

The questioning was conducted by John L. Connolly, city corporation counsel, and Charles Tierney, inspector of detectives. Also present were a Federal agent and a police stenographer.

Although Connolly said he necessarily could not reveal the results of the questioning at this time, he announced that filing of dismissal charges against Brown will be delayed for several days.

The decision to delay filing of the ouster orders, expected today, was regarded as indicating that Bolton gave his questioners additional information necessitating a further study of the charges.

The interview was held by special permission of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice.

Testifying at the trial of John P. Peifer of St. Paul, who killed himself last week after he had been convicted and given a 30-year sentence for conspiracy in the Hamm kidnaping, Bolton said that the kidnapers set aside \$25,000 to pay Brown for tipping them off to police activities at the time of the crime.

Brown was in charge of the St. Paul police kidnap detail which investigated the Hamm abduction. He announced he will fight the dismissal charges.

Bolton pleaded guilty to conspiracy charges in both abductions.

ST. PAUL PIONEER PRESS

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Mr. Baughman	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Coffey	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
Mr. Carson	
Mr. Egan	
Mr. Foxworth	
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Mr. Harbo	
Mr. Hendon	
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Mr. Quinn	
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ST. PAUL DISPATCH

8-4-36

ALLEGED KARPIS STORY CLEARS BROWN, PEIFER

Written Statement Absolves
Pair From Connection With
Hamm Kidnaping.

FORMAL CHARGES NAMING
DETECTIVE BEING DRAWN

A written statement purporting to be Alvin Karpis' own "inside" story of the kidnaping of William Hamm Jr., St. Paul brewer, exonerates two St. Paul men of any connection with the crime, the Dispatch learned today.

The statement, authenticity of which has not been established by officials, is reported to absolve the late John P. Peifer and Detective Thomas A. Brown.

United States Department of Justice agents are investigating the statement, copies of which are reported held by Lewis L. Anderson, attorney, who has been engaged by Brown in connection with possible charges against him growing out of the testimony in the recent Hamm kidnaping trial. Anderson declined to comment on the existence of the statement.

AGENTS INVESTIGATE.

While the agents were investigating the statement by Karpis, admitted kidnaper, preparation of formal charges against Brown were underway today by John L. Connolly, corporation counsel and his staff. They were closeted with Gus Barfuss, safety commissioner. If charges are made, they will be given to the sheriff's office for service and Brown then will have ten days to demand a formal civil service hearing before he can be ousted from the police department.

Copies and possibly the original statement are reported to have for Peifer, who was convicted of the Hamm kidnaping plot at the trial and who immediately committed suicide, but A. M. Cary, one of the attorneys, declined today to comment on the report.

BOLTON AWAITS SENTENCE.

At the same time it was disclosed that Byron Bolton, confessed member of the Hamm and Edward G. Bremer kidnap gangs, who was the government's star witness in three trials of the alleged kidnapers, probably will be taken into Federal court this week for sentence.

Bolton, who has been confined in the Ramsey county jail for 18 months and who is suffering from tuberculosis, has pleaded guilty to taking part in both the Hamm and Bremer abductions.

C O P Y

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1446 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

August 12, 1936

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of August 11, 1936, informing that Inspector W. H. Drane Lester is to deliver an address before the Twentieth Annual National Convention of the Fraternal Order of Police at 7:00 p. m. at the Hotel Courtland, Canton, Ohio, on August 19th and requesting that Special Agent (A) R. T. Ross meet Mr. Lester in Canton on the afternoon of August 19th and return with Mr. Lester to Cleveland on the morning of the 20th.

Special Agent (A) Robert T. Ross will meet Inspector Lester at the Courtland Hotel on the afternoon of August 19th at Canton, Ohio and will remain in that city for the purpose of hearing Mr. Lester deliver the address on that evening. Agent Ross will also have a Bureau automobile available to return with Mr. Lester to Cleveland on the morning of the 20th.

Special Agent in Charge J. F. MacFarland is presently on annual leave which terminates at 5:00 p.m., August 19th. Mr. MacFarland is scheduled to deliver an address before the Optimist Club at Dayton, Ohio, at noon, Thursday, August 20th, and it is expected that Mr. MacFarland will proceed to Dayton, Ohio, for the purpose of delivering this address upon his return from annual leave.

Agent (A) R. T. Ross is now Acting Special Agent in Charge in the absence of Mr. MacFarland, and inasmuch as both the Special Agent in Charge and the Number One Man, (Agent-A R. T. Ross), will be absent from the Cleveland field office on August 19th and part of the following day, authority is requested to allow Special Agent S. K. McKee to act as Special Agent in Charge during the absence of Special Agent in Charge J. F. MacFarland and the Number One Man, Special Agent (A) R. T. Ross. Agent McKee is presently under special assignment in Cleveland in connection with the Brekid investigation, and has been detailed in charge of the group of agents now in Cleveland under special assignment in connection with this investigation.

Very truly yours,

S/ J. F. MACFARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

ETR:h
cc: E. J. Connelley

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

August 13, 1936

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

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

There is transmitted herewith to the Bureau and interested offices the log of the telephone tap on the telephone of Maxine Belmont Thomas, 2105 Warren Street, Toledo, Ohio, for the period from July 22, 1936 to July 27, 1936, inclusive.

Very truly yours,

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

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Telephone Tap Maxine Belmont
July 22, 1936

4:00 AM Outgoing Main 0505 MJK
Maxine - Hello, who is this speaking?
Janitor - This is the janitor.
Maxine - This is Mrs. Thomas. I left some books there. I think Sally put them behind the bar. Is she there?
Janitor - No, they have all left.
Maxine - Will you look and see if they are there? They are two large books and a small one.
Janitor - Yes, they are here.
Maxine - If I send a cab down will you give them to the driver?
Janitor - My orders are not to open the doors for anybody.
Maxine - If I call the boss will that be alright.
Janitor - Yes

4:11 AM Outgoing Main 7218 RAG
Maxine - I'd like to talk to Mrs. Sally Ryan
Sally - Hello, Maxine
Maxine - I left some books in the place and I can't get in to get them. Can you call and tell the fellow there to give them to the cab driver?
Sally - Sure I'll call him
Maxine - I'll send Greeny's cab over for them

4:13 AM Outgoing Adams 5050 No answer RAG
4:14 AM " " " " RAG
4:14 AM " Adams 2114 RAG
Maxine - Will you send a cab to the Turf Cafe at Monroe and St. Clair. The fellow inside will give the driver some books.
Man - Where'll he bring them?
Maxine - 2105 Warren. The door will be locked, but I'll be downstairs looking for him

4:16 AM Outgoing Main 0505 RAG
Maxine - I called Mrs. Ryan about those books. Did she call you?
Man - Yes
Maxine - Will you give them to a Red Cab driver?
Man - Yeah.

2:57 AM Outgoing Adams 0655 RAG
(Calls Viola and tells her to start cleaning and that she'll be there at 2 PM. More talk on how to clean.)

10:36 AM Outgoing Taylor 3292 RAG
 Man - Acme Window Shade Co.
 Maxine - Will you send a man to 900¹/₂ Monroe St., corner
 Michigan, the name is Bush, to give an estimate for
 some shades
 Man - Yes, mam, I will.

10:38 AM Outgoing Adams 0719 RAG
 Maxine - Julia, a man will be up to measure for the shades
 so show him what we want.
 Julia - Alright.

10:41 AM Outgoing Adams 0655 RAG
 Mae - I don't know whether I'll be able to finish the day. I'm
 getting that abscess back again and I'm going to the doctor.
 Maxine - Well try and finish if you can. Let me talk to Viola.
 (Talks to Viola about cleaning up the #1 room)

12:04 PM Outgoing Main 0225 MJK
 Maxine - Has Miss _____ an appointment open at 3?
 Man - Yes, what is the name?
 Maxine - Mrs. Thomas, and I want a manicure and an arch.

12:51 PM Outgoing Adams 5950 MJK
 Man - Private Cab
 Johnny - 2105 Warren
 Man - Alright, Johnny, right away

12:52 PM Outgoing Main 0596 MJK
 Johnny called to find out if anyone had called there for him.
 Told Ed he was going to have breakfast with his wife downtown.

12:55 PM Incoming No answer MJK
 1:48 PM " " RAG
 2:10 PM " " RAG

July 23, 1936

11:37 AM Outgoing Knight Cab Main 6221 RAG
Maxine - What time is it?
Man - 11:37 AM

11:39 AM Incoming RAG
Man - How are you feeling?
Maxine - Fine, what's new?
Man - I was over there last night, but you weren't there.
Maxine - I was out for a while.
Man - When I see you I want to tell you something
Maxine - About what?
Man - Oh, I can't say much where I am now, but be careful
about Betty - she's talking too much.
Maxine - About me?
Man - Yes, but I'll tell you more tonite. What time will
you be there?
Maxine - I'll be there any time after 4 or 5.
Man - I'll see you some time after dinner.

12:08 PM Outgoing Shelby Hotel Adams 0655 RAG
Maxine - Talks to Viola about the cleaning of room #1 and its
appearance now.
Viola - That man called up about his money
Maxine - Well, I'll see him tonite. He said before he started
it would be \$3.50. Let me talk to Betty.
Betty - Jerry is coming in some time today
Maxine - Yes, I know. Mrs. Sunny and Martha didn't show up
after all the food we bought and everything. You'd
think the least they would do would be to call and
let us know, don't you think so?
Betty - You're right, they should have done that. Well I'll
eat all that stuff up today.
Maxine - I'll be there around 4 or 5 today.

12:17 PM Outgoing Private Cab Adams 5050 RAG
Maxine - Is this Slim?
Man - No, this is Al.
Maxine - Al, this is Mrs. Thomas, what time will you have a
cab in?
Al - We have one in now.
Maxine - Will you send out and get a bottle of V.O. for me
and have it brought up to the house?
Al - Sure, I know the number.

12:55 PM Outgoing Adams 2016 RAG
Maxine - Hello Fannie, How's Mabel?
Fannie - About the same.
Maxine - I had a letter from Big Nose saying that Mr. Goldberg
died. Did you know it?

Fannie - Yes, Lena got a letter 3 weeks ago and told me.
Moxine - The letter was dated June 19 and was over at the place but I didn't get it until yesterday. Rose is in California for the summer. I'll write her and send her a little money.

2:44 PM Outgoing Main 0596 RAG
Johnny - Hello Irvin, anybody call me?
Irvin - No, but Doc was up.
Johnny - Listen, take \$5.00 and put it in a sealed envelope and give it to a shamus when he shows up there. Not the one who was there last night. Just tell him I called up and said I had to go away, and left this for him.
Irvin - OK, Johnny
Johnny - His name is Maskier. I'll be down in an hour. Get five notes and put it in the envelope.

(NOTE: This is probably the cop who arrested Johnny for speeding as recorded in telephone message at 12:47 PM on July 16, 1936.) RAG

3:37 PM Outgoing Main 5812 (barber shop) RAG
Johnny - Is Irma there?
Man - No, she isn't.
Johnny - I want to make an appointment, the name is Thomas.
Man - What time?
Johnny - In about ten or fifteen minutes

5:30 PM Outgoing Adams 0655 No answer MJK
5:31 PM Outgoing Adams 0655 MJK
Moxine - Hello May?
May - Yes
Moxine - Viola told me that you had a card from Sonny
May - Yes, I did.
Moxine - I'll be down there as soon as I get dressed.

5:38 PM Outgoing Main 0596 MJK
Moxine - Hello, is Johnny there?
Man - Hello, Johnny? Just a minute.
Moxine - Hello
Man - He said to call him back in ten minutes

5:43 PM Outgoing Adams 4941 MJK
Moxine - Hello, Lena, how are you?
Lena - Alright, somebody was calling. I think they got in trouble the night before last.
Lena - Yes

Maxine - If I get the kid I think I will drive out there
tonite, do you want to go along?

Lena - What time?

Maxine - About 8 o'clock. I'll pick you up at the corner.

Lena - I'll call you up and find out if you can go for sure.

Maxine - Alright, I'll be at the place about 7:30.

5:45 PM Outgoing Main 0596 MJK
Maxine - Hello Johnny?
Johnny - Yes
Maxine - How are you, honey?
Johnny - Alright, I was in the bathroom
Maxine - That's alright, I wondered if Irwin could drive me out
there tonite about eight?
Johnny - Sure
Maxine - You don't mind?
Johnny - No.

5:47 PM Outgoing Adams 4941 MJK
Maxine - Hello Lena?
Lena - Yes.
Maxine - I called up Johnny. He said the kid could take me.
Give me a ring up there and I'll meet you on the corner
Lena - Alright

6:00 PM Outgoing Main 7282 MJK
No answer

6:06 PM Outgoing 113 MJK
Maxine - Give me the telephone number at 921 Summit St.
Operator - One moment please. The number is Main 0278.

6:09 PM Outgoing Main 0596 MJK
Maxine - Hello, Johnny?
Johnny - Yes
Maxine - Are you busy?
Johnny - Yes
Maxine - Did you say that you put that check of Danny's away?
Johnny - Yes, in the drawer
Maxine - When, last night?
Johnny - No, the night before
Maxine - I found Marion's, I'll find it I guess
Johnny - Alright
Maxine - I'll call for Irwin about 7:30
Johnny - Alright

6:16 PM Outgoing Adams 5050 No answer MJK

6:17 PM Outgoing Adams 2114 MJK
Man - Red Cab
Maxine - Have you got a cab in?
Man - Yes mam
Maxine - 2105 Warren
Man - Thank you

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1:05 AM Incoming No answer MJX
1:15 AM " " MJX
1:40 AM " " MJX

8:34 AM Outgoing Main 6221 RAG
Maxine - What is the time please?
Man - 8:34

8:35 AM Outgoing Main 4811 RAG
Maxine - Do you do repair work such as fixing bells?
Man - No, we don't leave the shop for any work, but I
can give you the name of a man who does. His
name is Charley Baldwin, Lawndale 1171.

8:37 AM Outgoing Lawndale 1171 RAG
(Operator advises no such number)

8:40 AM Outgoing Firestone Price Elec. Service RAG
Taylor 0594
No answer

8:41 AM Outgoing C. H. Hady Elec. Co. RAG
Adams 1537
Maxine - Can you send a man out to repair some door bells?
Man - Yes, what is the address?
Maxine - 729 Summit St., Shelby Hotel. How soon will the
man be there?
Man - About 10 o'clock.

8:43 AM Outgoing Shelby Hotel Adams 0655 RAG
Maxine - Viola, there will be a man there about 10 or 11
to fix the bell, so be sure and have him look
it over good.
Viola - They're working alright now, but the refrigerator
is out of order
Maxine - Well, the bell didn't work all last night and
have him fix the refrigerator, too. If that
other man comes around tell him I'll pay him
after 6 tonite. He didn't show up at all last
night.

9:55 AM Incoming From Shelby Hotel RAG
Viola - Miss Maxine, that man finished fixing the bell, but
he can't do anything about the refrigerator. His
bill is \$2 and he has to collect now.
Maxine - I'm not going down now just to pay him. Tell him
to come back about 5:30 or 6 and I'll be there.

12:21 PM Outgoing Electric Range & Equip. Co RAG
 Maxine - Main 3108
 Is Tex there? This is Miss Belmont
 Man - No, he's not, may I take care of you?
 Maxine - I want to report a Frigidaire out of order at the
 Shelby Hotel, 729 Summit St. I bought it from you
 people and I've had plenty of trouble with it.
 Man - I'll have a man over there this afternoon. How long
 have you had it?
 Maxine - About 3 years. Be sure he gets over there as soon
 as possible.

12:25 PM Outgoing Adams 0655 RAG
 Maxine - Did that man come to fix the icebox yet?
 Viola - No man, he hasn't come here yet. We bought fifty
 pounds of ice this morning
 Maxine - Well, he'll be over before long to take care of it.

12:58 PM Outgoing Main 0596 RAG
 Johnny - Irvin, anything doing?
 Irvin - No, Johnny, all is quiet. What were the receipts
 last night?
 Johnny - \$34.45. I'll be down in a little while.

1:05 PM Outgoing Main 0596 RAG
 Maxine - Irvin, did you find an umbrella up there?
 Irvin - Yes, I've got it put away
 Maxine - Alright, hold it for me.

2:02 PM Incoming RAG
 Viola - That man says we need new motor in the Frigidaire
 Maxine - Let me talk to him
 Repair man - The condenser is burned out and the motor is
 gone. It will cost \$6.50. Will you have the
 money here when I finish?
 Maxine - You ask your boss about me, he knows my credit.

2:06 PM Outgoing Electric Range & Equip. Co. Main 3108 RAG
 Maxine - Let me talk to the manager
 Girl - He's not here now. I'll give you the service manager.
 Maxine - (Delivers long tirade on good her credit is and
 resents being asked if money will be ready. Very
 hurt and asks them to remember the \$300 she paid
 for the icebox.)

2:10 PM Outgoing Adams 0655 RAG
 Maxine - (Talks to Viola about the Frigidaire)

2:43 PM Incoming RAG
 Lena - Hello, Maxine, I just got in town. I'm going up to Jenny's a little while. I'm at Helen's now.
 Maxine - Yes, I'll meet you at Jenny's apartment in an hour. I've been pretty busy - a lot of headaches.
 (Talks a few minutes about nothing.)

2:47 PM Outgoing Adams 1658 or 4658 RAG
 Maxine - Lena just called me, She's going up to your place.
 Jenny - Yes, she called me. Are you coming up?
 Maxine - I'll see you in an hour

3:38 PM Outgoing Main 2768 RAG
 Maxine - Hello, Mrs. _____. I just wanted to know if you were home as I wanted to pay the rent.
 Mrs. _____ - Yes, I'll be home.

3:40 PM Outgoing Number not recorded as batteries being tested at time. RAG
 Maxine - Hello, Mr. Chantoff, how long are you going to be there?
 Mr. C - When do you plan on coming up?
 Maxine - Oh, in about an hour.
 Mr. C - Yes, I'll be here until 5 o'clock.

3:46 PM Outgoing Main 0596 RAG
 Maxine - Irvin, is Johnny there?
 Irvin - No, he just stepped out for a few minutes
 Maxine - When he comes back tell him I'll call in half an hour.

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12:29 AM Outgoing Adams 0655 RAG
Maxine - Hello, what's doing?
Woman - Not much
Maxine - Well, I'll be over to see you tomorrow.

1:08 AM Outgoing Main 6221 RAG
Maxine - What is the time please?
Man - 1:08

11:40 AM Outgoing Main 0596 RAG
Maxine - Irvin, Johnny won't be down for about an hour
Irvin - How's he feeling
Maxine - Not so good

12:55 PM Incoming MJK
Maxine - Hello
Edna - Hello Maxine?
Maxine - Yes
Edna - This is Edna
Maxine - Yes
Edna - Did Jenny go to the lake?
Maxine - I don't know
Edna - I have a job at the Ritz Inn and have to be there
at 3:30 and thought that maybe she would drive me
out there
Maxine - Well you will have to just keep calling her as I
don't know where she is.
Edna - I will I have until 3:00 and if I don't get her by
then I'll have to call a cab.

1:27 Outgoing Main 3822 MJK
Johnny - Will you send my car over to the house
Girl - Sure, right away

2:40 PM Outgoing Main 6221 mjk
Maxine - What time is it please?
Man - 2:40
Maxine - Thank you

3:00 PM Outgoing Adams 0655 MJK
Maxine - Hello is Mary there, Viola?
Viola - No, Maxine, she is not here right now
Maxine - Alright, I'll call her later.

5:35 PM Outgoing Adams 0655 MJK
Maxine talked to Jerry and inquired for Mary, who was not there.

5:45 PM Incoming MJK
Johnny called and asked Maxine where she had been; claimed

to have called her a couple of times. She wanted him to bring her a bottle of beer but he told her he was alone at the place

6:16 PM Outgoing Adams 0655 MJK
Maxine talked to Mary about getting groceries for dinner and for Sunday, also told Mary to order a case of beer. Maxine left word for Jenny to call her later if she called. Mary told Maxine that Martha just came in without saying a word.

7:49 PM Outgoing Adams 0644 RAG
Busy signal.

July 26, 1936

8:00 AM Outgoing (Not recorded) MJK
Maxine - What time is it please?
Man - 8 o'clock

8:02 AM Outgoing Adams 0655 MJK
Maxine called Viola and asked her to hang the curtains in #1 and to keep numbers 1 and 2 locked as she had some things in both those rooms and that things had a habit of disappearing. The keys were under the rug according to Maxine, and Jenny was supposed to come back today.

12:10 PM Outgoing 72-4451 MJK
Maxine - What time is it please?
Woman - 12:10

12:11 PM Outgoing (Not recording) MJK
Called Viola again about the groceries in the icebox in #1

2:55 PM Incoming MJK
Johnny - Do you want me to bring the nickels home?
Maxine - I brought them home.
Johnny - How much?
Maxine - Over \$20 worth.

3:10 PM Incoming MJK
Lena called and asked Maxine whether she should go out to see Jenny or wait until she came in. Maxine told her to wait, and they engaged in idle conversation about Jenny and her lack of interest.

4:30 PM	Incoming	MJK	Maxine told Sadie that she did not get in until six o'clock this morning and that she had to get dressed and go down there as they were afraid to stay there by themselves since they figured that something was wrong if they were left there alone. Sadie wanted Maxine to come up to see her and Maxine told her that she would not promise but that she would call her.
5:35 PM	Outgoing	Adams 0655 MJK	Maxine talked to Mary about the new cook and what she prepared for dinner
6:18 PM	Incoming	MJK	Maxine and Johnny argued about why she did not call him. Johnny - Do you know who is back in town? That Sol. Maxine - Yes, I saw it in the paper yesterday Johnny - I have to go to Detroit tomorrow. Some business to attend to Maxine - Yes
6:30 PM	Incoming	MJK	Johnny and Maxine made arrangements to go to Detroit Monday he told her that she could go to a show while he went to see the Yankees play Detroit and he would meet her for dinner. Also told her that he had been busy and taken in \$10.00.
7:10 PM	Outgoing	Adams 0655 RAG	Maxine called Mary and told her that she would be there in 20 minutes in case anybody called
7:26 PM	Outgoing	Adams 2114 MJK	Maxine called Red Cab for a taxi to be sent to 2105 Warren.
12:20 AM	Incoming	MJK	Johnny engaged in idle conversation with Maxine. Said he talked to Edna.
2:20 PM	Incoming	No answer RAG	
4:35 PM	"	" " RAG	
4:46 PM	"	" " RAG	
6:15 PM	Outgoing	Not recording MJK	Johnny called Maxine and told her that he was home and was not feeling too well; she told him that she would come home.
9:18 PM	Incoming	No answer MJK	

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U. S. Department of Justice
Post Office Box 1080, Federal Building
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August 11, 1936

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the request contained in your letter dated August 7, 1936, there is enclosed herewith one copy of the summary report of Special Agent K. R. McIntire, dated April 10, 1935 at St. Paul, Minnesota.

Very truly yours,

E. L. Richmond
E. L. RICHMOND
Special Agent in Charge

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ENCL. (1) #941667
cc - Chicago
cc - St. Paul
cc - Cincinnati

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P. O. Box 536
Los Angeles, California
August 10, 1936

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto please find an expense account
of Special Agent E. K. Merritt of this office, covering the
period April 10th and 11th, 1936.

The items included in this voucher were incurred
in connection with the photographing of one of the subjects
in the BREWID case.

This expense account is being submitted at this
time inasmuch as the sub-vouchers had been misplaced by Special
Agent Merritt and have just been located.

Very truly yours,

J. H. HANSON
Special Agent in Charge

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

August 13, 1936.

Transmit the following message to: SAC CLEVELAND, OHIO.

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P. O. Box 1583

Butte, Montana, August 11, 1936.

Director,
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Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated August 6, 1936, requesting that one of the two mimeographed copies of the summary report of Special Agent R. R. McIntire, dated April 10, 1935, in the above captioned case be returned to the Bureau immediately.

In this connection please be advised that only one copy of instant report was furnished this office. This copy is being transmitted, herewith, to the Bureau and in the event the Bureau feels that the Butte Office file in this case should contain a copy of this report it is requested that another copy be furnished when convenient.

Very truly yours,

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

August 14, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

A complete check of the Bureau files concerning the mother of Alvin Karpis to ascertain whether she has any criminal record has not resulted in the obtaining of any data or information. I have checked with Mr. Connelley, who stated that he knows of no criminal record this woman might have, and a check of the Identification Division files under the following names failed to disclose any record:

Anna Karpavicz
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Mrs. John Karpavicz
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It appears, consequently, that the Bureau records do not indicate that this woman has any criminal record.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
404 New York Building
Saint Paul, Minnesota
August 14, 1936

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

Dear Sir:

RE: A. O. 1236-393 on
HARRY CAMPBELL, with
aliases.

For the completion of the files at this
office, please send us five additional Apprehension
Order on the above named individual.

Very truly yours,

C. W. Stein

C. W. STEIN
Special Agent in Charge

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
610 Alonzo Ward Hotel Building
Aberdeen, South Dakota

August 13, 1936

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

Dear Sir:

With reference to Director's letter of Aug. 6,
please be advised that, complying with the instructions con-
tained therein, an extra copy of the summary report prepared
by Special Agent K. R. McIntyre, dated April 10, 1935, in the
case entitled: Alvin Karpis, with aliases, et al.; has been
returned to the Bureau under separate cover.

Very truly yours,

Werner Hanni

WERNER HANNI
Special Agent in Charge

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

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August 15, 1936

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

It is noted in letter of August 13, 1936 that the Cleveland office has requested the services of Special Agent S. K. McKee to act in charge of the office during the coming week for two days.

It is not believed that this is necessary inasmuch as I have previously indicated to the Cleveland office that the men engaged upon special assignment should not be used on the general work of the office unless some unusual emergency existed. It is believed, having relieved the Cleveland office of the responsibility of the investigation which the special squad is covering, that they should be able to cover the balance of the routine work of the Cleveland office with their regular personnel.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY
Inspector

cc - Cleveland
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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 812

Chicago, Illinois

August 14, 1936

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

There is being forwarded to the Bureau by express
a number of exhibits collected by Special Agent
K. R. McIntire at the time of his investigation in
Chicago. These exhibits should be referred to
Agent McIntire upon his return to Washington.

The original and one copy of Government Bill of
Lading No. J-82023 are being attached hereto.

Very truly yours,

D. M. Ladd
D. M. LADD
Special Agent in Charge

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice

P.O. Drawer 567
San Francisco, California.

Aug. 12, 1936.

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

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID.

In accordance with request in Bureau letter of August
7, 1936, I am enclosing herewith one copy of the summary report
of Special Agent K. R. McIntire dated April 10, 1935, in instant
case.

Very truly yours,

W. L. Listerman
W. L. Listerman, *WRL*
Special Agent in Charge.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
316 Security Building
Phoenix, Arizona
August 11, 1936

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the request in Bureau letter of August 6, 1936, I am forwarding herewith copy of a Summary report of Special Agent K. R. McIntire, dated at St. Paul, Minnesota, April 10, 1935, in the case entitled Alvin Karpis, with aliases, et al.; Edward George Bremer, Victim; Kidnaping.

Very truly yours,

H. E. Andersen

H. E. ANDERSEN
Special Agent in Charge

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box #709
Portland, Oregon

August 11, 1936

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In reply to the Bureau's letter of August 6, 1936, there is being forwarded to the Bureau herewith report of Special Agent K. R. McIntire dated April 10, 1935, in the case of Alvin Karpis, with aliases, et al; Edward George Bremer, Victim, Kidnaping.

Very truly yours,

C. C. Spears
C. C. Spears
Special Agent in Charge

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

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Los Angeles, California
August 12, 1936

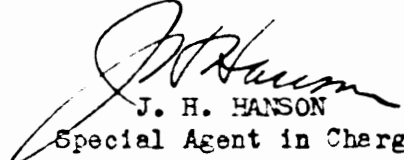
Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
ET AL;
Edward George Bremer, Victim.
KIDNAPING - L.A. File 7-42

In accordance with Bureau letter of August 6, 1936,
there is attached hereto a copy of the Summary Report of
Special Agent E. R. McIntire, St. Paul, Minnesota, dated
April 10, 1935, in connection with the above entitled case.

Very truly yours,


J. H. HANSON
Special Agent in Charge

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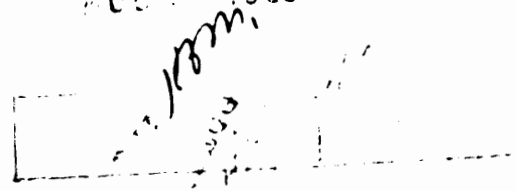
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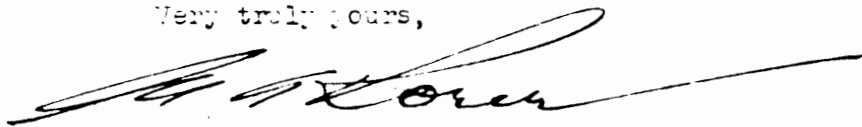
Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREXID

Dear Sir:

In accordance with Bureau letter dated August 7,
1936, there is transmitted herewith one copy of summary report
of Special Agent M. A. McInire dated 4-17-35 in the above
entitled case.

Very truly yours,



J. A. Riden,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Post Office Box 2118
Detroit - Michigan
August 15, 1936

Special Agent in Charge
Cleveland, Ohio

Re: BREXID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of August 15, 1936, directing that the log maintained as to the telephone tap on the Casino Club at Toledo, Ohio, be forwarded to Agents at Toledo.

This log was forwarded to your office by letter dated May 20, 1936, which states on page 2 thereof, "A summary of the telephone tap on the Casino Club, Toledo, Ohio, from September 20, 1934, to October 16, 1934, and twelve pieces of paper containing information concerning telephone calls" were sent to you.

Very truly yours,

H. H. Reinecke
Special Agent in Charge

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Cincinnati

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August 22

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Cincinnati, Ohio.

FILE NO. 7-12.

REPORT MADE AT Butte, Montana.	DATE WHEN MADE 8/9/36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 7/23-8/4/36	REPORT MADE BY C. G. Campbell
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. #1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases; et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE Kidnaping; Harboring and Obstruction of Justice; National Firearms Act.
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Outstanding leads, looking toward apprehension of William Elmer Head, disregarded. Stop notices against 1935 Plymouth sedan, motor #PJ-322772; 1935 Ford V-8 sedan, motor #2044337 and 1933 Ford standard coupe, motor #18-429014, being maintained in motor registration file in Montana and Idaho. Case referred upon completion to office of origin pending receipt of further leads or information regarding above automobiles. RUC</p> <p>Reference: Letter from Cleveland office to all field offices, June 17, 1936; Bureau letter, July 11, 1936, (62-28915); Letter from Cleveland office to New York office, July 18, 1936; Letter from Chicago office to Cincinnati office, June 13, 1936; Letter from St. Paul office to New York office, July 18, 1936.</p> <p>DETAILS:</p> <p>At Butte, Montana.</p> <p>A review of the file reflects that the outstanding leads in this case in the Butte office district were looking toward the apprehension of William Elmer Head. Inasmuch as he has been taken into custody, as reflected by Bureau letter dated July 11, 1936, (62-28915), these leads are being disregarded. The file also reflects that stop notices on the following cars have been placed in the records of the motor vehicle registration bureaus in the states of Montana and Idaho, with the request that this office be advised of any attempt to register</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED <i>D. N. Dickerson</i>		DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES 12631 AUG 18 1936	
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same in these states:

1935 Plymouth sedan, motor No.
PJ322772;

1935 Ford V-8 tudor sedan, motor
No. 2044337, (reference as to
both of these cars may be found
in Chicago office letter to the
Cincinnati office, dated June 13,
1936; copy of which was forwarded
to all field offices);

Ford 1933 Standard coupe, motor
No. 18-429014, 1935 Ohio license
No. HM-54, (reference will be found
to this automobile in Cleveland
office letter to all field offices,
dated June 17, 1936.)

Inasmuch as the placing of stop notices against the above
automobiles in the motor registration Bureau files in the States of Montana
and Idaho automatically keeps these stop notices alive in order that the
Butte office will be immediately notified in the event an attempt is made
to register same, this case is being referred upon completion to the office
of origin until such time as receipt of information concerning these
automobiles, or any leads from other offices are forthcoming.

REFERRED UPON COMPLETION TO OFFICE OF ORIGIN

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

1308 Masonic Temple Building,
New Orleans, La.
August 14, 1936.

DWM:cw.

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter of July 31, 1936, returning a voucher in favor of Frank B. Moore, Limited, in the amount of \$215.00, which represents charges for certain photographic work done in connection with the Bremer kidnaping case.

Kindly be informed that the circumstances surrounding this photographic work were unusual in that the work had to be completed on Sunday, May 3, 1936, and forwarded to the Bureau on the next air mail. Mr. Tom Quinn, of the Bureau, telephoned the writer at approximately 11:30 a.m. on May 3, 1936, which was a Sunday, requesting, among other things, that photographs be made of the interior and exterior of the apartment occupied by Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter, and that photographs be made of the guns and the cars, and forwarded immediately to the Bureau.

The writer endeavored, on that Sunday, to secure the services of a reputable photographer. Other than newspaper photographers, none could be located on that day at their homes or places of business, other than Mr. Frank Moore. Mr. Frank Moore and his son, on the afternoon and early evening of May 3, 1936, on instructions from the writer, completed the photographic work, and during that night, Mr. Moore, his wife, son, and an assistant, Mr. Louis Dansee, developed these photographs so that same could be forwarded to Washington on the next air mail, as was requested by the Bureau.

Mr. Moore is a reputable photographer and has enjoyed other Government contracts. He stated that his charge has always been \$5.00 per plate, and under the circumstances, since this was a rush request on Sunday, May 3, and required the night work of the four individuals above specified, he could not reduce the charge of \$5.00 a plate.

There was no opportunity to secure bids on this work because of the expeditious request, as no other photographers of known reputable character or otherwise, were available for work on Sunday, May 3, 1936.

I am returning herewith the original and duplicate voucher calling for payment to Mr. Frank Moore.

Very truly yours,

D. W. Magee,
Special Agent in Charge

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August 19, 1936.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. H. J. McCLURE,
GENERAL AGENT.

There is transmitted herewith a voucher in favor of Frank B. Moore, Limited, 1317 Tulane Avenue, New Orleans, Louisiana, in the amount of \$215.00, which represents payment for certain photographic work done in connection with the investigation by this Bureau of the Bremer Kidnaping Case.

On the morning of Sunday, May 3, 1936, I telephonically communicated with the Special Agent in Charge of the New Orleans Office and instructed him to secure the services of a photographer in order to take photographs of the interior and exterior of the apartment occupied by Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter at the time of their apprehension and of the firearms in their possession. It was also necessary to photograph the automobile which was used by these individuals. Due to the fact that these photographs were necessary for use by the Bureau in its attempt to effect the apprehension of other persons connected with this crime, it was imperative that the finished photographs be forwarded to the Bureau by the next air mail plane.

The Special Agent in Charge of the New Orleans Office endeavored on that Sunday to secure the services of a reputable photographer and attempted to obtain bids for this work by telephone. However, no photographer could be located on that day, either at the place of residence or the place of business, with the exception of Mr. Moore. Mr. Moore and his son, on the afternoon and early evening of May 3, 1936, completed the photographic work and during that night, Mr. Moore, his wife, son and an assistant, developed these photographs so that they could be forwarded to Washington on the next air mail plane.

Because of the emergent nature of this matter, it could have been impossible to defer it until the following day for, by so doing, the Bureau's and the Government's case would have been seriously impeded and the consequences resulting from any delay would have defeated the purpose of the investigation which subsequently resulted in the apprehension of other individuals connected with the Bremer Kidnaping Case.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Encl. #1052179.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

LAT:CDW

To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

AUGUST 15, 1936

Transmit the following message to: OKLAHOMA CITY

INSTRUCT ONE SPECIAL AGENT REPORT FOR SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT INDEFINITE
DURATION TO AGENT MCKEE AT CLEVELAND OFFICE. IF AVAILABLE SELECT
AGENT HAVING SOME STENOGRAPHIC ABILITY.

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

AUGUST 15, 1936

Transmit the following message to: KANSAS CITY

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AUGUST 15, 1934

Transmit the following message to: DETROIT.

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Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CINCINNATI, OHIO**

FILE NO. **7-25**

REPORT MADE AT DETROIT, MICHIGAN	DATE WHEN MADE 8/15/36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 8/12, 15/36	REPORT MADE BY SAC H. H. REINECKE AM
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: Bill Kozman residing Hotel Media, Mt. Clemens, Michigan, and should be available for interview there. This information secured as a result of a telephonic request from Special Agent D. P. Sullivan at Toledo, Ohio.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">-P-</p> <p>DETAILS: On August 12, 1936, Special Agent D. P. Sullivan at Toledo, Ohio, called the Detroit Office by long distance telephone and asked that it be ascertained whether or not Bill Kozman is residing at the Hotel Media, Mt. Clemens, Michigan. It was not desired that he be interviewed by an Agent of the Detroit Office but the request was limited to determining whether he was available for interview. Agent Sullivan advised that Kozman was a pimp, about sixty years old, 5'6" tall, weighing 150 pounds, heavy build, gray hair, and Jewish.</p> <p>On the evening of August 12, 1936, Special Agent C. W. Dunker made investigation at Mt. Clemens and ascertained that Bill Kozman is residing at the Hotel Media.</p> <p>On the morning of August 13, 1936, this information was given over the telephone to Special Agent R. C. Suran at Toledo, Ohio.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-PENDING-</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED <i>H. H. Reinecke</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE		DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES 7-25 1936 AUG 15 1936	
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August 14, 1936

Time: 10:20 AM

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Re: Suit against Time
Magazine by Mrs. Karpavicz.

Mr. Suydam telephoned and stated that Time Magazine is being sued for \$100,000 for libel by Karpis' mother, Mrs. Karpavicz. Mr. Suydam stated that the Time representative had been in to see him and it appeared that Time had said in an article that Mrs. Karpavicz had served time in Kansas, Missouri, and Oklahoma. I stated that I knew of no prison record of Karpis' mother and that it was probably Ma Barker they had in mind. Mr. Suydam stated that he had told the Time representative that the criminal records here were not available for inspection for the purposes of private litigation; that this policy has been observed very consistently and he, Mr. Suydam explained the reason for it. Mr. Suydam stated he informed the Time representative that he did not think we could inform him whether or not Mrs. Karpavicz had a criminal record; that the only way this could be obtained would be by subpoena in private litigation. I stated that the position we took was that if a magazine or newspaper wants to write a story it should obtain the facts first and if they come to us before writing a story and request information which is given then it is an entirely different matter from an instance where the story is written and they then come to us to get them out of difficulty. Mr. Suydam stated he would tell the Time representative that we would not disclose that information. I stated that we would not disclose information in our files to anyone except law enforcement agencies; that of course if the request came through such a source we could not decline to furnish the information. I stated that I would check the files to ascertain if there was any record for Mrs. Karpavicz and inform him, Mr. Suydam.

Time: 3:00 PM

Mr. Suydam telephoned and I informed him that the Bureau had no criminal record for Mrs. Karpavicz.

Very truly yours, *94-2-4-11-1*

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

1130 Enquirer Bldg.,
Cincinnati, Ohio

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AUGUST 11, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

Re: BREXID.

Reference is made to report of Special Agent W. C. Muran, dated at Cleveland, August 6, 1936, which on page 37 sets up information secured from Mrs. John Hurley, concerning one Arthur Carter, who was living at the Algeo Hotel in Toledo, Ohio, about October, 1932, together with men known as Jimmie Wilson, Big Boy McLaugh, Fred Campbell, and Tompkin Francis.

I wish to advise that the individual mentioned by Mrs. Hurley is identical with A. Arthur Carter, subject of the case captioned "A. Arthur Carter, with aliases, Mail Fraud", Cincinnati File 126-74. Subject Carter was located at Columbus, Ohio, by Agents J. J. Ladd and J. E. Nathan, with detectives of the Columbus Police Department on February 18, 1935. At the same time there were taken into custody Kenneth Francis, who acted as Carter's chauffeur; Dick Allen, known as well known confidence man; Lou Miller and Bessie Marshall. These persons had been engaged in perpetrating confidence schemes on various individuals throughout the State of Ohio. Carter had previously been convicted on a mail fraud charge in New York City and after his apprehension, was taken to the North-eastern Penitentiary at Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, to serve a five year sentence.

Inasmuch as it appears that Carter is presently incarcerated at Milan, Michigan, it is suggested that the Detroit office interview Carter with reference to the procedure whereby he secured immunity from arrest at Toledo, Ohio, during 1932.

Very truly yours,

S. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge

cc Detroit
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

August 4, 1936

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TALL

Re: BREKID

In connection with the trial of Matthew Gleason of Aurora, Illinois, for the harboring of Volney Davis in the above entitled case, which trial the writer understands is to be had in September, 1936, there is being attached hereto for the purpose of record and inclusion in the file for whatever value the same may have, the original itemized statement of food expenses incurred by Agents J. C. White, F. G. Tillman and the writer during the surveillance maintained in Gleason's home at Aurora, Illinois from February 8, 1935 until February 15, 1935. It is noted here that all of the food specified therein was purchased by the writer and a record made at the close of each day, the same being typed on a typewriter which was located in Gleason's home.

Respectfully,

E. F. Emrich

E. F. Emrich.

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Food Expenses - Aurora Illinois

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Feb. 10th, 1935	.36	(bakery)
Feb 10th, 1935	.98	
Feb. 11th, 1935	.82	(eggs -bacon)
Feb. 11th, 1935	1.00	(grocery)
Feb. 12th, 1935	1.31	
Feb. 12th, 1935	1.70	
" 13th, 1935	.83	(brfst)
Feb. 13th, 1935	1.99	
Feb. 14th, 1935	2.04	
Feb 15th, 1935	1.95	

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August 14, 1936

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Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

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

Dear Sir:

There is transmitted herewith the original itemized statement, together with a photostatic copy, of the expenses which were incurred for food by Special Agents J. C. White, F. C. Tillman and E. F. Larich during the period from February 8 to February 12, 1936, inclusive. It was during this time that the said Agents maintained a surveillance at the home of Matthew Gleason at Aurora, Illinois.

This itemized statement of expenses is being furnished to your office for such purpose as it may possibly serve during the forthcoming trial of Matthew Gleason at Chicago, Illinois on or about September 1, 1936. This food was purchased by Special Agent Larich and the statement was prepared by him.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc-St. Paul
Cleveland
Cincinnati

Inclosure No. 1114797

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

EAT:CDW

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.
August 15, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Special Agent S. K. McKee called me from Cleveland to advise that various telephone taps desired by Mr. Connelley are being installed, and the installation will be completed within the next day or so. Mr. McKee said that Mr. Connelley is of the opinion, and he concurs, that they need at least four additional men to conduct surveillance of these taps 24 hours a day.

I am attaching hereto a teletype to each of the Detroit, Kansas City, Oklahoma City and Little Rock Offices instructing that one Agent from each office be instructed to proceed to Cleveland and report to Agent McKee at the Cleveland Office.

While I realize it is unfortunate we have to take men from offices which are so far removed from Cleveland, we have heretofore been moving men from the office immediately surrounding Cleveland, and I am of the opinion that further depletion of those offices immediately contiguous to the Cleveland territory might be disastrous.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm
E. A. TAMM.

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Mr. Bremer
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Mr. Nathan	✓
Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Baughman	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Coffey	
Mr. Dawsey	
Mr. Edwards	
Mr. Egan	
Mr. Foxworth	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Harbo	
Mr. Joseph	
Mr. Lester	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Quinn	
Mr. Schilder	✓
Mr. Tamm	✓
Mr. Tracy	
Miss Gandy	

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DIRECTOR

PHONE. BREKID. AUTHORITY REQUESTED EXPEND FORTY DOLLARS FOR ONE MONTHS RENT APARTMENT THREE NAUGHT FOUR, TWENTY NAUGHT FIVE THREE EAST EIGHT THREE STREET, CLEVELAND. NECESSARY MAINTAIN TAP TELEPHONE ARDELL QUINN

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
Copy to Mr. Tolson
TOLSON TAMM CLEGG
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1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

August 15, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREID

Reference is made to Bureau letter to Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Illinois, dated June 6, 1936, together with which were transmitted copies of memoranda prepared by the Bureau concerning police corruption at Toledo, Ohio, Hot Springs, Arkansas, and Cleveland, Ohio.

It is respectfully requested that a copy of the memorandum pertaining to corruption at Cleveland, Ohio, be transmitted to the Cleveland office for use in the harboring investigation presently being conducted here.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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- E. J. Connelley, NYC

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

AUGUST 15, 1936

Transmit the following message to: **LITTLE ROCK**

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

August 10, 1936

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Re: Frank G. Thomson
"Boys in Blue"
Toledo, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

On August 6, 1936, the following conversation was overheard by Special Agent H. A. Guerin, on the telephone tap which was being maintained on the telephone of Earl Wittenberg, 538 1/2 Erie Street, Toledo, Ohio, in connection with the harboring investigation presently being conducted at Toledo, Ohio. This is the "Bail Bond" place which has the inside position with police, et al, at Toledo.

Incoming call at 3:04 P.M.

Man calling: Mr. Earl Wittenberg, please.
This is Joe Thomas of the Police and Firemen's paper, you know the "Boys in Blue." We are going to have a convention at the Waldorf on the 6th, 7th, and 8th of September.

Earl Wittenberg:
If you are talking about an ad, nothing doing.

Joe Thomas: Well, we're going to have a banquet too, and Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, of the Department of Justice or his first assistant is going to talk as guest speaker. The tickets are \$2.50.

Earl Wittenberg: RECORDED & INDEXED
For one ticket for C----- Sam's.

Joe Thomas: Well, you like to eat, don't you?

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Letter to Director
Re: Frank G. Thomson
"Boys in Blue"
Toledo, Ohio.

August 10, 1936

Earl Wittenberg: That's too much dough, you know
I'm not the only one here.
Listen, call me next week, and
I'll see about it. I'll give
you a ticket or an ad anyway.

Special Agent R. C. Suran informed me of this conversation telephonically after which I discussed the matter with you and was advised that no speaker for the Bureau was to speak before the convention indicated above; that the Bureau had been invited by Mr. Frank G. Thomson to send a representative, but by letter dated July 31, 1936, Mr. Thomson was advised that due to other commitments no speaker from the Bureau could attend. Mr. Thomson acknowledged this letter under date of August 5, 1936.

In compliance with my instructions, Special Agent R. C. Suran communicated with Mr. Thomson by telephone at the headquarters of the "Boys in Blue", Waldorf Hotel, Toledo, Ohio, and requested him to come to the temporary office being maintained in the Edison Building. Mr. Thomson called at the office and was interviewed by Agent Suran.

Mr. Thomson, Executive Secretary of the "Boys in Blue" advised Agent Suran that the organization known as the "Boys in Blue" was organized about four years ago in Toledo, Ohio, and is an organization for retired policemen and firemen; that the purpose of the organization is to promote pension benefits for retired firemen and policemen, to promote the general welfare of police and firemen, and to keep politics out of the police and fire departments.

Thomson stated that the organization has one other chapter at the present time, and this chapter is located at Akron, Ohio, and efforts are being made to expand in order to make the "Boys in Blue" a national organization. It is incorporated under the laws of Ohio.

When the sale of tickets for the coming convention was discussed with Mr. Thomson, he stated that to date only ten such tickets had been sold; that he at no time, in an effort to sell tickets, advised the prospective purchaser that the Director, or a representative of the Bureau would speak. He stated that the members

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Re: Frank G. Thomson
"Boys in Blue"
Toledo, Ohio.

August 10, 1936.

of the organization were advised by him that efforts were being made to have you or some other representative of the Bureau speak to the convention.

He stated that if any member was selling tickets and stating that you would be present, it was without his knowledge. Mr. Thomson advised that Joe Thomas is connected with the organization, selling advertising for their paper, and if Mr. Thomas made such statements, he, Thomson, would take the full responsibility as he has not informed Mr. Thomas that a speaker from the Bureau would not be present, and also stated that on the other hand he had not definitely advised Thomas any time that a representative of the Bureau would be present. He stated he would see to it at once that all members were advised of the true facts in this matter and further representations of this nature would not occur as such would only react unfavorably towards the "Boys in Blue" if a person purchased a ticket, expecting to hear a speaker from the Bureau and such speaker was not present.

Mr. Thomson spoke highly of the Bureau and stated that he delayed acknowledging the Bureau letter in hopes that something would occur that a representative could be present and he would be so advised.

Mr. Thomson stated that he is a disabled fireman, and as such receives \$80.00 per month pension from the City of Toledo, and in addition, receives \$20.00 per month from the "Boys in Blue" in his capacity of Executive Secretary for that organization. He resides at 1409 Wade Street, Toledo, Ohio.

This organization is reported to consist of 56 retired policemen, 65 retired firemen, and 138 widows of deceased firemen and policemen, this representing a total membership of the Toledo, Ohio chapter.

There is attached hereto copy of the paper known as the "Boys in Blue" for July, 1936 and June, 1936, in which reference is made to the Bureau.

In my first conversation with Agent Suran, he was under the impression that Joe Thomas and Frank G. Thomson was one and the same person, however, this is not the case and the actual representations made

Letter to Director
Re: Frank G. P...
"Boys in Blue"
Columbus, Ohio

August 10, 1936

as detected over the telephone tap were made by Joe Thomas.

It is not believed that we will have any further cause for complaint in connection with the misrepresentations made in selling tickets, however, we will continue to watch for any possible activity of this nature in the future.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY
Special Agent in Charge

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Laboratory Report
August 15, 1936.

Case: BRIDE

Number: 7-575-12508

Specimens: A. Photostatic copy of three-page letter written by Harry O'Campbell, dated August 2, 1936 and beginning "received your letters sure was glad to hear***".

Examination requested by: Kansas City Bureau Office.

Date received: August 12, 1936.

Examination requested: Document.

Result of examination:

Examination by: Appel

These specimens of the writing of Harry Campbell will be included with others of known gangsters for comparison with unknown writings in a general search which will be made as soon as the writings are assembled.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Re: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

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

August 12, 1936.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure:

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

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SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U S DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
1900 BANKERS' BUILDING
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

AUGUST 15, 1936.

INFORMANT CHARLES ^K LONG DEPARTING ALONE TOLEDO OHIO SIX FIFTEEN
PM BY WAY OF NEW YORK CENTRAL FOR CHICAGO

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Edw J Bremer
Per informant in person

1440 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

August 14, 1936

Re: CHARLES O. LONG
Informant

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to letter to the Bureau from the Cleveland field office dated August 6, 1936, wherein it is stated that on August 5th Special Agent Lee F. Malone accompanied informant Charles O. Long to Toledo, Ohio, with a view to reaching the persons with whom Long is desirous of making contact.

The following information is the substance of a memorandum submitted to the Cleveland office by Special Agent Lee F. Malone, who is now at Toledo, Ohio, in connection with the activities of the above-mentioned informant:

On August 5th Agent Malone proceeded to Toledo, Ohio, with informant, which informant was at that time in a very intoxicated condition. During the ride to Toledo, Ohio, Long by his conversation seemed to be worried a great deal over what Keade's friends might do to him. This subject was brought up on several occasions during the trip to Toledo. Long also stated that on August 5th he had wired a party in Toledo or had called him by long distance telephone and that this party had wired to Long at Cleveland a sum of money, either one hundred or fifty dollars, the amount varying during the conversation, and that Long is using this money to assist in the current investigation. Long seemed to be "put out" because the Bureau was not advancing all the funds which he, Long, thought were necessary in connection with his activities and that he, Long, was having to spend some of his own money, and he referred to the \$50 advances as nickel and dime affairs and stated that the Bureau was employing the same tactics as it had in the Keade case.

Long indicated that the bonds involved in this case were Trap Rock bonds, Sinclair Oil bonds and Pennsylvania Railroad bonds. It is possible that the Trap Rock bonds might be Cap Rock bonds of the Cap Rock Oil Company in Texas. Long advised that these bonds were buried somewhere in the northern part of the state of Ohio, between Toledo and Cleveland, in a two-quart glass jar. He, however, was unable to furnish any other definite information which would help to identify the bonds or their source and does not know from where they were stolen, except that they were possibly stolen either in New York or New Jersey and that in the bank robbery one of the

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cashiers was shot and slightly wounded. He is certain, however, that the Bankers' Association has offered \$25,000 reward for the recovery of these bonds and that this reward is his greatest incentive in carrying the case through to a successful conclusion.

Upon arrival at Toledo, Ohio, Agent Malone registered at the Waldorf Hotel and Long registered at the Fort Meigs Hotel under his correct name, and is now occupying room number 610 at this hotel.

On August 6th Agent Malone contacted Long at his hotel room and he, Long, advised that on the night before he had made about twenty spots in Toledo and that he had been in contact with Benny Harris, who operates a gambling establishment known as the Sport Center; Sam Hassler (phonetic spelling), and Edith Barry. He was not successful in contacting the persons who are directly interested in the bonds in question, but he did ascertain that these persons had made some inquiries for him a few weeks ago. He is mainly attempting to contact Shinner Crawford. Long advised Agent Malone that his contacts at Toledo tell him that Toledo, Ohio, is very hot and that an official of the Department of Justice by the name of Connelley is coming to that town with a special detail and that they are going to turn the town upside down, and for that reason Long had better get out of town and not try to operate there. Another contact advised Long that Toledo was only hot as far as gunmen, etc., are concerned and that if he wanted to work a con game, he could possibly do so. Another party stated that everyone in Toledo was afraid of the pending investigation and that they are particularly afraid that an officer named Langdorf of the Toledo Police Department would talk. Another party named Newcombe advised Long that he could face the cops. This Newcombe used to operate a bootlegging establishment over the interurban station in Toledo, Ohio, and is presently supposed to be protecting about forty "cannons" and handling the police for them.

Long advised Agent Malone that he did not know when he would be able to make the proper contact; that it might be a matter of hours and it might be ten days; that this matter cannot be pushed and it is necessary to play a waiting game, inasmuch as the bonds had previously been offered to him and he had refused at that time. Long again brought out to Agent Malone that he cannot operate on wind and that it takes money to make the night spots and that if the government did not want to furnish the necessary funds, he could go back to Chicago for a month or so, dropping the matter during that period, and make enough money to finance his own operations in running down these bonds. He stated further that he is not keen about the job as it is a dangerous one, inasmuch as the men owning the bonds are supposed to be quick with machine guns.

On August 7th Long advised Agent Malone that he had seen Newcombe the previous evening and that Newcombe had promised Long to put him in touch with the men who knew where the bonds were and that these men would deal with Long.

Long requested additional funds, and an additional \$25 was advanced by Agent Malone. Long seemed quite put out because of the fact that the government would only advance to him \$25 at that particular time.

On August 10th Long informed Agent Malone that over the week-end he had been to Detroit, Michigan, and to Sandusky, Ohio, and in these towns had left word with contacts that he wanted to get in touch with Shinner. During this period he also contacted Neacombe, Sam Bassler, Benny Harris and Harry Levine, all of Toledo, but up to that time no contact had been made with the persons directly interested in the bonds. These individuals are supposed to have a hideout in Michigan. On August 10th Agent Malone advanced an additional fifty dollars to Long.

On August 10th Acting Special Agent in Charge R. T. Ross conferred with Mr. E. A. Tamm at the Bureau by long distance telephone, advising Mr. Tamm briefly of the facts in this case, and Agent Ross was advised by Mr. Tamm that the Bureau had found informant Long very reliable in the past; that Long has always operated slowly and it was necessary to play along with him. Mr. Tamm suggested that an agent of this office stay with Long for at least another week and to meet any reasonable demand for funds which might be made by Long.

Since informant Long arrived in Cleveland on August 3rd, there has been advanced to him a total of one hundred twenty-five dollars, in addition to the transportation from Cleveland to Toledo.

In accordance with Bureau policy Agent Malone will remain with informant Long for the next few days and meet any reasonable request for funds which might be made by Long.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MAC FARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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cc: Chicago
E. J. Connelley

August 31, 1936

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Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: CHARLES O. LONG
Informant

Dear Sir:

The Bureau is in receipt of a letter dated August 14, 1936, from the Cleveland Bureau Office, a copy of which was furnished your office, regarding the activities of Charles O. Long in the Cleveland district.

Although this informant has definitely proven himself of value in the past, it is obvious that he is furnishing insufficient information to warrant the amount of money that already has been paid to him, notwithstanding his objection to what he calls "nickel and dime" payments.

You are therefore instructed to refrain from advancing any additional funds to this individual until such a time as he furnishes information of a definite character and to make this fact clear to him when he next communicates with you.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc - Cleveland
Detroit

67-4787-1

404 New York Building
Saint Paul, Minnesota
August 5, 1936

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

HAKAP

On July 31, 1936, following the suicide of the defendant, John E. Peifer, the Honorable M. M. Joyce, Judge of the U. S. District Court at Saint Paul, who sentenced Peifer, requested me to see him at his office. He stated that he had heard rumors to the effect that friends of Peifer were of the opinion that he had not accorded Peifer a fair trial and held him accountable for Peifer's death; that this was substantiated in part by argument of counsel in their motion for a new trial; and that he would appreciate it if two agents would be detailed to accompany him home.

Upon telephonic Bureau instructions, Special Agents A. T. Noonan and John A. Brennan were detailed to accompany Judge Joyce to his home in Minneapolis and to remain with him if he so desired. These agents accompanied Judge Joyce from his office to his home and vice versa on July 31st, August 3rd and 4th, at which time the detail was discontinued at the Judge's own request.

In the course of conversation, the Judge stated to the agents that the work of the agents of the Bureau had been a revelation to him; that they could take a set of facts and make deductions which, by the evidence they obtained to support them, were incontrovertible; that he had done his utmost to accord the defendants in the Bremer and Hamm cases fair and impartial trials and that the suicide of Peifer was, to him, an admission of his guilt.

The Judge requested Special Agents Noonan and Brennan to convey his thanks to the Director and the personnel of the Bureau, who rendered him assistance personally, and to extend his congratulations in the Bremer and Hamm cases for work well done.

Very truly yours,

J. H. E.

C. W. B. E.

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August 14, 1936.

Time - 11:30 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Special Agent R. T. Ross of the Cleveland Office telephoned me with reference to the activities of Informant Charles O. Long. This is the informant, you will recall, who was sent down into Ohio by the Chicago Office for the purpose of developing information concerning the theft and interstate transportation of \$150,000 in bonds, which were allegedly stolen in a bank robbery in the vicinity of New York City.

Mr. Ross said that the informant is now claiming that he has developed information indicating one member of the gang in question is in the vicinity of a certain small town in Michigan, and the informant wants to go up there. Mr. Ross said that when this man came from Chicago to Ohio, an Agent of the Chicago Office accompanied him, and he was wondering if Agent Malone of his office should proceed to Michigan with this informant, and there meet an Agent of the Detroit Office, who would then conduct investigation in company with the informant to locate the parties who allegedly have the bonds. Mr. Ross was also wondering if we should pay this man's railroad fare and give him some more money, they having already given him \$80.00 this week.

I told Mr. Ross in the first place that there appears to be no need for Agent Malone of his office to accompany this man to Michigan, but of course, the Detroit Office should be contacted, given the background of this matter, and requested to have an Agent meet the informant and to conduct appropriate investigation. As to paying this man any more money, I told Mr. Ross that we don't have any informants who are worth \$80.00 per week, and consequently no more money should be given this informant; that, however, his fare on the railroad should be paid to Michigan, where he can dicker with the Detroit Agents as to any further money. Incidentally, I told Mr. Ross to tell the Detroit Office to get in touch with Mr. Ladd at the Chicago Office as to the payment of any more money to this informant.

Respectfully,

RECORDED E. A. TAMM.

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Edwin J. Bremer
for the informant

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Cincinnati, Ohio

Cleveland FILE NO. 7-1

REPORT MADE AT Cleveland, Ohio	DATE WHEN MADE 8/15/36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 8/6/36 to 8/12/36	REPORT MADE BY R. C. SURAN EJB
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; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Marie Barley, former cook at the Casino Club identified photographs of Doc Barker and other members of the gang, Karpis, Weaver, Dolores Delaney and Myrtle Eaton excepted, as persons who visited the Casino Club almost nightly during the summer of 1934. States Campbell had pistol hid at club with knowledge of Ted Angus; that Jimmie Wilson was at club armed; that gang flashed large sums of money; that members of hoodlum squad, Toledo, Ohio Police Department visited club three or four nights per week while gang was there; that Timiney would drink with members of the gang. Harry Zahrlly failed to identify photographs of any members of gang as being likeness of individual with whom he had fight at Casino Club. Mrs. John Hurley is alleged to have been in room at Algeo Hotel with Timiney and Karpis. Timiney and Ted Angus alleged to have had disagreement over the affections of Edith Marks. Interviews with former members of hoodlum squad reveals identification orders and other wanted notices were routed to Timiney while he was head of hoodlum squad; that members of the squad visited the Casino frequently for the alleged purpose of locating hoodlums but claim they never saw suspicious characters at club. Eva Stern, former wife of Ludy Fleming identifies photographs of Doc Barker and Alvin Karpis as being associates of Ludy Fleming and furnishes information indicating that Fleming knew true identity of fugitives. Arthur Eggert denies warning Eva Stern to keep away from Casino Club. Art Hand and Joe Rose deny they have information concerning members of the gang frequenting Dutch Village or Casino Club. Charles Marks states that one Murphy, chauffeur for Addison Q. Thacher, was collector from gambling establish-

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ments during time Thatcher was mayor of Toledo, Ohio. Myrtle Carnes, former madam of house of prostitution, stated she failed to pay protection money to Ted Angus and as result received numerous raids from police which forced her out of business in the latter part of 1932. Bert Ford related his knowledge of the association between Ed McGraw, Fred Goulet and Campbell and promised to endeavor to learn from McGraw the identity of the individual who brought Campbell to McGraw's place. b7d

States Ted Angus now keeping company with a girl named Helen, and that Ted is expected to take a trip to California. States Art Brown former member of hoodlum, squad extorted \$200 from George Sargent to permit Sargent to avoid arrest. Telephone tap placed on telephone of Sadie Dann, Oxford Hotel, 8/11/36 in effort to obtain information concerning present pay off in Toledo, Ohio. Tap on telephone of Earl (Ike) Wittenberg discontinued 8/8/36.

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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, dated at Cleveland, Ohio, 8/8/36.

DETAILS: This report covers the investigation conducted by Special Agents J. V. Murphy, D. P. Sullivan, E. J. Wynn, J. L. Madala, V. E. Criss and R. C. Suran, Agent Madala reporting for duty at Toledo, Ohio, on August 8, 1936, and Agent Criss reporting on August 9, 1936.

The following investigation was performed by Special Agents D. P. Sullivan and E. J. Wynn at Toledo, Ohio, on August 6, 1936:

Marie Barley, who has been previously referred to as Marie Borley, was located at a rooming house, 3918 Detroit Avenue, and she accompanied Agents to the temporary offices being maintained in Toledo.

The following signed statement, the original of which is being retained in the files of the Cleveland Bureau office, was secured from her:

Toledo, Ohio
August 6, 1936

"I, MARIE AGNES BARLEY, make the following free and voluntary statement to E. J. Wynn and D. P. Sullivan, Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice.

"I began to work as a cook at the Casino Club in Point Place, on Summit Street, in May 1934, the first part of the month. I worked as cook until about the fifth or sixth of September 1934. A handy man whose name I believe is Douglass told me one day on the street that they needed a cook at the Casino Club, and suggested that I got out to the Casino Club and see Bert or Ted Angus. I went out to the Casino Club one afternoon in the early part of May 1934, and asked a man behind the bar for Mr. Angus, and he told me that he was Ted Angus. The only persons in the Casino Club at that time were an old man who hung around the Casino Club called 'Dutch', a young fellow called Jimmie, and an old man who carried a cane and limped. These three men were sitting at a table in the rear. I talked to Ted Angus and he told me I could go to work the next evening, and I did.

"From a group of photographs I have picked out photographs of persons I saw at the Casino Club during the time I worked there, which I am told are photographs of the following named persons: Arthur R. 'Doc' Barker, who I knew only by the name of 'Shorty'; Fred Barker, whose name I never did know, and knew him only as 'Shorty's' brother; Harry Campbell, who I knew as 'Buff'; Paula Harmon, who I knew as Paula, who was a sweetheart of Shorty's brother; Wynona Burdette, who I knew as Wynona, and the wife of 'Buff'; Volney Davis, whose name I did not learn; Edna Murray, who I knew as 'Rabbits'; Ollie Berg, who I recall was a Jew, but I never learned his name; Russell Gibson, who I knew as 'Slim'; William J. Harrison, who I knew as 'Little Willie'; and 'Willie'; Charles Joseph Fitzgerald, who I knew only as the

'Old Man'; James J. Wilson, who I knew as 'Jimmie'; I have likewise selected a photograph which I am told is that of a Dr. Joseph P. Moran, which bears a strong resemblance to a man I knew only as 'Doc.' In referring to these people in this statement I shall use the names I knew them by.

"The day that Ted Angus gave me the job at the Casino Club, Jimmie and the Old Man were two of the men sitting at the table with Dutch.

"I reported for work the following day, and about eight o'clock that evening Jimmie came into the kitchen and ordered a steak sandwich. He did not stay long at the Club that night. The following evening the Club had a Grand Opening, and there was quite a number of people there. I recall that Jimmie, Shorty, Buff and Willie attended that night and were sitting with a party of about twelve people including Madeline Angus, wife of Bert Angus, her sisters Rene and Thelma Holst, Mildred Clark, some girl friend of Jimmie's, and possibly Ruth Angus, the wife of Ted Angus. I cannot recall the other people in the party. I recall that these persons did not leave the Casino Club until about five o'clock the following morning. About midnight Jimmie and Shorty came into the kitchen and ordered a turkey dinner which they ate in the kitchen.

"There after I saw some of the persons whose photographs I have identified at the Casino Club almost nightly, and at times they would stay until as late as four or five in the morning, and at other times they would leave around midnight. I only recall the man whom I am told is Ollie Berg and whose photograph I have identified, in company with other persons I have identified at the Casino Club on only one or two occasions. The most frequent customers were Shorty, Jimmie, Willie, and Buff.

"During the time all of these persons visited the Casino Club, they would sometimes sit at the bar, and at other times they would sit at the tables. I recall that the Old Man would generally be with Rabbits, and that both of them were heavy drinkers, and usually sat at one of the tables in the rear. On occasions when I reported for work around five o'clock in the evening some of this crowd would be at the Club. Jimmie, Willie, and Shorty frequently came into the kitchen and ordered dinner from me. Buff and Slim would occasionally likewise do the same. I recall that Jimmie, Willie and Shorty would tip me fifty cents or a dollar, and they liked the dinners I cooked.

"Wynona also visited the Club frequently, more often with Paula, and sometimes with Rabbits. Both Wynona and Paula were quite friendly with Madeline and Ruth Angus, and Rene and Thelma Holst, and generally sat at the same table with them. Madeline and Rene were at the Casino Club almost every night spending a great deal of time there. Ruth Angus would occasionally be there for the evening, but more often came about the Club when it was closing to take Ted home, but she would come out about two or three o'clock in the morning, which was generally several hours before the club closed.

Wynona was quite friendly and would come to the kitchen and talk with me a half hour at a time. I recall that on one occasion I asked her what her husband Buff did for a living and she told me that he was in the real estate business. She also told me that she came from Oklahoma, and that she had been married once before and that she was part French and part Indian, and I believe that she told me that Buff came from Texas. Paula told me on one occasion that she and her husband came from Cleveland. Although I was never told, I formed the opinion from the way they talked that Shorty and his brother came from Texas. I remember Bert Angus telling me that some time before he and Willie had been in business in Chicago, Ill., operating a tavern.

As these people were such constant customers, and spent money so freely, I began to wonder who they were. I often saw the men at the bar buying many rounds of drinks, and paying for them in large bills. When they were at the bar each of them generally kept a pile of money in front of him, and I also saw them pull rolls of money out of their pockets, and I would estimate that sometimes the rolls of money would amount to six or seven hundred dollars. I noticed that they would give the singers a dollar bill to sing a request song, and noticed that on numerous occasions they would buy drinks for the entertainers and those at the Club they knew. I heard them talking about going to Willow Beach Amusement Park in Point Place and riding on the roller coasters and other amusements. Dutch the porter told me that he had gone there with them and that they stood up on the roller coaster and acted so crazy that he did not want to go out with them as he might get killed with them. I especially recall the Old Man because on one occasion he ordered ham and eggs, and he stormed into the kitchen and threatened to hit me with the cane because he did not like the way the things were cooked, and he cussed me out. I told Ted about it and he laughed and told me to pay no attention to it as he was a crippled and crabby old man.

I noticed that when these people would leave the Casino Club they would generally drive toward Point Place, and being somewhat curious I asked where Buff and Wynona lived, asking Madeline Angus this question, and Madeline evaded the question and did not answer me, and at that time I thought it was somewhat odd knowing that she was such a good friend of Wynona's.

As I recall, the above individuals frequented the Casino Club almost nightly for about three months. Throughout this time, some members of the Hoodlum Squad would visit the Casino Club, about three or four times each week, and generally they would arrive about midnight or shortly thereafter. The officers that I recall on the Hoodlum Squad were Tafelski, Michalak, and Captain Timiney, who was in charge of the squad. There would generally be three or four members come in at the same time. I don't know the names of the

other men on this squad who came in. Captain Timiney visited the Casino Club more often than the men on his squad, frequently he came to the Casino Club alone, and I recall that on several occasions he became intoxicated and stayed until late in the morning. He and Bert and Ted Angus appeared to be quite friendly, and he would talk with them at the rear end of the bar. During this period, and these visits, very often some of the persons who I have identified from photograph would be at the bar also, and they would buy drinks for everyone at the bar at the time Timiney was sitting at the bar. Ordinarily Captain Timiney and other members of the Hoodlum Squad got free drinks, but when Timiney remained at the Club for several hours, he would occasionally pay for his drinks. Timiney appeared to be friendly with Madeline Angus, and Rene and Thelma Holst, and I have seen him sitting on occasions at the table with these women. I have also seen Timiney at the Casino Club on a very few occasions with Mrs. Marks.

"When the men I have identified above would be sitting at the bar, they would talk and converse with each other and Captain Timiney. I recall that they all mingled freely with persons who might be frequenting the Casino Club, but Shorty and his brother were more quiet than the others and seemed to be more reserved. Willie laughed and cut up with everybody. I recall that he used to go out on the floor and lead the orchestra and sing, and go into a dance, generally winding up by him taking off his clothes down to his shorts. Once the Old Man ripped off the shorts with his cane and Willie was in the nude and immediately flopped on the floor. Bert and Ted Angus were present and laughed about the incident and enjoyed it very much and they did not say anything. Willie grabbed up his clothes and ran down in the basement.

"One night there was an entertainer singing by the name of Scottie, who sang Scotch songs, and some time wore kilts in his act. Willie was drunk and said he did not like Scottie or the song he was singing, and went on the floor and punched Scottie in the mouth. Scottie hit Willie back, and Shorty, Buff, and Jimmie joined in the fight, and Scottie knocked Shorty under the piano and was holding his own with the others. Mr. Zarley who manages the Elks' Club was present and went to Scottie's aid, when suddenly Willie pulled a pistol and pointed it at Scottie. Bert Angus ran over from behind the bar and took the pistol away from Willie and said to him, 'What the hell do you think you are doing? Go sit down and behave yourself or I will throw the whole bunch of you out.' Scottie in the meanwhile ran into the kitchen, and left by the back door. Scottie came back to work the next night and they were all good friends again.

"About a month after I went to work at the Casino Club, Jimmie Wilson was at the Club alone, and he came into the kitchen and made a grab for me, and I pushed him away and felt a gun under his armpit. He had a coat on at the time. I did not say anything to him about it, and I do not believe he ever knew that I felt the gun.

"In August 1934, when tomatoes came into season, I was engaged in canning tomatoes in the kitchen of the Casino Club, and had a box of quart jars there. I recall that Captain Timiney, accompanied by two men dressed in plain clothes, whom I had not seen with Timiney or anyone else before or afterwards, came into the Club, and a few minutes later Buff came into the kitchen and walked over to the box of jars. I was busy and did not pay a great deal of attention to him. A few minutes later as I reached in the box for a jar I saw an automatic pistol, and later Ted Angus came into the kitchen and I pointed out the pistol to him and told him that Buff had placed it there. Ted told me to leave it alone and not to say anything about it which I did. Buff got drunk that night and did not come to get his pistol that night. Jimmie and Buff were sitting at the booth at the front of the club close to the bar. Timiney and the other two men stood at the bar nearby and remained only a short while, and left after having one drink. A couple of days later Buff came into the kitchen alone, and asked me if I had found anything in a box and I told him I had and it was still there, and he said, 'I will take it', and walked over and took the pistol from the box and put it in his pocket. This must have been around ten o'clock in the evening. He stayed around, had a few drinks, and then left the Casino Club.

"When I first went to work at the Club, I remember that Shorty had a bandage under one of his ears, and he had a scar near the bridge of his nose.

"One evening Buff was at the Club drinking with several people whom I cannot now recall, and he became quite drunk and left about nine thirty or ten o'clock in an automobile. About an hour and a half or two hours later he returned to the Club in a taxi cab and had several cuts on his face and he said that he had been in a wreck with the car, and he said that he had been out in Shorty's car and ran in a ditch. Buff said that he would have to buy Shorty a new car, and about two or three days later I saw a tall automobile salesman in the Casino Club talking with Buff and Shorty, and as I now recall I think this salesman's name was Berry. I had seen him at the Casino Club on several times and knew that he was an automobile salesman, and he appeared to be a friend of Bert and Ted Angus. Shortly after this I heard Buff say that he bought Shorty a new car.

"I recall that many times this crowd of people that I have been speaking of were the only customers at the Casino Club up until midnight, when people would come out after the other night clubs in Toledo had closed. This was especially true the last month or two that I worked at the Casino Club, when fewer customers visited the Club than in May or June. This crowd of people spent a great deal of money at the Club. I imagine that they spent as much as fifty

dollars a night at times, and judging from the number of other customers, I would say that the club would not have been able to operate without their patronage.

"During the time the above mentioned people frequented the Casino Club it was noticeable that they apparently had no definite occupation inasmuch as they visited the club both in the day and at night, and at times until the late hours of the morning. They did not appear to be working people, and did not seem to have any responsibilities, and seemed to be worried only about having a good time. I naturally came to the conclusion that they were either gamblers or in some sort of 'racket.'

"From my observations of this crowd, I believe that had I been an officer who visited the Casino Club three or four times a week I would have been suspicious of them. I never recall seeing Captain Timiney or other members of the hoodlum squad questioning any of these individuals, I speak of, nor was there any evidence that they were investigating to try to learn their identities. Timiney's actions and conversations which I noticed or overheard, which he had with this group, were of a sociable nature rather than that of an officer.

"During the time I worked at the Casino Club in the summer of 1934, both the Toledo Blade and News paper were delivered daily to the Casino Club in the afternoon by a boy. Willie and Shorty and any of the other men generally sat at the second table from the kitchen next to the bar. I remember that John Dillinger and his gang at that time were mentioned almost daily in the newspapers, and I can recall these men sitting at a table reading the newspapers after they were delivered and pointing to the paper and specifically to headlines and articles containing news about Dillinger, and they would laugh, but I did not overhear their conversations. Bert and Ted would read the newspapers and after they were finished would generally bring the newspapers in to the kitchen for me to read.

"I recall that the gang used to get a great kick out of getting Dutch drunk and getting him to do all kinds of tricks. Willie used to talk a great deal about golfing, and to show how good he was he got Dutch one night to lie down on the floor on his back, and Willie placed a golf ball on Dutch's head and Willie knocked it off with a golf club. Dutch was so drunk he did not know what it was all about. At other times Willie knocked golf balls around in the Casino Club.

"I recall that one time I saw Jimmie out in back of the Casino Club shooting at clay pigeons. He was using a gun which was kept at the Casino Club in a clothes closet. I do not recall just who was with him at the time.

"I recall that one time I talked with Ruth Angus, the wife of Ted Angus, and she was telling me how jealous Ted Angus was of her, and she told me about a party that was held at the house in which she and Ted Angus lived in Toledo, O., which was some time before I went to work at the Casino Club as I now recall it. I recall that Ruth told me that they were having the party in the basement, and that Buff and Wynona were there as well as Jimmie, and that when the party broke up Jimmie lingered in the doorway and talked with Ruth for a while, and that Ted came back and wanted to know what in the hell she was doing talking to Jimmie. Ruth told me that after the visitors left Ted beat her up.

"I recall that when I quit working at the Casino Club about September 5 or 6, 1934, Jimmie was the only one of the bunch who was around. I recall that for about a week before I quit that I had not seen the bunch around and that I wondered where they were, and he said he did not know. The place seemed kind of dead, and there were very few customers except in the morning after midnight. Previous to this some members of the bunch left for short periods of time, and I recall that on leaving they would mention that they were going to Chicago and they would talk about visiting the World's Fair. I recall that the last time I saw Doc, whose photograph I am told is that of Doc Moran, he came into the Casino Club with Slim. Both were quite dusty and stated they had just come in from a long trip. Doc came in and got some hot water from the stove and went into the wash room to clean up. They had one drink and went out, and that was the last time I ever saw Doc Moran.

"On Friday, September 13, 1935, I again went to work for Bert and Ted Angus at their new night club, the New Casino located near the Dura Plant in Toledo. After quitting the Casino in September 1934 I remained in Toledo until December 1934 when I went to Texas and did not return to Toledo until June 8, 1935. After I went to work at the New Casino Club, I at times mentioned about the above-mentioned bunch of men and women who hung around the Old Casino Club in the summer of 1934. I had meanwhile read in the newspapers about these men being kidnapers, and I asked Ted and Bert Angus, and Ruth and Madeline Angus what had happened to them but they always evaded my questions and would start talking about something else. Ted Angus told me that he did not know who the men were or what they did as they ran a business at the Casino Club and that they would not question everybody who came in as to what they did or who they were. Ted told me that he did not believe that I could be questioned as I only worked at the club and that I did not know anything about these fellows any more than he did.

"The New Casino Club closed for the summer on July 5, 1936. Up until the time George Timiney and other members of the old hoodlum squad who used to visit the Old Casino Club frequently called at the new place, and seemed to be just as friendly as ever with Bert and Ted.

"During the time that Wynona was in the hospital in the summer of 1934, I remember that Jimmie, Buff and Shorty, Willie, and Rene Holst, Mildred Clark talked about going over to Middle Island, and they remained for two or three days and when they returned they talked about what a good time they had.

"When I first went to work at the Casino Club in May, 1934, I believe that Wynona was in the hospital. Some time afterward Ruth Angus went to the hospital, for some female trouble. On her return, she complained to me that when Wynona was at the hospital she had plenty of visitors, and that she, Ruth, gave her night gowns and visited her and did other favors for her, but that when she was in the hospital the only person that visited her was Madeline.

"I now recall that at the time the men were at the Casino Club during the summer of 1934, that one of the things that made me suspicious was the fact that the men would be constantly looking around quickly as if to see if anybody was around, when they were talking confidentially at a table.

"During the time this bunch was hanging around the Casino Club in 1934, Nig Cousins was a good customer and frequently visited the Club, sometimes alone and sometimes with his wife, Ethel, and he would sometimes sit at the bar or table with these people drinking.

"I customarily am known by the last name of Barley. My maiden name is Genard. Barley was the last name of my first husband, and upon my divorce from him I continued to use his name. I later married Thomas Cathright, but am now separated from him as he is in the penitentiary.

"I have read the above statement consisting of eight pages, and have initialed corrections appearing therein by the initials 'MB', and have signed my name to the bottoms of pages 1-7 inclusive, and my signature below to this the 8th page, as indications of the fact that I have read the statement, understand it completely, and that it is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. This statement is given by me freely and voluntarily without promise of reward or fear of punishment.

WITNESS

/s/ MARIE AGNES BARLEY

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Cleveland, Ohio."

With reference to the information provided by Mrs. Barley in signed statement with reference to the wrecking of the automobile by Campbell, and the automobile salesman who came to the Casino Club by the name of Barry, attention is directed to the report of Special Agent D. E. Hall, dated at Detroit, Michigan, April 9, 1935, on page twenty of which report it is indicated that investigation at the Robinson Chevrolet, Inc., 3015 Monroe Street, Toledo, Ohio, established that on March 28, 1934, through Salesman H. Barry, Chevrolet club sedan, motor #4102927 was sold to H. J. Morley (known alias of Doc Barker). It is stated on page twenty-one that about August 1, 1934, this car was wrecked, and that on August 3, 1934, Chevrolet sedan motor #4543656 was sold to H. J. Morley for which the wrecked Chevrolet was turned in and the difference paid in cash, and that this transaction was handled by salesman H. Barry.

The report indicates that salesman H. Barry was interviewed, and made a poor impression on Agent Hall, and that he gave a vague story as to his meeting H. J. Morley (Doc Barker). In view of the information furnished by Marie Barley, it is proposed to reinterview Mr. H. Barry vigorously and in detail.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent C. E. Smith, dated at Cleveland, Ohio, November 4, 1935, page five, indicating that this same salesman, H. Barry, sold Chevrolet sedan motor #4482615 to William Weaver under the name Mrs. J. W. Osborne, on July 24, 1934. Investigation has never been conducted at the Robinson Chevrolet Company, Inc. with reference to this transaction, nor has salesman H. Barry been interviewed.

During the course of the interview with Marie Barley, she was questioned thoroughly concerning Alvin Karpis, but she could not recall him being present at the Casino Club, nor could she recognize either his photograph or the photograph of Dolores Delaney. She could not recall the incident mentioned by Edna Murray when Jimmie Wilson got drunk and had an accident in Harry Campbell's car and his questioning by two police officers, who accompanied him to the Casino Club where he was identified. Marie Barley likewise could not recall seeing Captain Timiney sitting at a table with any of the gang, although she remembers that he talked with Madeline and Ruth Angus, and Thelma and Rene Holst. Regarding the boat rides the gang talked of taking, Marie Barley stated she never heard to whom the boat or boats belonged, which were used by the gang.

Marie Barley recalled that Ludy Fleming visited the club during the time that the gang was there; that he would go on drunks. She remembered one occasion when Charlie Becker was grumbling to her that Fleming had broken glasses sitting on the bar one morning while he was still drunk from the night previous.

Further information was obtained from Marie Barley that after Buff had hidden his automatic in the box in the kitchen, she was worried and mentioned the incident to Cum/Cum, the waiter. Cum told her at that time not to pay any attention to what had happened, to keep still and not to say anything about it to anyone. She stated that thereafter she realized it would not be wise to say anything about these persons and to keep to herself anything she saw or heard.

Mrs. Barley stated that Jimmie Wilson was quite a ladies' man; that he called at the club with a different girl almost every night. She recalled that he visited the club two or three times with a nurse who worked at the hospital where Wynona was confined. She gathered from the conversation that Jimmie had met this nurse while Wynona was in the hospital and that this girl probably attended Wynona. Mrs. Barley said that she did not recall any of the rest of the gang being at the Casino Club when Jimmie was there with this nurse. She described this girl as being blonde or fair haired, tall and slender.

Marie Barley also recalled the girl singer named Jerry who worked at the club and who was infatuated with Jimmie. After she had finished her engagement at the club she returned with her girl partner, a piano player, one night and made a scene at the club charging Jimmie with betraying her. A number of others of the gang were there also and they all laughed at Jerry, Jimmie telling her that she had been betrayed so many times she would hardly be able to count them. The Barley woman said that Jerry formerly kept company with Jerry Kennedy, who recently was employed as a bartender at the Commodore Perry Hotel; that Jerry's brother is a policeman in Toledo and this man gave blood for transfusions to Walter "Dabe" Rozinski, a former bartender at the Casino Club, when he was confined at the Mercy Hospital. She stated that Rozinski later was transferred to the County Hospital where he died. Dr. Koberger and the present coroner, Dr. Shapiro, attended Rozinski before his death.

Further information was obtained from Marie Barley that Madeline Angus, Rene Holst and Mildred Clark were at the Casino Club the night Willie pulled his gun after the free for all started.

In trying to recall persons who frequently visited the Casino Club at the time the gang was hanging around there, Marie Barley stated that Walter Passino of the Toledo Steel Products Company would occasionally visit the club at night when he was on a drunk, but she frequently saw him around five o'clock when she reported for work.

She likewise informed that Bill Cosman, who operates a house of prostitution on Ontario Street was one of the most frequent visitors at the Casino Club during the summer of 1934; that he was very friendly with both Bert and Ted Angus. It may be here noted that Cosman is one

of the most notorious of the operators of houses of prostitution in Toledo. Information has been recently obtained that this man was paying nine different individuals in Toledo to continue to operate his house of prostitution.

Marie Barley mentioned that Freddie Krantzman, who she believes is a salesman for some roofing paper concern also visited the Casino Club during the time the Barker-Karpis gang hung out there; that after two o'clock in the morning when the night clubs in Toledo had closed, persons connected with these night clubs frequently visited the Casino Club. She especially recalled that Art Hand and Joe Groves, who operate the Dutch Village in Toledo visited the Casino Club after they closed the Dutch Village.

Mrs. Barley stated that Captain Lockwood, who was in charge of the Mininger private yacht anchored in Bay View Harbor, and two of his sailors named Sammy and Frank, would stop by the Casino Club about eight o'clock in the evenings and would leave about 11 P. M.; that these men generally drank at the bar, but ordinarily kept by themselves and did not mingle a great deal with members of the gang.

Marie Barley stated that she expected to leave for Detroit, Michigan, on Sunday, August 9, 1936, to endeavor to find work as she had decided to leave Toledo, Ohio; that she intends to live with Mrs. Lou Boyd, 3119 E. Jefferson Avenue, one of her most intimate friends, and that she has another close friend in Detroit, Mrs. Weeman, who resides at 2001 E. Jefferson Avenue, Detroit, Michigan. She stated that in case she moves she would keep these persons advised of her whereabouts, and upon her request she was given the address of the Cleveland Bureau office. She said she would also keep the Cleveland Bureau office advised of her whereabouts. As previously set out in the file, she is very close also to Maude Swing of Toledo, and also the wife of Informant A. She stated that she has no living relatives in the United States.

When Agents first talked with Marie Barley, she stated that she expected to be questioned concerning her employment at the Casino Club.

Later Thelma told Nellie that several Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation had interrogated her concerning her knowledge of the presence of the Barker-Karpis gang at the Casino Club during the summer of 1934, and that Marie understood from Maude Swing that Thelma had been also questioned thereafter by some other officers.

When Agents first began to question Marie Barley, she stated she had no information concerning members of the Barker-Karpis gang. Later during the interview she spoke frankly and candidly about their activities, as reflected in her statement, and appeared to be very cooperative.

It is indicated in the report of Special Agent R. D. Brown, Chicago, Illinois, dated October 1, 1934, page 36, that Jimmie Wilson stated that on one occasion at the Casino Club, Doc Barker "partied" with Marie Barley, the cook. She said that she never went out with any members of the gang.

The porter referred to as Dutch by Marie Barley is in fact Richard Vogt, from whom a statement has been secured, as set out in the report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, dated at Cleveland, Ohio, July 17, 1936. Her reference to the singing entertainer, Scottie, refers to Pat Murray mentioned in report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, Cleveland, Ohio, June 27, 1936, and it is to be noted that she corroborates his statements with reference to the fight he had in the Casino Club with members of the gang.

It is to be recalled that when Ruth Wells was interviewed at Detroit, Michigan, by the reporting Agents, she was emphatic in her statements to the effect that no members of the Barker-Karpis gang had ever visited her home, which statements are inconsistent with the information furnished by Marie Barley, as set out in her statement, to the effect that Ruth told her about the one party attended by some members of the gang.

Marie Barley was questioned with reference to Joe Roscoe visiting the Casino Club, and she stated that she recalled Roscoe visiting the Casino Club on only a few occasions, but that there was nothing that she could recall to associate him with the gang.

The following investigation was conducted at Toledo, Ohio, on August 11, 1936, by Special Agents D. P. Sullivan and E. J. Wynn:

It is to be recalled that information is contained in the file, in the statement of Marie Barley, that on the occasion of the fight at the Casino Club in the summer of 1934, involving members of the gang and the entertainer known to her as Scottie (Pat Murray) Mr. Zahrlly was present and went to Scottie's rescue.

Mr. Harry Zahrlly of the Browning-Zahrlly Construction Co., third floor, Colton Building, was interviewed. He is manager of the Elks Club in Toledo, Ohio. He stated that during the summer of 1934 he, with some friends of his, would visit the Casino Club once or twice a week, and have dinner there; that ordinarily they would arrive at the club about 6:30 P. M. or 7 P. M., and leave by 9:30 P. M. or 10 P. M.; that on only one occasion did he stay till about 12:30 A. M., when he was there with his wife; that one evening a fight started between an entertainer and some other visitors at the club, in which he also became involved.

Mr. Zahrlly furnished the following signed statement, the original of which is contained in the Cleveland Bureau office file:

"Toledo, Ohio
"August 11, 1936

"I, HARRY ZAHRLY, make the following statement to D. P. Sullivan and E. J. Wynn, Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice:

"I recall that in the summer of 1934 I visited the Casino Club on the average of once or twice a week, usually with Thomas McMahon, Walter Curran and Herbert Gavia. We would go out for steak dinners and would get there about 6:30 P. M. and remain until about 10 o'clock or so, never very late.

"I recall that one evening about 10 o'clock a man knocked a man singer who sang with a brogue, and sang Scotch songs. I went over and tried to help out the singer and knocked the fellow down, and somebody slugged me in the mouth. Nig Cousins and Red Angus grabbed me by the arms. The man who hit the singer was with a group of men who were at the bar with a couple of women. I had observed this group at the bar on two or three occasions in the afternoon and evening. The men in this group dressed in white trousers and wore yacht caps.

"The next morning I went out to the Casino and talked with Bert Angus and he told me that they were a group of young punks who owned a boat or were working on a boat and were good customers and not to pay any attention to the

"Several weeks later I told Captain George Timiney about the matter of the fight, and he asked me to describe the crowd, and that he had been looking for a gang around Point Place and as I recall I think he said he was going out to check up on it. I never talked with Timiney about the matter after that time.

"I recall that two of the men who were sitting at the bar joined in the fight, picked up chairs. One of the fellows who was with me said we had better get out as one of the men had a "heater", meaning a gun.

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He stated that Thomas McMahon resides on the corner of 15th and Washington Streets; that Walter Curran of the Bunting Brass and Bronze Company, and Herbert Gavin, now a deputy sheriff under Sheriff O'Reilly, were with him on the occasion of this fracas; that these three men ordinarily accompanied him to the Casino Club, on the occasions he visited there.

Zahrly mentioned that this group of men and women appeared to be quite young, and he described them as "young punks", of slight stature; that he had seen these men generally with the same women at the club on two or three prior occasions, and he distinctly recalls that there was a striking blonde woman who was with them. He was shown the photographs of all members of the Barker-Karpis gang, which he was unable to identify. He selected the photograph of Jimmie Wilson and although he could not identify it, stated the man he had engaged in the fight with, appeared to be of the same type as that of Jimmie Wilson. On the occasion of the fight, Zahrly recalls that he and his friends, the group of men and women sitting at the bar, Big Cousins, Ted Angus, and Marie the cook were the only persons he recalled being at the club at that time, other than the entertainers.

Mr. Zahrly stated that he could not remember any members of the hoodlum squad visiting the Casino Club during the time the group was there.

He advised that he is a good friend of George Timiney, who he has known for some years. Timiney is a member of the Elks Club, which Zahrly manages. He recalled that about the year 1932, he went fishing with Joe Roscoe in Roscoe's boat almost every week end, and during these trips visited Middle Island, where he first became acquainted with Bert Angus, who was managing Middle Island; that thereafter, when the season was over he met Ted Angus and Bert Angus at the Casino Club which they were operating; that Art Langendorf frequently accompanied Joe Roscoe and himself on these fishing trips; that he was introduced to Joe Roscoe by Art Langendorf; that George Timiney also occasionally accompanied them on these fishing trips, and went to Middle Island and was accompanied by Tod Marks.

The only occasion Mr. Zahrly stated that he could recall Timiney at the Casino Club, was in 1932 when he took Timiney out to the club, and met Harold St. Aubin, who has a boat at the yacht club nearby, and Ted Angus took the three of them riding in Ted's boat.

When asked what he thought of the character of Ted and Bert Angus, Mr. Zahrly stated that these men appeared to be ordinary people to him; that if he had thought otherwise he would not have taken his wife out to the club for dinner; that after the above mentioned fight took place he became somewhat sceptical of the character of the patrons, and would not again take her out there; that he visited the place only two or three times thereafter, until Ted and Bert moved the club to its present location in May, 1935; that he did not again see this group of men and women after the melee.

The following investigation was conducted at Toledo, Ohio, on August 12, 1936, by Special Agents D. P. Sullivan and E. J. Wynn:

Mr. Thomas J. McMahon, #1, 15th Street, who is presently moving to 2109 Washington Street, was interviewed with reference to the fight participated in by Mr. Harry Zahrly with members of the gang at the Casino Club during the summer of 1934. He recalled that he was present in Zahrly's party when this fight occurred, but had gone outside to get a breath of air, when it started; that he did not see the beginning of the fight, but understood that one of a group of three or four men, who were sitting at the bar with two or three women, without any apparent provocation, hit one of the women present, and Zahrly joined in the fight; that he watched the fight from the doorway, and could not recall these individuals because this was the only time he had ever seen them at the Casino Club; however, he recalled that they appeared to be between 25 and 32 years of age, were dark complexioned and slight of stature; that he thereafter talked about the matter with Zahrly, and his companions at the club, but that he never mentioned it to anyone else, nor could he recall any other persons knowing of this incident except those present at the time. He stated that he recalled that Ted Angus came up and quieted down the participants. He stated that he did not notify any local authorities, or speak with any policemen about the matter, because he felt that Zahrly should have minded his own business and not made the mistake of joining in other people's private quarrels.

He was shown photographs of the members of the Barker-Karpis gang, but was unable to identify any of them.

The following investigation was performed at Toledo, Ohio, on August 12, 1936, by Special Agents D. P. Sullivan and E. J. Wynn:

Lynn Matthews, 329 Lodge Street, who it is to be recalled, is a member of the Toledo Police Department, and who told Joe Remue, informant, that he knew of the incident at the Algeo Hotel in which Karpis and Captain George Timiney split \$5,000., was reinterviewed at his home. He stated that since last being interviewed, he told Joe Remue that it was his understanding that Mrs. John Hurley was in the hotel room when this took place, and that he presumed that Remue had given this information to Agents. It is to be recalled that Remue did convey this information to Agents, and that Mrs. Hurley was interviewed, as previously reported.

Matthews stated on the occasion of the interview that the conversation in which he heard about the split of money took place at the Safety Building, and that he recalls that Sergeant Clint Knudel, 1836 Fenwood Avenue, who is in charge of the police department radio

operations was present, and at least one or two other men; that while he feels certain this information came from Knudel, he cannot be sure, but upon detailed questioning stated that he was fairly positive that Knudel was the one who told the story; that, as he recalls, the rumor was to the effect that Karpis was stopping at the Algeo Hotel, and that he had his meals sent to the room and did not leave the room for several weeks; that Mrs. John Hurley, who was around the hotel in connection with managing her wrestling business, was in the room when \$5,000 was split between Timiney and Karpis. According to Matthews, the story he heard was to the effect that Karpis sent out for \$5,000 by some man, and that he made the statement at the time of sending for the money that it was not all for him, but that Timiney was to get a "cut." He further stated that it was his understanding that Mrs. Hurley was at odds with Captain Timiney at the present time, but he had no information with reference to the details.

It is proposed to interview Sergeant Knudel with reference to the incident of the alleged split of the \$5,000 between Timiney and Karpis.

Matthews stated that he was not greatly shocked at hearing Timiney's name linked with such an affair, and indicated that he heard rumors to the effect that Timiney was not above accepting money, and general had the reputation of being on the "take." He stated that Timiney was a "smooth" officer, and that he did not believe that Timiney collected personally, as distinguished from Art Langendorf, who had "more gall than a Government jackass", and who had the reputation of putting on the "muscle" and doing his collecting personally.

The following investigation was performed at Toledo, Ohio, on August 12, 1936, by Special Agent D. P. Sullivan and Special Agent E. J. Wynn:

It is to be recalled that Detective James Ford stated that it was his understanding that very recently George Timiney and Ted Angus were in the restaurant of Frank and Mora Welzbacher, 4800 North Detroit Avenue, at the same time, and did not recognize each other, and that many officers of the Toledo Police Department frequented this restaurant.

Mr. Frank Welzbacher was interviewed at his restaurant, Dixie Inn, 4800 North Detroit Avenue, and he stated that he formerly operated the Dells, a gambling place and night club on Bancroft Avenue, which place was since burned down; that he moved to his present place of business in November, 1934; that that year, including the summer

of 1934, he frequently visited the Casino Club in the evening; that it was generally understood that George Timiney and Ted Angus were quite friendly, although he never saw Timiney at the Casino Club, or in the company of Ted Angus; that in about November, 1934, he heard from various sources rumors that Ted Angus and Timiney had a disagreement and were no longer friendly. He stated that numerous officers visited his restaurant for meals, and that also local gamblers came to his place, and his information was probably derived from such people, whose names he could not recall; that it was his understanding that Timiney quarreled with Angus because he believed that Ted Angus was running around with Edith (Toddy) Marks, Timiney's paramour. He stated that he understood that Ted Angus and Timiney are still at odds; that he went to school with Timiney, and the latter frequently eats at his restaurant; that he has not seen Ted Angus for some months, and cannot recall Timiney and Ted Angus being in his restaurant at the same time.

He was shown the photographs of all members of the Barker-Karpis gang, but was unable to identify them, nor could he recall seeing any suspicious strangers visiting the Casino Club in the summer of 1934.

The following investigation was conducted at Toledo, Ohio, by Special Agents D. P. Sullivan and E. J. Wynn on August 7, 1936:

Mr. James Tafelski, 2128 Charleston Avenue, Toledo, Ohio, was interviewed at his home. He stated that he has been a member of the Toledo Police Department for seventeen years; that about two and one-half years ago, some time during the latter part of 1933, he was assigned to the Hoodlum squad, and continued on this squad until March 12, 1936, when he was transferred to uniform and is now on a beat; that at the beginning of the year 1934, and throughout that year, and the following year of 1935, Captain George Timiney was in charge of the hoodlum squad; that he recalled an incident wherein he and Detective Bob Fielding went to the Algeo Hotel and arrested a man by the name of Willie Harris, or Harrison, at the orders of Captain Timiney and took the man to the Casino Club. With reference to this incident, the following statement was written up, which was read by Tafelski who stated that it was correct, but that he did not care to sign it. As originally written the statement set out that "while I was on the night squad we used to visit the Casino Club on official business as many as three or four nights a week and Captain Timiney was often with us." He took exception to this when he read the statement, and this page was rewritten at his request and the statement changed to read, "while I was on the night squad we used to visit the Casino Club on official business on the average of once or twice a week and Captain Timiney was usually with us."

"Toledo, Ohio
"August 7, 1936

"I, JAMES TAFELSKI, make the following free and voluntary statement to Special Agents D. P. Sullivan and E. J. Wynn of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice:

"I recall that in the year 1934 I was on the Hoodlum Squad of the Toledo, Ohio Police Department under Captain George Timiney.

"I remember that one day I was cruising with my partner, Bob Fielding, when we got a radio call to call headquarters. I called and was given a telephone number to call and did so and Captain George Timiney answered and told me to go to the Algeo Hotel and pick up a man by the name of Willie Harris or Harrison.

"Fielding and I went to the Algeo Hotel and looked at the register. It was in the afternoon. We went upstairs and went into a room and told the man Willie Harris or Harrison to come with us. Captain Timiney when he talked with me on the telephone to bring this man to the Casino Club for questioning and to bring along anyone who was with him.

"We took Harris or Harrison to the Casino Club. Captain Timiney came out to meet us and said he would talk to him. Either Bert or Ted Angus was there also. Fielding and I left.

"I never talked to Captain Timiney about this matter further.

"Neyer while on the Hoodlum Squad did I arrest any person and deliver him to a superior officer at a night club or any place other than the Safety Building.

"So far as I know this was an official pickup and was not a joke.

"I have just viewed a photograph which I am told is a photograph of Willie Harrison, Hammond, Ind. #1829, and identify it as the man I refer to as Willie Harris or Harrison.

"While I was on the Hoodlum Squad we travelled in threes. Very often Captain Timiney rode with the squads and more often at night. I would say Timiney was with the night squad three or four nights a week and would often stay with the squad until as late as four o'clock in the morning. While I was on the night squad we used to visit the Casino Club on official business on the average of once or twice a week and Captain Timiney was usually with us. We would stay in the Casino twenty minutes or a half or so. Also when on the day squad Captain Timiney would go with the squad and would be with us when we called at the Casino Club. Very often the squad would go to the bar and buy drinks and occasionally the man behind the bar would set up a drink.

"Such trips were made to the Old Casino Club on Summit Street while I was on the squad and also at the New Casino Club.

"On occasions at the Old Casino Club the squad would visit the club around three o'clock in the morning and at other nights around midnight. We had no special time for going to the Casino Club.

"The Hoodlum Squad was for the purpose of handling the 'racket' boys and big criminals. Our duties were to spot and pick up and investigate persons who were thought to be big criminals. The squad in searching for such criminals would visit the various spots around town such as night clubs, gambling joints, and houses of prostitution.

"I cannot recall the exact date the arrest of Willie Harris or Harrison at the Algeo Hotel but think it happened some time in the early part of 1934.

"I never received information about the Karpis gang reported to be at the Casino Club until after I was off the Hoodlum Squad. I left the Hoodlum Squad March 12, 1936. After that I read this in the newspaper in connection with news about the Karpis trial.

"I have read the above statement and it is true and have signed my initials on bottom of pages one to six inclusive and my signature below.

WITNESSES

D. P. Sullivan E. J. Wynn
Special Agents, Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice, 1448 Standard Bldg.
Cleveland, Ohio."

The unsigned statement is being retained in the files of the Cleveland Bureau office, as well as the page containing the statement he took exception to as originally written.

After he finished reading the statement after it had been corrected, he was asked whether it was true and correct and he stated that it was. At this time he was asked if he desired to sign same, and he answered by saying, "Just fold it up. If you want to talk to me I will be there."

Tafelski was questioned concerning the specific duties imposed upon the hoodlum squad, and he stated that their job was to locate and to arrest hoodlums and notorious characters; that they occasionally made arrests of pimps and petty thieves, but primarily they were interested in big time criminals; that for this purpose the squad made it a point to visit night clubs, hotels, pool rooms, taverns, and such places where hoodlums might be found, and that this work of visiting these places took up practically all of their time. Upon further questioning he agreed that on entering a night club or one of the places above mentioned, the squad would look over the customers to see if there were any suspicious persons present, and that they would remain at such places for a short while and then leave. He was asked if he personally, or any of the squad to his knowledge, had arrested any notorious bank robbers or criminals of that type in places visited by the squad during the time he was on the squad, and he replied that he could not recall any such arrests having been made. Tafelski was then asked whether he or the men with him customarily inquired of the proprietors or employees of such places of business whether they had any knowledge of hoodlums visiting their places, and he replied that he could not recall such having been done. He was asked if he had any informants or persons who would occasionally give him a tip or information concerning crimes and criminals, at these places and he replied that he knew of no such persons and had no informants.

He was then asked that if he saw someone at the Casino Club who appeared suspicious, or if he had information that such persons were visiting the club, whether he would make inquiry of Bert or Ted Angus about them, and he replied that he would not because he did not think they would tell him if they did know; then, after, during the interview he was questioned and asked if he had information or knowledge in the past years that Bert and Ted Angus were considered notorious characters, and whether he had ever heard or read that Ted Angus was the pay off man in Toledo, and he said that Ted Angus was no good, and that he was associated with gangsters and hoodlums, that, however, he first became aware of this from reading newspaper articles. Tafelski was not sure as to when he saw such articles in the press, stating that it was within the past five or six months, and probably not until after he left the hoodlum squad in March, 1936.

With further reference to the incident of the arrest of Willie Harrison at the Algeo Hotel and his delivery to Captain Timiney at the Casino Club, Tafelski stated that he at that time, and up until the time of his interview, believed that this was a legitimate arrest, as he had no reason to believe otherwise; that on the way to the Casino Club very little was said, and that he could not recall Willie stating that he knew either Bert or Ted Angus when they told him that they were going to the Casino Club with him; that on arriving at the club there was an old car parked outside, but they did not search it, and he heard no conversation between Harrison and Timiney, and he could not recall Willie greeting Captain Timiney; that he and Fielding remained only a minute or two and left, and he never heard Timiney or anyone mention that a black jack was found in the car outside, and never heard anything to indicate that this arrest was merely a joke; that he does not recall discussing this arrest thereafter with Timiney, the Angus brothers, or anyone else; that he is certain that he never told any police officers about this matter, nor did he ever laugh about the whole affair; that he never inquired of anyone as to what disposition was made of this arrest, and that while this was an unusual procedure, yet he did not think any more about it. He stated that he never saw Harrison again at the Casino Club or elsewhere; that he never read any newspaper articles about this man, and never knew anything about him, or who he was or who he was connected with until told by Agents at this interview.

With reference to the gang visiting the Casino Club during the summer of 1934, he stated, upon viewing photographs of all members of the Barker-Karpis gang, he could not recall ever having seen any of these persons, with the exception of the photograph of Willie Harrison, which he identified as above stated. He said that he was positive in his identification of the photograph of Willie Harrison, and he is certain that if he had seen this man in person at the Casino Club at any time during the summer of 1934, or if this man ever purchased a drink for him, he would have recognized him. He stated further that he never noticed any group of people strange to him at the Casino, who acted suspiciously, or who aroused his suspicion; that he never noticed or heard of any group of strangers who were spending a great deal of money and time at the Casino Club, but if any such things came to his attention he would have become suspicious, made inquiry, and arrested them if the facts warranted. He said that the squad visited the Casino Club for the express purpose of spotting hoodlums that might be visiting there, even though it was outside the city limits.

He was interrogated as to whether he had ever heard that any of the Barker-Karpis gang frequented Toledo, Ohio, and he recalled that a year or more ago some of the squad told him about going to Point Place and raiding a house, in company with deputy sheriffs, on a report that there was some gang living there; that from what was told him, no one

was found; that he could not say that this referred to the Barker-Karpis gang. He also recalled that he read of Karpis shooting his way out of a hotel in Atlantic City, New Jersey, and that this raid took place about the same time; that Captain Timiney at different times told him and the squad to keep a lookout for Karpis and the gang, and to arrest them if they were seen.

Tafelski said that he never heard any rumors or read that the Barker-Karpis gang had visited the Casino Club until mention was made of it recently in the newspapers. He was not sure as to when he read of this, saying that it was in the last five or six months, and it seemed to him, it came out at the time Karpis was being tried, but he was not certain of this. He stated that he had a good idea that he read this news after he left the hoodlum squad.

This man appears to be an illiterate and ignorant type of person, who can scarcely place the year when events occurred. He said that he could not recall when Bremer was kidnaped; that there were so many persons kidnaped around that time he could not remember which was which, nor could he recall, purposely or otherwise, when he first heard or read that the Barker-Karpis gang was wanted for the kidnaping.

Upon questioning he said that circulars and wanted notices were routed from the Detective Bureau, where they were shown to the detectives, and placed in a basket on Timiney's desk. This basket was referred to as the "bailiwick" and was placed there for the use of the squad, and they would examine its contents. He could not recall specifically having seen identification orders on Karpis or other members of the gang, although he said that circulars from the Department of Justice were also placed in this basket.

With reference to drinking by members of the hoodlum squad at the Casino Club, he stated that it was not unusual for the squad to have a drink at a tavern or night club. When asked whether they paid for these drinks he replied by saying that they always put down the money for the drinks, but that the proprietors of clubs did not always accept the money; that they paid for at least fifty percent of their drinks; that at the Casino Club they paid for at least two-thirds of the drinks they had there; that if a stranger approached him to buy him a drink he would refuse, but if anyone would purchase drinks for everyone at the bar he would accept. At the Casino and other places he said the squad would usually stand at the end of the bar.

Tafelski stated that he saw Timiney not more than once or twice at the Casino Club when he and the squad visited it when Timiney appeared to be at the club socially, although alone; that Timiney did not appear to be any more friendly with Bert or Ted Angus than with the proprietors of any other taverns or night clubs; that when Timiney, with the squad,

visited the Casino Club, he never recalls his talking confidentially with Bert or Ted Angus; that any conversation had was in their presence, and this was only of a general nature.

He said as a part of their job in locating hoodlums, the squad visited gambling places, and that the suppression of gambling primarily was the duty of the squad. The known gambling places mentioned by him are those of Benny Harris and of Benny Aranoff on Superior Street; Warnke at 631 St. Clair; Johnny Thomas over Dyer's Restaurant; and a place at 513 1/2 Jefferson. He said that he and the squad visited these places on numerous occasions, but that generally there would be no gambling in operation when they arrived. He explained this by saying that these places had lookout men, who gave the tip off when the squad approached. He further stated that once they did catch persons gambling at Aranoff's place, and broke up the equipment and arrested Aranoff. He could not recall when this occurred.

Regarding houses of prostitution, Tafelski said that the squad visited these places. He mentioned numerous houses of prostitution that had been visited, but neglected to mention the house called "The Three Aces" operated by the negro woman, Bee Fuller, at 111 S. Erie Street. He was asked whether he had heard of this house being raided by any police squad, or whether this woman, or any of the inmates, had ever been arrested. He could not recall any such thing, and when asked why the squad did not enter this house, he stated that this was the primary job of the vice squad; that members of the hoodlum squad visited these houses only when members of the vice squad were with them. He denied ever receiving any orders not to visit houses of prostitution. He said that if any men visitors were found having intercourse with an inmate, everyone in the house, including the proprietor, would be arrested.

He mentioned that a house on Southard Street, operated by a woman named Edith (evidently Edith Berry, 524 Southard Street) to his knowledge had never been raided, and the same held true for a woman named Jerry (Jerry Burke) who ran a house at 1238 Monroe Street, until shortly before she went out of business a few months ago.

He could not explain why these places had not been raided, and why the proprietors and inmates had not been arrested. He also denied having any knowledge of any pay offs, or information about protection money being paid by gamblers or madams of houses.

The following investigation was performed by Special Agents D. P. Sullivan and E. J. Wynn at Toledo, Ohio, on August 8, 1936:

Mr. Robert Fielding, 3936 Woodmount Avenue, was interviewed at his home, and furnished the following information:

That he has been connected with the Toledo Police Department for fifteen years as an officer; that he is a native of Toledo, Ohio; that during the year 1934 he was on the hoodlum squad under the direction of George Timiney; that his partners on the squad were Brennan and Tafelski; that at the present time he is on the special investigation squad under Art Langendorff.

He advised that the hoodlum squad was created at first to deal with the famous Licavoli mob in Toledo, Ohio, and that after that gang had been disposed of the squad continued on, their primary objective being to spot, investigate and arrest hoodlums in the city of Toledo; that they performed their work by visiting various night clubs, pool rooms, saloons and resort and gambling places where hoodlums or gangsters might frequent. Among other places visited was the Casino Club in Point Place operated by Bert and Ted Angus.

With reference to the Casino Club, and particularly concerning the incident of the joke arrest of Willie Harrison when he was taken from the Algeo Hotel to the Casino Club, Fielding furnished the following signed statement, the original of which is contained in the files of the Cleveland Bureau office:

Toledo, Ohio
August 8, 1936

"I, ROBERT FIELDING, make the following statement to D. P. Sullivan and E. J. Wynn, Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice.

"I am a member of the Toledo, Ohio Police Department. In 1934 I was on the Hoodlum Squad under Captain Timiney. I recall that in January 1934 I was cruising with my partner Tafelski and we received a radio call to call the headquarters and as I recall Tafelski called and was given a telephone number to call Captain Timiney and did so and told me Captain Timiney ordered us to go to the Algeo Hotel and pick up a Willie Harrison and bring him to the Casino Club in Point Place and give him plenty of 'ribbing' on the way out.

"We went to the Algeo Hotel and found Willie Harrison registered, went up to his room, on the 4th floor as I recall on the St. Clair Street side. We took him out and he doubted we were police officers partly because we were driving an old

Chrysler automobile with no police insignia on it. We pointed out the police radio and finally convinced him we were police officers. He got in the car and appeared nervous and on the way out said he knew Captain Timiney and Bert Angus and also mentioned knowing some gambler in Toledo and said that he, Harrison, was a pro golfer.

"When we arrived at the Casino Club, Timiney came up and Willie Harrison said to him in substance, 'Hello, Timiney, don't you know me. I am Little Willie the golfer.' Timiney said he did not know him and Harrison was nervous. We searched an old car with Illinois or Indiana license which Willie said was his, before we went into the club and found a homemade black jack in the car pocket. Bert, after a few minutes came out from the back of the club and Willie Harrison was relieved and finally Willie realized it was all a joke and he laughed and walked up and down the floor snapping his suspenders. It really was a big joke and Willie was scared at first.

"I have just looked at a photograph marked, 'Hammond, Ind. 1829 - 11-16-33' and identify it as Willie Harrison.

"I recall that Willie at the time of the joke said he was in town visiting the Angus's.

"I recall reading in the newspaper about the finding of Willie Harrison's body near Chicago and this article mentioned that he was associated with gangsters. I recall that I showed this article to some of the other boys on the hoodlum squad and Captain Timiney said he was surprised.

WITNESS

/s/ ROBERT FIELDING

E. J. Wynn D. P. Sullivan,
Special Agents, Federal Bureau of Investigation,
1448 Standard Building, Cleveland, Ohio."

After signing the above statement, Fielding, in further conversation, stated that it was apparent that Willie had been previously well acquainted with Timiney on this occasion at the Casino Club; that when he walked into the club he threw both his arms up as though he was glad to see Timiney and said, "Hello, George." Timiney merely looked him over in a cold manner and made no sign of recognition, whereupon Willie became excited and said, "You remember me, George. I am Little Willie who used to play golf with you."

Fielding stated, as mentioned in his statement, this horse play of Timiney went on for a short while, and then Bert Angus came in the club from the rear, and the arrest was disclosed as a joke and everyone laughed heartily. He stated that he recalls as they entered the club there was a man present, about forty-five or fifty years of age dressed in a white shirt, whose name he could not recall, who he had seen on other occasions working around the club, who also laughed at the joke. Fielding stated that he and Tafelski remained at the club for about fifteen minutes and had a couple of beers with the others present, and then left at the suggestion of Timiney, who told them that they could go back to work. Timiney remained at the club. There were no customers at the club when this incident occurred, and the only ones present were those mentioned above.

Fielding stated that on various occasions he had scared legitimate people at the request of friends, such as walking into a house where a party was being held and questioning a guest, but this arrest of Willie Harrison was the only occasion when he could recall a person having been taken from a hotel, night club or residence, at the order of Timiney, or any other officer, and delivered to any other place than the Safety Building, as a part of a joke; that for this reason he would class this incident as being most unusual; that at no time did he or any of the others involved consider it as a serious arrest, with the exception of Willie Harrison, who was thoroughly frightened on the way to the Casino Club, so much so that his relief at finding out that it was a joke intensified the fun.

The material discrepancy between the statement made by officer Tafelski and that of Officer Fielding should be noted. Tafelski in his statement maintains that the arrest of Harrison was always considered by him a serious one, and he had no intimation it was a joke until so advised by Agents when interviewed; however, it is to be recalled that Officer Brennan advised Agents, when interviewed, that Tafelski told him, Brennan, that it was a huge joke when telling Brennan about the affair a couple of days after the incident occurred.

Fielding stated that the hoodlum squad did not make it a practice to visit the Casino Club; that from the time liquor came back in November, 1933, up until Bert and Ted Angus moved the club in Point Place to its present location near the Dura plant, in May, 1935, he did not visit the Casino Club with the hoodlum squad, more than fifteen or twenty times; that these visits took place at night generally around twelve midnight, or 12:00 A. M., but sometimes the squad would call earlier in the evening, and on occasions around three o'clock in the morning; that he can recall visiting the club with other members of the squad on only about two occasions. He said that there is generally very little activity at the club around midnight, and ordinarily there would be a few customers at that time of night; that the real activity began about 12:30 A. M., when customers from the night clubs that closed downtown about midnight came out to complete a late night.

Fielding was questioned specifically concerning the summer of 1934. He stated that he could not recall having observed any suspicious persons having visited the Casino Club, or ever hearing of such. He was shown photographs of all members of the Barker-Karpis gang which he failed to identify, with the exception of the photograph of William J. Harrison. He stated that this was the photograph of the man arrested by him and Tafelski at the Algeo Hotel. On further questioning he denied that Willie Harrison ever purchased a drink for him, or other members of the squad at the Casino Club, and he could not recall ever having seen customers at the club, who had money piled in front of them on the bar, nor did he ever have knowledge or hear that a group of men and women visited the club and spent large sums of money and gave large tips. He stated that had he received such information he would have considered such people suspicious and worthy of investigation.

Fielding was asked when he first heard that members of the Barker-Karpis gang had frequented the Casino Club, and he recalled reading in the newspaper during the trial of some of the defendants in this case about a year ago a statement made by one of the members of the gang, in the form of a confession portions of which were quoted in the newspapers, to the effect that some members of the gang had come to Toledo and hung out at the Casino Club. (This probably refers to the statement of Jimmie Wilson, which appeared in the Toledo newspapers in May, 1935); that he read of the identification of a charred body found near Chicago, Illinois, as being Willie Harrison, about a year ago, and that the news story stated that he was associated with some gang; that he is certain he read this in an article appearing in the Times or Blade, but is more inclined to believe that it was the Morning Times; that he cannot recall any mention being made in the article that connected Willie Harrison with the Bremer kidnaping, or the Barker-Karpis gang; that he was surprised to read that Harrison, who appeared to be a harmless individual, was associated with gangsters, and he cut the article out of the paper and showed it to other members of the hoodlum squad and to Captain Timiney, and that the latter appeared to be greatly surprised when he read that Harrison was connected with gangsters; that he carried this newspaper clipping on his person until a month or two ago, and apparently misplaced it as he could not find it when he searched for it at the time of the interview.

Concerning Bert and Ted Angus, Fielding stated that for some years he had known Ted Angus as a big bootlegger; that little was heard of Ted Angus until about the year 1930, but that thereafter his name was mentioned as being linked with gangsters; that he recalls newspaper articles alleging that Ted Angus was the "pay off" man in Toledo. He said that he had heard that Ted Angus had served a term in the penitentiary for liquor violation, and that once Bert Angus was arrested on a bank robbery charge, but did not serve time. He stated that

ordinarily it would be the custom when he or any members of the squad saw a suspicious person in a night club to inquire of the proprietor or bartender the identity of the suspected person, but knowing the character of Bert or Ted Angus he would not do this if any suspicious persons were seen at the Casino Club, but would endeavor to obtain information from other sources. He stated that Timiney was friendly with both Bert and Ted Angus, and cited the joke arrest of Willie Harrison, which indicated to him that Timiney was quite friendly with these people.

Fielding advised that he is casually acquainted with Madeline Angus, wife of Bert Angus; Ruth Angus, former sweetheart of Ted Angus, and Rene Holst, sister of Madeline Angus; that he had seen these women at the Casino Club, but that Madeline was there more often than the others. He also recalled these women sitting at a table, sometimes with other women, but paid no particular attention to them.

In speaking of persons he has seen at the Casino Club, he mentioned that he had seen Ludy Fleming, former state prohibition officer, visiting at the club in the afternoon; that Fleming was a heavy drinker and would usually be intoxicated when at the club. Fielding likewise stated that Nig Cousins was a frequent visitor at the club and was there on almost every occasion when he was there at night; that he would not class Cousins in the same category as Bert and Ted Angus, and would have felt free to ask Cousins about any suspicious persons at the club. He mentioned that Harold St. Aubin, who is thought to be connected with the Burdella Apartments where Volney Davis and Edna Murray resided for a short while in Toledo, and where Bert Angus lived for a long period of time, was observed by him at the club.

Fielding stated that Timiney was with the hoodlum squad when they visited the Casino Club on only one or two occasions; that he never saw Timiney at the Casino Club when the squad called there on official business, with the exception of the occasion of the joke arrest of Harrison; that he had seen Timiney visiting the Dutch Village night club socially when the squad visited this place.

With further reference to Willie Harrison, Fielding stated that it was about two or three months after his joke arrest that he and Tafelski visited the Dutch Village night club on business, and Fielding recognized Willie Harrison sitting at a table with a group of other persons unknown to Fielding in a far corner of the club near the band stand. He stated that Harrison did not see Tafelski and him, but that he pointed Harrison out to Tafelski, who likewise recognized him, Harrison. Fielding and Tafelski remained at the Dutch Village for a few minutes and left, and that this was the last time that he saw Harrison.

He recalled that shortly after the escape of Karpis from Atlantic City, N. J. the Sheriff's office got a tip that Karpis, or Campbell, was living in a house at Point Place. He, Brennan, and some other officers with deputy sheriffs raided two houses at Point Place, but found nothing. He recalled that one of these houses was one in which Campbell formerly lived in Point Place. He would not recall when he first heard or read that Karpis and Doc Barker were wanted for the kidnaping of Edward Bremer, nor could he remember having seen identification orders put out by the Bureau on these men; that all such identification orders and wanted notices of the Bureau and other agencies were routed from the detective bureau to a basket on Captain Timiney's desk, where they were left to be looked over by members of the squad.

Further information was obtained from Fielding that the suppression of gambling was the job of the hoodlum squad, and the squad visited gambling houses to obtain evidence of gambling; that ordinarily look-out men at the gambling places would warn of the approach of the squad so that no gambling would be going on when they entered such places; that they had raided Aranoff's place several times and likewise Warnke's place, and when they found gambling in operation they were prosecuted; that the places would immediately reopen after a "pinch" by the squad or a visit of the squad. When asked why the squad could not suppress open gambling, Fielding stated that when they did make a good case, very often it would be thrown out of court on some technicality.

He likewise stated that the hoodlum squad in attempting to locate fugitives or hoodlums visited houses of prostitution, and if they found any men visitors having intercourse with an inmate they would arrest every one in the house including the proprietor; that unless such evidence was found nothing could be done about closing the house or arresting the occupants; that, however, several years ago when the houses of prostitution then located on Nebraska Avenue became a public scandal, the hoodlum squad went to work and constantly harassed these houses and finally closed up the Nebraska Avenue district, but the madams just moved some place else; that he did not believe that houses of prostitution could be entirely eliminated, but that they could be controlled. He intimated that he believed it wise to have some houses in order to protect decent women, and to have these houses more or less supervised in order to prevent prostitutes from moving into good residential districts.

With reference to pay offs for gambling and prostitution, Fielding stated that he had heard at different times, that proprietors of such places paid for protection, but that this was general rumor,

and he had no information as to what amounts were paid, or who received it; that he never heard of madams of houses of prostitution visiting the Casino Club to pay protection money to Ted Angus, although he had heard Ted Angus' name mentioned as being the pay off man, beginning with 1930, until recently.

Reference is made to the statement of Jacqueline Thomas dated June 12, 1936, report of Special Agent K. C. Suren, dated at Cleveland, Ohio, June 19, 1936, that police officers would call at Kitty Diamond's house of prostitution, 616 Lafayette Street, and go into a back room, close the door and talk privately with Kitty Diamond. Although the Thomas woman did not mention Fielding's name, he was directly asked why he and other officers went into the back room to talk with Kitty Diamond. He was nonplussed by this question, and finally explained it by saying that they merely asked Kitty how things were going, etc.

The interview turned to crime and vice in general and Agents asked whether Fielding thought it would be possible to suppress open vice and gambling in Toledo if one was given a free hand, and he agreed that such could be done, and asked why it had not been done by him personally if other officers did not do so, he shrugged his shoulders and explained that he was trying to make a living for himself and family and that he was just "a little fellow", and he would not take such responsibility on himself, when such conditions undoubtedly were known to everyone at the Safety Building, and that there was too much politics involved. He said that conditions continued as they were because orders would originate in the mayor's office, thence to the Safety Director and then to the Chief of Police, and then to the head of a particular squad, so that the average policeman did not know where he stood, and that if he became too ambitious, and tied into a situation, even though it might be operating in violation of the law, yet if the orders had come down to "lay off" the officer was in bad, and nothing would be done about conditions revealed by him. In short, Fielding stated that it did not pay to be too ambitious, and that it was best to obey orders and do nothing else other than ordered to do, and that for this reason the average officer understood that it would be unwise to use any initiative in trying to stamp out crime and vice which came to his attention. Fielding denied, however, that he ever heard of any orders which prevented any officer in uniform or plain clothes from entering a house of prostitution.

The following investigation was conducted at Toledo, Ohio, on August 10, 1936, by Special Agents D. P. Sullivan and E. J. Wynn:

John McCarthy, 644 Colburn, Toledo, Ohio, a member of the Toledo Police Department, and former officer on the hoodlum squad under Captain Timiney, was interviewed. He stated that he went on the hoodlum squad in January, 1934, and continued on this squad until March, 1936, when he was transferred to motorcycle duty at the East Toledo station.

He stated that he was acquainted with Bert and Ted Angus, who, in 1934, operated the Casino Club in Point Place; that he visited the Casino Club in the summer of 1934 with the hoodlum squad on the average of once or twice a week, but, however, there were some weeks that the squad did not go there at all; that during this time Captain Timiney only visited the Casino Club with his squad on two or three occasions; that he, McCarthy, visited the Casino Club socially on only one occasion, this before the place was decorated for the grand re-opening in the summer of 1934.

He identified the photograph of Willie Harrison as a man he knew by the name of Willie Harrison, and also as "Little Willie", a golf player and stated that he met this man on the occasion of a visit of the squad in the afternoon to the Casino Club, and was under the impression that Harrison had been introduced through Bert Angus; that, from subsequent contacts and conversations with this man, to be set out in detail later, he learned that Harrison was a professional golfer, and was a friend of Bert and Ted Angus; that he was from northern Indiana, close to Chicago; that he was in Toledo, Ohio, waiting for the "heat" to blow over in some Indiana town where he had gotten in bad with a woman, and was staying in Toledo expecting some change in the political situation with respect to the prosecuting attorney in the Indiana town before going back; that, as he recalled, the charge against Harrison was the result of a woman jumping out of a hotel window.

He stated that he saw Willie Harrison at the Casino Club on several occasions during the summer of 1934, beginning some time before the Casino Club was repainted and remodeled, and prior to the grand opening some time in May, 1934. (Previous investigation has disclosed that this grand opening was held on or about May 8, 1934); that he did not on any occasion see Willie with any other persons, who were visiting the Casino Club; that at different times he did see a young man named "Whitey", who is also called "Coolie", and Bert and Ted Angus at the club at the same time as Willie was there. (Coolie, is no doubt, Coolie Monroe, a former employee). Later during the interview McCarthy recalled that about two days prior to the grand reopening, he and his wife, and a couple who resided next door to him visited the Casino Club about nine

P. M. Willie was at the club, and was playing the part of a waiter, and he recalled Willie putting on a tam, tying a towel around him and breaking out into a dance, and on this occasion he, McCarthy, ordered a drink and when he went to pay for it Willie told him that it was all paid for. McCarthy stated that there were very few people in the club other than his party, not more than five or six. Upon being asked whether any persons were with Willie, McCarthy stated that he never saw any visitors with Willie at the club, but he did state that he saw three men whom he did not recognize sitting at the bar.

Photographs of all members of the gang were shown to Officer McCarthy which he failed to identify, with the exception of the photograph of William J. Harrison. He stated that this was the photograph of the Willie Harrison he saw frequenting the Casino Club in the summer of 1934. Thereafter, McCarthy when again shown the photograph of Edna Murray stated that he had seen this woman at the Casino Club. It was one afternoon that he saw Willie Harrison with a prostitute who formerly was married to a bootlegger by the name of Marea, sitting in a booth with Edna Murray and another man. (The Marea woman is no doubt, Lou Poole Marea, previously mentioned in this investigation). The photograph of Charles J. Fitzgerald was again shown to McCarthy, and he stated that he had seen this man somewhere before; he could not positively state that this was the man with Edna Murray. He recalled that the party was quite intoxicated, and both women, especially the Marea woman, were using filthy language. He could not recall any other persons being present at the club on this occasion. He stated that his partners on the squad were with him.

McCarthy recalled that some time during the summer of 1934, the squad got a telephone call from Lieutenant Langhoff, who told them that he had just received a telephone complaint that John Dillinger was out at the Casino Club in an Oldsmobile coupe bearing Illinois license plates. He stated that he and the squad rushed out to the Casino Club and found Willie Harrison in the club; that they presumed that this was the person referred to by the complainant; that there was an Oldsmobile coupe with Illinois license plates parked in the rear of the Casino Club; that they did not examine this automobile, or check the license or ownership, and did not believe that this car belonged to Willie, because Willie said he wanted to go to town and was asking about a taxicab, and the squad told him they would take him down, and this appeared agreeable with Willie, who blamed the whole business on some Jew pimp who probably concocted the information, and he mentioned that if the squad ever saw a man running down the street being chased by another man with a hammer it would be Willie chasing a Jew pimp. McCarthy stated that they took Willie down to headquarters inasmuch as they rode him down town to show him to Lieutenant Langhoff in order that the latter might be satisfied that Willie was not John Dillinger.

McCarthy recalled that on one night he and the squad visited the Dutch Village and saw Willie sitting at a table with a woman and two other couples whom he did not recognize. At this point, McCarthy stated that Art Hand, proprietor of the Dutch Village, was not in the party with Willie, but that apparently Art Hand knew Willie because he saw them talking together.

McCarthy stated that it is the practice to route circulars and identification orders to a basket on Captain Timiney's desk, where this matter is read by members of the hoodlum squad; that he recalls seeing identification orders on Karpis and Doc Barker; that it seemed to him that there were two or three different identification orders issued on Karpis at different times.

He recalled some time about January, 1935, a raid was made on a house in Point Place on a report that Karpis or some members of the gang were living there; that shortly after this raid, which was unsuccessful, Captain Timiney gave orders to him personally and also to the entire squad to be sure to visit the night clubs in Toledo, and to make certain to visit the Casino Club. No reason was given by Timiney why the squad should be certain to make the Casino Club frequently. Upon questioning, he stated that he believed the reason to be the notorious character of Bert and Ted Angus; that pimps and prostitutes and people of that type frequented this place. He was asked whether he thought that Ted or Bert Angus would inform the hoodlum squad if men who were "hot" were frequenting and spending money at the club, and he replied that he felt certain they would not so inform any police officers, or any such persons they knew to be in Toledo, Ohio. He stated that Captain Timiney was quite friendly with both Bert and Ted Angus, and that even though the Old Casino Club was located outside the city limits, he never heard of Ted or Bert Angus complaining of the hoodlum squad visiting this place. Some time after January, 1935, a member of the hoodlum squad, whose name he could not recall, told him that Bert and Ted Angus were no longer as friendly with Timiney as formerly, because Timiney was angry with these men for not advising him that members of the Barker-Karpis gang were frequenting the Casino Club during the summer of 1934, and that he, McCarthy, in his own mind attributed the orders of Captain Timiney to visit the Casino Club as the result of this.

He recalled that subsequent to the reported disagreement between the Angus brothers and Timiney, he visited the New Casino Club and Ted Angus strongly objected visiting this place, giving as one reason that the club was located outside the city limits; that they continued to operate the New Casino Club until late in the morning in violation of the legal liquor law closing hour; that a survey of the

place was made and it was found to be in the city limits, and the place was "pinched" when the Angus brothers continued to violate the closing hour. (The facts with reference to the club having been closed for twenty days has been previously reported in this investigation.)

When asked when he first heard any definite information that members of the gang visited the Casino Club, McCarthy stated that he recalled reading a Toledo newspaper account of an alleged confession made by one of the gang during the trial of some of the defendants, about a year ago, which confession mentioned that the gang had visited the Casino Club during the summer of 1934. McCarthy recalled that he first learned of this in connection with the trial on which Mildred Clark had been subpoenaed as a witness. (This was the confession of Jimmie Wilson, no doubt, which appeared in May, 1935).

McCarthy stated that he first learned that Willie Harrison was connected with gangsters when he read a newspaper account setting out the finding of a body which was identified as being William J. Harrison near Chicago, Illinois; that Harrison was named as a member of the Barker-Karpis gang. McCarthy later stated that the article mentioned, concerning Harrison, that there was a possibility of Harrison being a member of the Barker-Karpis gang; that he discussed this article with other members of the hoodlum squad and with Captain Timiney; that they all appeared surprised at learning of Harrison's reported gang connections. He was asked if any mention was made by members of the squad or by Captain Timiney of making any investigation at the Casino Club to verify, if possible, the truth of the story, or to question Ted or Bert Angus in order to obtain information helpful in learning the whereabouts of the remaining members of the gang who were being sought. He said that no such matters were discussed; that, however, on one occasion on his own initiative during the course of a conversation with Ted Angus at the New Casino Club he suddenly "threw a question in sideways" asking Ted if there was any truth to the story that the Barker-Karpis gang had been hanging around the Old Casino Club, and Ted Angus merely laughed and said, "That is a lot of B S." The conversation made mention of the death of Willie Harrison and McCarthy stated that Ted Angus said, "I guess he talked out of turn once too often."

McCarthy mentioned that Timiney during the time that Ted and Bert Angus operated the Old Casino Club in Point Place apparently Timiney was quite friendly with these men, but that after, or about the time that the Angus brothers moved to the New Casino Club, some apparent disagreement arose, and Timiney gave orders to the squad to visit the Casino Club and to start "laying on" the place; that they continued to operate as of old and claimed that they were out of the city limits and Timiney had a survey made and established that they were just within the city limits; that thereafter the place was ordered

to close at the regular night club closing time, and when they failed to do so Tafelski, and the squad he was working with, visited the place and ripped out a loud speaker microphone and the place was closed for about twenty days.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents E. J. Wynn and D. P. Sullivan on August 10, 1936:

Officer J. Michalak, residence 3122 Warsaw Street, was interviewed. He stated that he was a member of the hoodlum squad from 1932 until about February, 1936; that he was then returned to uniform and placed on a beat; that he has attempted to learn the reason for his reduction to uniform but has been unsuccessful.

Michalak stated that he was working on the hoodlum squad under Captain George Timiney during the summer of 1934; that he was teamed with John McCarthy and Art Brown; that the work of the hoodlum squad consisted of locating and arresting hoodlums and notorious criminals and in carrying out this duty the squad which was broken up into two groups, one working the day shift and the other working at night. Michalak stated that the other sections of the squad consisted of Chris Brennan, Tafelski, and Bob Fielding, and they alternated working days and nights each month; that the squad visited the Casino Club as well as other night clubs as part of their work, stopping by on an average of three or four times a week when working at night, and probably once or twice a week when on duty during the day. Michalak stated that he first became acquainted with Ted Angus about three years ago, and that thereafter in visiting the Casino Club, he also became acquainted with Bert Angus; that they would remain about fifteen or twenty minutes on each visit. He also advised that he was casually acquainted with Madeline Angus, Bert's wife, with Ruth Wells, sweetheart of Ted Angus, and Rene and Thelma Holst; that he was also acquainted with Mildred Clark, whom he saw on numerous occasions at the Casino Club, and generally would be with Madeline Angus. He stated that throughout the summer of 1934 the squad continued to visit the club three or four times a week. Michalak could not recall the approximate date or even the year, except that it was about two years ago, when he heard of some members of the hoodlum squad going to the Algeo Hotel and picking up a fellow known as "Little Willie", and delivering him to the Casino Club. He could not recall ever having heard the complete story on this matter, but got the impression that it was all a joke. He stated that some time after hearing this joke, he, with other members of the squad, visited the Casino Club one afternoon, and Little Willie was there, but there were no other visitors at the Club, and he was not introduced to him, and he heard him referred to as Little Willie. He could not recall Willie buying him, or other members of the squad, a drink; that, however, it was possible that he did so, but he could not recall it. He understood that Little Willie was a golf professional, who had gotten in trouble when he, Willie, "socked" a woman somewhere in the vicinity of Chicago, Illinois, and after this trouble he understood Willie left town and came to Toledo. From what he heard he did not believe that Willie was working.

He identified the photograph of William J. Harrison as being that of the man he knew only by the name of Little Willie, but he was unable to identify other photographs of the gang shown him. Michalak recalled the time when the squad got a telephone call from Lieutenant Langhoff regarding a complaint that John Dillinger was at the Casino Club, and had an Oldsmobile bearing Illinois license plates, and in answer to this call he, with officers McCarthy and Brown, went to the Casino Club and found only Willie and the old bartender, who worked there during the day. He could not recall this bartender's name, but he remembered that there was no Oldsmobile coupe as described at the club, but only the Chrysler coupe of Ted Angus, which bore Ohio license plates. When asked how it was that Ted's car was at the club, Ted not being there, Michalak replied that Ted Angus probably was there. He stated that they searched the club, but finding no one else other than those mentioned above, they remained a few minutes and said goodbye and left. Upon further questioning Michalak admitted that they brought Willie to the Safety Building where they showed him to Lieutenant Langhoff, telling the latter, "This is the John Dillinger who is supposed to be at the Casino Club"; that Willie remained around the Safety Building a few minutes and left.

Michalak was certain that these were the only two occasions he ever saw Willie. He could not remember ever seeing him with any suspicious strangers or any such persons frequenting or freely spending money at the Casino Club around this time, nor could he recall hearing at that time, or thereafter, that there were a bunch of "hots" hanging around the Casino Club until so advised by Captain George Timiney. Michalak here related that he remembered some members of this squad with deputy sheriffs making a raid on a house in Point Place after a report that Karpis and his gang were residing there had been received. He remembered this raid took place some time after he saw Willie at the Casino Club and that it was prior to the time when he read in the newspapers a statement made by someone connected with the Barker-Karpis gang telling of the fact that the gang had visited the Casino Club. He stated that to the best of his recollection it was after the above mentioned raid, and prior to the newspaper publicity that Timiney advised John McCarthy, in the presence of Michalak and Art Brown that he, Timiney, had obtained information that Karpis and his gang had been frequenting the Casino Club, and Timiney instructed them to be certain to make the club in an effort to locate this mob. He was positive that Timiney gave these orders before the newspapers gave publicity to the fact that the mob had been hanging out at the Casino Club because at the time the orders were given it was certainly news to him. (The first newspaper publicity about the gang visiting the Casino Club appears in the Toledo Blade of May 3, 1935, which edition carries the confession of Jimmie Wilson. As shown by newspaper accounts, the raid in Point Place was in January, 1935.)

Michalak mentioned that Timiney appeared to be quite friendly with both Bert and Ted Angus prior to the time he issued the above orders to the squad, but that thereafter it appeared that there had been some disagreement which had arisen between Timiney and the Angus brothers; that Timiney never mentioned to him the cause of this disagreement, but he formed the opinion, from the orders given by Timiney to "lay on the Casino Club" that Timiney was sore because Ted and Bert Angus had not tipped him off that the mob had been frequenting the Casino Club. At this point he was questioned regarding his opinion of the character and reputation of Bert and Ted Angus, and he stated that he understood that both Ted and Bert had served time in the county jail on a prohibition charge, and that Bert had been arrested on a bank robbery charge, but understood that he did not serve time on this charge; that he did not believe either Ted or Bert Angus would provide any information concerning any fugitives or "hots" they knew of who were visiting the Casino Club, but that of all the members of the hoodlum squad he felt that if they would provide any information to anyone it would have been to Captain Timiney, because of his apparent friendliness toward the Angus brothers.

He stated that no photographs or descriptions of members of the gang were provided to him, or other members of the squad by Timiney; that they would have been unable to recognize the members of the gang if they had seen them; that the only action they could have taken would have been to question any suspicious persons who "looked like the works" and to have arrested such persons if their answers were not satisfactory, and they certainly would not have questioned Bert or Ted Angus as to the identity of any suspicious persons they saw at the Casino Club.

Michalak stated that while they were conversing with Ted Angus at the Casino Club after they had received orders from Timiney to look for the Karpis gang there, and after the subsequent publicity appearing in the newspapers about the gang having been at the Casino Club, they asked Ted about it. Ted stated in referring to the Karpis gang that he had never seen them at the Casino Club.

He advised that they continued to visit the Casino after it was moved to its present location (May 1935), and that they made Ted Angus get a dancing license at the new place, although he objected strongly; thereafter he told Michalak and his partners that the club was located outside the city limits, which information Michalak furnished to Timiney, and Timiney said, "We'll see about it." Timiney then had a blue print made at the surveyor's office which showed that the New Casino Club was located in the city limits; that after this the squad

advised Ted Angus that he would have to observe the legal liquor closing hour, and when he failed to abide by these orders, the squad closed the Casino Club. The club remained closed for about twenty days.

Michalak was questioned concerning individuals he had seen frequently visiting the Casino Club, and he recalled that Nig Cousins and Bill Cosman frequently were there; that he had also seen Maxine Belmont at the club. He recalled that Ludy Fleming, a former state prohibition officer, likewise would visit the Casino Club; that Fleming was a heavy drinker, who would be at the club both in the afternoon and at night, and that he also saw Fleming drunk at other night clubs in Toledo. He recalled seeing George Poland, whom he described as a little pimp, whose woman, Mildred, worked in some house of prostitution in Toledo.

He could not remember ever having seen any identification orders or circulars on Karpis, or other members of the gang. He remembered Brown showing him a newspaper article which told of the finding of the body of William Harrison, and the discussion which followed with him and other members of the squad about this referring to Little Willie, and he understood from this conversation that Harrison and Little Willie were identical; that this was the first time he heard Little Willie's last name. He recalled that this article mentioned that Harrison was supposed to be connected with the Barker-Karpis gang.

Michalak agreed that the information that Harrison had frequented the Casino Club would be valuable in locating the other members of the gang, who were still being sought. In explaining why this information was not turned over to the Department of Justice, he said that he believed that such matters would be handled by George Timiney, or some of the other superior officers of the police department.

Michalak was asked what, if any, reason the squad had for visiting the houses of prostitution, and he replied that they did this for the purpose of locating any pimps or criminals who might be hanging out in such houses. He was further asked why he and other members of the squad would take Kitty Diamond into the back room and close the door and what conversation was had with her. Michalak explained that he and the squad would talk to Kitty Diamond about general matters, and she, like all the madams would call them into one of the back rooms to find out what the "beef" was. He admitted that the squad did not always take the trouble to visit the bedrooms to find out if there were any men visitors. He stated that whenever a man visitor was found in company with an inmate, everyone in the house would be arrested. He said that the squad had raided Kitty's place several times when she was on Nebraska Avenue, and that she had been arrested and served time in the Workhouse; that they had closed up Bee Fuller, (The Three Aces), 111 S. Erie Street, and the squad would visit her place from one to three times a week in an effort to find men there, but were not successful.

He stated that it was the duty of the hoodlum squad to suppress gambling, and when questioned as to what had been done about it, he stated that he had raided and had been instrumental in convicting Benny Harris and Benny Aranoff, once on Harris and twice on Aranoff; that it did little good because houses of gambling would be open in a few hours after being raided.

Michalak stated that when the present administration came into office in January, 1936, an order was issued and every policeman was responsible for anything that happened on his beat, but that shortly thereafter this order was supplanted by a new one to the effect that if a policeman had evidence of a violation of the law he could go into any house of prostitution or gambling place to investigate and if necessary arrest, but that if a uniform policeman only had a suspicion that the law was being violated, the information should be provided to the Chief of Police in writing; that as a result of this order very few policemen would take a chance of investigating or entering houses of prostitution or gambling places on their beat.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent T. W. Bain, Jacksonville, Florida, dated August 3, 1936, reflecting results of interview had with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Burwick, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, in which it is indicated that Mrs. Ludy Fleming, former wife of Ludy Fleming, possessed information of value to this investigation, and especially concerning the incident which occurred during the summer of 1934, when members of the Barker-Karpis gang endeavored to purchase a motor boat belonging to Mrs. Fleming.

Mrs. Fleming, who is now divorced and using her maiden name, Eva Stern, was located by Special Agents J. V. Murphy and R. C. Suran on August 10, 1936, at the Kopf Motor Company, where she is employed as a switchboard operator. When first approached Miss Stern stated that she did not desire to be interviewed in connection with this matter, as it was a part of her past life which she was trying to forget, however, Miss Stern finally agreed that Agents could interview her at her home, 1021 Klondyke Street, on the evening of August 10, 1936. Miss Stern was quite uncooperative, maintaining a disrespectful attitude for Agents and the Government. She stated that there were "rats" in the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the same as there were in every other law enforcement agency. Agents conducting the interview took exception to this statement, and she admitted she formed her conclusion as to law enforcement agencies by association with her husband, Ludy Fleming, whom she knew was crooked. Ludy Fleming was a former Ohio State Prohibition Officer. In spite of the attitude taken by Miss Stern, she did furnish information which strongly indicates that Lucian C. "Ludy" Fleming, knew the true identity of the members of the Barker-Karpis gang at the time they were endeavoring to purchase a speed boat from Fleming.

The following statement was prepared for the signature of Miss Stern from information furnished by her during the interview, which statement she read and stated it was the truth to the best of her recollection and knowledge, but she would not sign her name to paper of any kind:

Toledo, Ohio
August 10, 1936

"I, EVA STERN, make the following free and voluntary statement to R. C. Suran and J. V. Murphy, Special Agents, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice:
"My name is Eva Stern and I now reside at 1021 Klondyke Street, Toledo, Ohio, with my parents. I am the former wife of Lucian C. Fleming. I was married to him in year 1927, and divorced him in the year 1936.

"In years 1933 and 1934 Lucian C. Fleming was Ohio State Prohibition Agent and he and I resided in Toledo, Ohio. During these two years the Casino Club on Summit Street near the Bay View Yacht Club, near Point Place, was operated by the Angus brothers. I was acquainted with Bert Angus but did not know his brother Ted Angus in beginning of 1933.

"During the summer of 1934 I visited the Casino Club with my husband, Lucian C. Fleming, on several occasions, or about twice a month. On some of these occasions I saw George Timiney at the Casino Club, with Mrs. Edith Marks on one or two occasions, also saw Timiney there with a crowd, whom I did not know.

"In 1933 my former husband, Lucian C. Fleming, obtained a speed boat through a trade of some kind, and the boat was titled in my name. This boat did not have a name. It was assigned a number, but I do not recall what it was.

"In summer of 1934 on a Sunday I was on a sail boat with Mr. and Mrs. Berwick, who now reside in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, at the Bay View Yacht Club, near Point Place, Ohio. My speed boat was out of the water on the ways at the Bay View Yacht Club, and while I was on Mr. and Mrs. Berwick's sail boat I noticed my husband, Lucian C. Fleming, and several men in my speed boat in the Bay View Yacht harbor racing the boat back and forth and finally pull the boat out of the water at Bay View Yacht Club. I went over where they were and told them to leave the boat along until they sobered up, as they were all very drunk and I thought they might sink the boat and drown themselves. They did damage my speed boat at the time by damaging the engine and the bottom of the boat. I was very angry at the time and I ran over to where these men were when they took the boat out of the water, and had a knife in my hand. There were several men there besides my husband, one of whom I have identified from photograph as Alvin Karpis, and another I have identified from photograph as 'Doc' Barker. Another man had dark red hair and wore smoked glasses and several days later my former husband, Lucian C. Fleming, mentioned that the man who had dark red hair and wore dark glasses was John Dillinger, and he laughed at the time he told me this. The several other men who were present at the time my speed boat was pulled out of the water that Sunday, I did not pay much attention to, and am unable to identify them. At the time my former husband was 'blind' drunk and did not come home for several days thereafter.

"Some time before the boat incident, Mr. Arthur E. Eggers, a Toledo police officer, mentioned to me one day that I should not go out to the Casino Club as those people, who frequented that place were not the people whom I should associate with. At this time I later on learned that my former

husband was keeping company with one Rene Holst at the Casino Club, which might have been the reason Mr. Eggers told me that I should not visit or frequent the Casino Club, as he probably did not want me to find out about my husband and cause me to be sorry.

"After my husband, Lucian C. Fleming, sobered up after the speed boat incident, he mentioned to me that a notorious gang out of Chicago wanted to buy the boat. I do not recall that he ever mentioned any particular names, nor did he ever to best of my recollection, mention how much they intended to pay for my speed boat. My husband told me that the men who wanted to buy the boat wanted to make a trial trip in it. I objected to this and would not allow anyone to take my boat out. I went to the Federal Building and talked to a U. S. Customs man about what I should do to prevent anyone taking my speed boat out without my permission, and I was told to see the Sheriff and get an injunction, but I did not go to the Sheriff. I did instruct Paul Becker at Bay View Yacht Club, to watch the boat and not allow anyone to take it without my permission.

"My husband, Lucian C. Fleming, used to take the True Detective Magazine as well as a number of other detectives each issue. He purchased these magazines for a number of years and during 1933 and 1934, and 1935 while we were living together, shortly after the incident of the taking of my speed boat on a Sunday during summer of 1934, I read a copy of the True Detective Magazine, I believe, and noticed and read some story appearing therein, also some photographs of men whom I believed were some of those who had my speed boat out on that Sunday. I took the magazines out to Mr. and Mrs. Berwick at the Bay View Yacht harbor and showed them the photographs in the magazine and asked them if they were the same men who were with my former husband, Lucian C. Fleming in my speed boat that Sunday and Mr. and Mrs. Berwick said they were the same parties. This magazine came out shortly after the killing of the Barkers in Florida. I believe if I was shown this particular magazine again, I would be able to identify it as the same issue which I showed to Mr. and Mrs. Berwick. My former husband, Lucian C. Fleming, also read the story in this detective magazine, and mentioned they were some of the same men who wanted to buy my boat.

"On one occasion when I was at the Casino Club looking for my husband during the summer of 1934, I met Walter Paisano and asked him if he knew where my husband was, but got no information. Walter and my husband ran around together very much. I do not recall seeing any of the men, who took my speed boat, when I visited the Casino Club. Neither do I recall any one making a display of their money at the Casino Club. There were many who bought drinks for those present in the Casino

Club while I was there, but there was nothing unusual about that.

"I have been shown photographs of several women associates of the Barker-Karpis gang, but am unable to identify any of them as persons I saw at the Casino Club while I was there, but they could have been there and I might not have seen them.

"I have been over to Middle Island with my husband Lucian C. Fleming, and we would either hire a boat or go over on a ferry. I saw Joe Roscoe there as well as many others, whom I don't recall. I am acquainted with Joe Roscoe and have known him for a number of years. I have also known George Timiney several years.

"I have read the above statement consisting of nine pages and this one, and same is true to best of my recollection.

WITNESSES

J. V. Murphy
R. C. Suran,
Special Agents, Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
1448 Standard Building,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Miss Eva Stern stated she read the above statement and it is true and correct to best of her knowledge, but she refuses to sign same.

J. V. Murphy."

On the night of August 11, 1936, Arthur Eggert, 3719 Westland Avenue, telephone Lawndale 7096, Toledo, was interviewed at his residence concerning a statement made by Eva Stern that Eggert, during the summer of 1934, warned her to stay away from the Casino Club. Arthur Eggert stated that has been with the Toledo, Ohio Police Department for the past eleven years, and is presently assigned to the technical laboratory of this police department, which is located at the Toledo University. Eggert stated that he has known Eva Stern, who was formerly Mrs. Ludy Fleming, for a number of years, and Eva was quite friendly with his wife, Mrs. Eggert. He stated that during the summer of 1934, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Berwick had a sail boat at the Bay View Yacht harbor and that he and Mrs. Eggert, as well as Eva Stern, used to visit the Berwicks and go riding on their sail boat, and he also recalls that he at one time went riding in the speed boat owned by Ludy Fleming, this trip having been made from the Bay View Yacht Club harbor to Walbridge Park to see a fireworks display. He stated that he does not recall ever being advised by anyone that Ludy Fleming was attempting to dispose of his speed boat. He stated he visited the Casino Club on one or two occasions during the summer of 1934, with Ludy Fleming and his wife, but he paid no particular attention to the persons frequenting that place. He stated he had no recollection that he ever stated to Miss Eva Stern that she should stay away from the Casino Club, and does not believe that he ever made such a statement, as that would be meddling in the personal affairs of Eva Stern.

Eggert was shown photographs of the Barker-Karpis gang and he failed to identify any of them, with the exception of Willie Harrison, whom he stated he believed was the individual who was in company with Walter Belpash at the time he, Eggert, arrested Belpash in a joint on Nebraska Avenue for fighting. He stated this arrest was some time in 1934 and that Willie Harrison is not arrested inasmuch as he was not disturbing the peace. Eggert was questioned as to whether he had ever heard of Willie Harrison being subsequently arrested in Toledo, and he stated he had not heard such.

Eggert stated he knew Bert and Ted Angus, and Bert resides about a block from Eggert's home, but he had no information relative to the Angus brothers harboring the fugitives in this case.

Captain Hennessey stated that Eggert was a reliable police officer, and recently attended the National Police Training School conducted by the Bureau in Washington, D. C., and that Eggert was enthusiastic about the Bureau's work, and would assist in the present investigation to the best of his ability if called upon to do so.

Eggert was advised by Agents that it was not believed that Eva Stern had told the entire truth in connection with this investigation, and he stated that he would contact Miss Stern, and due, to their friendship, might induce her to discuss with Agents any and all knowledge she may have concerning this investigation.

Arthur Hand, 328 Brighton Avenue, Toledo, proprietor of the Dutch Village night club, was interviewed by Special Agents J. V. Murphy and E. C. Suran on August 12, 1936. Hand stated that prior to the repeal of the National Prohibition Amendment he operated a restaurant and speakeasy on Monroe Street in Toledo; that about six months after beer was legalized in April, 1933, in the State of Ohio, he, in partnership with Joe Rose, 315 Condley Drive, Toledo, opened up the night club, the Dutch Village, at 405 St. Clair Street, Toledo, and operated this club at this location until August 11, 1936, when the club was moved to 415 Superior Street, which club is presently being operated by him and his partner, Joe Rose.

Art Hand stated that he is well acquainted with Joe Roscoe due to the fact that he and Joe Roscoe are in the restaurant business, operating the 42nd Street Cafe on Broadway in Toledo. He denied that Joe Roscoe had ever had an interest in the Dutch Village. He stated that during the summer of 1934 Joe Roscoe occasionally visited the Dutch Village, as also did Rene Holst, who was usually accompanied by Ludy Fleming, but he had no recollection of any persons who used to accompany these people to the Dutch village. Mr. Hand was shown photographs of the Barker-Karpis gang, and he denied he could identify any of them, with the exception of Jimmie Wilson, whose photograph he stated appeared to be familiar, but he was unable to state where he had seen him. Hand further stated that during the summer of 1934 he would occasionally, with his wife, visit the Casino Club after the closing hours of the Dutch Village, but he does not recall ever seeing him. Hand further stated that during the summer of 1934 he would occasionally, with his wife, visit the Casino Club after the closing hours of the Dutch Village, but he does not recall ever seeing any of the individuals whose photographs were exhibited to him, at the Casino Club. He stated that his acquaintanceship with Ted and Bert Angus was due to the fact that Bert and Ted operated a night club. He stated that George Timiney occasionally visited the Dutch Village, but he could not recall Timiney visiting the Dutch Village with any particular individual.

Joe Rose was interviewed at the Dutch Village by Agents Murphy and Suran on August 12, 1936. He likewise stated that he was acquainted with Joe Roscoe, Bert and Ted Angus, but that he never visited the Casino Club at any time. He was shown photographs of the Barker-Karpis gang, but denied he could identify any of them. He stated that due to the large number of people who visited the Dutch Village, he would be unable to identify any patron unless that patron was a particular friend of his. He stated that he was well acquainted with Ludy Fleming, who frequented the Dutch Village, usually accompanied by some woman, but he did not know the identity of this woman. He states he has no recollection of any of the Barker-Karpis gang having frequented the Dutch Village.

The Dutch Village, which was located in the basement at 406 St. Clair Street, up until the past three days, when it was moved to its present location, has the reputation and name of being a spot where hoodlums, pimps and prostitutes frequent. It is believed that both Hand and Rose have information of value to this investigation, and further interviews will be had with these two individuals at a later date when more definite information has been obtained.

On August 12, 1936, Detective James Ford advised Special Agents R. C. Suran and J. V. Murphy that a former madam of a house of prostitution by the name of Myrtle Carnes was run out of business by Ted Angus for failure to pay protection. He stated that Myrtle Carnes, or Myrtle Jarbo, as she is sometimes known, is presently employed as a nurse at the Division of Health, Toledo, Ohio. He further advised that this woman has one son, Ralph Jarbo, who is serving a sentence in the Missouri State Penitentiary for murder.

It was ascertained at the Division of Health that Myrtle Carnes resided at 324 Fourteenth Street, Toledo, Ohio, at which address she was interviewed by Agents Suran and Murphy on August 12, 1936.

Myrtle Carnes stated that she is presently employed by the WPA as a nurse and works out of the Division of Health; that her job is to supervise a "crew" who are examining school children.

Mrs. Carnes advised that in the year 1918 she began to work for Mother H in a house of prostitution then located at the Palm Hotel, 716 Cherry Street, Toledo, Ohio; that she practiced prostitution at this place and was also the housekeeper for Mother H. She stated that she continued to work for Mother H until the year 1927, when she opened a house of prostitution of her own at 40 Ontario Street, but that she only operated this place one month when she went into business with Sadie Sherman in the operation of a house then located on South Erie Street, Toledo, Ohio. She advised that she continued in partnership with Sadie Sherman until 1928 at which time she opened a house in the Market Hotel and later moved to 329 Nebraska Avenue, Toledo.

In 1929 she stated that she opened a house at 912 Cherry Street; that during the operation of the above named houses the police did not bother her until late in 1932. She denied that she ever at any time made a pay off in order to operate but at Christmas time she would usually give the "boys" in the vice squad a Christmas present consisting of a shirt or similar article. She stated that during the time she operated a house of prostitution in Toledo, there were various officers who headed the vice squad; that those she now recalls were Art Langendorf, George Timiney and Mike Rowan. She stated that Timiney and Langendorf never caused her any trouble.

She stated that in about October, 1932, while Addison Q. Thacher was mayor of Toledo, "Firetop" Sulkin, a Licovoli mobster, called at her place on Cherry Street on one occasion and told her that she would have to pay \$100.00 per month if she desired to continue the operation of a house of prostitution. She stated that she

had known "Firetop" for some time and she asked him to whom the money was to go and "Firetop" advised her that she did not have to worry about that as he, "Firetop", would collect the money each month. She advised that she told "Firetop" that she had never paid protection money before and she could not pay it to "Firetop". She stated that she heard no more from "Firetop" but after she considered the matter a few days she went to Mother H and was advised that Ted Angus was the pay off man and she should see him. She stated that she went to the Casino Club and saw Ted Angus and advised him that it would be impossible for her to pay \$100 per month; that she might be able to pay \$50.00 per month, or less; that Ted told her that she would have to pay the \$100 per month, or not operate.

Mrs. Carnes stated she did not pay the \$100 per month and about a month after her refusal to pay, the raids, under Mike Rowan, began and she received three raids in one week and the raids continued until she finally decided to close up and return to live with her husband, William Carnes.

She stated that she has been living with her husband since that date and has tried to live a straight life, concealing the fact, to the best of her ability, that she was ever in the racket and for this reason she would not want to testify to the above facts or make a written statement in connection therewith.

She stated that she has no information concerning the graft conditions since 1932, and she has not visited any of the madams since she left the racket.

On August 7, 1936 the following telephone conversation was overheard by Special Agent R. A. Guerin on the telephone tap now being maintained on the telephone of Maxine Belmont Thomas:

10:54 PM Outgoing Adams 0719 (Rosie Bush, 200 1/2 Monroe St.)
Maxine - Hello, Rosie, well I got it over. Yes I had a good time, but I was terribly upset over things, you know. I read the papers.
Rosie - Have you talked to Jenny?
Maxine - No, I just got in. I'm disgusted.
Rosie - She's suing, I hear because she claims it was somebody else and she had nothing to do with it.
Maxine - We'll all get the dirty end of it, you can't tell her anything. She had better bury herself or she'll end up much worse off.
Rosie - We all will, I think I got that carried over, you know.

Maxine - Yes, I'll call him the first thing in the morning and let you know.

Rosie - Meyers was here and he acted kind of funny, he had a dirty puss on him. He was sore because some of the girls went out. He thinks its old times again, but I don't care, I took my medicine.

Maxine - He should be talking. You know she called me at a quarter to one the other night and wanted to know why I had not called her. I told her that I had more important things to do.

Rosie - The Captain called me. He had a letter from a neighbor complaining, but it wasn't signed, so I don't see how they have a case.

Maxine - They can do that all the time if they want.

Rosie - Well I wanted you to know anyway. They should find out who wrote it, but I think they are just using that as an excuse.

Maxine - Yeah, but if they keep that kind of stuff up all the time. Well, I'll call you tomorrow after I talk to him.

The first part of the above conversation, no doubt, refers to the dismissal of Fred Haala, police officer, from the police department for associating with Jenny Miller, a madam of a house of prostitution. The latter part of the conversation relating that Maxine would call "him" tomorrow, probably relates to Jesse Heslip, a colored attorney. The log contained previous information that Heslip was representing Rosie Bush subsequent to an arrest made at 900 1/2 Monroe Street. The case of Rosie Bush was continued from time to time due to the fact that Heslip was out of town. On August 12, 1936, Agent Guerin attended police court and observed that Rosie Bush was represented by Heslip and Rosie Bush was fined, but the amount of the fine was not heard by Agent Guerin.

That part of the conversation which relates to Meyers and "old times" was believed to be of importance to this investigation. Detective James Ford was interviewed by Agents Murphy and Suran on August 12, 1936, and advised that a few days prior to August 12, 1936, Officer William Meyers was appointed to the vice squad to fill the vacancy made on that squad by the removal of Donald McGragor. Ford stated that Meyers was formerly on the vice squad under Art Langendorf and this was several years ago when Jennings was Chief of Police. The "old times" mentioned might refer to this situation and information has previously been reported that both Jennings and Langendorf were at one time in on the graft. Ford stated that he always found William Meyers to be a reliable police officer. Ford was not advised the reason for the interview with him concerning Meyers.

Further investigation is being conducted to determine whether Rosie Bush has in the past been associated with a man named Meyers to which the questioned conversation might relate.

On August 10, 1936, Mr. Charles Marks, 1821 Wildwood Road, Toledo, Ohio, was interviewed at his home by Special Agents J. V. Murphy and R. C. Suran, in the presence of Mrs. Marks. Charles Marks is the brother of the deceased Chester Marks, previously referred to throughout this investigation. Prior information having been obtained that Charles Marks in the past had business dealings with Joe Roscoe. He was interviewed for the purpose of obtaining any information he might have concerning Roscoe and other individuals involved in this investigation.

Mr. Marks stated that in April, 1931, he and his wife were the owners of the residence at 3204 River Road, Toledo, Ohio, and that during the month named, negotiations were entered into with Joe Roscoe and his wife, Ganey Roscoe, for the purchase of the residence at 3204 River Road. Mr. Marks advised that the property was sold to Joe Roscoe and his wife in April, 1931, the property being placed in the name of Ganey Roscoe. He stated that at the time of the sale there was a \$22,000.00 first mortgage and a \$3,000.00 second mortgage on the property, the first mortgage being held by the Union Central Life Insurance Company of Cincinnati, Ohio, and the second mortgage being held by Mr. A. S. Hickok of the Hickok Oil Company of Toledo. He stated that Joe Roscoe paid off the first mortgage in cash, and the second mortgage was reduced to \$1,500.00, and also paid by Roscoe in cash. He advised that Joe Roscoe formerly resided at 1821 Wildwood Road, Toledo, Ohio, which property was in the name of Ganey Roscoe, and this residence was deeded to Charles Marks' wife, Marjorie Marks, by Ganey Roscoe as part consideration for the property at 3204 River Road. Mr. Marks stated that the Roscoes moved to 3204 River Road and still reside at that address.

Mr. Marks volunteered the information that she had visited the Roscoes since the latter had resided at 3204 River Road; that under this residence Joe Roscoe has built some sort of a vault, which Mrs. Roscoe claims was built for a vegetable room. However, Mrs. Marks stated that such a room was already available, and that she has always been suspicious of the reason for construction of this vault room in the basement. Mrs. Marks stated that she was always of the opinion that Joe Roscoe was a safe cracker as he was always plentifully supplied with money, although the money and property of Roscoe is in his wife's name.

In connection with Joe Roscoe's property, Mr. and Mrs. Marks advised that Ganey Roscoe has in her name the residence located at 1819 Wildwood Road, and the vacant lot located at 1823 Wildwood Road.

Mr. and Mrs. Marks advised that about two months ago men, who stated they were Federal officers, made inquiries in the neighborhood of 1821 Wildwood Road concerning Joe Roscoe, presumably being of the opinion that Roscoe still resided at 1821 Wildwood Road.

Mr. Marks stated that it is the generally accepted opinion that Joe Roscoe is a partner with Ed Warnke in the operation of a gambling club located at 631 St. Clair Street, known as the Jovial Club. He further stated that Ed Warnke is a partner of Mrs. Jimmie Hayes in the hotel at Harbor Springs, Michigan, presently being operated by Mrs. Jimmie Hayes, and in which hotel there is gambling. He stated that he did not know whether Joe Roscoe had an interest in this place.

In connection with gambling clubs in Toledo, Mr. Marks stated that there is no gambling being operated in the Maritime Buffet of the Fort Meigs Hotel; that this place is operated strictly legitimately; that there used to be a two-story building at 220 St. Clair Street, alongside of the Fort Meigs Hotel and had a cafe on the ground floor and a gambling club on the second floor; that the entrance to the gambling club was through the cafe; that this building has been torn down and the property is now used as an automobile parking lot.

Mr. Marks advised that from the year 1929 to 1932 he was in charge of gambling operations at the Chateau, which was operated by Louis Greiner in partnership with Chester Marks until the latter's death in 1931, after which Chester's widow took over Chester's interest. He stated that Jim Basso managed the restaurant part of this night club for Greiner and Chester Marks. He stated that the Sheriff of Lucas County, Ohio, never at any time interfered with the gambling operations at the Chateau; that when the place was first opened outside the city limits of Toledo, Joseph Zimmerman was Sheriff of Lucas County, and later Dave Krieger became Sheriff. He stated that if there was any pay off made to these officers it would have been handled by Greiner, as Greiner took care of all the financial business of the club. He stated it appeared as though there must have been a pay off, but he has no information to that effect.

Marks stated that in 1933 Addison Q. Thacher, then Mayor of Toledo, was on the "take" from the gambling operations in the city, and Thacher's chauffeur Murphy was the "bag man", meaning that Murphy did the collecting. He stated that Murphy is still chauffeur for Thacher, who is now member of the city council of Toledo. He advised that Thacher later financed Murphy and Pat Stack in a drink parlor at the corner of Erie and Madison Streets, known as the Madison Buffet, which place is presently being operated by Wilber Hall. He stated that under Mayor Klotz, Charles Mathews was the Safety Director, and Mathews is reported to be the man in on the "take" from the gambling operations. He stated that he never heard who may have been Mathews' collector; that Mathews resigned from office in the early part of this year, when City Manager Edy took office. He stated that he has heard no rumors or received any information as to who might presently be in on the "take" from gambling houses in Toledo at the present time.

Marks stated that he has no information that Timiney was in on the pay off, but he had always assumed that a man in Timiney's position in the Toledo Police Department would be in on the "cut".

For the information of the file, Marks advised that Harry Connager, Nicholas Building, telephone Adams 5524, Toledo, Ohio, is Voe and Gancy Roscoe's attorney.

Mr. Marks stated that Ben and Joe Fretti now have the exclusive right to distribute Regal beer in the state of Ohio; that he understands they are using "muscle" methods to have the various taverns in Toledo sell Regal beer, but he stated this was probably brought about by the fact that the Fretti brothers have in the past advanced money to various tavern owners for the purpose of securing liquor licenses, and the Fretti brothers are probably endeavoring to force these individuals to sell Regal beer. Marks stated that he is presently employed as a bartender at the Demi Tasse Cafe, Toledo, Ohio, and knows that a representative of the Fretti brothers wanted to put Regal beer in at that place, but no "muscle" methods were used, and Regal beer is not sold at the Demi Tasse Cafe today.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, dated at Cleveland, Ohio, July 3, 1936, which contained information that Johnnie Shea, c/o American Legion Post, 933 Central Avenue, possessed the address and correct name of one "Skeeter" Neal, an employee of the Fretti brothers, who managed a lottery for the American Legion.

Johnnie Shea was interviewed on the night of August 10, 1936, by Special Agent R. C. Suran. Shea stated that when he was a youth of about ten years of age he resided on Steele Avenue at Dayton, Ohio, and there was a neighbor there by the name of Schimmel, who had a son named Emil Schimmel; that during the promotion of the lottery for the American Legion by "Skeeter" Neal, he recognized Neal as being identical with Emil Schimmel; that he questioned Neal about this and Neal only remarked, "I am using the name of Neal now." Shea stated that he could not understand why, if Schimmel was honest, he would be using the name of Neal at the present time. Shea stated that he might be mistaken about the identity of Neal, but he felt fairly certain that he was not mistaken. He stated that he did not know the present address of "Skeeter" Neal.

When the Fretti brothers were interviewed in the future, further information will be obtained concerning "Skeeter" Neal.

While Agent was at the Waltz-Hodgins Post of the American Legion, 933 W. Central Avenue, three slot machines were noted therein. Two of these machines were five-cent machines, and the other was a ten-cent machine. Shea stated these machines were the property of the American Legion Post; that the Fretti brothers wanted to put their machines in the place, but it would not be permitted.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents V. E. Criss and J. L. Madala on August 11, 1936:

Lewis Kestel, 1220 Jefferson Avenue, Toledo, Ohio, was interviewed and stated that he has known Ed McGraw for about fifteen years; that about September 4, 1934, he, Lewis Kestel, was injured by an automobile which ran into him; that Ed McGraw invited him to come out to his home and live while recuperating; that he resided there for about two weeks and has visited with him, McGraw, and his wife, Clara, about three to four times a week since that time, doing odd jobs for them, playing pinochle with Ed, and drinking beer, as well as often eating there.

Kestel was very vague in his recollection of the names of people whom he met or had seen at Ed McGraw's rooming house located at 2011 1/2 Adams Street, but after much questioning he admitted, or stated that some time in the first part of the year 1935 he remembers meeting a man known as Bob at McGraw's, though he doesn't remember if he was introduced or not; that he also remembers that he heard this man's name mentioned as Brown. He positively denied that he ever heard Mrs. McGraw mention that Bob was her cousin, or that he was a contractor from Cleveland, or elsewhere. He remembered that about two weeks after he met Bob, whom he identified as being Harry Campbell from the profile view picture taken after Campbell's arrest, Bob had a girl known as Gertie with him and that about two weeks later married this girl. Kestel claimed not to have seen or known this girl prior to this. He would not admit that he knew that Bob and Gertie lived at McGraw's before or after their marriage. Kestel stated that he learned of the marriage through Mrs. McGraw, who told him that Bob and Gertie, and they, meaning the McGraws, a couple of days before, had gone to Bowling Green and that Bob and Gertie were married. He also stated that he visited the McGraws after this and often saw Bob and Gertie there with McGraws. He could not remember anything that was said, other than that the conversation was general. He admitted that Bob often bought him beer and that they sat together and drank. Kestel was shown all of the pictures material to the instant investigation, but failed to recognize any of them. He claimed not to know, or to be able to identify any other person that might have been at McGraws during the time Bob was there. He claims that the McGraws did not tell him that he would undoubtedly be questioned and what to say, but admitted that they stated they had been down to the Federal Building and were questioned. It will be noted that Kestel's information is practically the same as that given by Mrs. Ruth King, who acts as a maid for the McGraws, as set out in the report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, Cleveland, Ohio, dated June 20, 1936, page twenty-seven. Mr. Kestel is 70 years of age, practically toothless, badly crippled in his legs, and has the appearance of having been a heavy drinker.

He was told that the information he furnished clearly indicated the close friendship between Campbell and the McGraws in that they were the only friends who were introduced to him, Kestel, also a close friend, and that he would be called before the Grand Jury to testify to this. He became very angry at this, put on his hat and left the office. He will be interviewed again at a later date.

Miss Mary Behen, clerk, Board of Elections for Lucas County, Toledo, Ohio, displayed the registration card of Gilbert J. Ford, 2130 Scottwood Street, which reflected that he registered on April 13, 1936; that he swore to this before Clifford Kaighin. This verifies, in part the information set out in Ford's statement to the effect that he was taken to the Board of Elections to register by Harry Campbell in order to vote for Jim O'Reilly.

Clifford Kaighin could not remember the above registration, nor the fact that Campbell had brought Ford in.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents E. J. Dowd, V. E. Criss, and J. J. Madala on August 10, 1936:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, dated at Cleveland, Ohio, June 13, 1936, wherein it is mentioned on page fifty-six that [redacted] interviewed Emma Marvin at 926 Summit Street, and [redacted] that some time in February, or early part of March, 1936, Bert Ford came to her rooming house accompanied by Mrs. Kate Goulet and a young man and woman whom Ford introduced as Bob and his wife Bertie Miller. b7d

Agents Dowd and Madala located Bert Ford at Heinal's Tavern, 601 Hamilton Street, Toledo, Ohio, where he is presently employed as a bartender. Mr. Ford was requested to come to the temporary Bureau office in Toledo, Ohio, where he was interviewed by Agents Dowd, Criss, and Madala.

The following signed statement, the original of which is contained in the files of the Cleveland Bureau office, was secured from Ford:

Toledo, Ohio
August 10, 1936.

"I, GILBERT J. FORD, better known as Bert Ford, do hereby make the following signed statement to V. E. Crias and John L. Madala, whom I know to be Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice. No threats or promises have been made to me, and I am giving this statement voluntarily and of my own free will.

"I am 49 years of age and reside with my mother at 2130 Sootwood Street, Toledo, Ohio. I am a widower, my wife having died in January of 1935. I have no children. I was born and raised in Toledo, Ohio.

"I was first arrested in 1919 in Toledo, Ohio for disorderly conduct, drunkenness, and resisting an officer. I plead guilty to these charges, and was fined \$15.00 and costs. My second arrest was in 1928 in Detroit, Michigan for violation of the National Prohibition Act. I was tried and given a sentence of \$1,000 fine, and 30 days in jail. However, I signed a pauper's oath, and served only 31 days in the Workhouse in Detroit, Michigan.

"I worked for Steve McGraw as manager of his taxi-cab line, place of business located at 1954 Canton Street, Toledo, Ohio. He operated approximately 36 taxi-cabs, and had about 50 men employed. In 1918 Steve McGraw's brother, Ed McGraw, got out of the Ohio State Penitentiary, Columbus, Ohio, and went to work for his brother on the floor as an inspector of the taxi-cabs. I believe Ed McGraw served a little over four years, getting out for good time.

"I worked for McGraw until the middle of 1920, when he took in a partner named Jack Daly. The taxi-cab business subsequently went into receivership in 1921.

"After Ed McGraw left the employ of his brother he opened up a saloon at 397 Dorr Street, which he operated until some time in 1923; during this period he was arrested for violation of the National Prohibition Act and served six months in the Dayton, Ohio Workhouse.

"Some time during 1923 I went to Detroit, Michigan, where I was engaged in the bootlegging business with Mike Maloney, until June 3, 1933. At this time I returned to Toledo and started in business with Hughie Heintz at City Park Avenue and Hamilton Street. At this time Ed McGraw was operating a bootlegging joint at 2011 1/2 Adams Street, where he still lives. In connection with this bootlegging joint McGraw's wife, Clara, runs a rooming house at this address. As far as I know the only roomer at McGraw's is an old man named Luier, who has lived there since 1933 or 1934. This individual is caretaker of the Elk's Club in Toledo, and earns about \$20 per month. As far as I know he still lives with the McGraws.

"Some time in February of 1934 Ed McGraw opened up a saloon at 701 South Avenue, Toledo, and purchased the license in his wife's name. He operated this place for four or five months, and couldn't make a go of it as far as I know. He thereafter continued to operate his bootlegging joint and rooming house at 2011 1/2 Adams Street.

"I remained in business with Hughie Heintz at 601 Hamilton Street for a period of five months, after which I left him. At this time my wife was extremely sick and was confined in a sanitarium at Eloise, Michigan. She subsequently went blind and I collected \$583.00 compensation from the Prudential Insurance Company. I invested this money in a saloon business at 2130 Monroe Street, Toledo, Ohio, which I operated until August of 1935. My wife died in January of 1935, after which I was on a continuous drunk, and did not take care of my business. On account of this I was forced to get out of business at the above address.

"Some time during the month of July, 1935 Ed McGraw came to my place of business at the above address with a man whom he introduced as Bob Miller, stating that he was a friend of his from Springfield, Ohio. I knew that McGraw was originally from Springfield, Ohio. I now know that the Bob Miller, above referred to, is identical with Harry Campbell, who was arrested by Government agents on May 7, 1936. I recall that Bob Miller made a second visit to my place at the above address, at which time he also was accompanied by Ed McGraw. Our conversations on the occasion of the above two visits were general.

"On August 16, 1934, I went into partnership with Lou "Red" Carrier in the operation of the Sailor's Roost Tavern at 1793 Summit Street, Toledo.

"Shortly after we opened the Sailor's Roost I went to Ed McGraw's bootlegging joint at 2011 1/2 Adams Street, and let McGraw and Miller know I was operating at 1793 Summit Street. I saw Miller there on this visit. Ed McGraw, Clara McGraw, and possibly Louie, were also there at that time. As I recall Clara McGraw introduced me to Bob Miller as her cousin from Springfield, Ohio. I had a few beers with Miller and McGraw, and left. Our conversation was merely general.

"The next time I saw Bob Miller was some time in October, 1935, at which time he came to the Sailor's Roost with his wife and father-in-law. At least he introduced these people as such. He remained approximately one-half hour during which period he had several bottles of beer. I might state that the above instance was the first intimation I had that Miller was married. Shortly after he made another visit to my place of business at the Sailor's Roost, at which time he was again accompanied by his wife and father-in-law.

"I severed my connections with the Sailor's Roost on January 1, 1936. From that time I was unemployed until on or about July 1, 1936, when I went to work for Hughie Heintz as a bartender. I am still employed at this place.

"During the period between the middle of February, 1936, to the date of his arrest, I saw Bob Miller at Goulet's place at 2130 Monroe Street, Toledo at an average of three times a week. On four or five occasions during this period I saw Sheriff Jim O'Reilly - with Bob Miller sitting at a table, and drinking beer. I recall that on one occasion on or about April 13, 1936, or on the last day of registration voters, I entered Goulet's saloon at about 8:30 P. M. I observed Bob Miller talking with Sheriff O'Reilly at a table. Miller's wife was also seated at this table. Miller upon seeing me immediately jumped up and asked if I had registered as yet. I told him that I had to re-register due to the fact that I had moved from my former address. He told me that he would drive me to the Board of Elections, which he did. He stated that we sure want to get Jim O'Reilly elected.

"After I registered at the Board of Elections, he drove me back to Fred Goulet's place, but I did not go in. I registered shortly before closing time, which was at 9:00 P. M.. I recall that he told me on the way to the Board of Elections that he had taken Fred Goulet and his wife down to register earlier in the day.

"During this period when I was seeing Bob Miller so often I remember that on one occasion he told me that he bought and sold oil leases. On another occasion he told me that he was in the slot machine business in southern Michigan. I knew that this was impossible, more or less, due to the fact that I knew that men who had the slot machine concessions in the southern part of Michigan were old timers who had control, and that it would be impossible for a new-comer to get started. From this I figured that he had some kind of a racket, on account of the fact that he was a good spender and was always setting up the drinks. He would never allow me to buy any drinks for him, or while I was in his company.

"Also during this period I was negotiating with Ed McGraw in opening up a new place of business. He said he could raise \$250.00 to invest, and I figured that I could raise that same amount. On one occasion during the first part of April, 1936, Ed McGraw telephoned me at my house, and told me to come to his place, after which we would look at a location for this business. I went to McGraw's that afternoon and Bob Miller and his wife were there. McGraw told me that there was an empty store at 1001 Summit Street, which he thought was a good location. We decided to look this place over, and Bob Miller said he would drive us there, and we could save taxi fare. Ed McGraw, Miller, and I looked at this place, and decided that it cost too much to repair. Bob Miller had no interest in this place, and there was no talk indicating that he was to finance either McGraw or me in this business.

"After we left the above place, I suggested that we go to Emma Marvin's place at 926 Summit Street for a few drinks. I had known Emma Marvin for about 20 years, and I believe that McGraw knew her that length of time too. We walked across the street to her place, and I

introduced Bob Miller to Emma as Ed McGraw's cousin; however, I am not certain as to this. While in this place, we talked generally about the place we were going to open. We stayed only a short time, as Bob was anxious to return to McGraw's to his wife, whom he left with Clara McGraw.

"Some time in March, 1936 I met one of Bob's friends known as Tommy. I now know him as Sam Coker. I recall that either Fred Goulet or Ed McGraw told me on one occasion that Tommy had just gotten out of the penitentiary.

"Shortly after our first visit to Emma Marvin's place, I went to Goulets and saw Bob Miller, his wife, and Tommy there drinking beer. Miller invited me to his table, after which I had a few drinks with them. Tommy stated that he had to go to his girl's house, and asked Miller to drive him over there. Miller invited me to go along, and the four of us drove Tommy to his girl's house on a street off of Collingwood, the name of which I do not know. As I recall this street is above Delaware Street. After we dropped Tommy off, Bob Miller suggested that we go to Emma Marvin's place, which we did. We drank beer with Emma Marvin and stayed for only a short time, as Miller's wife wanted to go home. I told them to drive me to Goulet's place, but because of the fact that it was raining that night Miller drove me to my home at 2130 Scottwood Street.

"I am well acquainted with Glenn Kneisel, who is an agent for the Studebaker Company. I have known him for approximately 20 years; he is an old taxi-cab driver and a good and close friend of Ed McGraw's. I have seen Kneisel at McGraw's place on numerous occasions, and on the night Harry Campbell was arrested I recall that Kneisel said while in Goulets that he had sold Campbell a new Ford automobile.

"I know that Bob Miller and his wife often ate at the restaurant operated by Mr. and Mrs. Pete Burling, 2140 Monroe Street, Toledo. On one occasion in 1934 I took Mr. and Mrs. Burling to McGraw's place, and introduced them to him.

"Bob Miller and his wife also frequented Lynn Lamb's place at 2015 Miami Street, where they bought beer and refreshments. I recall that on one occasion I met them there.

"Bob Miller frequently talked about the wonderful chicken dinners at the Granada Gardens, which I know is operated by Jim Coleman. From his talk I gained the impression that he had been there several times before.

"I appeared that Bob Miller was an ardent boxing and wrestling fan, as he frequently talked about attending such matches, and betting on them. He also talked considerably about baseball, etc.

"Some time after Harry Campbell was arrested I talked with Fred Goulet about this matter, and he stated to me that he believed that McGraw was in a hot spot for harboring Campbell. He did not give any reason for making this statement. I also believe that McGraw knew who Campbell was, in that he said that Campbell was a friend of

his from Springfield, his wife said that he was her cousin, and when I was working for Ed's brother, he used to sign parole papers for convicts who would be paroled to him. Also I have heard that McGraw was a 'right guy' insofar as taking care of people who were in trouble.

"This statement has been dictated by me and was written in my presence, and it is true to the best of my knowledge.

WITNESS:

/s/ GILBERT J. FORD

John L. Madala
Vernon E. Criss,
Special Agents,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Cleveland, Ohio."

Supplementing his above statement, Bert Ford advised that while he operated his tavern at 2130 Monroe Street, the following persons were working for him: Louis Higgins, as bartender, now working for Fred Goulet at his tavern, 2130 Monroe Street; Bill Brauschwick, as porter, now working at 1402 Washington Street; and Louis "Red" Carrier, as bartender. He stated that Louis Higgins was recently released from the Toledo Workhouse where he served a year's sentence on an alimony charge. With reference to "Red" Carrier, Ford stated that this individual was in partnership with him in the operation of the Sailor's Roost; that Carrier is a former sailor, and is well known among that class of people. He stated that one Frank Smith financed them while at the Sailor's Roost, and that the license was issued in his name. In explanation, Ford stated that both he and Carrier had previously been convicted on prohibition charges, and that the State of Ohio prohibits issuing licenses for taverns to previous offenders.

Ford further stated that he feels sorry for Ed McGraw, and is willing to do all he can to help him out of his present predicament. He was asked whether he could talk with McGraw, and possibly get from him some information as to the person, if any, who referred or brought Campbell to his place. Ford indicated a willingness to do this, stating that if there is any possibility that it might help McGraw, he will confidentially talk with him in an effort to elicit this information from him. He suggested that an Agent contact him in the next ten days, at which time he believed he might have the desired information.

Ford admitted that he is well acquainted with George Timiney, and when asked what he thought of Timiney, he replied that he is one of the best police officers on the Toledo Police force. He pointed out that Timiney was very instrumental in getting rid of the Liccivoli mob in Toledo, and that during his entire acquaintanceship with this officer, he found him to be honest and a good fellow.

It will be noted that Ford mentioned in his signed statement that he personally saw Sheriff O'Reilly in Campbell's company in Fred Goulet's place on at least four or five occasions. He stated that Campbell was quite chummy with the Sheriff, and during April of 1936 Campbell spent some time and money campaigning for O'Reilly. Ford stated further that O'Reilly is very friendly with the Goulet family, and spends considerable time at their place, drinking and associating with the patrons there; that O'Reilly and Goulet's daughter, Esther, are intimate, and on one occasion he saw the Sheriff and Esther Goulet sitting in the former's car parked in front of the place.

Ford admitted that he has known Emma Marvin and Deane Allen for many years; that both of these individuals told him that they were questioned by Government Agents, and mentioned that he would probably be questioned too, as he drank beer with Harry Campbell.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents D. P. Sullivan and John L. Madala on August 11, 1936:

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[redacted] was interviewed at the Recreation Club, and he stated that recently he and his wife made a trip to the east, and that en route they visited Thelma Holst in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Thelma told [redacted] that recently a number of Department of Justice agents had interviewed her regarding members of the Barker-Karpis gang visiting the Casino Club when they resided in Toledo. She told [redacted] that she admitted to the Agents everything she knew except that she knew the true identities of the gang; that she told the interviewing agents that she did not become aware of the identities of the gang until she heard of the escape of Karpis and Campbell at Atlantic City in January of 1935.

[redacted] stated that Nig Cousins frequently visited the Casino Club during the time the gang frequented that place, and he was certain that Nig Cousins knew who the gang was; that he likewise felt certain that Greenie, who operates the Private Cab Company, also knew the gang, as he drove them around in his cab; that Greenie was the boy friend of the hat check girl in the club named Annie. (Investigation made prior to this interview resulted in the information that this woman is presently employed as a waitress at the Algeo Hotel.)

Further information was obtained [redacted] that Ted Angus is presently keeping company with a woman named Helen, last name unknown; that Ted had recently made a trip to Michigan, and after his return to Toledo, he again left, and went to Washington, D. C. and New York City; that Ted expected to make a trip to California.

[redacted] that a lawyer named Bartlett (probably [redacted], real estate, 222 Erie Street [redacted])

[redacted] had been retained by one or more of the persons expected to be charged with harboring Karpis and members of the gang;

[redacted] this explanation appeared to satisfy Mr. Bartley who dropped the entire matter.

[redacted] informed Agents that it was his understanding that Joe Roscoe and Bartley were good friends, and he believed that it was probable that Joe Roscoe was the person who had retained Bartley to represent him on any harboring charge.

Concerning Joe Roscoe, [redacted] stated that there was a bartender who formerly worked for Roscoe who probably has a great deal of information concerning this individual. This man's name is Harry Welles, and he is living with his mother at or near 21st and Jefferson Street, and has his telephone listed in the directory under a woman's name, which name is probably Mary Cable.

Further information was obtained [redacted] that a man named Francis Schuchman (phonetic) formerly was a frequent visitor at the Casino Club, and might be able to provide information concerning the activities of the Barker-Karpis gang during the time they frequented the club. Efforts will be made to locate this individual for interview.

[redacted] related that George Sargent, who is presently serving a sentence for participation in the Warren, Ohio mail robbery, frequented the Casino Club during the time that the Barker-Karpis gang was there; that Mildred Kuhlman was at the time keeping company with Sargent; that around this particular period Sargent was considered "hot" and on one occasion Art Brown and his partners on the hoodlum squad shook Sargent down for \$200 at the Casino Club. Having no more money and being told to leave town, [redacted]

[redacted] stated that it is his opinion that Sargent is serving a "bum" and is not guilty of being implicated in the Warren mail robbery; that Sargent is quite angry because Doc Barker took Mildred Kuhlman away from him. For the above reasons [redacted] is of the opinion that Sargent will talk plenty and provide considerable information concerning the gang's activities while they were in Toledo.

[redacted] will again be interviewed for information of value to this investigation. This person continues to have a friendly and cooperative attitude toward the Bureau, his only anxiety being that Mildred Kuhlman and he will not receive any unfavorable publicity because of their prior connections with the Angus brothers and the gang.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, Cleveland, Ohio, dated June 19, 1936. It will be noted on page 32 of said report that in interviewing Excel Toley, alias "Baby Doll", colored landlady of a house of prostitution at 131 South Erie Street, Toledo, she mentioned she had one colored girl named Billie Hertz working at her house, who was not there at the time of interview, and she understood that a man named Hertz transported this woman from Detroit, Michigan; that she does not know if the man, Hertz, was the husband of Billie Hertz; that Billie Hertz resides at 831 Thirteenth Street, Toledo.

Effort was made on three different occasions since the interview with Excel Toley on June 9, 1936, to locate Billie Hertz at 831 Thirteenth Street, without success. On August 6, 1936, Special Agents Suran and Murphy called at 831 Thirteenth Street and inquiry was made for Billie Hertz. A colored woman at this address, whose name was not taken, stated that Billie Hertz moved from that address about July 1, 1936, and went to Chicago, Illinois, where she was supposed to attend some kind of a school, but she is unable to advise Billie Hertz' present address as she has not heard from her since she left Toledo about July 1st.

On August 10, 1936, Superintendent of Mails C. A. Kirk, Toledo, Ohio, was interviewed and, after checking carriers' records, he advised that he had no record of Billie Hertz at 831 Thirteenth Street, and no forwarding address for such a person.

The signed statement of Excel Toley, alias "Baby Doll", mentioned in report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, Cleveland, Ohio, dated June 9, 1936, is being retained in the files of the Cleveland office.

On instructions of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, the tap maintained at 512 1/2 North Erie Street, Toledo, Ohio, on telephone Main 9711, which is that of the Wittenbergs, of the firm of Wittenberg, Jacobs and Berenson Bonding Company, 538 North Erie Street, was discontinued on August 8, 1936.

The tap on the telephone of Maxine Belmont Thomas, 2105 Warren Street, Toledo, which is maintained at apartment #26, Sheridan Manor Apartments, 208 Floyd Street, is still being maintained until further notice.

Prior authority having been obtained from the Director, Special Agent J. M. Jones, assisted by Special Agents J. L. Madala and J. V. Murphy, on August 10, 1936, tapped the telephone of Sadie Dann, Oxford Hotel, 825 Summit Street, Toledo, Ohio. The telephone number at this address is Adams 0644 and is listed in the name of S. M. Brown. This is an unpublished number.

This tap is being maintained at 325 Locust Street, which address is a vacant house. Special Agents E. J. Dowd and N. O. Harzenstein are covering this tap twenty-four hours per day. The purpose of this tap is to determine whether information of value concerning the payoff of the houses of prostitution can be learned from the conversations overheard on the telephone located in the Oxford Hotel, which place is a house of prostitution operated by Sadie Dann, who, it is alleged, is collecting from various madams on behalf of Inspector Fruckey of the Toledo Police Department.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS

The CLEVELAND OFFICE at Toledo, Ohio, will ascertain the identity and present location of Douglas, handy man at the Casino Club, in May, 1934, and interview him in detail regarding the presence of the Barker-Karpis gang at the Casino Club during the summer of 1934.

Will reinterview salesman H. Barry, Robison Chevrolet, Inc., 3015 Monroe Street, relative to his contact and sale of Chevrolet sedan to H. J. Morley (Doc Barker) on August 3, 1934. Will also thoroughly interview Barry regarding the sale of a Chevrolet sedan to William Weaver under the name of J. W. Osborne on July 24, 1934. This man has been previously interviewed and obviously has not told the truth as will be seen in the statement of Marie Barley.

Will locate Harry Welles, former bartender for Joe Roscoe, and who is said to reside with his mother at or near 21st and Jefferson Streets, and likely has his telephone number listed under a woman's name, Mary Cable. Welles should be interviewed for any information of value he possesses relative to Joe Roscoe pertinent to this investigation.

Will endeavor to ascertain the present location of Francis Schuchman (phonetic) who is reported to have been a frequent visitor at the Casino Club.

Will reinterview Art Brown, police officer, relative to the allegation that he and his partner on the hoodlum squad shook down George Sargent at the Casino Club for \$200 and told him to leave town.

Will reinterview Arthur Eggert to ascertain if he has contacted Eva Stern and induced her to tell the truth.

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August 15, 1936

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Special Agent in Charge,
Omaha, Nebraska.

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

Dear Sir:

The Bureau is in receipt of a newspaper photograph of William Elmer Head which appeared in the Canton, Ohio Repository for July 17, 1936. It is indicated that this photograph was taken of Head while he was incarcerated in jail at Omaha pending his removal to Jacksonville, Florida.

Positive photostatic copies of this photograph are being forwarded to you herewith with the request that you obtain at least one copy of this photograph from the Omaha Police Department, and forward same to the Bureau.

If other photographs were obtained by the Omaha Police Department, it is requested that at least one copy of such other photographs be obtained and forwarded to the Bureau in like manner.

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& Very truly yours,
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John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Mr. Connelley (Chicago)
Cleveland

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JULY 17, 1936



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Mr. C. H. Levy,
Managing Editor,
State Gazette,
Trenton, New Jersey

Dear Mr. Levy:

My attention has been called to the editorial entitled "Harpis Ends a Notable Line" which appeared in the July 30, 1935, issue of the State Gazette and I am very appreciative of your commendatory references to the accomplishments of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. I hope that our work has served notice on the criminal element that a life of crime in this country is not one of ease.

With best wishes and kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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607 U. S. Court House,
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Mr. R. W. ...
P. O. Box 583,
Toledo, Ohio

August 17, 1936

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

In connection with the agents assigned on special detail at Toledo and Cleveland, Ohio, you should arrange through the Special Agent in Charge of the Cleveland Office for these agents to receive their monthly firearms training each month, as well as to attend the monthly conference and the training as to technical equipment, except when such days as arranged, will conflict with the investigation being carried on. This training should be afforded to these men, if at all possible, each and every month.

In the future, care should be exercised to see that definite record be prepared as to when telephone taps are installed and discontinued, in order that a record may be kept at all times at the Cleveland Office as to any ~~known~~ telephone taps maintained in connection with this surveillance.

Very truly yours,

R. J. CANNON, KY.
Special Agent in Charge.

cc- Bureau

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