

The fingerprint records of the FBI failed to disclose
any data relative to the previous criminal record of Bolton.

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 4907
Jacksonville, Florida
September 1, 1936.

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

RE: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting herewith clippings from the Miami Tribune of August 28, August 31, and September 1, 1936, which relate to a suit brought by one Robert G. Lindsey, 1898 S.W. 11th Terrace, Miami, against Joseph H. Adams and others, and to counter suits brought against Lindsey.

It is noted that Lindsey is interested in the Biscayne Kennel Club and alleges that the management of this Club by Adams has injured the reputation and business of the Club. It is further alleged by Lindsey that Adams and his associates, T. R. Knight and John C. Knight, have harbored gangsters, specifically mentioning Alvin Karpis.

In this connection, it is noted that Special Agent Royal J. Untreiner, of this office, recently received information through one John H. Ott, Jr., 1419 Congress Building, Miami, to the effect that Lindsey had information believed to be of interest in this case. Lindsey was interviewed at length by Agent Untreiner, and the information furnished by him related entirely to the business difficulties which he had experienced in his dealings with Joe Adams and Robert Lane, Attorney for Adams in connection with the Biscayne Kennel Club. Lindsey was unable to furnish the Agent with any information relative to the harboring charges involved in this case. Lindsey alleged that he has received a number of local telephone calls from Adams threatening harm to him and his wife in the event Lindsey furnished information to the Income Tax Unit of the Treasury Department of detriment to Adams.

At the time of the contact had by Agent Untreiner with Mr. Ott the latter informed the Agent that he had information that the two Knights have been spending a great deal of time in Washington trying to bring political influence to bear with Congressman Mark Wilcox to the end that the charges against Adams in Federal Court might be dropped.

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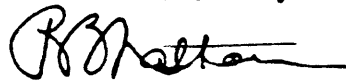
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These clippings are furnished for the information of the Bureau, and any developments believed to be of interest in this connection will be immediately transmitted.

Very truly yours,



R. B. Nathan
Special Agent in Charge.

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Enclosures.

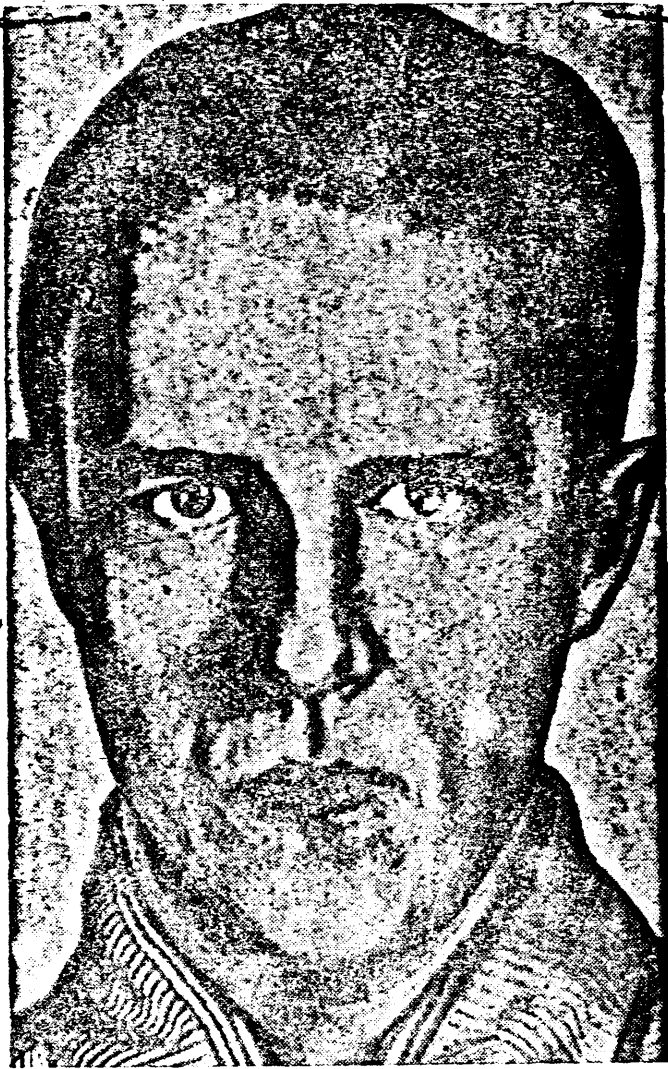
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From the Miami Tribune, Miami, Florida, August 28, 1936

BARES KARPIS PROTECTION

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HARBORED HERE—Stockholders of the Biscayne-Kennel club charge that officials of the track harbored Alvin Karpis, former Public Enemy No. 1, during the gangster leader's visit in Miami, in a suit demanding appointment of a receiver for the club and a general accounting of how revenues were spent. •The suit promises sensational developments.

Name Karpis Aides In Dog Track Suit

Public Enemy Protected in City, Is Charge

By JEANNE BELLAMY

Alvin Karpis, once the nation's Public Enemy No. 1, was harbored in Miami by the head of the Biscayne Kennel club and was a pal and confidante of a coterie of prominent local business men, it was charged yesterday

in a 40-page petition filed in Circuit court for the appointment of a receiver for the track and a general accounting of the property.

The suit declares the track is in danger of losing its franchise because of a "conspiracy" among majority stockholders whereby J. H. Adams, indicted by a federal grand jury for sheltering Karpis, is kept in control of the corporation's affairs.

Blamed specifically for the situation are John C. Knight, former member of the Miami City Commission and a former director of the defunct Bank of Bay Biscayne. (Continued on Page Twenty-two)

Name Karpis Aides In Dog Track Suit

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and his brother, T. R. Knight, who is Adams' father-in-law.

The petition mentions the protection given Karpis in one salient paragraph wherein Knight is quoted as announcing that "he was going to make to himself a salary of \$10,000, because he was not going to take to himself a salary ing gangsters without getting something for it."

"They turned over and caused to be turned over and into the hands and management the affairs and business of said corporation," the petition asserts, "to the aforementioned J. H. Adams. And plaintiffs here aver and show that on to-wit: February 7, 1936, the said J. H. Adams was indicted by the grand jury of the United States District court in and for the southern district of Florida in three separate bills of indictment, charging the said J. H. Adams, among other things, with aiding and abetting a fugitive from justice. Plaintiffs further show that

the fugitive from justice in the indictment was one Alvin Karpis, now serving a term of imprisonment upon a plea of guilty of a charge of kidnaping and who was prior to his conviction and incarceration known and generally referred to as Public Enemy No. 1.

"Despite the unsavory reputation of the said J. H. Adams," the suit continues, "and in utter disregard of all decent public opinion in this community, the said T. R. Knight and his brother, John, have persisted during the past three racing seasons in retaining the said J. H. Adams as general manager, conspicuously advertising that fact in the public press and through other advertising mediums.

"Because of the reputation and conduct of the said J. H. Adams placed in the management and control and held out to the public generally as the manager of and in control of the business and affairs of the defendant, Biscayne Kennel club, Inc., and because of the reputation of persons with which the said J. H. Adams surrounded himself and held out to the public as his associates and assistants, the said defendant, Biscayne Kennel club, Inc., has come to disrepute and said conduct

upon the part of the said Adams, the said T. R. Knight and the said J. C. Knight and others associated with, confederating with and conspiring with said Knights and said Adams, the aforesaid franchise or permit is in grave jeopardy of being lost, which should the same occur, would result in irreparable loss to these plaintiffs and all other persons similarly situated."

The bill of complaint also charges that Adams, "through chicanery and nefarious scheming," gained control of 2,064 of the total 3,145 shares of the corporation's common voting stock.

"T. R. Knight and John C. Knight," the suit continues, "notwithstanding their protestations of honesty and good faith and their desires to protect the interest of all stockholders alike have with full knowledge of the wrongful conduct of the said J. H. Adams and his 'associates' in appropriating to themselves the common stock acquired in the manner hereinabove set forth, ratified and approved and do continue to ratify and approve said wrongful conduct and have thereby become parties thereto."

Describing the predicament of minority stockholders, the suit alleges:

"From the beginning of the operation of the business of said defendants, Biscayne Kennel club, Inc., there was formed a conspiracy and confederation by and amongst certain of the owners of the majority of the common and preferred stock of said corporation for the purpose and with the intent to operate said business for the enrichment of said stockholders so conspiring, and to defeat the rights of minority stockholders including these plaintiffs."

As a result, the bill asserts, the track has been "almost continuously embroiled in litigation wherein and whereby minority stockholders have sought to correct and prevent the fraud and mismanagement upon the part of such majority stockholders."

The conspirators resorted to gangster tactics to prevent court action that might expose their dealings, the suit charges.

"Plaintiffs were prevented from asserting or attempting to assert or aiding or assisting other persons similarly situated with the plaintiffs of any right, or privilege in the management of the affairs and business of said defendant.

were prevented from protecting or attempting to protect their rights and interests therein as hereinabove set forth because of having been in fear of great bodily harm and threats of terrorism received from the aforementioned J. H. Adams communicated directly from said Adams to these plaintiffs that if plaintiffs undertook to or persisted in an effort to examine or caused to be examined the books and records of the affairs of said defendant, Biscayne Kennel Club, Inc., in and by which these plaintiffs were told that further efforts along that line would meet with the bombing of their home, mutilation and other bodily harm.

"Moreover these plaintiffs allege and charge upon information and belief that the said J. H. Adams from the beginning of his connection and association with, control and management of the affairs of the defendant, Biscayne Kennel club, Inc., the said J. H. Adams has adopted and carried out the same attitude and methods of being unfair, brow-beating and abusing other persons, and did as plaintiffs are informed and believe on or about the 26th day of April, 1933, assault and otherwise maltreat one Howard Weemick, then engaged with permission as he thought, of the said J. H. Adams in the examination of the books of the defendant, Biscayne Kennel club, Inc."

The plaintiffs in the suit are Celeste Dunbar Lindsay, authoress, and her husband, Robert G. Lindsay, formerly of Cleveland, Ohio, both now residents of Miami in the Shenandoah section. Their attorneys in the case are Thomas J. Dowdell and John J. Lindsey.

They charge the kennel club owes them a total of \$72,500, including \$50,000 for preferred stock and \$22,500 unpaid dividends.

From the Miami Tribune, Miami, Florida, August 31, 1936

Suit Will Bare Secrets Of Karpis Gang Here

By JEANNE BELLAMY

Iconoclastic disclosures about prominent Miamians and members of the local "sporting fraternity" will appear during the progress of tangled litigation over financial affairs of the Biscayne Kennel club, attorneys for Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Lindsay prophesied yesterday. Revelations about visits to Miami by Alvin Karpis, former Public Enemy No. 1, now in prison; "Ma" Barker and her son, Fred, who were shot down by G-men at a farmhouse near Ocala, and echoes of the "Skeets" Downs murder and a sensational Georgia murder case, are scheduled to provide a lurid background for the trial of almost a dozen cases that have been started since the Lindsays on Thursday filed in Circuit court their voluminous petition for appointment of a receiver, accounting of funds and removal of certain officers of the dog-track corporation.

Charges in the suit that T. R. Knight, his brother John, his son-in-law, J. H. Adams, and other directors of the club are jeopardizing the track's franchise by consorting with gangsters or condoning such associations, already has resulted in filing of four criminal and four civil actions against the Lindsays, with three more such cases promised today by attorneys for the club directors.

T. R. Knight started criminal prosecution against Mr. and Mrs. Lindsay on Friday, accusing them of perjury and criminal libel for statements in their bill of complaint about him. This was followed late Saturday by filing of four damage suits for a total of \$2,000,000 by Knight, Adams, Carson, Bradford and Benjamin T. Costello, all directors of the corporation, named in the Lindsay suit as "conspirators" scheming to enrich themselves at the expense of minority stockholders.

James Carson, who, with T. J. Dawdell and John J. Lindsey, is representing the Lindsays, yesterday characterized the counter-

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charges as an effort "to sidetrack publicity from the main case."

"We have filed a civil suit which we expect to be able to prove," Carson declared. "Naturally, we expected them to try to throw a smokescreen instead of meeting the issue."

Adams, who is under federal indictment for harboring Karpis in Miami, is the principal target of the Lindsays' suit. Robert C. Lane, one of his attorneys, on Saturday announced plans to bring charges of criminal libel against the Lindsays because of the allegations in their suit against Adams.

The receivership suit declares "because of the reputation and conduct of the said J. H. Adams" and his "associates" the dog track's franchise "is in grave jeopardy of being lost."

The Knight brothers, named in the bill of complaint as "two then highly respected citizens of Miami," come in for part of the fire because they allegedly have persisted in keeping Adams in control of the corporation's affairs "despite the unsavory reputation of the said J. H. Adams and in utter disregard of all decent public opinion in this community."

T. R. Knight is president of the corporation that owns El Comodoro hotel, at the corner of S. W. Second ave. and First st. He built the hotel in 1924. His brother John is a former member of the city commission and was a director of the Bank of Bay Biscayne, now defunct.

Lindsays Vanish; New Suit Filed

Soft-spoken Celeste Dunbar Lindsay and her white-haired husband, Robert G. Lindsay, vanished yesterday from the scene of the current legal bombardment that

followed filing of their sensational suit over the financial affairs of the Biscayne Kennel club. Deputy sheriffs, searching for the Lindsays to serve them with notice of four damage suits totaling \$2,000,000, reported the defendants have not been seen since Saturday.

Meanwhile a fifth civil suit, in which J. H. Adams is asking \$15,000 damages, was filed yesterday in Circuit court against Lindsay. The suit, according to

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Robert C. Lane of counsel for Adams and others named in the Lindsays' suit as "conspirators," involves the \$6,500 purchase price of stock Adams bought from Lindsay in a sale. Adams charges subsequently was voided by a court order.

"We have still more sensational warrants to serve, but we do not care to discuss them until they have been served," Lane said in discussing the "disappearance" of the Lindsays.

T. J. Dowdell, who, with John J. Lindsey and James M. Carson, is representing Mr. and Mrs. Lindsay, declared that "they are not running away."

He explained they felt the need of a rest after the hectic sequence of events that followed filing of their suit Thursday, and merely have withdrawn from the battlefield for a few days.

"There were rumors around the streets that 'this was just the beginning,'" Dowdell said, "and there was no use in their being here until we decide what we will do about a hearing on their criminal charges."

The Lindsays are at liberty under \$1,000 bond pending a hearing on perjury and criminal libel charges preferred by T. R. Knight, who, with his brother, John, and his son-in-law, Adams, are principal targets of the receivership suit.

Adams, according to his attorneys, also plans to lodge criminal libel charges against the Lindsays.

The cause of the return blast from Adams and the Knight brothers was the implication in the Lindsays' suit that Adams, the Knights and others have conspired to enrich themselves at the expense of minority stockholders in the dog-track corporation and that they have consorted with gangsters, thereby bringing the track into disrepute.

1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

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September 1, 1936

Special Agent in Charge
Chicago, Illinois

Re: Brekid

Dear Sir:

There are attached hereto photographs of Mrs. Milton Lett, John Brock, Tony Amersbach and James Patton, (two poses).

It is requested that six copies of each be made and forwarded with the originals to the Cleveland office.

There is also attached an 8x10 group photograph of the matrons of the Cleveland City Jail, and it is requested that three copies of this picture be made and forwarded to the Cleveland office together with the original.

It is also requested that six photographs of Dolores Delaney, bust and standup poses, be forwarded to the Cleveland office.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MAC FARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

September 1, 1938

Special Agent in Charge
Chicago, Illinois

Re: Brekid

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto are two films, and it is requested that four photographs of each be made and forwarded to the Cleveland field office.

It is requested that this matter be given expeditious attention.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MAC FARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

HARAP - BREXID

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of August 29, 1936 enclosing photographic copy of one of the ransom notes in the Brekid case, which was undated and began as follows: "Chas. McGee You must be proud of yourself by now, etc."

With reference to the second note, which was found in the pocket of the automobile in front of 969 University Avenue, St. Paul, I learned yesterday that this note was returned to the kidnapers in compliance with their request at the time that the ransom was paid.

The photographic copy received of the first note was given by me on August 31, 1936 to Mr. John L. Connolly, City Attorney, for his use in the Tom Brown ouster proceedings before the Civil Service Commission.

Very truly yours,

C. F. STAIN
Special Agent in Charge

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U. S. Department of Justice
722 Highland Savings Bldg.
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August 29, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

Reference is made to Boston telegram dated August 29, 1936, and enclosed herewith is a photograph of Samuel Allen, arrested by the Denver Police Department in 1931.

The following description of Samuel Allen was secured from the Denver Police Department records:

Age	36 (1933)
Height	5-9
Weight	167
Build	Good
Eyes	Light blue
Hair	Dark chestnut
Complexion	Medium florid
Teeth	2 gold crowns in front

Very truly yours,

R. F. BROWN
Special Agent in Charge

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Chicago, Illinois.

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September 2, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Sir,

Re: BREXID

I am returning herewith a large photograph bearing the picture of Mrs. Mildred M. Wilcox, a policeman at Cleveland.

Copies of the photograph of Mrs. Wilcox have been prepared at this Office and I am forwarding herewith three copies of same.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge

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September 2, 1936.

AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

Special Agent in Charge,
Los Angeles, California.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent H. D. Harris, dated at Cincinnati, Ohio, 8-23-36, in the above entitled case, which contains information relative to a confidence game perpetrated on Mr. Frederic C. Tuttle.

As a result of investigation conducted by the New York and Boston Offices, this office is in receipt of photographs of several individuals who may possibly have been connected with this confidence scheme. There are transmitted to you herewith photographs of the following individuals:

ARTHUR HAPENNY alias Arthur Hamilton, New York P.D. #104,928
WILLIAM O'BRIEN, United States Northeastern Penitentiary #475-NH
FRANK Q. DAVIS, United States Northeastern Penitentiary #497-NH
SAMUEL ALLEN, Police Department, Denver, Colorado, #15293.

Mr. Tuttle is presently absent from Cincinnati on a visit to the West Coast and prior to leaving he advised this office that the next address at which he could be reached would probably be 1027 Olive Avenue, Coronado, California. His daughter, Katharine Tuttle Cornick is also presently at 1027 Olive Ave., Coronado, California.

It is requested that the enclosed photographs be exhibited to Mr. Tuttle and his daughter in an effort to identify the persons responsible for the confidence game perpetrated against Mr. Tuttle.

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Copies of all reports relative to this matter should be furnished to the Charlotte Office, inasmuch as the \$50,000.00 obtained from Mr. Tuttle was taken from him by these individuals at Charleston, S.C.

*Confidential - Mr. Tuttle
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The enclosed photographs should be returned to
the Cincinnati Office as soon as they have served their purpose.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Cleveland
Chicago
New York
Boston
Charlotte

Post Office Box 812,
Chicago, Illinois.

September 8, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Sir,

Re: BREKID

As requested in your letter of August 28th, 1936, there have been prepared at this office six copies each of the photographs of Dave Miller, Alex Miller and Dan Gallagher.

These photographs are being forwarded herewith, together with the original photographs which you forwarded with your letter.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge

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REPORT MADE AT Cleveland, Ohio	DATE WHEN MADE 9-1-36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 8-25-31-36	REPORT MADE BY S. K. McKEE
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
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: C. W. Cody, former Police Inspector, unable to furnish data as to identity of person who furnished "tipoff" to gang 9-5-34. Mildred Wilcox, policewoman, furnished signed statement as to her investigation of Sawyer, Harmon, Burdette and advised indications were that somebody made telephone call for women. She advises conditions in Women's Bureau are such that practically no police work can be accomplished. Harry Hugo, police sergeant, advised he and Detective Joe Jacobs, talked to Patton and Hebebrand on night of 9-5-34 as to identities of arrested women, but that these men could not aid in identifying woman; that investigation resulted in location of 4419 West 171st Street house and showed men had departed about 8:30 p. m. Attorney Edward C. Stanton stated he went to jail to see Harmon woman as result of telephone call from unknown woman received a.m. of 9-6-34. Police Matron Mollie Bartelheim denies connection with "tipoff" telephone call. Signed statement obtained from Charles Sellers, speakeasy operator near old Harvard Club, that Karpis, Harrison and man named Harry frequented his place in 1934 and were introduced by crap dealer from Harvard Club named Bill. Informant [redacted] has returned Cleveland and will endeavor to secure data of value as to Harvard Club. Telephone taps on Ardell Quinn and Kate Weisenberg reveal modus operandi of these persons and show telephone calls to police officials; suggestion of telephone logs set out herein. Information obtained that Kate Weisenberg is closely aligned with Hebebrand,</p>			
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Patton et al and is "front" in slot machine and policy rackets for "Mayfield Road Mob", this outfit having muscled into rackets several years ago. Information obtained that six additional officials of Cleveland Police Department are to be suspended in near future on graft charges. True setup on operation of Thomas Club, notorious gambling house, obtained. Data as to houses of prostitution secured from Bogen Silk Underwear Company; additional information to be obtained. Dorothy Taylor, prostitute informant, has left city on vacation. Survey of Cleveland News files for articles this case made; no photos subjects published prior September 1934.

REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent S. K. McKee, Cleveland, Ohio, dated 8-25-36.

DETAILS:

AT CLEVELAND, OHIO

This report covers the investigative activities of Special Agents C. E. Smith, J. E. Brennan, A. P. Kitchin, R. T. Noonan, J. E. Fitzgerald and S. K. McKee as to the harboring situation in Cleveland, Ohio.

A telephone tap on the notorious house of prostitution operated by Ardell Quinn at 1916 East 84th Street, Cleveland, Ohio, is being maintained by Special Agents H. A. Snow and W. H. Hoffman on a twenty-four-hour basis.

Telephone tap on the home phone of Nate Weisenberg, 3558 Raymont Boulevard, Cleveland, Ohio, is being maintained by Special Agents V. I. Parry and W. B. Matney on a twenty-four-hour basis. Information obtained thru these phone surveillances will be dealt with later in this report in summarized form. In connection

with the tap on the Weisenberg telephone it is to be stated that arrangements are being made to transfer this tap to the business telephone of Weisenberg at the Mayfair Casino in downtown Cleveland, inasmuch as it is believed that a surveillance on this latter phone will be more productive.

Mr. C. W. Cody, Chief of the Safety Department for The Cleveland Trust Company, and formerly Inspector of Detectives of the Cleveland Police Department, holding this position during the year 1934, was interviewed by Special Agents S. K. McKee and C. E. Smith, relative to his part in the investigation conducted by the Cleveland police at the time of the arrest of Sawyer, Harmon and Burdette, and he stated that he was home at the time that the women were brought into the jail and evidently the officers who worked on the case were assigned to it by the Lieutenant in Charge. It was Inspector Cody's opinion that the true identities of the women were not learned until a part of a criminal record or fingerprint card was found in the West 171st Street, address after it was raided, stating that if their identities had been known by the police before the time of the raid, he would have been notified and on the job himself, as every policeman would be anxious to make an arrest of that kind, declaring that the arrest of a man or gang like the Karpis mob would be considered a "good pinch any time."

Mr. Cody stated that he believed that Detectives Jacobs and Hugo had called at the Harvard Club and interviewed Shimmy Patton. However, he stated that although Detective Jacobs had known Patton for years, "Patton wouldn't tell anybody anything regardless of who they were", and he stated that he had heard rumors of a telephone call being made to the Harvard Club, as well as rumors of a diamond bracelet or pin or ring being mixed up in the case somewhere, but he was never able to ascertain who may have made the call or where the bracelet, pin or ring went. Mr. Cody was asked if he had any suspicions as to who may have tipped off the gang that the women were arrested, and he stated that unless he knew definitely he would not say anything further, stating that he certainly would have liked to have known who it was at the time it happened. Agents advised Mr. Cody that similar inquiries had been made by agents in various places, and due to his past position he might receive some information as a result of those inquiries, and he was requested to advise agents in the event he heard anything or was approached by anyone. Mr. Cody stated that he would be glad to cooperate with agents and would advise at once if he heard anything.

Mrs. Mildred H. Wilcox, policewoman, who made the original arrests of the Sawyer, Harmon and Burdette women on September 5, 1934, and Detective Sergeant Harry Hugo, one of the detectives who investigated the women, were interviewed by Agents Smith and McKee, and sign-

ed statements furnished by them are being set out below. Detective Joseph Jacobs, partner of Hugo at the time of the above investigation, is dead at the present time. His name has arisen on previous occasions in this investigation. The statements furnished by these individuals will be retained in the Cleveland office files.

"Cleveland, Ohio
August 27, 1936

"I, Mildred H. Wilcox, make this statement to C. E. Smith and S. K. McKee, Special Agents, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice.

"I reside at 6710 Hough Ave., Cleveland, Ohio. For the past six years I have been employed as a policewoman by the Cleveland Police Department.

"On Sept. 5, 1934 I was sent to the Hotel Cleveland on an emergency call in connection with three drunken women with a small child with them raising a disturbance. When I reached the hotel I found the manager had taken the women to a room. He made it plain to me that the hotel did not wish to take any action as to these women, but did not feel that they should go out in their intoxicated condition with the child with them.

"I was taken to the room and found three women whom I can identify from photographs which have been shown me as Gladys Sawyer, Paula Harmon, and Wynona Burdette. The little girl with them was supposed to belong to the Sawyer woman. I found the women in a partially intoxicated condition, but they were more ugly than drunk. I told them I would have to take them to jail and the Harmon woman immediately took off a diamond bracelet and told me I could have it if I would let them go. I paid no attention to the offer and told them they would have to go along. The Sawyer woman then pretended to be very drunk and I took her downstairs in a wheel chair with assistance from the manager and several hotel employees.

"When we reached my car the three women started to fight with me and all four of us went to the ground. I was hit in the eye and they began using their feet on me. I yelled for help and several traffic officers came to help me. The Burdette woman and the little girl were placed in the front seat of my car and the other two in the rear seat

with an officer. Two additional officers road on the running board and enroute to the station they had to keep picking up various articles and papers which the women took out of their pocketbooks and three onto the street from the car.

"After placing these women in jail I reported the matter to Inspector Cody, advising him that I thought they should be investigated, as they would not give information concerning themselves, on account of the expensive jewelry they were wearing, because of their attempt to bribe me and because they appeared tough in that they used violent profanity. I then went to the doctor to receive attention for my eye.

"Detectives Hugo and Jacobs were in at the time, so they went upstairs to question the women. While talking with them the Harmon woman had asked me to telephone Shimmy Patton at the Harvard Club and tell him that Ethel Matterson was in jail. Both she and the Sawyer woman had said their husbands were gamblers and worked at the Harvard Club. They said if their husbands could not be reached by phone to simply tell Patton that they had been drinking and were in jail.

"I refused to make any calls for them. While in the jail Molly Bartelheim suggested that I get in touch with an attorney named Stanton to represent these women. I knew Stanton by sight at the time. I told her I would not call anybody and warned her not to do so inasmuch as the women were being held under an investigation charge.

"We had talked to the little girl who was at the Women's Bureau and she told us the names of the women and that they had come downtown in a car. Her story conflicted with the stories of the three women. Detectives Hugo and Jacobs and I took the little girl around the downtown section in a police car in an effort to locate the car belonging to these women. We did find the car in a parking lot and the little girl identified it thru a coat on the rear seat and a dress that belonged to her.

"During the night, possibly around nine or ten o'clock, the Sawyer woman sent for me and she was brought to a conference room in the city jail to talk with me. She apologized to me for having been so nasty, also for hitting me. She asked me to do what I could to help her get

out and offered to let me go downtown and "buy anything I wanted at the stores" if I would help her. I was trying to get information from her as to the identities of the three women, where they lived and who their husbands were, so I told her that I would give her a break if she would tell me the truth about who they were.

"Neither the Harmon nor Burdette woman was brought to a conference room to talk with me that night.

"The detectives had secured an address from the Harmon woman and we all took the little girl with us in a police car to look at the place. We found it to be an apartment building and that the Harmon woman and her husband had moved away from it about a month before. Thru talking with the janitor at this building we ascertained where these women had moved to, and we took the little girl to look at the place. We rode around in the vicinity of the address which had been given us but could not find the house. The child became sleepy so Hugo and Jacobs drove me back to the Women's Bureau with her. They said they were going to continue their efforts to find the place. It was about midnight at this time. I went off duty at this time and had nothing further to do with the case. When I came on duty the next day I was told the women were being handled by the federal authorities and were not at the city jail.

"Prior to going out with the two detectives and the child I went up to the Detective Bureau to meet Hugo and Jacobs and saw Attorney Stanton at the desk. I did not talk with him but the thought ran thru my mind that somebody had telephoned to him and he was at the jail in an effort to see the three women.

/s/ "Mildred Wilcox"

Witnessed:

S. K. McE, C. E. Smith, Special Agents,
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice

With reference to the conditions existing in the police department, Mrs. Wilcox stated that in the event agents desired to check her record at the Women's Bureau, they would find that Hazel Witt, superintendent, would advise them that Mrs. Wilcox could not be trusted and was considered a liar and poor officer. Agents requested Mrs. Wilcox to state why agents would receive information of that sort, and she advised that when she first joined the department about six years ago she always told the truth and by so doing always managed to get

in trouble, explaining that it was a known fact that once in a while some of the women would be a little late due to being held up at the hairdresser or in some store, and they would call in and give some excuse for not being on time, the excuse generally being a made-up story of some nature other than the truth. Mrs. Wilcox advised that when she called in she did tell the truth why she was late and always had to make out a Form M (form used for misdeeds in general) and appear before the Chief, and after a year of this she noticed that those who lied always got by and were never in "hot water", so in self-defense she has done likewise.

Continuing, Mrs. Wilcox stated that on one occasion Miss Witt was interviewing some of her social worker friends, and Mrs. Wilcox had the occasion to discuss a case with her in front of the women, and after being permitted to relate the whole case Miss Witt stated that she, Mrs. Wilcox, was such a liar that even if the facts were true, she would not believe them. Mrs. Wilcox stated that the incident naturally embarrassed her. On another occasion Mrs. Wilcox advised that she had arrested a man for indecent exposure before minor children, and the warrant had been sworn to by the mother of one of the children; however, the man had not as yet been booked although he was in jail. Mrs. Wilcox informed agents that she took the case up with Mrs. Grossman, Judge of Municipal Court, on a Saturday morning about 10 a.m., and Judge Grossman demanded that the man be brought before her at once. Mrs. Wilcox advised the judge that while she had the affidavit and warrant for the man, he was not booked but the Judge insisted on hearing the case at once. Mrs. Wilcox stated that she immediately went to the jail and requested that the man be brought before the Judge, whereupon Sergeant Westfal, the Court Sergeant, became very abusive and cursed her for making the request and refused to let the prisoner out of jail. Mrs. Wilcox returned to court and advised the Judge that the prisoner was in jail, but Sergeant Westfal refused to bring him to court, whereupon the Judge stated that she didn't care if the Chief said he couldn't come; she was ordering him before her. Mrs. Wilcox stated that she returned to the jail and advised the jailer of the Judge's attitude, and the prisoner was then brought before the court and sentenced to nine months.

After the case was over Sergeant Westfal ordered Mrs. Wilcox to submit a Form M and told her he was placing her on charges of conduct unbecoming an officer. Mrs. Wilcox made the Form M out and the sergeant refused it and requested another one, which she also submitted. After her return to the Women's Bureau she was ordered to make out another one, which she, likewise, did.

Mrs. Wilcox stated that the case was taken before Lieutenant Wiess, who stated that there was no basis for the charges, and they would have to be dismissed; however, he would reprimand Mrs. Wilcox before the sergeant; to this Mrs. Wilcox strenuously objected, and then Lieutenant Wiess went to Hazel Witt, in charge of the Women's Bureau, and told her that there were no charges which he could place against Mrs. Wilcox; however, Miss Witt stated that he should place some anyway, as she could not handle Mrs. Wilcox. Nothing was ever done about the charges preferred against Mrs. Wilcox.

Continuing, Mrs. Wilcox stated that shortly after Mr. Ness became Director Miss Witt started "riding" her again, and although she was working on the night shift, Miss Witt would order her to appear at the station in answer to some trumped up charge at 8:00 a.m. in the morning and then keep her waiting until about 3:00 p.m. before talking to her and then after the interview was over it was time to report for work. Mrs. Wilcox stated that this occurred so frequently that she became disgusted and notified the department of her intentions to resign; however, before she resigned Assistant Director James Flynn called upon her at her home and requested that she reconsider stating that the Director was rather well informed on conditions existing and something would be done to remedy them. Mrs. Wilcox further stated that she had worked as a detective for the Folger Detective Agency, the Sterling and Welch Company and the Higbee Company, but since she had joined the police department, she had done less detective work than ever before, stating that the Women's Bureau at the present time was merely a clearing house for relief agencies that were too lazy and inefficient to do their own work.

Continuing, Mrs. Wilcox stated that it was common knowledge in the Women's Bureau that Superintendent Hazel Witt was what she termed a "Thelma West", as were several other policewomen. In explanation of the term "Thelma West", several years ago a woman by that name was convicted of murder, and during the course of the trial testimony revealed that she was a sexual pervert. Mrs. Wilcox also stated that it was common knowledge in the police department that Policewoman [redacted] was very friendly with Policewoman [redacted] who is a colored woman and that on one occasion the police made a raid on the Fast Wave, a night club for white and colored people, and both [redacted] and [redacted] were in the club with colored escorts. As a result of this situation the police did not consummate the raid, as they could not arrest some of the people and then permit [redacted] and her colored escort to leave. Mrs. Wilcox advised that [redacted] escort was a [redacted]

well-known colored hoodlum who operated a Lincoln convertible coupe. The following description of Mrs. Wilcox was obtained by agents from personal observation and questions answered:

Name	- Mildred H. Wilcox
Age	- 35 born August 20, 1901
Height	- 5' 3"
Weight	- 138 lbs 200 lbs. in 1934
Color of hair	- brown, bronze tint; braided buns over ears;
Color of eyes	- blue <u>believed</u> wore knot in back in 1934.
Complexion	- fair
Build	- medium -heavy in 1934
Dress	- navy blue uniform suit with shirtwaist
Photograph	- In view of the fact that Mrs. Wilcox is on sick leave and was not present when Eliot Ness, Director, caused the policewomen to have their photos taken, Mrs. Wilcox loaned agents a photograph of herself taken in 1934. A copy of this photo will be made for the file.

"Cleveland, Ohio,
August 26, 1936

"I, Harry Hugo, make the following statement to S. K. McKee and C. E. Smith, Special Agents, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice.

"I am employed as a Detective-Sergeant by the Cleveland Police Department. During 1934 I was a Detective assigned to Central Station and was working with Detective Joe Jacobs. Jacobs is now deceased.

"During the early part of September 1934 sometime shortly after Jacobs and I came on duty we met Policewoman Wilcox in the hall near the Detective Bureau, and she told us about having arrested three women at the Cleveland Hotel. The women were arrested on an intoxication charge and as they had a lot of jewelry and money on them and would not furnish information about themselves we were asked to question them. One of the women had a little girl with her and the child was being held in the Women's Bureau.

"Jacobs and I went to the Women's section of the jail and talked to the three women. I have been shown a group photograph of Wynona Burdette, Paula Harmon and Gladys Sawyer and I can identify the women appearing in the picture as the three women we talked to and who

gave their names as Wynona Walcott, Ethel Matterson and Gladys Sawyer.

"Wynona would not talk to us. The Matterson woman told us her husband was from Toledo Ohio and worked at the Harvard Club; that he was a gambler and dealt blackjack at the Harvard Club. She said if we wanted to find out who she was to call Shimmy Patton at the Harvard Club and he would tell us. Later she told us that she and her husband lived at an address on Parkhurst Avenue. The Sawyer woman also said her husband worked at the Harvard Club and she wanted us to telephone Patton also. These women were partially intoxicated, and I remember that the Sawyer and the Matterson women were very profane in their talk. We tried to find out from these women where they lived, but they would not tell us and only insisted that we call Patton.

"Later I talked to the little girl of the Sawyer woman and she told a story which conflicted with the stories told by the three women. She told us of an automobile parked downtown which belonged to one of the women, while the women told us they came downtown in a taxicab. After we had talked to the child we again talked to the three women and they stuck to their original stories. While in the jail talking to these women Mrs. Molly Bartelheim suggested that we telephone to Shimmy Patton but we told her we had no intention of doing so.

"Jacobs, Miss Wilcox and I took the little girl in a car to the downtown parking lots with the final result that we located a Ford coach which she identified thru some of her clothing as being the property of one of the women. Later during the night a traffic officer brought a bill of sale and a bunch of house keys to headquarters and the bill of sale was in the name of Matterson with an address on Jefferson Avenue in Toledo, Ohio. We then drove to the address on Parkhurst Avenue which the Matterson woman had furnished and learned thru neighbors that she and her husband had moved from the address about a month previously.

"Jacobs had been acquainted with Shimmy Patton and Art Hebebrand of the Harvard Club for sometime and he believed he could ascertain the identities of the women thru them. I had known Patton for some time. We took Miss Wilcox and the little girl back to Central Station and then drove to the Harvard Club where we talked with both Patton and Hebebrand. We asked them for information concerning some blackjack dealers from Toledo, telling them that we had three women by the names of Matterson, Sawyer and Walcott under arrest, the charge being intoxication and that they would not tell us anything about themselves except that their husbands worked at the Harvard Club. Either Patton or Hebebrand stated that they had no men by those names working at the club, but suggested that they might be using different names. They mentioned that they had one blackjack dealer from Toledo and we asked them to bring him out front. We were not permitted to enter the building. They

brought out a redheaded fellow with whom we talked and satisfied ourselves that he was not connected with the women.

"Later Jacobs and I conducted an investigation concerning the Parkhurst Avenue house and learned thru the janitor of the place that the people had moved to an address which was later learned to be 4419 West 171st Street. It was well after midnight by this time so we secured the detective cruiser from Central Station and some officers from the 17th Precinct and went to this house. I got into the house by means of one of the keys which had been found by the traffic officer. We found nobody in the house, but I do remember finding a Chicago newspaper which I could tell from the folds in same that it had been used in wrapping up a machine gun. Jacobs and I remained in the vicinity of this house all night watching it and waiting for the occupants to return. Nobody returned, however. We were relieved on the following morning by Detective Cowles and his partner, whose name I do not recall. We learned from neighbors that some men had been at the house about 8:30 pm, had stayed about ten minutes and then left in an automobile. Jacobs and I had nothing further to do with this case except to investigate the Ford coach; also a Packard sedan which neighbors told us had been parked near the 171st Street house.

"At no time during the course of the investigation conducted by Jacobs and I did we learn anything as to the identities of the husbands of these women.

"I desire to state that neither Jacobs nor I had any contact with Shimmy Patton or Art Hebebrand other than I have related in this statement. I also desire to state that neither of us at any time telephoned to any lawyer on behalf of these women.

"I have read the contents of this statement, consisting of three pages and know the contents to be the truth and to be composed of substance furnished by me.

/s/ "Harry Hugo, Sergt."

Witnessed:

S. K. McKee C. E. Smith, Special Agents,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice.

In addition to the statement secured from Harry Hugo, Detective Sergeant of the Cleveland Police Department, Hugo stated that there were times when hoodlums and racketeers were picked up by the squads and placed in jail and shortly thereafter the sergeant of the squad would receive a broadcast, and he would be asked what he had against the man, as an attorney was at the jail to represent him. Hugo said that the men often wondered how the information leaked out, especially when the hoodlum had been picked up on the street and had not been able to get in touch with anyone himself. He said he is morally certain that the leak is in the turnkey's office, but that he cannot prove this statement.

In connection with the automobiles mentioned in the statement of Sergeant Hugo within the near future, the official police records referring to the cars will be secured and the proper investigation relative to them will be made. A check of the permits issued to attorneys and civilians by the officer in charge of the station house will also be made to ascertain the identities of the individuals who contacted the Sawyer woman, Paula Harmon and Wynona Burdette while they were in the City Jail.

Edward C. Stanton, attorney, 606 Terminal Tower, Cleveland, Ohio, was interviewed by Special Agents C. E. Smith and S. K. McKee for information as to his contacts with Paula Harmon, Gladys Sawyer and Wynona Burdette. He advised that on what he later learned was the morning following the arrest of these women he had a message upon his arrival at his office to the effect that he should see Mrs. Matterson at the City Jail. He stated that he had no idea who this woman was. He stated further that a few minutes after his arrival at the office he received a telephone call from an unknown woman who told him that he should go to the City Jail to see a Mrs. Matterson. He denied that he knew who had called him. He advised that shortly thereafter he went to see Inspector Cody at Central Station and after waiting approximately an hour obtained an interview with Ethel Matterson. He said that she merely asked him to represent her in connection with her arrest; that she did not tell him anything about herself or her husband; that she did not ask him to get in touch with anybody to deliver a message, but that she did ask him to talk with two women who had been arrested with her.

Mr. Stanton was shown photographs of Paula Harmon, Gladys Sawyer and Wynona Burdette, and he identified the photo of the Harmon woman as the likeness of Ethel Matterson. He recognized the pictures of the other two women as the persons he talked to at the request of the Harmon woman.

He stated that none of the three women ever asked him to deliver a message on the outside for them, claiming that they only desired him to represent them in connection with the intoxication charges under which they were held.

Mr. Stanton related that on the following day he talked again with Inspector Cody and at this time was advised of the identities of the three women. He said Inspector Cody informed him that the women were connected with men wanted by the government for the Bremer kidnaping. On this occasion he learned that the police had filed against all three women under the suspicious person law. He again talked with them in order to make appropriate arrangements to represent them in court. He advised that when talking to them they requested that he take care of their jewelry and that he did take into his possession numerous pieces of diamond set jewelry, which he retained until sometime in late September or October 1934 when the women called at his office and secured same.

Mr. Stanton referred to his receipt records and advised that the three women returned to his office on September 24, 1934, and paid him \$300.00 in way of attorney's fees for representing them when they were under arrest. This receipt was made out to "Mrs. Gladys Sawyer et al - in full for case". He stated here that he went to court for them when their cases were called, but that the police told him the women had been taken into custody by the government and the Suspicious Person charge against them was subsequently dismissed.

It was the statement of Mr. Stanton that none of the women during the two interviews he had with them made any complaint about a piece of diamond set jewelry having been lost or stolen from them while in custody. He was asked this question on several occasions, but claimed he knew nothing about such a matter. He was also asked several times if he knew the identity of the woman who telephoned to him or if he had communicated with anybody at the request of any of the women, but he continued to assert that he neither knew the woman nor got in touch with anybody at the request of the women.

Mr. Stanton also advised that Paula Harmon had a breakdown after she returned to Cleveland and was confined in some hospital. She was later taken to a Probate Court and ordered to some institution. He stated that he obtained leave of the court for her to go to her home in Texas and that on the day of the big kidnaping in Louisville, Ky. he put her on the train for her home. He advised

that she paid him \$150.00 for his services in connection with the Probate Court matter and his visits to her while confined in the hospital. Mr. Stanton stated that he had frequent contacts with former Special Agent W. E. Peters while the Harmon woman was in Cleveland on the second occasion, inasmuch as Peters was handling some investigation as to Paula Harmon while she was in the city.

In response to questions Mr. Stanton advised that he believed the original telephone message to his office had been received by either Mr. Brown or Mr. Feighan, as these two men are usually the first ones to reach the office on mornings. Interview was had with both Mr. Jerome Brown and John Feighan, but neither of them could recall having received this particular message. They informed that Mr. Stanton has received a large number of telephone messages to the effect that he should go to the City Jail to see a certain party and in connection with these calls they advised that the name of the calling party was never received.

--Aug. 29, 1936--

Mrs. Mollie Bartelheim, police matron, was requested to appear at the Cleveland field office where she was again interviewed by Special Agents S. K. McKee and C. E. Smith. In view of the fact that Mrs. Wilcox had informed agents that Mrs. Bartelheim was rather active in politics and was of the opinion that she had spoken at some of the "Sweeney for Congress" meetings. Mrs. Bartelheim was first questioned along those lines and she stated that she "loved" politics and didn't hesitate to state her views whenever she felt like it.

Continuing, Mrs. Bartelheim advised that during the regime of Mayor Ray T. Miller (1929-31) she had been discharged by Safety Director Adams for alleged activity in politics, but was rehired when Harry L. Davis became Mayor. Mrs. Bartelheim advised that she was a Republican and Congressman Sweeney an independent Democrat.

Mrs. Bartelheim was questioned very closely relative to her connections with James "Shimmy" Patton, and she became very indignant and stated that she never had any connections in any manner whatsoever with Patton, further stating that on one occasion while riding with some friend Patton had been pointed out to her and that was, according to Mrs. Bartelheim, the only time she had ever seen Patton.

With reference to Art Hebebrand, Mrs. Bartelheim stated that she had nothing to do with him and could not recall seeing him for years and that she had never been to the Harvard Club and did not know where it was located. Mrs. Bartelheim was questioned at length about the manner in which she had searched the prisoners and in particular what disposition had been made of their jewelry. Mrs. Bartelheim stated that she could not recall whether she had removed the prisoners' jewelry or not; however, she stated that in any event she would have given the prisoners a receipt for their property. It will be recalled here that Ed Stanton, attorney, stated that he personally took the prisoners' jewelry for fear they might lose same.

In view of the statement made by Patrolman Walter Walker that some prostitutes when under arrest frequently asked if Mollie was on duty, Mrs. Bartelheim was questioned as to her treatment of prisoners and she readily admitted doing favors for them; however, she denied using the phone, contrary to orders, at any time. She, likewise, admitted that it was entirely possible that she may have remarked to any officer or policewoman that the prisoners, meaning Gladys, Wynona and Paula wanted someone to call Shimmy Patton, explaining this statement by saying that she frequently calmed the more turbulent and abusive prisoners by appearing to agree with their demands. It is believed possible that the tip-off telephone call may have been made as a result of information emanating from Mrs. Bartelheim in the event she did not personally make it.

A group photograph of the personnel of the Women's Bureau of the Cleveland Police Department has been supplied by Eliot Ness, Director of Public Safety; however, an additional picture showing the women in standing positions is being made, as the present picture does not fairly indicate the sizes and heights of the women. A similar photograph of the police matrons is also being made. It has been learned that Director Ness has reprimanded the police photographer in connection with the making of this picture, advising him that he appeared to have made the picture for the women rather than for the office of the Director of Public Safety.

A photograph obtained from Mrs. Mildred Wilcox, policewoman, has been forwarded to the Chicago office with request that it be reproduced.

When Mrs. Mollie Bartelheim was interviewed at the Cleveland field office she permitted the taking of her photograph with a recomar camera, inasmuch as she is off duty on sick leave. The films have not been returned from the photographers as yet, and it is not known how the pictures turned out.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent S. K. McKee dated at Cleveland, Ohio, on August 25, 1936, wherein it reflects that Frank J. Weisenberger, 13214 Forest Hill Road, East Cleveland, Ohio, advised Special Agent R. T. Noonan that he had overheard a man by the name of Sellers, who operated a bootleg joint in front of the old Harvard Club, remark that Karpis had visited his place. Sellers was requested by Agents Noonan and Smith to accompany them to the Cleveland field office where he was interrogated, and the following signed statement obtained, the original of which is being retained in the files of this case at Cleveland, Ohio.

During the interview Sellers denied that he had ever seen Art Hebebrand or James "Shimmy" Patton in the company of Karpis or the other men whom he recognized from photographs.

"Cleveland, Ohio
August 24, 1936

"My name is Charles Sellers. I make this statement to C. E. Smith and R. T. Noonan, Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, of my own free will, no threats or promises having been made to me.

"I reside at 3113 Harvard Ave., where I have operated a beer parlor and restaurant for the past four years since May 1932. I was operating this place in the summer and fall of 1934. My place is located directly in front of the old Harvard Club, which place was operating as a gambling house since about December 1933 to the early part of January 1936 when it was raided and closed.

"Sometime in January 1935 I read in the local newspapers, either the Plain Dealer or the News, of the escape of Alvin Karpis at Atlantic City, N. J., and at that time his picture was published in the paper. Upon seeing this picture I was sure I recognized it as a man who had been in my place and was known to me only as 'Slim'. This fellow came to my place driving a Ford coupe, and there were two other fellows with him, one a little short fellow who was generally called 'Red', and another one not quite as short as 'Red', who was called Harry. A crap dealer at the Harvard Club, who had been at the Harvard Club for about two weeks and whose name I do not know except that he was called 'Bill' brought these fellows in and said these men want something to drink and asked me to take care of them. I asked him if they were alright and he said they were. This man stayed on at the Harvard Club for only about two weeks. I asked him one day where he was from, and he said 'out of Toledo'. These fellows came into the house and stayed in one of

of the front rooms upstairs, that is, not in the basement, but on the first floor where I use the rooms to serve meals in. These fellows came in about 20 times during the late summer of 1934. They would usually come about one or one thirty in the afternoon and stay an hour or two and would always stay on the main floor and would not go in the basement. The man known to me as Slim would always come to the door and ask if anyone was in and usually at that time of day there would be no one upstairs and they would come in, Slim would wave at the others to come in, and they would occupy one of the smaller rooms.

"I have been shown the photograph of Alvin Karpis and I can positively state that this is the man who came to my place as I have stated and who was then known to me as 'Slim'. I have been shown photograph of Willie Harrison and I feel sure that this is the party known as 'Red', and I recall that one day the man who was known as Harry referred to this man by the name of 'Willie'. I have been shown various other photographs including one said to be that of Harry Campbell but I am unable to identify any of them as being the photograph of the man known as Harry. This man Karpis always had his shirt collar open and wore no tie or coat. He came to my place about 10 or 11 o'clock in the evening on a couple of occasions and took four or five pints and left. When this fellow came in he always came and then departed the same way, west, toward the west side of Cleveland. I have never seen Karpis in my place with anyone else whom I know and never saw him with Patton or Hebebrand.

"I have read the above statement and the same is true.

Witnesses: /s/ "George Chas. Sellers"
Clyde E. Smith, R. T. Noonan
Special Agents, Federal Bureau of
Investigation, U. S. Dept. of Justice

With reference to the man called Bill, who, according to Sellers, shook hands with the man identified by him as Alvin Karpis and apparently seemed to know Karpis, the following description of him was obtained from Sellers:

Name	- BILL (last name not known)
Age	- 40 - 45 yrs
Height	- 5' 8"
Weight	- 180 lbs.
Hair	- sandy, heavy head of hair, parted on side (side not known)
Eyes	- not known
Complexion	- fair

Beard	- clean shaven
Peculiarities	- stands with hands behind back and feet apart; smokes cigarettes; does not drink whiskey but does drink beer; very neat
Occupation	- craps/dealer, appearing intelligent
Residence	- not known; states he comes from Toledo, Ohio

Sellers was questioned very closely as to the names of any gambling joints that Bill had ever stated that he worked in at Toledo and he stated that Bill had not mentioned any place, nor could he recall Bill mentioning the name or names of any individuals that he knew in Toledo, Ohio, nor could Sellers advise agents as to the identity of any of the employees of the Harvard Club that Bill was associated with. Sellers was requested to make inquiry among the dealers presently employed by the Harvard Club as to the present whereabouts of Bill, using the pretext that Bill owed him some money, and he wanted to get in touch with him. Sellers agreed to do as requested and said he would inform agents if he was successful in ascertaining Bill's last name or present whereabouts.

Agents questioned Sellers at length upon the operation of the Harvard Club both in 1934 and at the present time, and he stated that at one time the Club had approximately 176 employees; however, at the present time they did not have anywhere near that number for the reason that they have only four crap tables running and the race-horse board, roulette, keno, faro and chuck-a-luck having been discontinued owing to the limited amount of space. Sellers stated that Alex Levandowski, a former contractor, owns the building where the Club is presently operating.

In an effort to ascertain the identity of the various employees of the Harvard Club agents questioned Sellers extensively, and he stated that since the Club had closed after being raided, his business had fallen off sharply, and the dealers did not drop in as much as they used to; however, he stated that Art Hebebrand and James Patton were not seen around the Club very often, as the word was evidently out that they were not to be seen around any more than possible. When questioned as to who put the word out and why, Sellers stated that for all he knew it might be the county or city officials. Sellers did not elaborate on this statement, and when questioned as to what the pay-off was both for himself and the Harvard Club, he stated that we knew that as well as he did, because the Feds didn't pick anybody up until they had a complete history of the case, and then it was just "too bad". Upon

further questioning, Sellers stated that one "TOOTS"/TALBOT from Lorain, Ohio, and one SHORTY/CONWAY were presently operating the Club for Art and Shimmy.

Continuing, Sellers advised that the following were presently employed at the Harvard Club:

Tony Amersbach
Smokey Sharkey
Rube McNulty
Stubby (last name not known)
Whitey Warner
Pretty Charlie (last name not known,
probably Haymaker)

Doorman

Dealer

(It will be noted here that this man is from Toledo, O., and operated the Little Club, formerly the Casino Club, Toledo, Ohio.)

Sham (last name not known)
Jerry Cannon
Dutch

Dealer
Coupe man

Continuing, Sellers advised that Ruth, head Keno girl, is presently the check girl at the Airport Tavern. It was also Sellers' understanding that Pretty Charlie had married an Indian girl from Oklahoma and had recently returned from that state after attending a funeral, apparently of someone in his wife's family. Sellers further stated that he intends to move to 4403 Harvard Avenue, where he has taken a six-year lease on a place and intends to open a restaurant. This man will again be contacted in the near future for the purpose of obtaining any additional information he might possess and especially any information relative to the dealer known as BILL from Toledo.

Special Agent John E. Brennan interviewed Mr. Thomas Burke, Assistant County Prosecutor, Cleveland, relative to the identity of the persons who were operating the Harvard Club at the time the County Attorney's office conducted a raid thereon last January. Mr. Burke stated that this club was operated by Art Hebebrand, James Patton, Dan Gallagher and a man named Mitchell. He was asked if he knew of anybody from whom information could be obtained, in a confidential manner, concerning the operation of this club and stated that his office had hired an informant at the time of their investigation, but that he had found that this informant would keep Shimmy Patton advised

as to the activities of the prosecutor's office and, accordingly, was of no value; that he had found that the employees of the club were very much afraid of those operating the club and that he knew of no one at this time from whom any information might be gained. The conversation was marked with considerable verbal fencing, in that Mr. Burke seemed to be desirous of knowing what was behind the inquiry, stating that he had read in the newspapers that the Bureau had considerable information about crime in Cleveland and that if this was so, he rather expected the lid to be blown off of the town.

Agent informed him that he had but recently been assigned to this district and knew little or nothing about the local situation and, consequently, was seeking information from those who would have it first-hand. During the conversation mention was made of the Mayfair Casino, which, he stated, was being operated by Nate Weisenberg, but which was actually owned by the same outfit that ran the Harvard Club; that this place was losing money and he didn't expect it to run long; that he had heard that it was originally intended to run the Casino as a gambling establishment, but that no gambling had ever taken place there and that the bar and restaurant are only in operation; that Nate Weisenberg started out in the slot machine racket but that the Mayfield Road crowd chiseled in on him, and he is now operating slot machines for this mob on a 20% basis. Mr. Burke suggested that agent call him again in a few days, during which time he will go over his files in an endeavor to recall anybody connected with the Harvard Club who might be approached.

Agent Brennan observed that the Harvard Club is being operated in the original location and that the Walkathon Building is not now being used. The parking lot alongside of the large frame building is still being used. Cars bearing the following Ohio license plates were observed to enter the yard and pass the watchman:

KS 678; EK 788; DU 459; FP 274; FT 495; GH 658; HP 51

While observing the cars entering the lot, a man approached agent and asked if he wanted to see somebody. He was informed that agent had an appointment to meet a man at 2 p.m., but apparently he had been tied up. Shortly thereafter Newburgh Heights police car bearing license No. OT 987, containing one officer in uniform, parked alongside the Club. Agent drove down Harvard Avenue and when passing 4601 Harvard Avenue, alleged to be the headquarters of slot machine activities, noted that a number of pin-ball machines was being loaded on a Ford truck bearing Ohio license No. 5 M 786.

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On Monday, August 24, 1936, Special Agent C. E. Smith called at the home of [redacted] a Cleveland field office informant, [redacted] for the purpose of ascertaining his present whereabouts in order that he might be interviewed relative to the identity of the man named BILL mentioned by George Sellers as the individual who had told him that Karpis was alright.

Agent contacted informant in person and was advised that he [redacted] and secured a position with the [redacted] and could be reached there if the occasion demanded. Agent asked informant [redacted] if he knew of any dealer at the Harvard Club answering the description of BILL, and he stated he could not recall any at the present time; however, he would make some discreet inquiries, as he would be able to do so without arousing too much suspicion.

[redacted] Arrangements were made whereby [redacted] will be contacted again in the near future.

During the course of the interview had by agent with informant [redacted] he stated that shortly after the capture of Alvin Karpis he was [redacted] and had secured several magazines [redacted]

[redacted] to read and noticed the story of Karpis' capture, which also included a photograph of Fred Hunter. [redacted] stated that he was very much surprised, as he had recalled Agent Brown and the writer questioning him about Hunter, but could not place him until he saw the photograph. [redacted] advised that Fred Hunter had been a dealer at the Harvard Club [redacted]

Special Agent J. E. Brennan conducted investigation as to the address, 4601 Harvard Avenue, where telephones Michigan 3085-6-7 are located, with the idea of installing taps on these phones. Information obtained from the tap on the home phone of Nate Weisenberg indicates the above place is operated as the clearing house for the Weisenberg et al slot machine operations.

4601 Harvard Avenue was found to be a store situated in the middle of the block running from East 44th Street to Washington Park Boulevard (E. 49th Street). The building is a two-story, brick affair, with two stores on the ground floor and living quarters on the second. The windows of the two stores are painted with green paint, so that the interior cannot be seen from the street. The door of 4601 Harvard happened to be open, and the undersigned inquired of a young man located therein for a fictitious person, noting that there were various kinds of pin-ball machines kept in the store.

The telephone drops run from the west side of the building to a pole carrying a cable which runs from the corner of McGregor and East 44th Street, down East 44th, past Pearse and then goes east between Pearse and Harvard to Washington Park Boulevard, where it goes underground. There is an underground terminal box on a pole located at Harvard Avenue and Washington Park Boulevard, there being three underground cables terminating in this box, as well as two heavy aerial cables which come from the west on Harvard Avenue. This box is located directly across the street from the village hall and police station as is the pole carrying the feeder cable where it goes underground.

No vacancies were found on Harvard Avenue between East 44th and East 49th Streets; however, two vacant flats were found in a four-flat building located on the northwest corner of East 44th and Pearse. The feeder cable passes this point, but due to the fact that this address is located farther from the terminal box than the drops leading into 4601 Harvard, and there are three trunks to this address, it is doubtful that three unused pairs are available in this cable to carry extensions of the three telephones in 4601 Harvard to the flats described. The residents in this neighborhood are mostly Czecho-Slovaks.

A diagram of this locality showing the position of the telephone cable in question was made by Agent Brennan and will be retained in the file for possible future use.

The following is reported by Special Agent W. B. Matney:

While walking in the eight hundred block on Euclid Avenue on August 23, 1936, about eight p.m., I noticed a 1936 Ford coach, which drew up to the curb and the driver took a slot machine from this car and removed same to a beer tavern located on Euclid Avenue, the 1936 Ohio license on this automobile being GA 580.

During the review of the Cleveland News for the past two and one-half years by Agent Noonan it was noted in the January 29, 1934, issue that on January 2, 1934, Frank T. Joiner, slot machine operator disappeared, and a statement is attributed to Nate Weisenberg, his partner, that he believes Joiner took his own life. The News of June 26, 1934, contains an article that Nate Weisenberg was going to Roumania with his slot machines, as he was having some trouble here with the law and with too much competition. He is reported therein to have combined with Billy Fergus, former Cleveland beer baron and gambler, on this Roumanian venture. An article on August 2, 1934, in mentioning the death of Frank Joiner, contains a statement concerning Nate Weisen-

berg which is that Weisenberg has been paying \$50 a week to Joiner's wife and child since his disappearance on January 2, 1934. This article refers to the time five years ago when Weisenberg's house was bombed and which is the time that the Mayfield Hill gang began to muscle in on the slot machine racket. It states further that for many months Weisenberg has been little more than front for the muscle men of Mayfield Hill; that they control him, and when he goes to collect from slot machines one of the gang goes with him. It also states that Joiner and Weisenberg were former shareholders in the Harvard Club.

Special Agent R. T. Noonan observed a write-up in the Cleveland News under date of February 14, 1934, wherein it is stated that gambling is running wide open in the county and that Sheriff John M. Sulzmann just winks at it. Particular mention is made of the Harvard Club as the result of a survey made by the reporters for the News. It is stated that no card is needed to enter the Harvard Club; that it is apparently very well protected, and it is not necessary to even know anyone. The article fully describes the layout inside of the Harvard Club and the various gambling games that were going on. This article also states that the Thomas Club in Maple Heights is operated almost identically with the Harvard Club, although it does not have such a volume of business. It also mentions the Astorhurst Villa, a \$50,000 club at Egyst and Dunham Roads, Bedford Township, where gambling flourishes and liquor is sold, the latter not being sold at either the Harvard or Thomas Club.

The News at various times from the above date, February 14, 1934, until early in January 1936 repeatedly criticizes Sheriff Sulzmann for allowing gambling to flourish and contains numerous stories of visits by reporters to the gambling places.

The following investigation is reported by Special Agents C. E. Smith and S. K. McKee:

Walter Walker, Police Officer No. 1059 in the Cleveland Police Department, who is presently assigned to duty in the office of Eliot Ness, Director of Public Safety, was interviewed at the Cleveland field office on August 26, 1936, Walker having previously indicated that he was willing to supply certain information as to the police department which it was thought would be of value to the present investigation. Our contact with Walker should be treated in the strictest of confidence, inasmuch as he would be placed in a most embarrassing situation if news reached the police department personnel that he had been talking with us.

Walker lives with his family at 4814 West 17th Street, Cleveland, Ohio, telephone Shadyside 0138-J.

As previously reported, Walker had indicated to Agent Smith that he could furnish the names of several prostitutes who he was positive could supply certain information relative to the unofficial conduct on the part of Molly Bartelheim in connection with her duties as matron at the City Jail. He said he has observed this woman permit prisoners with whom she has been friendly to have the freedom of the corridor of the women's section in the jail when they should be confined in the cells in the cell lock. He also stated that it is public information around the City Jail that the Bartelheim woman will either permit a prisoner to call out from the jail in order to secure an attorney or bondsman or will make such a call for the prisoner. He advised that on numerous occasions he has placed women prisoners in jail and while being taken there they have inquired of him if Molly Bartelheim was on duty, he assuming from these questions that the prisoners felt they would be treated better if she was on duty at the time.

Walker furnished the names of the following prostitutes whom he termed as "regulars", and advised that he felt positive they could supply information concerning Matron Bartelheim if they could be located. He stated, however, that he was not able to supply addresses for any of these women, but thought that they could possibly be located through appropriate investigation. He said that he believes all of these women from time-to-time have lived at Plunkett's place in the vicinity of Central Police Station, this place being a semi-apartment rooming house formerly occupied almost exclusively by prostitutes. He said he

believed this place has been "cleaned out" recently but that in any event Madam Plunkett would not furnish information to officers. The names of the prostitutes furnished by Walker are as follows:

Molly Rosen alias Connelley
 R. E. Moran
 Mary Gray (this woman is supposed to have been brought to Cleveland from West Virginia)
 Betty Allen
 Mary Sullivan
 Carrie Lamont (the Sullivan and Lamont women are thought to be "junkies")
 Dorothy Mason
 Rose Cole alias Rose Adama (this woman is supposed to have a pimp who has about five girls)
 Ruth Carson
 Betty Russo (this woman is supposed to have a pimp who is a cab driver, his air name being Russo)

Inasmuch as the attitude of Walker was very frank, open and friendly at the time of this interview and as it was known that he is closely aligned with Eliot Ness in conducting personnel investigations of the high officials in the Cleveland Police Department, and as Mr. Ness had previously indicated to Agents Smith and McKee that he had some information concerning the set-up in vice and gambling, Walker was asked for information as to his knowledge of the vice and gambling situations.

He stated that the Mayfield Road or the Hill Top gang about three years ago "muscle in" on the slot machine racket which at that time was controlled by Nate Weisenberg and Al Joyner. He said Weisenberg acquiesced peacefully but that Joyner refused to listen to the proposition and that shortly thereafter his body was found in a quicklime grave. He said the set-up with respect to slot machines is that Weisenberg is the nominal head of the racket while the Mayfield Road mob are the real owners of the racket.

Walker also stated that the Mayfield Road mob controlled the policy racket in Cleveland; that the gang owns a saloon located at the intersection of Union Avenue and Broadway and have someone fronting for them at this place; that they also have an office in a residence in the 4000 block on Warner Road in Garfield Heights; that more or less

recently Director Ness has had a telephone tap on one of these places through which data on the policy racket has been obtained.

At this time Walker very frankly advised that he is a wire man and has been in charge of installation of telephone taps for Ness. He indicated that as a result of this telephone tap the entire set-up of the Mayfield Road gang was obtained. He furnished the names of the leaders of this mob as Johnnie DeMarco, Johnnie King and Joe Leonardo. Other important figures in this mob were persons described as Little Angelo, Big Angelo, Tony Cesperato, Vince Dillon, Frank Hoge and Johnnie Hoge. Walker also stated that Frank Hoge is the operator of the numerous white-front butcher shops in the city of Cleveland; that he is also a professional bondsman and supplies bail mainly for prostitutes; that during the course of the Ness investigation a telephone tap was placed on the phone of Frank Hoge, but nothing of value was obtained over same except the "take" on the policy racket and the winning numbers of each day's drawings. Walker advised that he has in his possession in the Office of the Safety Director a complete list of the members of the Mayfield Road mob along with copies of the telephone logs maintained as to these individuals, and he volunteered to supply this office with the names of the various men connected with the mob and also indicated that he would possibly turn over to us the logs covering telephone taps.

It was stated by Walker in response to questions that he did not know to whom, if anybody, the Mayfield Road mob paid graft. He advised, however, that Capt. Nash of the Garfield Heights Police Department used to meet Johnnie DeMarco regularly in a candy store located next to the Warner Road house, which he described as being the first building over the city line in Garfield Heights.

Walker stated in connection with the operation of the slot machine racket that Nate Weisenberg has an office located somewhere near the old Harvard Club on Harvard Avenue. He stated that he has never made any investigation with respect to this place, but his understanding was that practically all negotiations relative to the operation of the racket were handled from this place. It is to be stated that information obtained through our tap on the residence telephone of Nate Weisenberg has indicated the location of this place to be 4601 Harvard Avenue, where unpublished telephone Michigan 3085-6-7 are in the name of Weisenberg but the premises are, to all outward appearances, the offices of Morris Haas.

With respect to the vice situation in Cleveland, Walker advised that although he does not know of any payments made by the operators of houses to police officials, he realizes that such places could not operate as openly as they do if a pay-off did not exist. He related that

in 1933 and 1934, which he described as the regime of the late Mayor Harry L. Davis, he was assigned to the liquor, vice and gambling squad in the First Precinct. He stated that while on duty with this squad, none of his superior officers ever said anything to him about leaving houses of prostitution alone, but that no action was ever taken with respect to these places for the reason that there was, more or less, of a "grapevine" understanding that these places should not be molested. He also advised that it is his understanding that there are some so-called high class houses of prostitution in the city which operate through virtue of political connections, probably through contributions to campaign funds.

Of his own volition he described one of these places as being a house operated by one ARDELLE QUINN some place near Euclid Avenue in the eighties. He also advised that there was a notorious house of prostitution run by one Clare Thomas in the 2000 block on Superior Avenue, the building in which this place is operated being owned by Edwin D. Barry, former Director of Public Safety and who is now running for the office of Sheriff of Cuyahoga County. Walker also said that the [redacted] hangs out at this place.

As an example of the integrity of police officers to function in certain instances because of political corruption, Walker cited an example occurring in about 1934 when he accompanied Captain John Wolf to a gambling establishment known as the Argonne Club at 722 Superior Avenue. He said this place is now out of business. He advised that he and Captain Wolf entered this place and that he immediately seized some racing forms; that the proprietor, a man known as Zimmer, asked Captain Wolf what he meant by coming into the place, and that Wolf informed him that he intended to "knock it over". Zimmer then asked Wolf if he was interested in holding his job. Walker stated that Wolf paled, ordered him, Walker, to return the racing forms and that they left the place without taking any action in connection with the gambling which was going on.

Walker was asked if Lieutenant Barney Wolf was a "straight" police officer, and in response to this inquiry he advised that very recently he was assigned to conduct an investigation in the French Village at the Cleveland Exposition Grounds relative to the loss of a \$1500 diamond ring; that while in the midst of his investigation he encountered Wolf and that Wolf invited him to have a drink. He said that he did have a drink with Wolf and that while paying for same Wolf pulled out a wallet and he noticed that the wallet contained enough bank bills to "choke a cow". He then inquired of agents whether a po-

lice lieutenant could be legitimately carrying around that much money.

Walker brought up the subject of the raid on the old Harvard Club in Newburgh Heights, Ohio, which is just outside of the Cleveland city limits and mentioned that he and Eliot Ness were the first men to enter the place on the night of January 10, 1936, when the raid was conducted. He advised that prior to this raid Ness had gone to the Office of the Sheriff to ask for help and was informed that the local authorities of Newburgh Heights had not requested any action with respect to this place and that for that reason the Sheriff's Office could not assist in the raid. He said that, in his opinion, the Harvard Club operated on an unmolested basis by virtue of a payoff to the city officials in Newburgh Heights. He cited the fact that the Mayor received a salary of \$500 per year; that he apparently had no other occupation; that he lived in a nice house and during the winter months made trips to Florida.

In connection with the possible payment of graft in gambling, Walker stated that Councilmen DeMaiores and Finkle are closely connected with the Mayfield Road gang, and no doubt, receive graft from this outfit. He also stated that, in his opinion, the policy racket could not be operated in the negro section of the city unless Councilmen Payne and Bundy had their fingers in a payoff in some way.

Agents asked Walker for information concerning the identities of police officials who should be "kept away from" in connection with official investigations, and he stated that in addition to Police Captains M. J. Harwood and Louis J. Cadek, who have recently been suspended and convicted, respectively, for receiving graft; that Captains John Wolf, Thomas G. Duffy, Emmett J. Potts, John Fleming, Lieutenant John Zeman and Deputy Inspector Edwin Burns are now under investigation by Director Eliot Ness; further, that in the very near future charges will be placed against Captain Wolf and Deputy Inspector Burns. He stated that the investigations with respect to these officers were undertaken by Mr. Ness, because of the fact that the scale on which these men were living openly indicated that they had some large source of revenue outside of their salaries as police officers. He intimated that he had supplied much information to Mr. Ness and almost openly stated that he was handling the investigation of these officers along with Mr. Ness and had active charge of telephone taps placed on their residences.

It is to be noted that some of these officers were mentioned by informant Dorothy Taylor as having received graft for permitting the operation of houses of prostitution. Further contact will be had with Walter Walker, as it is believed that he will develop into an important source of information with respect to this investigation.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent A. Paul Kitchin:

On August 29, 1936, William Edwards, Director for the Cleveland Association for Criminal Justice, called at the Cleveland field office and furnished the writer with the following information. He stated that he was recently in conference with Tom Burke, Assistant Prosecutor, at which time he brought up the subject of Nate Weisenberg. According to Edwards, Weisenberg is only a front for the Mayfield Road gang and only owns a 20% interest in the machines he places for this mob. He stated that Weisenberg has been very brazen relative to requests to the County Prosecutor for the return of the machines that have been confiscated.

With reference to the Mayfair Casino Club, Edwards stated that according to Burke Weisenberg owns part interest but that there are other parties that own the majority of the stock in the enterprise that are not known to the public.

Edwards stated that while talking to Burke he was informed that Burke was very interested in the THOMAS CLUB for a reason that is obvious. He stated that Burke is investigating this Club in order that he may have all the facts relative to it when he has same raided in the future; that this raid by Burke will take place on the eve of Burke's political campaign for County Prosecutor. He stated that Burke swore him to secrecy and then exhibited to him a copy of an audit of the financial affairs of the club that was made by an auditor by the name of Geiser or Geisey, the correct name of whom he could not be positive. It should be stated here that the telephone directory lists one Alvin E. Geisey, Public Square Building, as an accountant. He stated that the audit showed that the following persons are the owners and the list of owners does not show the names of Alkie or Game-Boy Miller, as has been formerly reported as the owners:

Sam Tucker	Charles Polizzi
Morris Politz	Albert Polizzi
Louis Rothkopf	John Angersola (Johnnie King)
Mary J. O'Boyle	Harry Potter

The audit showed that these owners realized \$12,717.88 each for the year 1935 and the total earnings are listed at \$101,743.00. He stated that Burke was of the impression that the above audit was made purposely in order to defeat any subsequent income tax suits and that he was also of the opinion that the earnings of the club were well in excess of the above figure.

He stated that quite a while ago a man by the name of Weis was murdered in Cleveland; that this man was a racketeer and obtained his living from extorting money from prostitutes in the city; that he was murdered by two men by the names of Sam Salupa and Jim Cash, who were also in the same racket. He stated that the paramour of Weis talked and told the prosecutor the facts relative to the racket of Weis and that Salupa and Cash put him on the spot. He stated that he did not know the name or address of this woman but that he would endeavor to ascertain same and furnish it to this office. It is thought that this woman may be able to furnish good information relative to the vice set-up in Cleveland.

He stated that a woman by the name of Akron Mary, true name unknown, was at present working for Dukas in Cleveland and that she was in a position to furnish pertinent information relative to the activities of the vice kings if and when she was placed in a position that in doing so would protect herself. He stated that he would endeavor to get the address of this woman and furnish same to this office. He stated that Akron Mary figured very closely in the murder trial of Hymie Martin for the murder of the city councilman which occurred two or three years ago. With reference to Salupa and Cash, he stated that they were recently sent to the Ohio State Penitentiary for extortion of money from prostitutes and are still incarcerated.

Edwards also informed this agent that he had ascertained from Assistant Prosecutor Burke that the county physician by the name of Braun was committing perjury in office and should be vigorously investigated and prosecuted but that due to political reasons the prosecutor's office could not institute an investigation at present. He stated that Braun examined all prostitutes when they are arrested and detained for examination and that in submitting his findings to the court relative to the examination made by him, he will, for a large bribe, submit findings of negative analyses when, in fact, the prostitute may have a four plus syphilis or active gonorrhea. He stated that this is known to the probation officer for the county, and this officer has specific cases wherein this has been done. Edwards stated that this probation officer is named Crawley and works in the City of Cleveland. The advisability of conducting such an investigation is being considered.

With reference to the owners of the Thomas Club as listed heretofore, Edwards stated that all of them are considered gangsters and racketeers; that Louis Rothkopf was figured also in the murder of City Councilman Potter along with Hymie Martin and Akron Mary; that Marty J. O'Boyle is a west-side racketeer. This has formerly been reported. The facts relative to John Angersola alias Johnnie King have also been here-

tofore reported. He stated that the names were listed as PARTNERS; therefore, it is not thought that the business is incorporated. He thinks that the trade or business name of this club is The Buckeye Amusement Company.

This inquiry was conducted by Special Agent R. T. Noonan.

On August 25, 1936, at the Bogen Silk Underwear Company, 210 St. Clair Avenue, NW, Mr. Goldstein, office manager, advised that he occasionally had to deal with girls whom he knew were inmates of houses of prostitution, that is, they called at the office and ordered certain silks. He admitted that the trade this company received from prostitutes was large. Inasmuch as he spends most of his time in the office he suggested an interview with Solly Scholnick, a salesman for this company, who would be in a better position to furnish the addresses of some of the known and more prominent houses of prostitution. He further advised that Mrs. Pearl (Jake) Flower, 804 Lakeview Avenue, saleswoman for this company, could also furnish addresses of many of the negro houses of prostitution, as she was the person who called on this trade almost exclusively.

Sol Scholnick, salesman for the Bogen Silk Underwear Company, upon interview, after some hesitation furnished agent with the following names and addresses of houses of prostitution operating in the city of Cleveland, which he visited in the course of his business:

**Cleveland Ohio*

* Astor Hotel	East 12th and Chester, where there are seven or eight prostitutes
* Ford Hotel	East Second and Prospect
* Regal Hotel	East 21st and Prospect
* Alpine Hotel	West Sixth and Lakeside, the latter three places having from 5 to 7 prostitutes most of the time.
2041 East 55th	which is a house, supposedly belonging to Alex "Shondor" Birns, local hoodlum.
2 houses on East 40th	between Cedar and Carnegie, one operated by a Miss Herman and the other by a Miss Gordon
house on E. 18th	across from the Sunoco oil station and the first house off of Carnegie, being operated by "Jean".
3 houses in a row on East 19th	between Carnegie and Prospect, operators' names being Clara, Marion and Jean

At this time Mr. Scholnick stated that on Scovill, Short Scovill and Orange Avenues, there are numerous colored houses of prostitution.

He stated that these places operated openly and that the inmates openly solicited from the windows and doors. The saleswoman, Mrs. Flower, calls on these places but also calls on some of the better class of negro houses of prostitution and will perhaps be able to furnish the addresses of them.

During the conversation with Messrs. Goldstein and Scholnick they both wanted to know if it was the intention of the Bureau to close these houses if the addresses were given by them. Agent advised them that such was not within the jurisdiction of the Bureau and used the pretext in talking to these men that we were endeavoring to locate a number of girls who had left their homes and were thought to be in some of these houses of prostitution, some of these girls having come from other states. Mr. Goldstein stated that the Bogen Company had salesmen working in Toledo, Ohio, and that their business had been cut down materially there recently, because of the activities of the federal agents at the houses of prostitution, and he stated that that was the reason why he asked if it was the intention to close some of these houses in Cleveland.

On Friday, August 28, 1936, Special Agent S. E. McKee attempted to communicate with Dorothy Taylor, prostitute, telephone PROspect 8114, in accordance with prior arrangements that she would act as an informant; however, the person answering the telephone, apparently a negro woman, advised that Dorothy had gone to Canada and would not return for about two weeks. Steps will be taken to ascertain if this woman has, in fact, left the city as it is very desirable to locate her for additional information through an interview. The original contact with this woman is set out in the report of Special Agent S. K. McKee, Cleveland, Ohio, August 25, 1936.

In an effort to locate news accounts of the Bremer kidnaping and all information available by which knowledge of the fact that the various subjects of this case were wanted could be attributed to the persons under investigation in Cleveland, Special Agent R. T. Noonan searched the news items of the Cleveland News from the period January 15, 1934 to May 10, 1936, with the following results:

Under date of Friday, January 19, 1934, the first article on this kidnaping appears. It relates the story of the kidnaping, the finding of the blood-stained car and also on the 17th page has pictures of Edward Bremer, his home, his father, Adolph Bremer, and also of Walter Magee, contact man, and the place where the first note was found. This particular article also mentions the fact that six kid-

napings occurred in St. Paul in the past thirty months.

Saturday, January 20, 1934, the News has a front-page story in headlines to the effect that the victim was reported slain. The front page of this edition contains the photographs of the victim and his father and also the photographs of Haskell Bohn and his father, and Charles Boettcher and his father, and John J. O'Connell and his father. On page two appears the photograph of Mrs. Edward Bremer.

A news article appears in the edition of Monday, January 22, 1934, giving a general statement of the kidnaping and that the hunt for the kidnapers is being spurred. This edition also contains a photo of the victim and his automobile.

On January 23, 1934, Tuesday, there is an article to the effect that the victim's wife has broken under the strain of silence and makes a general statement that no contact has been had with the kidnapers. Wednesday, January 24, 1934, contains an article to the effect that no contact has been made and that Adolph Bremer, father of the victim, blames the police for preventing the contact. There is also a statement in this article to the effect that a search is being made for Sankey and Alcorn. In the News of January 25, 1934, the case for the first time is left off of the front page, the above news articles all being on the front page. This date the general statement that no contact has been made with the kidnapers is contained on page 8. The back page contains pictures of the Dr. Nippert home in St. Paul where a note was delivered by throwing a rock through the glass in the door.

The News of January 26, 1934, on the 17th page contains a short general statement that no word has been received from the kidnapers. On January 27 there is a similar article on the front page, and on January 29, Monday, there is a similar article on page 4, adding that the father of the victim has made a further plea to the kidnapers. The News of February 1, 1934, reports the capture of Verne Sankey in Chicago, and on page 5 thereof has photographs of Sankey, Bohn, Boettcher, the Lindbergh baby, Bremer, and Bremer. February 2, 1934, there is a short statement that no word has been received from the kidnapers, this being on the 17th page. There is a similar article on the front page of the edition of February 3, 1934, and also on February 5 and 6, 1934, on the front page appear similar articles.

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Under date of February 8, 1934, the News contains full headlines of the release of Bremer, a picture of Bremer and a statement that the ransom of \$200,000 was paid. There is a full story of the case. Under date of February 9, 1934, there is an article to the effect that the chase for the kidnapers is becoming hot. There is also an editorial that this case is now a job for Uncle Sam. On Monday, February 12, 1934, there is a small article on page two to the effect that the Bremer hunt was being conducted in secret. Thursday, April 26, 1934, the News contains a write-up concerning Dr. Mortensen of St. Paul, Minnesota, having assisted Dillinger. The article criticizes the handling of the affair by the government at Mercer, Wisconsin, and then adds, "The Federal operatives believe Alvin Karpis of Chicago and Fred Barker and his brother, Arthur 'Doc' Barker, who have been identified thru fingerprints in the Bremer snatch, were with Dillinger when they shot their way out of the Mercer trap."

In the edition of April 27, 1934, Friday, in a write-up of the Dillinger matter there is a statement that the Department of Justice had announced that Arthur Barker and Alvin Karpis, who had been linked to the Bremer case, were with Dillinger at Mercer, Wisconsin. This same write-up contains an announcement of the arrest of William Vidler in Chicago with \$3,000 of the Bremer money. Under date of April 28, 1934, Saturday, in a write-up of the Dillinger matter there is the following concluding statement: "A Federal warrant was issued against Vidler and several others whose names were suppressed, alleging connection with the Bremer snatch." On Monday, May 7, 1934, the front page of the News contains a small write-up with the following heading, "Warrants name ten in Bremer kidnaping". "McLaughlin arraignment bares U. S. hunt for Gang." The article itself contains the following, "Ten persons were named in the suppressed warrants on which John J. McLaughlin was held as an alleged conspirator handling part of the \$200,000 Bremer ransom***** the others named in the warrant were Alvin Karpavics alias Karpis and Arthur 'Doc' Barker, the two hunted as Bremer's actual kidnapers****". There is also a small article in this same edition on page twelve, stating that Joseph Keenan is flying to Chicago to join the Dillinger hunt and that he said he would devote most of his time to the Insull and Bremer cases.

On July 17, 1934, there is an article concerning the holding of six persons in Chicago in various thefts, adding that they may possibly be connected with the Bremer kidnaping. None of the names therein were ever connected with this case.

The Cleveland News of Thursday, September 6, 1934, contains an article on page 11 to the effect that the police were questioning three women who had been jailed for the purpose of securing some information on the Dillinger gang and that a five-year-old child was with them. It states that these women were picked up at the Cleveland Hotel grill room; that two of the women said they were from Toledo, Ohio, and one of them said she was from St. Paul. It is stated that the Department of Justice and Deputy Inspector Cody, Captains of Detectives Potts and Story and Detective Sergeant Barney Wolf, and Detectives Joseph Jacobs and Harry Hugo were questioning the women, but that no information could be secured because they were so drunk.

The News of Friday, September 7, 1934, contains a photo of Francine Sawyer (Saugman) on the front page and her statement and identification of the woman whom she called her mother and the one known to her as Paula. There is also a separate article starting on the front page to the effect that the Bremer kidnaping suspects fled from a west side house. It states that the three desperados slipped thru the fingers of the police when they delayed for 12 hours making a raid on the hideout, thus allowing "Arthur 'Doc' Barker, his brother, Fred, and Alvin Karpis to escape". It is stated that the police arrived at 4419 West 171st Street at 10 p. m., Wednesday, September 5th, their quarry having fled an hour before. This article also tells of Edward C. Stanton, former County Prosecutor, being retained to represent Mrs. Matterson (W.B.). It also contains an admission by Cody, Inspector of Detectives, that he had received a tip on the place and intended to go out and investigate it but before he went out there the women were arrested. It also mentions the address, 10515 Parkhurst Drive, as a previous address of the gang; further, that Fred Barker was wanted on two murder charges, and that Karpis is an escaped convict wanted for murder in Oklahoma and has been identified in the Bremer kidnaping. Photographs of Karpis, both Barkers and the three women appear on page 4 of this edition.

Under date of September 8, 1934, there is an article on page 7 that the three women were turned over to D. J. agents. There is also a repetition of the previous statement that Karpis and the Barkers escaped about 9 p. m., Wednesday, September 5, 1934. On September 10, 1934, there is a front page article that the three women were released, it being mentioned that they lived in a hideout with a gang wanted in the Bremer case. On Friday, September 14, 1934, there is a small article to the effect that the little girl named Francine was sent home to Minnesota.

The News of September 27, 1934, has the picture of Paula Harmon under the name of Mrs. Marsch on the front page with a write-up that the government was closing in on the Bremer kidnapers and that sixty-four agents were in Cleveland. It states that Mrs. Marsch is in a state of collapse in Cleveland. The article criticizes the federal agents for failing to cooperate with the local police, the police stating that they promised to cooperate but did not.

Under date of November 29, 1934, in the News write-up of the death of Baby Face Nelson it is stated that John Hamilton, Tommy Touhy and Alvin Karpis were being hunted, it being believed that one of them shot Agents Cowley and Hollis. Karpis is therein referred to as "one of the accused Bremer kidnapers" and is also said to have been with Fretty Boy Floyd when the latter was killed near East Liverpool, Ohio on October 22, 1934.

Under date of January 9, 1935, the News carries an account with these headlines: "Bremer Gang Suspect Slain in U. S. Trap." This is a single column write-up of the killing of Russell Gibson described as a 32-year-old ex-convict suspect in the Bremer kidnaping and reputed member of the abduction gang of Alvin Karpis and Arthur Barker. The unknown man picked up at the time (Bolton) is mentioned as being possibly Willie Harrison, a former St. Louis golf pro and member of the Barker-Karpis gang. On January 10, 1935, a news article identifies Bolton as the man caught with Gibson. On January 16, 1935, the News carries the following front page headlines: "Feds Kill Three BREMER KIDNAPERS." This is a short account of the shooting of Fred and Ma Barker and at the time it was said that another man was slain.

On January 17, 1935, an editorial in the News commends the Bureau on its success and stated that Fred and Ma Barker were charged with complicity in the Bremer kidnaping. On page 14 of this same edition appears the following headlines, "U. S. Agents Tighten Net on Art Barker and Karpis." Both are named in the article as robbers and kidnapers and as the country's outstanding public enemies. They are mentioned as connected with the Bremer kidnaping, and it is also stated they "just managed to slide out of a federal trap set for them last September in Cleveland".

On January 19, 1935, Saturday, the News carries a photo of Doc Barker picked up in Chicago and has a statement that he is charged in the Bremer case. There is also another article in this edition stating that the grand jury at St. Paul would go into the case to clarify the previous indictment vs. Arthur "Doc" Barker, and a smaller article follows thereunder which has this statement, "The Federal Public Enemy List is topped by these men: Alvin Karpis wanted for the Bremer abduction*****".

On January 21, 1935, Monday, the News has a front page article in small headlines that "Believe Karpis Pal Trapped After Battle", and it refers to Karpis as wanted in the Bremer case and also as being Public Enemy No. One. The photos of both Karpis and Campbell appear on page 13 in a continuation of the above article; also the photo of Wynona Burdette and a diagram of Karpis' escape from Miami, Fla., and Atlantic City, N. J., and a statement that "Karpis and his companions are believed to have driven to Florida from Cleveland". The write-up after telling of the escape at Atlantic City states that "the Cleveland Police knew today that the notorious Bremer kidnaping gang had slipped thru its fingers here last summer".

On January 22, 1935, Tuesday, there is an article on the first page of Section B of the News with headlines, "Auto found; Karpis is Hunted near Detroit". It then tells of the kidnaping of the doctor and the taking of his car which was later found. January 23, 1935, Wednesday, an article under the heading EXTRA states "Karpis gangster tells how he slew seven in garage". This is a story attributed to Bolton by the Chicago American concerning the St. Valentine's Day massacre in Chicago. January 24, 1935, Thursday, there is a small front page article in the News under St. Paul dateline, "Bremer Kidnaping Jury Indicts 22", and in the article names Arthur Barker, Davis, Campbell, Karpis, Farmer, Weaver, Sawyer, Bolton, Alderton, Richard Roe and John Doe. January 26, 1935, a small front page article referring to Duke Randall at Miami, Florida, states, "Nab Florida Man as Karpis Aide".

January 30, 1935, Wednesday, the News has an article stating that Joe Adams is charged with sheltering Karpis. It also refers to the So. St. Paul robbery and states that a getaway chart was found at Cleveland when the women were arrested and also a St. Paul newspaper with a Vernon Avenue address, which were considered good bits of evidence on that robbery. February 7, 1935, Thursday, the article found in the News states that hunt for Karpis has turned to the rough California Hinterlands. This is a small front page article. April 15, 1935, a small front page article in the News states that Bolton pleaded guilty in the Bremer case and again names Karpis and Arthur Barker as being charged with the kidnaping. Under date of April 16, 1935, there is an article that the jury has been completed at St. Paul to try the Bremer case and again mentions Karpis and Barker.

May 4, 1935, Saturday, the arrest of Harry Sawyer as another Bremer suspect is related, the article stating that Wynona Burdette, friend of Campbell's, named in the indictment, linked Sawyer in her testimony "last week". May 17, 1935, an article on the front page states "Barker and Aide get Life in Bremer Case." Karpis and others are not mentioned. May 28, 1935, in the write-up of the Weyerhauser case it is stated that search extends across the country with the remnants of the "Alvin Karpis and Machinegun Kelly Gangs as possible

suspects". May 31, 1935, Friday, under a write-up in the News of the arrest of Walter Holland at Kansas City, mention is made that Karpis is sought in the Bremer case. June 1, 1935, in the account of the release of the Weyerhauser victim it is stated that the notorious Alvin Karpis gang is believed to be responsible.

June 3, 1935, front page article contains headlines, "Trapped Karpis Aide Admits Guilt in Bremer Kidnaping". It goes on to say that Volney Davis entered pleas of guilty at St. Paul and that only one important member of the gang was at large, naming Alvin Karpis, who was called Public Enemy Number One. June 4, 1935, Tuesday, Karpis is mentioned in the Weyerhauser write-up to the effect that the government scoffed at the idea his gang perpetrated this kidnaping, mentioning that Volney Davis had plead guilty only the day before in the Bremer case.

January 1, 1936, Wednesday, the News carries a small front page article with the headlines, "Pick up Karpis trail in Missouri". In the article reference is made to one Homer Fanning who when picked up stated that he had been with Karpis. March 16, 1936, on the editorial page is the story of Ma Barker by the Director, and in this story reference is made to the Barker-Karpis gang and to the Bremer kidnaping. April 18, 1936, Saturday, the News carries the following first page headlines, "Three of Karpis Gang Seized as G-Men Solve Hamm Kidnap Case." In the article Karpis is named as one of the actual abductors and is also mentioned as Public Enemy No. One. April 22, 1936, contains the story of the \$5,000 reward for Karpis and the \$2500 reward for Campbell, same being on the first page in a small article. April 27, 1936, Monday, the News has the following front page headlines, "Warrant for Karpis Issued Here as Pal Seized in Ohio Talks." It is stated therein that the warrant charges him with the \$46,000 Garrettsville train robbery of November 7, 1935. It also states that warrant was issued the same date for Campbell. April 28, 1936, the News carries Brock's story of how Karpis and Campbell directed the Garrettsville train robbery. May 2, 1936, there is an account of the seizure of Karpis at New Orleans, and there is a statement to the effect that the detectives here have been using Karpis' car since abandoned by him on September 6, 1934, at 4419 West 171st Street. This story also includes a statement of the issuance of warrants for Karpis and others by the U. S. Attorney on the Garrettsville robbery. There is a photograph of Karpis, but he has his face covered.

May 4, 1936, Monday, there is an article to the effect that the PostOffice Inspectors were flying south to get Hunter, who, it is said, was once a dealer in a gambling casino that flourished once in the outskirts of Cleveland.

May 7, 1936, there are headlines and the photo of Campbell and story of his arrest. There are also double headlines of the Director charging gang tipoff in Cleveland and that the tipoff in 1934 by two politicians of Cleveland with police connections will be thoroughly investigated. May 8, 1936, Friday, there is an article that the G-Men question Campbell in probe of tipoff here. May 9, 1936, Saturday, the News carries photos of the Director and Det. Lieutenant Wolf, referring to charges of crookedness in the police department in 1934.

During the period of this report an examination of the newspapers published by the Cleveland Plain Dealer during the period of January 15, 1934 to May 10, 1936, has been in progress, the search being made by Special Agent J. B. Fitzgerald. This search is being made to locate photographs and news articles published as to the Bremer kidnaping, which may be used in a forthcoming trial to show knowledge on the part of the subjects. A similar search of the files of the Cleveland Press is being conducted by Special Agent R. T. Noonan.

The following summation of the information obtained over the taps on the telephones of Ardell Quinn and Nate Weisenberg for the period of August 20 thru 28, 1936, was prepared by Special Agent A. Paul Kitchin:

On the date of August 20, 1936, the telephone tap on the telephone of Nate Weisenberg produced the following information:

The first call made on this particular morning was to Michigan 3085, which number is the business number of Morris Haas, partner of Nate Weisenberg, 4601 Harvard Avenue. Nate asked concerning business and was given the name of Walter Murray to call and also was asked to call Mr. Seigle at Cherry 8712. Weisenberg asked for the telephone number of "Jones" and was told that it was Fairmount 3884. Weisenberg did not call Murray from his residence, but did call Seigle at the above number at which time they discussed putting in a machine at Seigle's place. This being only a customer, no further inquiries will be made relative to him.

"Jones" at Fairmount 3884 was called by Weisenberg, at which time he was asked by Nate to get a machine made up that would pay off in tickets. Jones stated that he could do this and would get in touch with a man downtown who will make this type of machine. They also discussed the possibility of putting machines in Detroit, at which Jones stated that they had a 50-50 chance of getting the machines into that city and that there was a machine in the Park Hotel at present on exhibition. The telephone company has been requested to furnish the listing

and same will be reported later in this report. On this date Weisenberg called both Shimmy Patton and Art Hebebrand, but did not talk to either. Someone at the residence of Hebebrand told Weisenberg that Hebebrand was probably at Beachcliff. The Beachcliff referred to is the Beachcliff Building Company, owned by Art Hebebrand, Shimmy Patton, Frank Smith and Olive Ewing and is located in Rocky River Borough near Cleveland, Ohio.

Nate also called Aurora 490 and talked to Bill Coleman. This listing will also be obtained.

A man by the name of Reese called Nate from Kent and asked him what about the boys over there, meaning was Nate going to pay off for having machines in the vicinity of Kent. Nate told him that he did not have any machines on the Portage side of Geauga Lake and that he was sure that Zimmer did not have any there. He told him to call Bill Coleman and ask him about it. Reese stated that he talked to a deputy by the name of George at Kent and that the officials thought the machines were Nate's and wanted a pay-off. Due to the fact that this matter is not located in Cleveland no further inquiry is being made of this item at the present time, but in the near future, if it is deemed advisable, Reese and George will be interviewed in this connection.

On August 21, 1936, the first call made from the Weisenberg residence was made by Weisenberg to Yellowstone 0583, which is the telephone number of Morris Haas, Nate's partner. A general discussion relative to business ensued, and Nate told Morris Haas where he could place machines.

After Nate had left the residence a call came for him from Cody of The Cleveland Trust Company; the maid accepted this call and was told to have Nate get in touch with him. Cody is a former Inspector of Detectives of the Cleveland Police Department, and up to the present has been thought to be honest and thoroughly reliable, but the facts developed in subsequent conversations during the day throw a doubt on the reliability of Cody. About one and a half hours subsequent to the above call Mrs. Weisenberg called Fairmount 3383, which is the number for Oscar L. Kemper, 14279 Superior Road, and after a discussion of the home that Mrs. Weisenberg had intentions of buying, Kemper told her that he had just had a conversation with Nate, and Nate stated he could not afford the house at this time due to the fact that he had ascertained that the Income Tax men were investigating him. Kemper stated that Nate stated that he had paid his tax on \$15,000 and had deducted the amount he had put back into the business and was very worried.

It should be stated here that in the course of the preliminary investigation relative to the activities of Nate Weisenberg, Agent Noonan contacted one of the officials of The Cleveland Trust Company relative to Weisenberg. It is highly possible that Cody ascertained from this official the nature of the inquiry, and upon being advised that a Government Man had asked about the bank account of Weisenberg naturally thought that the inquiry was in connection with his income tax. It is thought that Cody notified Weisenberg of the fact that he was being investigated.

Noonan again called Mrs. Weisenberg and a general conversation ensued. No information of value was obtained therefrom, but this call is mentioned due to the fact that it is thought that he, if he is the same Noonan that is in the private detective business, will later be interviewed in connection with this matter.

Mrs. Weisenberg called Nate at the Mayfair Casino and told him that Mr. Walter McNickols and Mr. Cody at the bank wanted to get in touch with him. The identity of Mr. McNickols has not as yet been ascertained.

About 3 p.m. Mrs. Zimmer, whose phone number is Kirtland 9-F-2, called Mrs. Weisenberg and told her of four strange men who had come to her home looking for Mr. Zimmer. She told her that she was afraid that they meant harm to her husband and requested Mrs. Weisenberg to get in touch with Tony and have him ascertain the party to whom the following license number was issued, 1936 Ohio T 450 N. She also stated that she was afraid it was some racketeer trying to put the pressure on her husband.

Mrs. Weisenberg then called Liberty 2627 and talked to a girl by the name of Carmen and told her to give the license number to her father and have him ascertain to whom it was issued and to call her back and let her know. This phone number is listed to Anthony Page, 14026 Castalia, and the city directory shows that he is a city policeman. Agent Smith endeavored to obtain the name of the owner of the above license plates, but found it was an out-of-town number; therefore, a letter will be directed to the Bureau of Motor Vehicles, Columbus, Ohio, for such information.

On the tap of the telephones of Ardell Quinn the following was obtained: On August 21, 1936, at 1 a.m. some man by the name of Charlie called and talked to Ardell, at which time he asked her "How is everything? You got anything for me? How many towels?" Ardell jokingly replied that she had about 15,000 and Charlie stated that that

sounded fine; that he would be right over. He also stated that she must get all of the men out of the house before he arrived. This is being mentioned, as it is apparent that this is someone who is collecting from Ardell.

After some man had called Ardell relative to a girl who had met a friend of his and was out with this friend, Ardell called the house of Sally Earling and talked to Edna, inquiring if she was the girl who was out with this particular person. This is given to show the name of the additional prostitute who is probably on call for Ardell's house.

At about 11:10 a.m. Ardell called a Mr. Cravens at Prospect 3040, which is the local number for the C.I.T. office and arranged to collect a bill of \$25 for the services of "Kay". On this same day Ardell called Mildred Thatcher on her unlisted phone, Westlake 394 and had a general conversation of no value. From a telephone conversation it was ascertained that the William Bauer Company, 600 Bolivar Road, is probably the grocer of Ardell. This is given, as it may prove useful later on in this investigation. During the afternoon Ardell called Henderson 5577 and talked to someone who referred to her as auntie. This is the phone of H. S. Zarzour, 5400 Woodland Avenue. The telephone number, Sweetbriar 0698-W, has been previously reported as listed to Dr. H. S. Zarzour and as a bookie joint. This is probably the same person and is related to Ardell, the former number being that of the residence.

On August 22, 1936, Mrs. Weisenberg talked to Emma Zimmer at Kirtland 9-F-2, and during the conversation Mrs. Zimmer asked Mrs. Weisenberg to get in touch with Tony (evidently Tony Page, policeman), and get a gun for her husband. Mrs. Weisenberg then called Liberty 2627 and talked to Mrs. Tony Page, at which time they discussed the storm and the fact that Tony had the number and would call Mrs. Weisenberg and inform her of the owner thereof when he obtained the listing on same.

Tony later called back to Mrs. Weisenberg and informed her that the number was listed to an out-of-town party and he would have to write to Columbus for it. He then stated he could get the "rod" for "Zimmie", but that it would cost him something. She stated that that was ok, whereupon he said he would get it. Mrs. Weisenberg then called the Zimmer residence and talked to the daughter, informing her of the above facts to be relayed to her father. A boy called and talked to Mrs. Weisenberg, calling her Aunt Nellie, and referring to Nate as Uncle Nate. He told Mrs. Weisenberg he was out at that time at Geauga Lake and someone had stolen one of Nate's machines. She agreed to inform Nate and have him call Geauga Lake. This boy gave his name as Bernard.

From a telephone conversation and from subsequent contact with [REDACTED] it was learned that the son of Mrs. Weisenberg, Francis Weisenberg, is residing at 19050 South Lake Shore Boulevard. From the phone of Ardell Quinn Joe called to Woodbine 0597 and asked several questions relative to the flowers and groceries that were to be delivered there for the engagement party. This phone is listed to Edward Jacobs, 2111 West 105th Street. This is probably the residence of Joe fiancée.

On this same afternoon some girl called Republic 7071-M and carried on a conversation in some foreign language. This number is listed to Saleem Joseph, 10522 Woodland Avenue, upstairs. Late this afternoon a girl called Woodbine 9701, which is the Forest City Social Club, 3006 Lorain Avenue, proprietor - Lawrence Madden. This girl talked to someone by the name of Johnnie. After a long distance telephone call from Percy Mayas, New York City, to Elaine Mayas (Louise) and a general conversation relative to the home conditions in New York, the long distance operator in NYC talked to Louise and stated that Mayas had left the telephone booth owing the company \$1.05 on the call. Louise gave his address as 138 West 58th Street, New York City. The correct telephone number for Mayas as heretofore reported is Lehigh 4-9234, apartment 1-C.

On August 23, 1936, Nate Weisenberg called Glenville 3330 and talked to Tom, the switchboard operator at the Lake Shore Country Club, Lake Shore Boulevard and Eddy Road, and asked for Mr. Porter. Mr. Porter was not at the club and Weisenberg was told that he had not been there for the past two weeks. Weisenberg stated to Tom that he was the owner of the slot machines that were at the club, and he was told to take them out as a result of a letter to Porter from the Mayor. He stated that Porter had said he was going to see the Mayor or the officials of the city and fix it so that the machines could be returned to the club. He said he wanted to see Porter about going to the Mayor concerning the machines. Tom gave Weisenberg the office telephone number of Porter which was CHerry 5000. This number is listed to the Central National Bank, 308 Euclid Avenue.

Mr. Weisenberg called Aurora 490 and talked to Bill Coleman about the machine that was stolen on the previous night. This number is listed to the Geauga Lake Amusement Company, Geauga Lake, Ohio.

On the tap on the phones of Ardell Quinn on the 23rd, nothing happened that would be of interest to this investigation. Ardell made a few calls to Joe's filling station and other members of the family

relative to the party that was had on the night previous. She also called several hotels endeavoring to make a reservation for a friend of hers, name not mentioned.

On August 24, 1936, nothing of importance occurred on the tap of Weisenberg except at 8:45 p.m. some man called Mrs. Weisenberg and after a brief conversation she made arrangements to come over to his apartment. Immediately after she hung up the phone Special Agent W. B. Matney, who was covering the tap, heard someone on the line, not Mrs. Weisenberg, ask the operator for Michigan 3085. It should be noted that this telephone number is the number of the business operated by Weisenberg and Morris Haas at 4601 Harvard Avenue. This is shown as it may be another telephone tap on the telephone of Weisenberg.

On August 24, 1936, on the tap of Ardell Quinn the following was obtained: Ardell called Billy Bauer of the William Bauer Co., 600 Bolivar Road, and talked to him endeavoring to obtain his influence in obtaining a reservation at the Hollenden Hotel for one of her friends. This phone number is CHerry 3330. Afterward Ardell called Garfield 8036 and talked to someone there, asking for Kay. This person told her that Kay was indisposed at that time, but they would have her call back. This was done later and Ardell told her to come over, as all of the girls were out and some customer may drop in. This telephone number is listed to Kay Wilson, 1857 East 85th Street, suite #302.

On this same afternoon a Mr. Miller or Mellon called Ardell and stated he was from the Republican State Committee and wanted a contribution to the campaign. Ardell refused to give more, stating she had given \$25 for the primary election. Ardell called some real estate office and inquired about the property that was advertised for rent located on Euclid Avenue between 88th and 89th Streets. The rest of the calls from Ardell's house during this day were of routine nature and furnished no further information pertinent to this investigation.

Reference is made to the call made by Weisenberg to "Jones" at Fairmount 3884. This is the unlisted phone number for Hayward Jones, 1709 Coventry Road, downstairs.

At 7:30 a.m., August 25, 1936, Art Hebebrand called Nate Weisenberg and Weisenberg stated he wanted to see Art about the "druggist, Wan (phonetic) across the street- might rent part of his place to us for about five ---- you know what I mean. Think it over and let me know what you are going to do about it". At this Art answered, "Alright, I will. We could use a little more room." It would appear from the above

conversation that Weisenberg and Hebebrand are closely associated in some business, probably slot machines.

At 1 p.m. Mrs. Weisenberg called Nate at the Mayfair Casino and told him she had the car greased and ready and asked him if he thought they would be able to leave tomorrow. Nate stated he didn't know and repeatedly said, "I need money". Mrs. Weisenberg then called Mrs. Ollie Page at Liberty 2627, this number already having been reported, and discussed her plans for a two weeks vacation with Nate and the fact they may not be able to go.

On an incoming call Mrs. Weisenberg talked to a Mrs. Hayman. Mrs. Weisenberg stated that she and Nate had planned to go on a vacation, and she was afraid that Nate was going to take Mildred Thatcher with him. She explained to Mrs. Hayman that Nate would probably send her ahead of them and would spend part of his time with her upon their arrival at their destination. She stated that Nate took Mildred Thatcher before when they went to Atlantic City, sending her down ahead of them and living with her in Atlantic City. She stated that if they went on their vacation, she was going to insist that they go up thru Detroit and upper Michigan and that if Nate insisted on going to Atlantic City, she would know that he had already made his arrangements with Mildred Thatcher.

After the above conversation Mrs. Weisenberg called the St. Regis Hotel and asked the clerk if he had a Mildred Thatcher registered there. The clerk informed her that she was not registered, whereupon she asked if a Mrs. Weisenberg was registered. The answer was in the negative, whereupon Mrs. Weisenberg stated, "Humph ---that's funny. Thank you."

The above statements and conversations substantiate the previous belief that Mildred Thatcher is the paramour of Weisenberg. It may be advisable later on to interview Mildred Thatcher and also if Weisenberg is ever interviewed, the matter of the transportation of Thatcher to Atlantic City for immoral purposes may be brought to his attention.

On the tap of Ardell Quinn on August 25, 1936, nothing of material importance happened with the exception of the following: At 3:30 p.m. on an incoming call, some girl had a lengthy conversation with Ardell to get the listing on a telephone number for her. Ardell stated that she had a friend who is an official in the telephone company and that altho this friend was at present on vacation, she

thought she could obtain same for her. This telephone number was given to her as Cedar 9053-J. This number is listed to Kay McDonald, 1832 East 82nd Street.

From the conversations heard on previous days and the above conversation it was ascertained that the friend of Ardell in telephone company is a Mr. Kress. Inquiry thru Miss Hiller disclosed that this is A. J. Kress, who was formerly with the Public Relations Department and is at present in the Engineering Department of the Ohio Bell Telephone Company.

With reference to the 1936 Ohio license plates number T 450 N that was given to Mrs. Weisenberg by Mrs. Zimmer as being on the auto that was driven by the four men who came to her home asking for Mr. Zimmer, investigation by the Cincinnati office at Columbus, Ohio, discloses there is no such number in existence at present. The closest number to the above that has been issued is T 50 N and was issued to L. N. Strawser, 2779 Johnstown Pike, Columbus, Ohio, for a 1924 Ford coupe, motor No. 9037411.

On August 26, 1936, Nate Weisenberg talked to Morris Haas relative to placing some more machines. During this conversation it appeared that they were having some trouble and Weisenberg mentioned that "one of the men has broke with the organization". Haas in answer to this stated that Jimmie Sennata was in to see him yesterday and everything was closed down at his place. Special Agent C. E. Smith informed this agent that Jimmie Sennetta is a gambler and racketeer who operates in Canton, Ohio. This name may be spelled SINSETTA, as such a name was shown in the list of long distance telephone calls made from the office of Morris Haas.

On August 26, 1936, Ardell sent a telegram to a person whom she addressed as her mother. This message went to [redacted] Joe Genim called Prospect 9745 and placed a bet on the horse races. This is listed to the Open Door Cafe, 736 Prospect Avenue, and is evidently a bookie joint. Ardell called Garfield 8036 and asked to speak to Kay. She was out at this time, but subsequently Ardell got this girl to come over to her house to fill a date. This is listed to Kay Wilson, 1857 East 85th Street, apartment #302.

On this same day Ardell accepted a long distance telephone call from Miss Helen Claude from Joplin, Missouri. This conversation in substance was to the effect that Helen wanted to come to Cleveland to work for Ardell and Ardell stated she would like for her to come. It seems this girl has worked for Ardell before, and Ardell asked when she had seen Gladys, to which she answered she had seen her last week in St. Louis. Helen stated she would come to Cleveland on Saturday, September 5, 1936. This is shown as it may develop information as to a violation of the White Slave Traffic Act when Ardell is later interviewed.

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Louise (Elaine Mayas) accepted a long distance telephone call from her mother in [redacted] at which time they discussed that trial which will probably ensue relative to the difficulty being experienced with Irene, the sister of Louise. During this conversation Louise told her mother she was going to New York City and that the best address she could be reached at was 77 Lenox Avenue. It is noted that this is not the address that she gave for Percy Mayas, and it is thought this is either a house of prostitution or the headquarters for a White Slave Ring operating in New York. A letter is being directed to the New York office informing it of the above fact.

Several men came into Ardell's place, evidently, and Ardell was endeavoring to obtain some girls for them. She called the following numbers to get girls, but could find no one in at this time:

Several numbers she called have already been reported.
Cedar 5042. This is listed to Miss Theo. Cornell, 1591 Crawford Road, apartment No. 6; Henderson 1077, being listed to Geraldine Ames, 1626 East 77th Street, apartment No. 203; and Garfield 6583, being listed to Margaret Miller, 1820 East 97th Street, apartment No. 6.

On August 27, 1936, nothing of any consequence occurred with the possible exception that on this morning Nate called the eighth precinct station and left a message to have Sergeant Gallagher call him at the Mayfair Casino. On the tap of the telephone of Ardell Quinn on this date there was nothing except a repetition of calls that have already been reported.

On August 28, 1936, from the home of Weisenberg Mrs. Weisenberg had a conversation with Noonan. This conversation was relative to Nate and his business, at which time Noonan told Mrs. Weisenberg he had warned Nate about becoming involved with Sam Haas and the rest of the crowd in Cleveland. She stated that Nate was mad this morning relative to the fact that some of the machines had been taken out and that when he left he said he was going down to see "Ness". Ness is Eliot Ness, Director of Public Safety.

Later on this same date Nate called Morris Haas and told him he was worried about the trial coming up in the morning and he thought it wise to employ either Stanton or Jim Connell to represent them, as they were both Republicans and would make a good impression on the jury. Nate later called Sam Haas at his home and told Sam Haas of his intentions. Sam Haas told Nate, "Don't be a damn fool, we don't need him, (Stanton). What the hell's wrong with you? You act silly."

Nate said, "Didn't you hear what happened tonight? They had to come to OUR place for help. I think we ought to do something." Sam Haas then said, "I didn't hear a damn thing about it and I don't care to. I will hear tomorrow. Now, don't be silly and get Stanton."

Immediately after this conversation Nate called Art Hebebrand and asked him what happened at the Club tonight, stating they came up to his place and had to borrow \$5,000. He also stated that Art should call Maxie and see how they were getting along. He also stated that Shimmy Patton was at the club on this night. Art informed him he had not heard about this, and he would immediately call and find out what it was all about.

With reference to the above conversations it is thought it is in connection with the trial of the owners of the teleflash machines that was mentioned in the following morning's newspapers.

The log relative to the tap on the phone of Ardell Quinn was unproductive on this date, as the calls made were a repetition of calls heretofore reported.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent J. B. Fitzgerald 8-25-36 relative to persons called on the telephone from the house of Ardell Quinn: As to Katherine Kerr, 2038 Cornell Road, suite #9, telephone number CEDar 5250, who from conversation heard on the tap of Ardell Quinn apparently operates a house of prostitution at this address, investigation reflects that 2038 Cornell Road in Cleveland, Ohio, is the Mayfair Apartments, a modern, four-floor, brick apartment building, one block south of Euclid Avenue in a fine residential section of the city. The entire vicinity is devoted to apartment buildings, which are very modern and apparently occupied by respectable people. The call plate in the entrance of this building reflects that suite #9 is occupied by J. K. Kerr. Agent noticed nothing to indicate the nature of the business carried on in suite #9, if any. Conversation with J. H. Brown, custodian, failed to develop any information relative to the occupants of this suite or that anything irregular took place therein; of course, this suite or this person was not referred to by agent.

As to Mildred Thatcher, 24463 Westlake Road, Cleveland, Ohio, phone 394 (unlisted, investigation developed this place is in the Village of Bay, part of Greater Cleveland, but about 12 miles from the center of the city and is a two-story, frame house built in a wooded section on Lake Road. This place is a well kept up residence painted green and white,

surrounded by many flowers and shrubs and has the appearance of respectability. Agent made inquiry at this place as to where in that vicinity Mr. Mike Karcher, a fictitious person, lived and was advised by a rather elderly woman who answered the door that her name was Thatcher, and as she had lived there only a short time, she did not know where Mike Karcher lived. As this telephone tap reflects a prostitute at this address by the name of Mildred Thatcher, it is probable this elderly person is her mother, who also was mentioned on this tap as Mom.

Conversation on this tap indicates that Nate Weisenberg is going away on a trip and is going to take Mildred Thatcher with him; therefore, a mail cover will be placed immediately on the mail of Mrs. Thatcher, mother of Mildred, in order to know where Nate Weisenberg takes Mildred in view of a possible White Slave Traffic violation involving these two.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent J. B. Fitzgerald on 8-24-36, based upon information in the report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn dated at Cleveland, Ohio, 5-5-36, to the effect that John Brock stated if the members of the Barker-Karpis gang came to Cleveland, they probably would stop at the Gordon Square Hotel.

Mrs. E. J. Wagner, Manager for the Gordon Square Hotel, at the corner of West 65th and Detroit, Cleveland, Ohio, stated she has been manager of this hotel since the 1st of May, 1936 and had nothing to do with it prior to this time. She examined photos of the members of this gang and stated none of them looked familiar to her, except the photo of John Brock, which she said looked like someone she had seen before but she did not know when or where and was quite sure he had not been at this hotel since she became manager.

Mrs. Wagner stated that Mrs. S. Wright, former manager of this hotel, has sold out her interest therein and is now living somewhere in the east, but her address can be obtained from her son, Mr. H. Warner Wright, 834 Helmsdale Avenue, East Cleveland, Ohio, telephone number MUlberry 8862. Mr. H. Warner Wright when contacted by telephone advised that his mother's present address is Mrs. S. Wright, Whitehouse Tea Room, Stonington Road, Westerly, Rhode Island. Mrs. Wagner further stated that the only hotel employee presently employed who was employed at this hotel prior to May 1 of this year is Mr. Bailer, an elevator operator.

Mr. L. J. Bailer, elevator operator at the hotel above mentioned, stated he has been employed here for the last several years and lives here. Photos of the members of the Barker-Karpis gang were displayed to Bailer but no identifications were made. Bailer looked at each one intently, then stated none of them resembled any persons he had ever seen before at this hotel or elsewhere.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS

The CLEVELAND OFFICE at CLEVELAND, OHIO, will obtain listings of automobile registrations observed in the vicinity of the Harvard Club, Newburg Heights, and conduct any inquiries indicated in connection with this investigation. Will pursue investigation thru police employes and records relative to probable "tipoff" to gang following arrests of Harmon, Sawyer and Burdette women on September 5, 1934.

The group of agents assigned to the harboring investigation in this case at Toledo has been requested to make appropriate inquiries thru informants and otherwise as to the crap dealer named BILL, referred to by Charles Sellers in order to locate him for interview.

Will interview Mrs. Pearl Flower, 804 Lakeview Avenue, saleswoman for the Bogen Silk Underwear Company, for knowledge of location of houses of prostitution and operations thereof. Secure listing of 1936 Ohio license GA 580, a car bearing this license having been observed making delivery of a slot machine on Euclid Avenue. Will continue investigation to locate a person connected with the Harvard Club in 1934 who can be approached for information.

Will maintain contact with [redacted] informant, as to the Harvard Club setup and endeavor to have him ascertain the identity and location of the crap dealer named BILL.

Effect installation of telephone tap on Mayfair Casino as to Nate Weisenberg.

Pursue investigation with respect to Sharkey (Smokey) Gorman in view of possibility he may lead us to Milton Lett; also to ascertain his place of residence and possibly maintain surveillance in order to get data concerning the Harvard Club.

Maintain contact with Walter Walker in the Office of the Director of Public Safety, Elliot Ness, for additional information of value.

Endeavor to re-contact Dorothy Taylor, prostitute informant.

Will bear in mind long distance call of 8-2 36 received by Ardell Quinn from Helen Claude, Joplin, Missouri, as this may become the basis of a WSTA charge against the Quinn woman and furnish us with some definite basis for proceeding against her.

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1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

September 2, 1936

Special Agent in Charge
Indianapolis, Indiana

Re: Brekid

Dear Sir:

In connection with the harboring investigation being conducted at Toledo, Ohio, in the above-captioned matter it has been established that various members of the Barker-Karpis gang in the summer of 1934 visited Middle Island, which is located in Canadian waters in Lake Erie about fifty miles from Toledo, Ohio, and about ten miles from Lakeside, Ohio. This island is owned by Joe Roscoe, a notorious character at Toledo, who also controlled the island in 1934 and is allied, to some extent, with Bert and Ted Angus, brothers, who operated the Casino Club in Lakeside, a suburb of Toledo in 1934, which place was a hangout for the gang.

Joe Roscoe in 1934 owned a speed boat called the "Rainbow", and Ted Angus had a speed boat named the "Hay", both of which boats were used on trips to Middle Island, and it is thought that some members of the gang were transported to the island in said boats. On occasions these boats would tie up at Lakeside, Ohio, at Brown's Boat Service, operated by William R. Brown. In the summer of 1934 one Spencer Sweeney of Toledo, Ohio, who is a cousin of Mr. Arthur Sweeney of the Files Section of the Bureau, was employed by Brown's Boat Service driving various boats of that company with fishing parties to Middle Island and also driving parties who rented boats for excursions or pleasure trips, and it is reported that on several occasions during that summer he drove Joe Roscoe in one of Brown's boats from Lakeside, Ohio, to Middle Island.

It has been ascertained that Spencer Sweeney is presently located in Gas City, Indiana, where he is employed by the Owens-Illinois Glass Company. It is requested that you immediately interview him, exhibiting to him the latest photographs of Doc Barker, Fred Barker, Alvin Karpis, Willie Harrison, Harry Campbell, Jimmie Wilson, Slim Gibson, Wynona Burdette, Dolores Delaney, Edna Murray and the enclosed photograph of Captain George Timiney of the Toledo, Ohio, Police Department, and as-

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certain whether he ever observed any of these individuals riding in the speed boats of Ted Angus or Joe Roscoe or visiting on Middle Island, and if so, that complete details be obtained. He should also be interrogated as to whether he recalls an incident in the summer of 1934 concerning the boat of Ted Angus or Joe Roscoe being docked at the Brown Boat Service and several men and women calling at the boat house late at night, waking up the night watchman and securing the services of the latter in driving either the boat of Ted Angus or Joe Roscoe to Middle Island where the party remained for several days before returning, and if this incident is recalled by him, the name of the watchman should be secured, the identities of the persons who were in the party established and all other details obtained.

He should be further questioned as to any rumors he heard of the Barker-Karpis gang or any gang living in the vicinity of Lakeside, Ohio, or on Middle Island; also, the names of persons who most frequently visited Middle Island with Ted Angus and Joe Roscoe, as well as the names of persons who, although legitimate, made a practice of going to the island for pleasure and the names of employees on the island, the purpose of such an inquiry being to locate persons who may be able to recall events on the island in 1934. The whole purpose of the interview with Sweeney should be to place members of the Barker-Karpis gang in the company of Ted or Bert Angus, Joe Roscoe or George Timiney or as being in the vicinity of Lakeside, Ohio, or at Middle Island.

Bert Angus was arrested on November 31, 1931, by the Michigan State Police, charged with the robbery of a bank at Kendallville, Ind., on October 16, 1931, and returned to the Indiana city for trial. It is reported from various sources at Toledo that a detective from the police department at Toledo went to Kendallville, Indiana, and 'fixed' the case. One story is to the effect that it was Detective Art Langendorf who did this. Another story is to the effect that Captain George Timiney of the Toledo Police Department went to Kendallville and paid the principal witness who positively identified Bert Angus as one of the bank robbers, \$800 to 'back up' on his identification, but that after this sum was paid, the witness demanded more money, and Captain George Timiney arranged to pay the additional money in a room which he equipped with a dictaphone and arranged for the prosecuting attorney or some other witness to listen to the 'pay-off', which was done, resulting in discrediting the value of the expected testimony of the witness to such an extent that it was necessary to release Bert Angus.

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It is requested that you conduct appropriate investigation to determine the part played by any Toledo detective in the case against Bert Angus at Kendallville, Indiana, in order to prove or disprove the above-set out rumors.

It is also requested that all of the above-requested investigation be given expeditious attention, inasmuch as the harboring investigation at Toledo, Ohio, is being brought to a conclusion, and this information is desired at an early date in order to be available at the time certain subjects are questioned at Toledo.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MAC FARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1 THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT		CINCINNATI, OHIO		FILE NO. 7-63	
REPORT MADE AT Washington, D. C.	DATE WHEN MADE 9/5/36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 8/21 & 22/36	REPORT MADE BY W. M. SIRENE WMS:IJ		
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS with aliases; ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING HARBORING OF FUGITIVES OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT		
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</p> <p>George G. Rorke not presently occupying office #214 Munsey Building, Washington, D. C., and unknown to M. A. Hannon, superintendent of this building. Rorke not listed in Washington city directories since 1924; not presently residing and unknown at his former residence at 3420 16th Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. No record of forwarding address for Rorke at Washington, D. C., Post Office.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P.</p>					
<p>Reference: Report of Special Agent H. C. Leslie, New York, New York, dated 8/19/36; Bureau letter to Philadelphia Office dated 8/12/36.</p>					
<p>Details: At Washington, D. C.:</p> <p>M. A. Hannon, superintendent, Munsey Building, advised Agent that George Gordon Rorke is unknown to him and is not presently occupying office #214 in this building. Mr. Hannon produced his records which indicate that George G. Rorke occupied office #214 in the Munsey Building from May 1, 1921 to September 18, 1921, and paid rent of \$35.00 per month. Agent examined the records and observed that they contained no information which would assist in locating Rorke.</p>					
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: J.M. Keith		SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE		DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES	
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Agent examined the city directories for Washington, D. C., from 1921 through 1936 and noted that George G. Rorke was listed in the directories from 1921 through 1924. It is noted that during this period Rorke resided in apartment 407, 3420 - 16th Street, N. W.; that he was employed by the Safe Cabinet Company in 1921 as a salesman; that he was employed with the Hooven Automatic Typewriter Company in 1923 as a salesman, and that he was employed as sales manager for the Silent Equipment Company in 1924. Rorke was not listed in the city directories from 1924 through 1936.

Mrs. Lewis Lynn, South Brook Apartments, 3420 - 16th Street, N. W., was interviewed by Agent and she advised that she has resided in this apartment building for the past twenty years and that she was employed as a telephone operator there in 1924. She recalled Rorke lived at this apartment house from approximately 1921 until 1924, and that he left the apartment, stating that he was going out west. Mrs. Lynn further advised that while Rorke lived at the apartment he had very few friends, and when he left he did not leave a forwarding address. She was unable to furnish any other information which might assist in locating Rorke.

Mr. Thompson, superintendent of carriers, Washington, D. C., Post Office, advised the writer that there was no record of a forwarding address left by George G. Rorke. He further stated that the apartment located at 3420 - 16th Street, N. W., in 1924 was covered by Leo Ruppel. He advised that Ruppel was discharged several years ago for drunkenness and is not presently employed at the Washington Post Office.

Mr. C. E. Bush, manager, Hooven Automatic Typewriter Company, 718 - 14th Street, was interviewed telephonically and was unable to recall Rorke's ever having been employed as a salesman with this company.

It should be noted that reference letter indicates that 500 Sub-machine Guns were alleged to have been shipped to G. G. Rorke, Mansey Building, Washington, D. C., during June, 1921, and

that these guns were confiscated by the United States Secret Service, Washington, D. C., during the same month. In this connection, Agent interviewed Mr. John S. Tucker, Operator in Charge, United States Secret Service, Treasury Building. Mr. Tucker caused a search to be made of the records of the Secret Service and was unable to furnish any information concerning George G. Rorke.

It should also be noted that George G. Rorke was the subject of an investigation by the Washington Field Office in June, 1921, in which Rorke was alleged to have been connected with Sinn Fein activities, which involved a shipment of firearms to Ireland. This information is incorporated in Washington Field Office closed case No. 5890. No information concerning Rorke's probable present location was obtained from this file.

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1446 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

September 3, 1936

Special Agent in Charge
New York City

Re: Brekid

Dear Sir:

In connection with the harboring investigations now being conducted at Toledo and Cleveland, Ohio, relative to persons who harbored the fugitives in this case, it has become desirable to ascertain whether photographs of the various fugitives appeared along with articles in "Startling Detective Mysteries" during the years 1934 and 1935.

Accordingly, you are requested to have an appropriate search made of the files of this magazine. If any such articles or photographs are located, it is desired that copies of the issues in question be obtained and forwarded to the Cleveland field office. It is my information that this magazine is published by Midwest Distributors, Fawcett Building, Greenwich, Connecticut.

It will be greatly appreciated if you will have this inquiry expedited.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MAC FARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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Transmit the following Teletype message to:

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PHONE. BREXID. THIS OFFICE DOES NOT HAVE PHOTOGRAPHS OF WILLIE HARRISON, WYNONA BURDETTE AND DOLORES DELANEY. FORWARD THEIR MOST RECENT PHOTOGRAPHS IMMEDIATELY TO AGENT S B LANDRUM, HOTEL KEENAN, FORT WAYNE INDIANA. WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR FORWARDING COPY MOST RECENT PHOTOGRAPH OF ALL OTHER PERSONS MENTIONED YOUR LETTER, SECOND INSTANT, EXCEPT TIMINEY, TO LANDRUM THERE. HE IS PROCEEDING IMMEDIATELY TO KENDALLVILLE AND SHOULD HAVE PHOTOGRAPHS TOMORROW.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

September 3, 1936

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Re: Brekid

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to telephone conversation of September 2, 1936, between Mr. E. A. Tamm and Special Agent S. K. McKee, in which Bureau authority was given to transfer the tap on the telephone of Nate Weisenberg from his home telephone at 3558 Raymond Boulevard to his business telephone at the Mayfair Casino, 1511 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio. This tap was installed on September 3, 1936, by Special Agents J. M. Jones and J. E. Brennan and is being manned by Special Agents V. I. Parry and W. B. Matney.

You are advised that this setup involves the covering of three dial telephones. The original information obtained from the Ohio Bell Telephone Company here was to the effect that only one phone was located in the premises. It has been ascertained, however, that the Mayfair Casino is equipped with a switchboard containing three trunk lines.

Two dial recording sets are available for use on this tap. Telephonic communication has been had with the Cincinnati office, and it is sending an additional set to Cleveland for use in this surveillance. As soon as this set has served its purpose, it will be returned to the Cincinnati field office.

You are being advised of this situation, inasmuch as authority to install a tap at the Mayfair Casino was only requested as to one telephone. It is being presumed, however, that this authority will also run as to the additional phones, inasmuch as all three phones are used by Nate Weisenberg. In the event the authority granted does not cover this situation, I will appreciate your advice in the premises.

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Very truly yours,

J. P. MAC FARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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7-378-12768 September 18, 1936
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Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir: Re: BREKID

Reference is made to your letter dated September 8, 1936, concerning the transfer of the telephone tap on the telephone of Kate Weisenberg from his home telephone to his business telephone at the Mayfair Casino.

The Bureau authorizes that all three telephones in the place of business of Kate Weisenberg be tapped, but if these telephones do not have the same telephone number as designated in the prior authority granted you, it is requested that the additional telephone numbers be furnished the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Baughman
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Carson
Mr. Egan
Mr. Gurnea
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Hendon
Mr. Jones
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Nease
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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.
September 2, 1936.

Time - 3:07 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Special Agent S. K. McKee telephoned me from Cleveland with reference to their investigation of the harboring cases arising out of the Bremer Case. He said that they have had a telephone tap on the telephone of Weisberg for some time out there, and in talking with Mr. Connelley today, Mr. Connelley suggested that the tap be shifted from the residence telephone of this man to his business telephone. Mr. McKee was calling to request authority to place the tap on the business telephone of this man.

I granted this authority.

Mr. McKee said that Special Agent V. I. Parry, who is working on one of the telephone taps in this matter, has been instructed to report to Mr. Clegg on the morning of September 8, 1936 for six weeks' assignment. He said he was wondering if the Bureau wanted specifically Parry, and if so, if someone is going to be transferred in there to take his place.

I told Mr. McKee that I was sure we specifically wanted Parry, and told him that another man would be transferred in there to replace him.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

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Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Glavin	
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Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
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September 4, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. E. J. McCLURE,
CHIEF OF BUREAU.

There are transmitted herewith five 1034 vouchers in favor of the Hertz Drive-It Stations, 620 Water Street, Toledo, Ohio, in the amounts of \$6.10, \$21.00, \$24.50, \$24.00 and \$24.00, which represent payment for the rental of automobiles by Special Agents of this Bureau.

In explanation of the matter, you are advised that it was essential that these automobiles be rented in order to conduct an investigation in connection with the Bremer Kidnaping Case. It was imperative that certain individuals be kept under constant surveillance by Special Agents of the Bureau and, because of this fact, it was not possible to keep a record of the points visited and the mileage between such points. There were no Government owned automobiles available for this work and the cars rented were the cheapest means of transportation obtainable.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

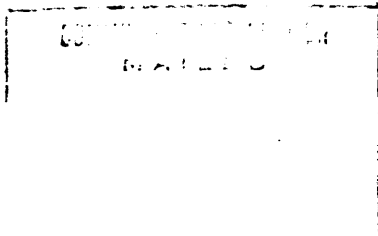
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Post Office Box 812,
Chicago, Illinois.

September 4, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Sir,

Re: BREKID

As requested in your letter of September 1st, 1936, four copies of each of the photographs which you enclosed with your letter have been prepared at this Office and are being returned to you herewith, together with the negatives which you enclosed.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge

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1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

September 4, 1936

Special Agent in Charge
Indianapolis, Indiana

Re: Brekid

Dear Sir:

During the course of investigation in this matter at Cleveland, Ohio, information has been obtained that one Rex Graham, #1 Waltham Street, telephone number 3703, Hammond, Indiana, was formerly employed as a dealer at the Harvard Club, a well-known gambling establishment in Newburgh Heights, a suburb of Cleveland.

In connection with the harboring investigation now being conducted in Cleveland it has become desirable to locate some former employee or person affiliated with the Harvard Club, who can be approached for information concerning the personnel of this place and for data as to persons who frequented the place in the past, particularly during 1934 and 1935.

With this idea in mind it is requested that investigation be made at Hammond, Indiana, to learn the present address of Rex Graham, also that inquiry be made to secure information as to his reliability and past record in order that it may be determined whether he can be approached for information. For your information the above address of Graham was secured through a telephone tap, and at the time this address was the place of residence of his wife.

Kindly expedite this inquiry as the information is needed at the earliest possible time.

Very truly yours,

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J. P. MAC FARLAND

Special Agent in Charge

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

September 4, 1936

TECHNICAL LABORATORY

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

There are being forwarded, under separate cover, three bullets and shells of .25 caliber, one each of Peters, Western and Rem U. M. C. manufacture, and three bullets and shells of .32 caliber, one each of Peters, Western and Rem U. M. C. manufacture.

The .25 caliber bullets were fired from a .25 caliber Colt automatic bearing serial number 392863 on September 3, 1936 by Patrolman Lloyd Trunk of the City of Cleveland Police Department, Ballistics Bureau. This gun was found on September 6, 1934 by Lieutenant K. Gloecknew of the Cleveland Police Department in a house located at 4419 West 171st Street, which had been occupied by member of the Karpis gang.

NO PREVIOUS RECORD AS LISTED S. P. I.

The .32 caliber bullets were fired from a .32 caliber Colt automatic bearing serial number 308548 on September 3, 1936 by Patrolman Lloyd Trunk. This gun was found on September 5, 1934 by Detectives Harry Hugo and Joe Jacobs in a Ford coach, the property of M. L. Bradford, which was an alias used by Fred Barker.

It is respectfully requested that the Technical Laboratory compare the bullets and shells with other bullets and shells of like caliber now on file at the Bureau, and such other investigation as is deemed advisable.

Both pistols are presently being retained by the Cleveland Police Department. The Laboratory number appearing on each box is the Cleveland Police Laboratory number.

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Very truly yours,

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Cincinnati, Chicago

J. P. MacFarland
Special Agent in Charge

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1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

September 4, 1936

Special Agent in Charge
New York City

Re: Brekin

Dear Sir:

In connection with the harboring investigation now being conducted at Toledo, Ohio, in connection with the above-entitled case, it has been established that one Maxine Belmont Thomas is apparently the leading madam in the prostitution racket in Toledo, and a telephone tap is being maintained on her telephone. She is living with one Johnny Thomas, who operates a gambling spot in the downtown section of the city and also appears to be involved in some other racket, as indicated by the following conversation overheard on the telephone of Maxine Belmont Thomas:

9-2-36 1:00 a.m. long distance telephone call from Adams 1556, Toledo to Melrose 8-9363, New York City:

John Thomas speaking: Hello, Karty, how are you?
Karty speaking: Alright, how are you?
Johnny: Kind of worried a bit.
Karty: What's the matter?
Johnny: Don't know where the rap went in, but can't make a go of it in the club.
Karty: How's that?
Johnny: Somebody put the rap in that they were phoney and the Shamuses (Jewish for police) are on the job again.
Karty: Can you do anything about it?
Johnny: Going to write you a letter to show and a clipping.
Karty: Is it serious?
Johnny: No, it will probably blow over, but it woke up Senny's men again. You know, my Uncle Sam's men.
Karty: How did it happen?
Johnny: Out of the hundred thousand the girl in the hotel had to approach one of those guys!
Karty: That's too bad.

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Thereafter in a subsequent conversation on the same date between Maxine Thomas and Johnny Thomas he asked her to write a letter to Marty and tell him about having the stuff out in about ten or twenty spots.

It is requested that you conduct an investigation immediately in order to ascertain the racket in which Marty is engaged, together with his reputation, record and connections, but he should not be directly contacted. It is thought that the conversations quoted above may refer to lottery tickets or counterfeit money. In the event any federal violation over which the FBI has investigative jurisdiction is uncovered, appropriate action should be instituted.

In view of the situation now existing at Toledo, Ohio, in the harboring investigation, it is desired that this office receive the results of your investigation in this matter at the earliest date possible.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MAC FARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

ECS:h

cc: Bureau
Cincinnati
St. Paul
Chicago

T e l e t y p e

Cleveland, Ohio

September 5, 1936

SAC INDIANAPOLIS

PHONE. BREKID. REFERENCE YOUR TELETYPE

SEPTEMBER FOURTH. IT IS DESIRED THAT CARROLL HAMMOND OF STAR CITY INDIANA AND ANY OTHER WITNESSES KENDALVILLE BANK ROBBERY BE VIGOROUSLY INTERVIEWED AS OUTLINED MY LETTER OF SEPTEMBER SECOND. ALSO THAT THOROUGH INVESTIGATION BE CONDUCTED THRU PROSECUTING ATTORNEY WHO WAS IN OFFICE AT TIME OF ROBBERY AND TRIAL. FURNISH RESULTS INVESTIGATION EARLIEST POSSIBLE DATE

MAC FARLAND

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cc: Bureau
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Chicago
St. Paul

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1448 Standard Building

Cleveland, Ohio

September 8, 1936

Special Agent in Charge
Chicago, Illinois

Re: Brekid

Dear Sir:

There are attached hereto three snapshot photographs, one being a group picture including Mr. and Mrs. John Stover (so marked), one being a photograph of John Stover and one being a photograph of Mrs. John Stover.

It is requested that six copies of each photograph be made and forwarded with the original to the Cleveland field office.

It is also requested that at least one copy of each photograph be forwarded to the Bureau, and the St. Paul and Cincinnati field offices.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MAC FARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Transmit the following Teletype message to: CLEVELAND BUREAU OFFICE

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FBI INDIANAPOLIS 9-4-36 4-45 PM CST LM
 SAC CLEVELAND
 PHONE. BREKID. REFERENCE YOUR LETTER SEPTEMBER TWO. SPENCER SWEENEY
 NOW REPORTED RESIDING ONE ONE THREE NAUGHT SYLVANIA AVENUE TOLEDO OHIO,
 REPORTED EMPLOYED AT CLOSURE SERVICE, A SUBSIDIARY OF OWEN-ILLINOIS
 GLASS COMPANY TOLEDO OHIO. WITNESS TO ROBBERY OF BANK AT KENDALLVILLE
 INDIANA, REFERRED TO IN LAST PARAGRAPH PAGE TWO OF YOUR LETTER, IS
 SAID TO BE CARROLL HAMMOND OF STAR CITY INDIANA. IMMEDIATELY ADVISE
 DO YOU WANT HAMMOND INTERVIEWED CONCERNING ALLEGATIONS CONTAINED IN
 LAST PARAGRAPH PAGE TWO OF YOUR LETTER AND PHOTOGRAPHS WHICH YOU FORWARDED
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Approved: _____
 Special Agent in Charge

Sent _____ M Per _____

903 Pacific Commerce Building
437 South Hill Street
Los Angeles, California

September 8, 1936

Special Agent in Charge
CINCINNATI, OHIO.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, FUGITIVE,
I.O. #1232; et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.
Kidnaping; Harboring of
Fugitives; Obstruction of
Justice; National Firearms Act.

Dear Sir:

Further investigation has been made at
Beverly Hills, California, in an effort to secure additional in-
formation about the parties mentioned in the teletype from the
Cincinnati Office dated June 2, 1936.

Captain M. L. Vallance of the Beverly
Hills Police Department stated that on July 23, 1936, Miss
Katherine Tuttle reported to him about this matter, and at
that time he prepared the following report:

Miss Katherine Tuttle, Beverly Hills Hotel,
daughter of Mr. Fred G. Tuttle, 3980 Rosehill Ave.,
Cincinnati, who is Vice President of the Peters Ammuni-
tion Co. and some time ago was swindled out of approx-
imately \$30,000.00 by a couple of men who are interna-
tional crooks. No. 1 visited them in their home in Cin-
cincinnati and he was known to them by the name of Anthony
Huntington, alias Hutchinson; description of this party:
slender, bent shoulders, thin brown hair, high forehead,
small beady eyes with red rings around them, claims to
have gotten these rings in the war, said his age was 45,
but could not say for 36, is about 5-5 and supposed to be a
Canadian. This man is wanted by the Washington author-
ities and possibly several others. No. 2 who goes with
him under the name of Sir Mark Wilkinson, claims to be a
director of the Vickers but believe his right name is

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Cincinnati, Ohio

September 3, 1936

William Head, this man is wanted by the Cincinnati authorities.

It seems as if these people are very anxious to find out if the Tuttle family was coming to California and what they intended to do.

Yesterday Miss Tuttle received a phone call from a party asking her if she wanted to buy a home. She stated that they were in the market for a house but had someone negotiating for one. She asked this party for his name and phone number and the address of the house and she would find out if the party negotiating for them had this house on their list. The voice sounded so strange that she became suspicious, they gave the name as Tregoe and the address as 511 N. Roxbury Dr. but she knew the party on the phone was receiving instructions from another party what to say. Miss Tuttle neglected to make a note of the phone number.

I checked the 1932 Directory and find that Tregoe is registered as the owner of this house, but 1935 does not show this name. Miss Tuttle went to this address today and interviewed the gardener, he stated that a slender short man comes there about once a week and thinks he is a Canadian. Miss Tuttle saw a man as she was leaving whom she believes to be Dutchman, alias Anthony Huntington, an International crook.

Miss Tuttle's mother writes for the Saturday Evening Post and is a very prominent citizen and any further information on the above case can be had by calling them or writing to them over the week-end at Casa Manana, LaJolla; they expect to be back in Beverly some time next week. She would like to have an investigation made and believe it would be a feather in the cap of Beverly Hills Police if these two men were arrested.

SAC
Cincinnati, Ohio

September 3, 1936

Chief Davies of Los Angeles Police has all the data on this case, but if these men are living in Beverly and operating out of Beverly she would like to have the Beverly Police get the credit as she is positive these men are wanted in several States.

Captain Vallance stated that he sent a copy of the above report to the State Bureau of Identification at Sacramento, and also the Federal Bureau of Investigation at Washington, D.C., but that he did not receive a reply from those agencies, and on account of the failure to get a reply took it for granted that neither Bureau was able to find that any of these parties were wanted.

Inquiry was made at the Beverly Hills Hotel and it was ascertained that Margaretta Tuttle left a forwarding address from that hotel to Casa Manana, La Jolla, and about two weeks ago sent a forwarding order for her mail to be sent to 1027 Olive Street, Coronado, California.

No effort is being made to interview Miss Tuttle at Coronado, as it is understood at the Beverly Hills Hotel that she has either returned to her home in Cincinnati, or will return there in the near future.

Very truly yours,

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cc-Bureau

J. H. HANSON,
Special Agent in Charge.

1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

September 5, 1936

Special Agent in Charge
Detroit, Michigan

Re: Brekid

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to letters from the Cleveland field office to you under dates of June 29 and July 15, 1936, in which certain investigation was requested as to the employees of the Pittsburgh Steamship Company.

The situation at Toledo, Ohio, at this time with respect to the harboring inquiry being conducted there is such that it is highly desirable to secure the results of the above referred to investigation at as early a time as possible. It is particularly desirable to know the location of Charles Becker, in order that interview with him may be conducted without delay. In this connection it is to be stated that you are only requested to ascertain the location of Becker as he is to be interviewed by an agent entirely familiar with the Toledo situation.

It will be greatly appreciated if you will advise this office of the results of your investigation as it is necessary to bring the harboring investigation at Toledo, Ohio, to an expeditious conclusion.

Very truly yours,

SKM:
cc: Bureau
Cincinnati
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J. P. MAC FARLAND
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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

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Washington, D. C.

September 3, 1935.

WILLIAM E. NEED

ATTEMPTS TO DEFEAT IDENTIFICATION BY THE
MUTILATION OF FINGERS PROVE FUTILE

The futility of the efforts of criminals to mutilate their fingers to defeat their identification through their fingerprints has been proven again by the case of William E. Need, who was arrested as Charles E. Carter by the Northampton, Massachusetts, Police Department on July 12, 1935, for investigation.

Several times previous to his arrest this individual, who was known as Charles E. Carter, approached a building contractor in Northampton, Massachusetts, stating that he represented a wealthy man of Philadelphia and New York, who desired to construct a number of houses in Northampton. Carter submitted a series of blueprints containing the plans of the proposed houses to the contractor, who noticed that the name of the designing architect had been removed from the blueprints. The contractor's suspicions having been aroused, he reported to a Sergeant of the Northampton Police the facts concerning his negotiations with Carter. Since these negotiations did not constitute a violation of a law for which the Sergeant could take Carter into custody, the Sergeant examined the registration card for the automobile which Carter had in his possession. Investigation revealed that the registration card was for a touring car having a different serial number from that of the sedan Carter had in his possession. Consequently, the Sergeant placed Carter under arrest for violation of the automobile laws.

Carter was then fingerprinted by the Northampton Police Department, at which time it was discovered that the bulbs of his fingers were scarred and that it was practically impossible to obtain impressions of the fingers showing complete characteristics. The Northampton Police questioned Carter to ascertain his true identity, realizing that if he had attempted to mutilate his fingers he was apparently not an ordinary criminal. Carter refused to furnish any information concerning himself except that his name was Charles E. Carter, and that he was born in San Francisco on December 25, 1870. With reference to the scars appearing on his fingers, Carter stated that these were the results of burns he had received while on a camping trip.

The fingerprints of this individual were received in the Federal Bureau of Investigation by air mail from the Northampton Police Department at noon on July 12, 1935. Since it was obvious that the fingerprints recorded on the fingerprint card received from the Northampton Police were those of a person whose fingers had in some way been scarred, a search of these prints was conducted under various possible classifications. This search resulted in the disclosure that Carter was identical with one William E. Need, with aliases, who possessed an extensive criminal record, as reflected by the files in the Identification Division of the Bureau.

In addition, it was ascertained that Carter, as William Elmer Need, was wanted for bond forfeiture by the United States Marshal at Jacksonville, Florida, and the postal authorities at Atlanta, Georgia, and New York City. Further, this

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individual was identified as being the William E. Lead who was wanted for questioning by the Bureau in connection with his activities in the Bremer kidnaping case. This information was furnished telegraphically to the Northampton Police. However, it was ascertained that he had been released by the Northampton authorities on a \$200 bond for appearance at a hearing in connection with his violation of the automobile laws, and subsequently had disappeared. In this connection it may be stated that the Northampton authorities were unable to place a larger bond upon Carter due to the fact that the charge against him was of a minor character.

The file of this individual reflects an extensive criminal record dating back to 1896, at which time he was sentenced to serve a sentence of 3 years in San Quentin Prison for grand larceny. Since that time he has been arrested on numerous occasions, particularly for confidence game activities. In 1906 he is reported to have been received again at San Quentin Prison, and in 1923, Lead, under the name of John M. Foster, was received at the State Penitentiary at Canon City, Colorado, to serve a sentence of from 3 to 10 years on one count of conspiracy to steal and two counts of confidence game. In 1930 he was arrested by the New Scotland Yard, London, England, authorities for conspiracy and was sentenced to serve two consecutive terms of 6 months each at hard labor for attempting to steal by means of a confidence trick. Intermittently during his criminal career he has been wanted by police authorities throughout the United States.

Although Lead is not in custody at the present, it is believed that his attempts to mutilate his fingers have branded him as a wanted criminal and that this mutilation, through which he has attempted to evade detection, will eventually cause his apprehension.

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Cincinnati, Ohio

REPORT MADE AT: Portland, Oregon	DATE WHEN MADE: 9-2-36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 8-26, 9-1-36	REPORT MADE BY: W. C. Ryan
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 of Fugitives Obstruction of Justice National Firearms Act
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Investigation at Agness, Oregon, discloses that parties suspected of being subjects Campbell and Dr. Moran not identical with these subjects. All stop notices on automobiles, with exception of 1935 Plymouth Sedan, Motor PJ 322772 and 1935 Ford V8 Sedan, Motor #2044337, cancelled.			
HUC.			
REFERENCE: Letter of Chicago Bureau office to Cincinnati office dated June 15, 1936; Bureau letter dated June 1, 1936; letter of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, St. Paul, Minnesota, to New York City office dated July 18, 1936.			
DETAILS: The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent R. H. Simons at Agness, Oregon, on August 26, 1936, reference being made to Bureau letter to the Portland office dated June 1, 1936: Larry Lucas, a resident of Agness for a long period of time, stated that he knew Nels Nelson and his partner, Earl R. Wilder, well. These two men registered at his tavern June 2, 1935, as being from Amboy, Minnesota.			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>W. C. Ryan</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE		DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES 7-516-12780 SEP 8 1936 BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION SEP 8 - 1936 DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE ROUTED TO: FILE	
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and were looking for a cabin site. The suspicious thing about the individuals was the unusual site selected for a cabin and was not a suitable place in the eyes of the local people. Unmarked photographs were displayed and Lucas was specifically asked to view the photographs of Moran and Campbell. He stated that there was some similarity in the features of Nelson and Harry Campbell, but he definitely stated that they were not identical. There was no similarity of either of the men to the photograph of Moran. He gave the following descriptions of the two men:

Earl R. Wilder
Height 5' 6"
Build Short, stocky; slight pot belly
Age About 45
Wore glasses
Occupation Newspaper man

Nels Nelson
Age 40 to 45
Height 5' 9 or 10"
Build Slender
Weight 145-160
Appeared to be an old ball player

Nelson departed from Agness not over one month prior to this interview. Wilder had departed several months ago and was supposed to have bought a printing business in Portland.

Postmaster C. W. Rilea and his wife were interviewed. These people also operate the local general store and they were interviewed in regard to Nelson and Wilder, whom they recalled, and unmarked photographs were also displayed to them, and they stated that the likenesses of Campbell and Moran were definitely not similar to Nelson and Wilder. They furnished the following forwarding address for Earl R. Wilder: Glenwood Hotel, Burnside Street, Portland. They stated that Wilder went to Portland to rent a small printing business and that Nelson had left about three weeks prior to the interview.

It appears from these interviews that there is no possibility that the two men referred to by Mr. Renny could be identical with either Campbell or Moran as the postmaster and Mr. Lucas were in position to view these individuals constantly at Agness.

In accordance with the letter of the Chicago Bureau office to the Cincinnati office, dated June 15, 1936, a letter was directed to the Motor Vehicle Registration Bureaus at Salem, Oregon and Olympia, Washington, requesting that stop notices as to cars previously involved in this case be cancelled, with the exception of the following two automobiles:

1935 Plymouth Sedan, Motor PJ 322772
1935 Ford V8 Tudor Sedan, Motor 2044337.

This office has been advised by the Motor Vehicle Registration Bureaus of Washington and Oregon that appropriate stop notices have been placed as to these two automobiles, and that this office will be notified in the event of any future registration.

Since there appears to be no further investigation in this matter in this district, the case is being

REFERRED UPON COMPLETION TO OFFICE OF ORIGIN.

1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

September 5, 1936

Special Agent in Charge
San Francisco, California

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

During the course of the harboring investigation in the above entitled case presently being conducted by the Cleveland office, it has been ascertained through the files of the Cleveland Police Department that on September 6, 1934, Detectives Criley and Eulius attempted to locate a safety deposit box apparently in the name of Paula Harmon inasmuch as a safety deposit key bearing number 194 was found on her person at the time of her arrest by the Cleveland Police on September 5, 1934.

Records of the Cleveland Police Department do not disclose the present whereabouts of this key nor do their records disclose any information that it was turned over to agents of the Bureau. Interviews with officers who worked on the case at the time the women were arrested here have also proven fruitless. Reports submitted by former agents D. E. Hall and W. E. Peters at that time, do not make mention of any interviews relative to this key.

Special Agent C. E. Smith, while in Canton, Ohio recently, met former agent Peters and was advised by him that he contemplated going with former Special Agent in Charge J. E. P. Dunn of the Los Angeles office, who now operates a private detective agency. At that time Peters also advised that possibly former agent D. E. Hall would also go with Mr. Dunn. It is requested that the San Francisco office interview former agents Peters and Hall and obtain any information relative to the safety deposit key that they may recall. It is also requested that this investigation be expedited.

Very truly yours,

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J. P. MacFarland
Special Agent in Charge

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43 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

September 5, 1936

Special Agent in Charge
Phoenix, Arizona

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

During the course of the harboring investigation in the above entitled case presently being conducted at Cleveland, Ohio, it has been ascertained through the files of the Cleveland Police Department that on September 6, 1934, Detectives Criley and Neil, attempted to locate a safety deposit box rented by Paula Harmon, inasmuch as a safety deposit key bearing number 194 was found on her person at the time she was arrested by the Cleveland Police on September 5, 1934.

The records of the Cleveland Police Department do not reflect the disposition or present whereabouts of the key and interviews had with the various officers who worked on the case have resulted in no information. During the course of an interview had by Special Agent C. E. Smith of this office, with Mr. Stanley Carruthers, formerly with the Safety Department of the Cleveland Trust Company, Agent Smith was advised that it was the recollection of Mr. Carruthers that Special Agent W. E. Hopton of the Detroit office had talked with him about the key.

Inasmuch as there is no mention of an interview had by Agent Hopton with Mr. Carruthers, it is requested that Agent Hopton advise the Cleveland office if he recalls any of the facts surrounding a safety deposit key or any investigation conducted relative thereto.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFarland
Special Agent in Charge

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1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

September 4, 1936

Special Agent in Charge
Chicago, Illinois

Re: Brekid

Dear Sir:

Special Agent R. G. Suran at Toledo, Ohio, has requested three copies, each, of the most recent photographs of the following persons for use in the harboring investigation at Toledo:

Harry Campbell	Fred Hunter
Alvin Karpis	C. J. Fitzgerald
Volney Davis	William Harrison
Jesse Wilson	Ruth Heidt
John Brock	Myrtle Eaton
Sam Coker	Russell Gibson
Milton Lett	William Weaver

In order to get these photographs to Agent Suran at the earliest possible moment, it is requested that you mail them to him in care of E. J. Lynn, Post Office Box #383, Toledo, Ohio.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MAC FARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. E. T. HAN.

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3: Removal of evidence from the Laboratory.

There are listed below a number of items of evidence which, although not for examination, have been received with articles to be examined in the Laboratory. In view of the fact that this material is of no value to the Laboratory it is being turned over to the Chief Clerk's Office for storage, or other disposition.

One bullet-proof vest worn by Russell Gibson when shot, 7-576.

One brown leather brief case recovered from Alvin Karpis. 7-576.

One package containing two flashlights, a hunting knife, a bottle of indelible ink and two revolver holders recovered from Alvin Karpis. 7-576.

One brief case containing a blackjack, a key, and a chambray cloth recovered from Willie Weaver. 7-576.

Two shoulder stocks for revolvers found in apartment of Gus Zinkler. 7-576.

One leather cardcase. 7-576-6193.

One hunting knife recovered from Edward Bents. 91-1-504.

One package containing a shotgun cleaning rod, a gun butt plate, two small silk pouches, a homemade leather holster and one leather bandolier recovered from Clarence Vernon Stevens. 7-71.

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One toy pistol. 7-83-443.

One metal box. 62-29709.

One penknife and three keys.
70-2751-1.

One homemade blackjack. 80-14-566.

Respectfully,

E. P. Coffey.

404 NEW YORK BUILDING
SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA

September 7, 1936.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is being made to the report of Special Agent S. K. McKee, Cleveland, Ohio, dated September 1, 1936, and in particular to page thirty of that report, in which is indicated that the name of the woman involved in the shakedown of prostitutes by Salupa and Cash be ascertained. While Special Agent E. H. Williams of this office was reviewing this report, it occurred to him that while he was at the Cleveland Office he conducted an investigation in the case entitled Kick Saliyre, et al, Cleveland File #31-16, concerning the shakedown of prostitutes in Cleveland by the Salupa Mob. In that file is the name of the woman involved, together with a brief of the evidence produced before the Grand Jury of Cuyaboga County relative thereto.

Mention is also made concerning the Wayfield Gang and other Italian elements and their possible connection with the vice setup in Cleveland. Agent Williams advises that he conducted an investigation concerning the qualifications of Anthony R. Fiorette, Cleveland File #77-11, who was an applicant for the position of Assistant United States Attorney in Cleveland. In that investigation there was considerable information developed relative to the possible gang connection of Fiorette, though at the time it was not felt that Fiorette was directly connected with them. During that investigation considerable information was supplied by Mr. Elliot Ness, Commissioner of Public Safety, who was at that time the head of the Alcohol Beverage Unit in Cleveland. Mr. Ness was very cooperative at that time and

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turned over his confidential files for Agent Billian's use. During that investigation, Agent Williams contacted an attorney by the name of Costello, who, while his name sounds Italian, claimed that he was Irish. Costello had been a candidate for a judgeship in a recent election. At the time he was interviewed, he possessed abundant information concerning the Italian element in Cleveland, and stated that by reason of his being a political candidate that he had had to get acquainted with the Italians because his precinct was largely made up of Italians. He indicated also to Agent Williams that if he had any information concerning the Italians that he would gladly supply the same to Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. He also stated that if he was unable to supply the information, that he had an Italian friend at one of the settlement houses who was possessed of more information than he and who would gladly furnish the desired information.

This is being submitted for whatever value it might have in the investigation of instant case.

Very truly yours,

C. W. STEIN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Cincinnati

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

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

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September 1, 1936

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Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Re: Brekid

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to conversation of August 28, 1936, with Mr. Tamm as to possible concern as to the number of agents engaged upon the investigation at Cleveland and Toledo, Ohio, a number of whom are in per diem status.

I have kept in touch with Special Agent McKee at Cleveland, and Special Agent R. C. Suran at Toledo, from time to time, as to the work they are doing, and it is believed that all of the agents engaged upon this assignment at Toledo and Cleveland are adequately employed and necessarily so engaged in efforts to bring about a successful prosecution, first, as to the harboring charges involved in this case, as well as to show the corrupt political alignment in both cities which made possible such harboring, particularly wherein was concerned the police officers at Toledo, Ohio, and also, possibly at Cleveland, Ohio.

The developments at Toledo have been more or less successful and yesterday, August 31, 1936, we located and obtained a statement from a taxi driver by the name of Greenwald who has been previously mentioned in the file, particularly with reference to the place of Edith Barry, and he states that he is the party who contacted Campbell and Karpis on the morning of or about January 24, 1935 when Campbell and Karpis abandoned the automobile they had taken from the kidnaped doctor after their escape from Atlantic City, New Jersey. Greenwald indicates that he was called by Coolie Monroe; that he met him with his taxi on the highway, and that they thereafter picked up Campbell and Karpis in the vicinity of where the doctor's automobile was abandoned by Karpis and Campbell this side of Monroe, Michigan. This party has

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Re: Brekid
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indicated a cooperative attitude, and it is believed he will be able to furnish us with considerably more information, and also to appear as a witness inasmuch as after picking up Campbell and Karpis, he indicates, he took them to the Little Casino Club, where were located Angus Brothers.

At Cleveland, Ohio, we have Agents Matney; Parry; Snow, and Hoffman carrying two telephone taps, twenty-four hours per day. We also expect to establish a new telephone tap in connection with Nate Weisenberg whose home telephone is now being covered. We also have a tap established on the place of Ardele Quinn, the leading house of prostitution at Cleveland. Agent Brennan is covering various leads as to the possibility of locating employees of the Harvard Club who can testify as against Patton and Hebebrand. Agents Fitzgerald and Noonan have been engaged in examination of any and all newspaper files with the possibility of notice having been given to the various persons who harbored these subjects and will thereafter cover various leads as to this same situation. Agent Kitchin is to run out any possible leads developed through the two telephone taps we have and is also engaged in efforts, particularly, as to leads to locate Milton Lett. Agents McKee and Smith have been concerned, particularly, with the tip-off in the Cleveland Police Department concerning the three women who were held there in September, 1934, namely Gladys Sawyer; Winona Burdette, and Paula Harmon. All of these agents, of course, who are engaged upon investigative work, particularly, are trying to develop the situation which will prove that Hebebrand and Patton were responsible for the harboring of the subjects at Cleveland and the possible connection of the Police Department with this situation as well as the general corrupt set-up which made possible the influence of Hebebrand and Patton with the city administration.

In connection with the work being carried on at Toledo, Ohio, Agents Wynn and Sullivan are investigating various

Letter to Director
Re: Brekid
September 1, 1936

leads, particularly, as to ~~Murphy~~ Captain Timminney and Art Langendorf of the Police Department as well as the association of these parties with Joe Roscoe, Ted Angus, and Ludy Fleming, particularly as to the use of boats on Lake Erie. They are also running out various leads as concerns the Toledo Police Department and their association and connection with Karpis and Campbell while at Toledo as well as the earlier association with all of the members of the gang when they were there in 1934. Agents Madala and Criss are concerning themselves, particularly, with the activities of Sheriff James O'Reilly which, of course, includes his association with any of the other subjects involved and particularly, his activity as to Harry Campbell. They are also covering, particularly, the activities of the Goulets and the McGraws who were particularly associated with Harry Campbell and his wife, Gertie Billeter.

Agents Suran and Murphy are checking particularly with the various Deputy Sheriffs, Police Officers and Municipal Judges, and others, at Toledo, Ohio as to the pay-off and are giving particular attention to the pay-off as involved in connection with the houses of prostitution.

Agents Guerin and Mavanagh are covering the telephone tap on Maxine Belmont Thomas. Agents Dill and Harzenstein are covering a telephone tap on the place of Sadie Dann. Agent Dowd is covering telephone tap on the Fretti Brothers' place of business.

As previously indicated above, it is believed that all of the personnel in question are effectively engaged and necessary to the investigation, however, possibly when I have opportunity to check with the agents upon the job it will be possible to direct their activities into more definite and conclusive channels in order to bring the investigation to an early conclusion.

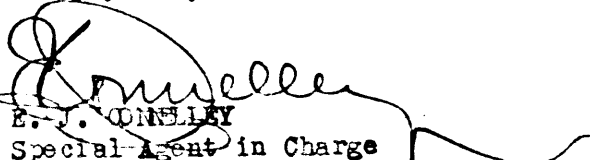
In connection with this investigation, it is planned, after we have obtained what we believe is the best possible conclusive evidence as to the harboring charges, to submit the situation to the United States Attorney, at least to the First Assistant United States Attorney at Toledo, Ohio, and that this should be submitted at a time when he expects to have a grand jury for consideration of the charges which will be brought as against the various persons charged with harboring.

Letter to Director
Re: Brekid
September 1, 1936

As indicated previously in personal conversation with you, the propensities of United States Attorney Freed are to the utmost as to personal publicity and there, possibly, should be some consideration given to just how the matter should be handled at Cleveland and Toledo when we submit it for prosecution in order to obtain the best possible results and in order not to disclose any more of the government's case than is necessary until we are ready for trial. With this idea in mind, it probably would be the best procedure to proceed with the perjury investigation as to most of the subjects who will be involved and pick them up after the indictments have been returned secretly as to the individuals concerned in order to avoid any possibility of a Commissioner's hearing. When we are ready to proceed with the action as to the prosecution, I will, of course, confer personally with you further as to this situation.

As indicated to you previously in communication as to the matter I am covering at New York at this time, provided we have the investigation completed here by the end of this week and the summary report in the Wendel matter has not been completed, it might be well for me to proceed to Cleveland and Toledo, Ohio, for necessary conference with the agents engaged there while Special Agent in Charge Vetterli and Agents West, Seery and Foster complete the summary report in the Wendel matter.

Very truly yours,


E. J. CONNELLEY
Special Agent in Charge

cc- Cleveland
cc- Cincinnati
cc- Chicago

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Cincinnati, Ohio**

FILE NO. **7-36**

REPORT MADE AT Okla. City, Okla.	DATE WHEN MADE 9/4/36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 8/24 to 27/36	REPORT MADE BY John R. Welles
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; Obstruction of Justice; National Firearms Act
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <div style="float: right; text-align: right;"> <i>10</i> <i>12</i> </div> <p style="margin-left: 150px;">Home of Harry Campbell's parents kept under surveillance by agent and neighbors from 8/24/36 to 8/27/36, but no visitors noted. Observation discontinued on notification Campbell's wife returned to her home in Ohio.</p>			
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REFERENCE: Letters from the Cleveland office 8/19/36 and 8/26/36.			
DETAILS: As requested in reference letter of August 19, 1936, on August 24, 1936 arrangements were made to cover the home of Harry Campbell's parents, 818 S. Rockford, Tulsa, Oklahoma, looking to a visit there by Gertrude Billeter Miller, wife of Harry Campbell. It was reported that Campbell's wife was riding in a 1936 Ford Sedan bearing 1936 Ohio license 5534-F, and was being driven by an unknown person, possibly Milton Lett.			
The cooperation of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Emerson, 805 S. Rockford, and Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Starr, 1425 E. 8th Street, from whose homes the Campbell house is visible, was solicited and obtained. These persons reported that they saw no visitors at the Campbell house prior to agent calling on them.			
Working with Officers George Terrell and Linn Moss of the Tulsa Police Department, and the above neighbors, the Campbell house was under observation from August 24, 1936 to August 27, 1936, at which time the Oklahoma City office was advised through reference letter of August 26, 1936 that Gertrude Billeter Miller had returned to Ohio. During the observation period no strange cars or persons were seen at or near the Campbell home.			
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APPROVED AND FORWARDED <i>[Signature]</i>		SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	
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September 8, 1936.

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

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

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In accordance with telephonic request from Special Agent S. K. McKee, Cleveland, in connection with the above entitled case, I wish to advise that Foots-Pearson/Dial Recorder # 5114, property of the Cincinnati Office, has been loaned to the Cleveland Office.

This was delivered to the Cleveland Office on the evening of September 4, 1936.

Very truly yours,

E. J. Connelley
E. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Report made at Cleveland, Ohio Date when made 9-8-36 Period for which made: 9-8-36

Report made by A. Paul Kitchin APK:h

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; NAT'L FIREARMS ACT

Summary Report

At the request of Inspector E. J. Connelley this office was requested to prepare the following summary report relative to MILTON LETT with aliases.

Due to the fact that the files of the Cleveland field office do not contain sufficient data relative to Milton Lett at the inception of the investigation relative to him the Chicago office was requested to, through its card index, furnish the Cleveland field office with all serials wherein Milton Lett or investigation concerning him appeared. It was from the above material that this summary is being prepared.

Milton Lett, although a potential subject in the harboring investigation now being conducted, is particularly wanted by the Bureau for questioning relative to the harboring situation existing in both Toledo and Cleveland, Ohio, during 1934 and 1935, at which time the Karpis-Barker mob was living in both of the above-mentioned cities. Particular attention should be paid to the information in the possession of Lett relative to the subjects of this harboring investigation who are connected with the Harvard Club located in Newburgh Heights, a suburb of Cleveland, Ohio, when Lett is apprehended.

History

Very little is known as to the history and past activities of Milton Lett. However, in September of 1935 information was obtained that Lett was probably closely associated with Harry Campbell, in that he is alleged to have transported Harry Campbell from South Coffeyville, Oklahoma, to Turley, Oklahoma, where contact was made by Harry Campbell with one Mark Whinnery. Subsequent to the time this information was received, the Oklahoma

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City field office endeavored to establish Milton Lett as a confidential informant for this Bureau looking toward the location and apprehension of subject Campbell.

Milton Lett is the son of Maggie Lett, who resides on Rural Route No. 2, Wann, Oklahoma, located near South Coffeyville, Oklahoma. Information was received at one time by former Special Agent Paul Hansen from the local authorities at South Coffeyville, Oklahoma, that they had arrested Milton Lett on numerous occasions since Lett was 14 or 15 years of age and that they found him to be very uncooperative with the officers, inasmuch as he would not supply any information whatsoever. However, the charges and dispositions of the above mentioned arrests have not to date been ascertained. Information has also come to the Bureau that during the time Harry Campbell, Glenn LeRoy Wright and Gene Johnson were operating in the states of Oklahoma and Kansas, Campbell is alleged to have been harbored in the home of Maggie Lett, and during the period mentioned above he is also alleged to have been very intimate with Milton Lett. In September of 1935 in an interview with Tom Hill, night club operator in South Coffeyville, Oklahoma, former Special Agent Hansen ascertained that Lett is alleged to have been contacted by Harry Campbell in April or May of 1935 in South Coffeyville; that on this occasion Lett transported Harry Campbell in his automobile, leaving Campbell's automobile in South Coffeyville, to Turley, Oklahoma, to the home of Mildred Johnson, sister of Wynona Burdette, paramour of Campbell. Hill also furnished information that Campbell is alleged to have furnished Mark Whinnery \$50 at this time. (It should be noted that the above information relative to the \$50 given to Mark Whinnery was verified by investigation at Turley, Oklahoma, and from interview with Mark Whinnery.)

b7D From [redacted] an informant of the Cleveland field office, it was ascertained that for a considerable period of time beginning around April 1935 and continuing thru September 1935, Milton Lett, who was at that time known as "Willie", was employed at the Harvard Club in Newburgh Heights, Ohio, as a shiller. During the above-mentioned period that Lett was in Cleveland and vicinity several registered letters were mailed from Cleveland and Brunswick, Ohio, to Maggie Lett in Wann, Oklahoma. It was first thought that Harry Campbell was the individual responsible for the mailing of these registered letters, but due to the fact that Lett was employed at the Harvard Club and residing in the vicinity of Cleveland it is now reasonable to presume that LETT is identical with the person mailing these registered letters to Maggie Lett in Wann, Oklahoma.

homa. These registered letters were mailed from Cleveland and Brunswick, Ohio, under the names of George Benton, G. R. Benton and Mary Forth, and such aliases have at this time been given to Milton Lett for the reasons mentioned above. It may be stated at this point that during the time Lett was residing in Cleveland and vicinity several bank robberies were perpetrated in the Cleveland field office territory, and Lett's photograph has been partially identified in two of these robberies, namely: The Farmers National Bank, Salem, Ohio, which was robbed at 3:30 p.m. on November 4, 1935; and the Citizens Bank of Madison, Madison, Ohio, which was robbed on October 25, 1935, at 1:45 p.m. The last above-mentioned identification is thought to be erroneous due to the fact that on this same date Milton Lett purchased at Cleveland, Ohio, the automobile used in the Garrettsville, Ohio, mail train robbery, which occurred November 7, 1935.

On October 16, 1935, under the name of Thomas J. Shaw, LETT was arrested by the police department at Akron, Ohio, along with Clayton Hall, an informant of this Bureau, at which time they were both charged with suspicion and immediately released. It has been ascertained, as mentioned above, that Lett under the name of Carl Baker on October 25, 1935, at Cleveland, Ohio, purchased a 1935 Plymouth sedan which was used in the Garrettsville, Ohio, mail train robbery November 7, 1935. From the criminal record obtained from the Bureau relative to Lett, it was ascertained that on November 6, 1935, Lett was arrested by the police department in Coffeyville, Kansas, and on November 7th, the date of the Garrettsville, Ohio, mail train robbery, Lett was turned over to the Sheriff's Office at Yates Center, Kansas, charged with holdup (investigation), but was promptly released. It is thought that the above arrest of Lett at Coffeyville, Kansas, on November 6, 1935, which was later ascertained not to be an arrest, but that Lett voluntarily surrendered himself to the police department at Coffeyville, Kansas, thus established a definite alibi relative to the above-mentioned train robbery or at least was self-serving in order to establish an alibi.

Subsequent to the Garrettsville mail train robbery and up to the time of Lett's identification as a participant in same, he was considered by the Oklahoma City office as a confidential informant and was interviewed on two or three occasions by former Special Agent Paul Hansen. Due to the fact that Lett was considered an informant of the Oklahoma City office, and, of course, at that time it was not anticipated that he would become a subject of this investigation, no information whatsoever was obtained relative to the activities of Lett or his past personal history. One exception to the above, however, is

noted, in that at one time during the interview had with Lett by former Special Agent Hansen Lett informed him that he was contemplating going into business with one Ted Thornton in the operation of a night club in or near Nevada, Missouri.

Subsequent investigation relative to Lett has produced some information relative to his activities and contacts.

It has been learned that for some time, prior to his marriage, he was going with Vivian Mantooth, who at present resides with her brother at 427 South Washington Street, Wichita, Kansas. Doyle Hollingsworth, brother of Vivian Mantooth, is at present being used as an informant by the Kansas City field office in its endeavors to locate Lett. Lett has been reported to have been seen on several occasions since he was last interviewed by the Oklahoma City office in December 1935 in various places in Oklahoma and Kansas. Several reports have been received that Lett was last seen in February 1936 in Coffeyville, Kansas, and on April 4, 1936, is alleged to have been in Claremore, Oklahoma, with Sam Coker, at which time his destination was thought to have been St. Louis, Missouri. On April 6, 1936, Vivian Mantooth told her brother, Doyle Hollingsworth, that she had seen Lett in Cherryvale, Kansas, within the past two weeks. (It should be noted that at this time Vivian Mantooth was being used as an informant by the Post Office Inspectors in their endeavors to apprehend Lett, and the Post Office Inspectors furnished Vivian Mantooth with an automobile and expenses for the two weeks she was away from Wichita, Kansas, during which period she is alleged to have seen Lett.) It should also be stated that Lett is at this time being vigorously sought by the Post Office Inspectors in connection with his participation in the mail train robbery at Garrettsville, Ohio, on November 7, 1935. However, this Bureau desires to locate and interview Lett relative to the harboring situation prior to the time he is taken into custody by the Post Office Inspectors due to the fact that it is felt he will be more willing to furnish information to this Bureau prior to the time formal charges will be placed against him by the Post Office Inspectors.

Aliases

Milton Lett, Milt Lett, J. M. Lett, J. R. Letz, J. M. Letz, Thomas J. Shaw, Carl Baker, Mary Forth, George Benton, G. R. Benton, "George", "The Kid", and "Willie".

	<u>Description</u>
Age	- 21 years (1935)
Height	- 5' 7"
Weight	- 143 pounds
Hair	- dark brown
Eyes	- blue
Color	- white
Complexion	- medium
FPC	- 9 U 00 16 1 U 00 11
Residence	- Wann, Oklahoma
Occupation	- Makes pretense of being gambler
Criminal record	- [REDACTED]

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WANTED NOTICE: The Bureau has been requested to place a wanted notice against this individual's fingerprints, with specific request that the Bureau advise the Cleveland office immediately upon receipt of inquiry, in order that Milton Lett may be interviewed promptly. This individual purchased a 1935 Plymouth sedan, motor #PJ 32272, described in circular letter from the Cleveland office to all Bureau offices, dated December 12, 1935, this car having been used in the Garrettsville, Ohio, mail train robbery on November 7, 1935.

Relatives

Maggie Lett, mother, Rural Route No. 2, Wann, Oklahoma
 Charles Lett, brother, Wann, Oklahoma
 Clifford Collins, nephew, 150 Lulu Street, Wichita, Kansas
 Lett Mize, sister, 4003 Hydraulic Street, Wichita, Kansas
 Jane Lett Collins, sister, Wichita, Kansas
 Ethel Lett North, sister, same address
 Tony Collins, nephew, 1455 Fannie Street, Wichita, Kansas
 Fred Collins, nephew, 410 South 2nd St., Ponca City, Okla.
 Hazel Anderson, niece, 21 South Allen St., Chanute, Kans.
 Thelma Fritz, niece, same address
 Ruby Perkey, niece, 410 South 2nd St., Ponca City, Okla.
 Herman Fritz, brother-in-law, 21 South Allen St., Chanute, Kans.
 Raymond Mize, brother-in-law, 4003 Hydraulic Ave., Wichita, Kans.
 Orr Collins, brother-in-law, Wichita, Kansas
 Roy Collins, brother-in-law, Tyro, Kansas
 Lucille Ferris Lett, address unknown, formerly 803 East Walnut
 Street, McPherson, Kansas

On February 21, 1936, Milton Lett married Lucille Ferris at
 Oswego, Kansas. The following is a description of Lucille Ferris:

Age	- 17
Height	- 5' 4"
Weight	- 120 lbs.
Eyes	- blue
Hair	- light brown, parted in middle, with a grown-out permanent wave
Peculiarities	- broad nose
Clothing	- usually wears a green suit with a white blouse; brown overcoat with a cape collar and a narrow band of brown fur on the cape.

On the little finger of her left hand she wears
 a small silver signet ring and on her ring finger
 on the same hand she wears an opal ring surround-
 ed by pearls.

Relatives of Lucille Ferris

A. V. Ferris, father, 803 East Walnut Street, McPherson,
Kansas
Mrs. Constance Ferris, mother, - same address
Eva Hooper, aunt, (chaperone at Ricken Hall, University
of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas) - residence: 107 South
33rd Street (off 3d Street), St. Joseph, Missouri
Andrew Ferris, grandfather, Meadville, Missouri
Bernice Elliston, aunt - same address
Mrs. John Hopper, aunt, same address

Ruth Drake Collins (closest friend) 602 Sycamore Street,
Coffeyville, Kansas

Photographs of both Mr. and Mrs. Lett are being furnished field offices
receiving copies of this report by the Chicago field office.

Automobiles

On February 21, 1936, Milton Lett was allegedly seen in
Coffeyville, Kansas, at which time he was driving a 1935 Ford V-8
tutor sedan bearing 1935 Kansas license No. 5-11020 (this automobile
motor No. 2044337, was registered in the state of Kansas by J. M. Lett,
113 East 8th Street, Coffeyville, Kansas on January 11, 1936), but on
the same date he was married in Oswego, Kansas and was seen driving a
1935 or 1936 grey Ford V-8 coupe bearing 1936 Louisiana license plates.
Investigation to date has failed to disclose where the above-mentioned
Ford coupe was obtained by Lett; therefore, a lead is being set out
for the New Orleans office to check with the Bureau of Motor Vehicles
under the correct name and aliases of Lett for a possible registration
of the automobile in Louisiana.

He was at one time reported to be driving a Dodge automobile;
a fuller description is not available. This information was furnish-
ed by Nate Smith, Special Agent for the Missouri Pacific Railroad in
Coffeyville, Kansas.

Recently Vivian Mantooth informed her brother that Milton Lett "would never be caught driving a Ford V-8, as he was driving a 1933 Chevrolet sedan". He has also been reported at various times driving a Studebaker and a Buick, fuller descriptions of which have not been obtained.

It is noted that in checking the registrations for automobiles registered with the Bureau of Motor Vehicles in the state of Kansas to Lett the 1935 Ford V-8 tudor sedan, mentioned above, was originally registered to Sam Phillips of Coffeyville, Kansas. The transfer of this registration from Phillips to the Graham Motor Company of Coffeyville, Kansas, and then to J. M. Lett, 113 East 8th Street, Coffeyville, Kansas, was effected January 11, 1936. It is also noted that an automobile registered to Sam Phillips originally was later transferred to Robert West, 113 East 8th Street, Coffeyville, Kansas, such transfer being for a 1933 Chevrolet sedan, motor No. 3610014, at that time bearing 1935 Kansas license plates Number 5-5584, such transfer being effected on November 6, 1935. It should be noted also that the same address used by Lett in the transfer of his Ford V-8 tudor sedan, as mentioned above, was used by Robert West in the purchase of 1933 Chevrolet automobile, which was also originally owned by Sam Phillips. The identity of Robert West, 113 East 8th Street, Coffeyville, Kansas, should be established and the Kansas City field office requested to again check on the registrations in the state of Kansas for automobiles registered in the name of Robert West in the event he is found to be identical with Milton Lett.

On June 15, 1936, the Chicago field office requested each office of the Bureau by letter to place stop notices with the Bureaus of Motor Vehicles in the respective states for the following two automobiles; namely: 1935 Plymouth sedan, motor #PJ 322772, (car purchased by Lett for use in the Garrettsville, Ohio, mail train robbery), and 1935 Ford V-8 tudor sedan, motor #2044337. These are the only two automobiles, the identities of which are known, that are known to have been actually in the possession of Lett. This Ford V-8 tudor sedan at present bears 1936 Oklahoma license number 498-385 and is at present in the custody of Charley Lett at Wann, Oklahoma. The above information relative to the 1936 license plates is reflected in the report of Special Agent John R. Wells, dated 8-19-36, at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

In the report of Special Agent W. E. Hopton dated 3-2-36 at Kansas City, Missouri, it is reflected that on February 25, 1936, Special Agent John R. Wells of the Oklahoma City office in a telegraphic communication relative to the marriage of Lett at Oswego, Kans., informed the Kansas City office that in the past when agents were working in South Coffeyville, Okla., they had observed a 1929 model A Ford sedan, brown in color, which disappeared about the same time as did Lett February 21, 1936, and such car belongs to Milton Lett's "brother-in-law", who recently obtained 1936 Oklahoma license #496167.

It is thought that Lett may at present also be in possession of this automobile. It is also noted that the identity of the "brother-in-law" of Lett is not reflected in the serials in the possession of this office.

Contacts

Numerous interviews have been made by both the Oklahoma City and Kansas City offices in and around Coffeyville and Wichita, Kansas, with known contacts of Lett in an effort to locate him, and from the information at hand it would appear that the most likely contacts of Lett are at present Ted Thornton, who operates a night club near Nevada, Missouri; and Clifford Collins, nephew of Lett, who resides at 150 Lulu Street in Wichita, Kansas.

Coffeyville, Kansas (South Coffeyville, Okla.)

The following contacts or persons thought to be potential contacts of Lett were obtained from a review of this file relative to reports submitted by the Oklahoma City office:

McCABE, CHARLEY, South Coffeyville, Oklahoma. This man is the owner of the McCabe filling station and part owner of the Silver Slipper, a night club in South Coffeyville, Oklahoma. McCabe has been reported to be in close contact with Harry Campbell at one time during this investigation and was established by the Oklahoma City field office as a confidential informant during the investigation to locate subject Campbell. McCabe has resided in South Coffeyville for a number of years and is in touch directly with the majority of the criminal element in and around this city. It has been noted that since the apprehension of both Karpis and Campbell, McCabe's attitude toward cooperating with this Bureau has changed very favorably, and it is thought he will be a valuable informant in connection with the location of Milton Lett. He is known by the Oklahoma City office as Mr. South.

LES McCABE, South Coffeyville, Oklahoma. This individual is a younger brother to Charley McCabe and is also employed at the McCabe filling station owned by his brother. He is known to be a former associate of subject Campbell during the time that Campbell was committing numerous depredations in the states of Oklahoma and Kansas, at which time he was associated with Glenn LeRoy Wright and Gene Johnson. Les McCabe

has been a resident of South Coffeyville practically all of his life and apparently knows Milton Lett very intimately. It is thought that this individual may obtain information relative to the whereabouts of Milton Lett, probably more quickly than will his brother, Charley McCabe, due to the fact that he is considerably younger and associates with the younger set in South Coffeyville, Oklahoma.

LYNN HICKS, South Coffeyville, Oklahoma. He is one of the proprietors of the Hicks Night Club located on the Oklahoma side of the Kansas - Oklahoma line between South Coffeyville and Caney, Kansas. He has been interviewed by the Oklahoma City field office relative to assisting in locating Milton Lett. Hicks has expressed a willingness to furnish any information he receives to the Oklahoma City office or Deputy Sheriff George Tobler, Coffeyville, Kansas. This individual was personally acquainted with Harry Campbell and is also intimately acquainted with Milton Lett, and it is thought he will be a desirable source of information relative to the location of Lett and that frequent interviews should be had with Hicks.

HARRIS, CHARLEY, is thought to reside in Caney, Kansas, but is employed part time by the State Line Filling Station in Caney, Kansas, and part time by the Hicks Night Club, operated by Lynn Hicks, as set out above. Interviews have been had with Charley Harris, but he has not furnished any valuable information. He did express, however, a willingness to cooperate with this Bureau and it is thought that Charley Harris should be again contacted and his cooperation solicited in the Bureau's endeavors to locate Lett. It is known that this person is closely associated with Lynn Hicks; therefore, it is thought that he possibly knows Milton Lett and other members of the Karpis-Barker mob.

HILL, DOLLY, South Coffeyville, Oklahoma. This woman is the wife of Gus Hill. Gus Hill is a brother of Tom Hill and Gus at present is serving a penitentiary sentence in the U. S. Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas. From the best information available to the Oklahoma City field office, this couple harbored Harry Campbell, Glenn LeRoy Wright and some of their associates for some time during the latter part of 1932. Dolly Hill during the investigation looking toward the apprehension of Campbell and Karpis expressed a willingness to cooperate with the Oklahoma City office in this regard. She is in contact with numerous persons in and around South Coffeyville, Oklahoma and, undoubtedly, very familiar with Milton Lett. Due to her close connections with Tom Hill, who is a brother of Gus Hill, it is thought that she could supply valuable information or obtain such information concerning the location of Lett. Tom Hill, South Coffeyville, Oklahoma, operated a night club in South Coffeyville for several years and has been considered an intermediary for numerous criminals in this section of the country. He is at

present connected with the Tri-State Steel Company of South Coffeyville and was recently convicted in the state of Kansas and sentenced to serve a life sentence in the Kansas State Penitentiary as a habitual criminal. At the time of the preparation of this report it is not known whether or not Tom Hill's appeal has been presented and whether or not he has started the service of the above-mentioned sentence. However, it is thought advisable to re-contact Hill relative to information regarding Lett, as it is noted that Hill first supplied information relative to Lett's association with Harry Campbell.

HILL, CLAUDE, alias Punch Hill, South Coffeyville, Oklahoma. This man is a brother of Tom Hill and has furnished information in the past relative to instant case, which has been found to be quite unreliable. He is presently employed at the Tri-State Steel Company, and it is known that he is in constant contact with various persons in and around South Coffeyville, who could furnish information relative to the activities of Milton Lett. It is thought advisable to re-contact Claude Hill in an endeavor to solicit his cooperation.

SHERMAN, Harry, (alias Boogy Woogy), South Coffeyville, Oklahoma. Sherman at present operates the Nut House, a night club in South Coffeyville. He was at one time considered for interview by the Oklahoma City office relative to the whereabouts of Campbell, but at that time he was not considered in a position to supply information concerning that individual. However, at this time it is thought possibly that he may have some information regarding Lett, as he is apparently and has been residing at South Coffeyville for the past several years.

SHERWOOD, AL, Coffeyville, Kansas. Sherwood is a former employee of Tom Hill in Hill's night club at South Coffeyville, Oklahoma. He is known to have been in contact with the major subjects in this investigation. Apparently Sherwood has not been interviewed recently relative to the location of Lett, and at this time it is thought advisable to have this individual interviewed, as he can, no doubt, furnish valuable information concerning the past history and activities of Lett, as well as valuable information concerning his present location.

TWILLEY, MRS. ESTER, 1401 South Elm Street, Coffeyville, Kansas. Mrs. Twilley is the mother-in-law of one Charles White, both of whom furnished valuable information to this Bureau that subsequently led to the apprehension of Willie Weaver, a major subject in this investigation. She is also the mother-in-law of Ted Thornton and Earl Morris of South Coffeyville, both of whom are suspected of being in direct touch with Lett. Mrs. Twilley should be frequently and diplomatically interviewed, as it is thought her cooperation is very valuable to the Bureau, both as to

the location of Lett and future incidents of this type that occur in and around Coffeyville, Kansas.

SMITH, NATE, Special Agent, Missouri Pacific Railroad, Coffeyville, Kansas. Although Smith is not considered a contact of Milton Lett, it is desired that he be frequently contacted, inasmuch as he has shown a very active willingness to cooperate with the Bureau and is in a position to obtain valuable information from his informants in the vicinity of Coffeyville, Kansas, relative to the location of Lett.

STANLEY, PEARL. This woman resides on a farm about six miles east of South Coffeyville, Okla., and just inside the Oklahoma state line. She is alleged to have at one time harbored the Karpis-Barker mob and, no doubt, intimately acquainted with Milton Lett. Investigation should be conducted relative to Pearl Stanley and if deemed advisable, an interview should be had with her in an endeavor to solicit her cooperation in this matter.

Ada, Oklahoma

COLLINS, EARL. It is noted in the report of Special Agent John B. Little, dated 4-24-36 at Oklahoma City, that investigation was conducted at Ada relative to this man. He was located and found to be an employee of the Stanolind Oil Company, at a pumping station located one mile north of the Mi-Jo Camp near Oil Center, which is 12 miles northwest of Ada, Oklahoma. According to this report, he was interviewed by Special Agent J. H. Rice and the writer of reference report under pretext in order to verify his true identity, but no other information is reflected as having been obtained from Collins. It is also noted that Special Agent Little stated in reference report that Earl Collins, "who is the brother of two brothers-in-law of Milton Lett". However, the identity of the so-called brothers-in-law of Lett is not definitely established. Due to the alleged close family relationship of this individual to Lett, it is thought advisable that further investigation be conducted at Ada, Oklahoma, relative to him and the advisability of openly interviewing him be taken into consideration. If the investigation at Ada, Okla., should produce information that he is probably in touch with Lett, a cover should be placed on all personal mail received by him, both at his residence and at the above-mentioned oil camp.

Tulsa, Oklahoma

WRIGHT, HAROLD "Fats". On December 3, 1935, a memorandum was submitted to Inspector E. J. Connelley by Special Agent T. M. Birch, at that time attached to the Cleveland field office on special assignment. This memorandum furnished information that it was the recollection of the writer that Wright, who is a brother of Glenn LeRoy Wright, and also who was at that time employed by the Tulsa World newspaper, had a friend by the name of Lett. It is not recalled by the writer of this memo whether this Lett was identical with Milton Lett. On December 13, 1935, a letter was directed to the Special Agent in Charge at the Oklahoma City field office by Inspector E. J. Connelley requesting an investigation concerning the above-mentioned memorandum. In a subsequent report submitted by former Special Agent Paul Hansen there is reflected an interview with Harold Wright, but this interview makes no mention whatsoever of whether or not Wright was questioned concerning his knowledge or acquaintanceship with Milton Lett. It is thought advisable to re-interview Wright in this regard.

McAlester, Oklahoma

There are undoubtedly incarcerated in the Oklahoma State Penitentiary numerous persons who know Milton Lett. However, at the time of the writing of this report the identities of these individuals are not known with the exception of SAM COKER, who was recently apprehended along with Harry Campbell at Toledo, Ohio. Sam Coker is a known associate of Milton Lett and has been reported as having been with Lett as late as April 1936 in Claremore, Oklahoma. It is doubted if Coker would furnish knowingly any information relative to the present location of Lett. However, a lead is being set out to the Oklahoma City office for a contact with Coker at McAlester, Oklahoma.

Ponca City, Oklahoma

PERKEY, RUBY, 411 South Second Street. This woman is the niece of Milton Lett and the wife of Arthur Perkey, who also resides at the above address. It is not known how intimate Milton Lett is with this niece. An investigation by the Oklahoma City field office at Ponca City has disclosed that Lett is probably in contact with one of these two individuals; however, their names are being set out due to the fact that it is anticipated that in the future Lett will endeavor to contact some of his relatives and may contact the Perkeys.

Investigation at this place also disclosed that at that time the Perkeys had two visitors by the name of Collins, and she believed one to be Fred Collins, a brother of Ruby Perkey and a nephew of Milton Lett. At the time of this investigation a 1929 Chevrolet coach bearing 1935 Kansas license plates No. 5-966 was observed parked in the rear of the above address. This automobile is thought to belong to Fred Collins. On February 29, 1936, a 30-day mail cover was placed on both the Collins' and Perkeys at 411 South Second Street in Ponca City, but to date such cover has been non-productive. Further investigation should be conducted of these individuals in Ponca City and the advisability of placing another mail cover should be taken into consideration.

Joplin, Missouri

Recently in conversation with Special Agent S. K. McKee Agent McKee stating that one Frank Vaughan, who was at one time owner of the Midwest Drug Store in Joplin, Missouri, was very closely associated with both Tom Hill and Al Sherwood in South Coffeyville, Oklahoma, although it is thought that Vaughan is presently located in Winnetka, Illinois, it is known that he has valuable contacts in and around Joplin, Missouri. The Chicago office is being requested to, through their index, locate the present address of Frank Vaughan, after which he should be interviewed and his cooperation solicited. Roy Hance, who is at present employed at the Eagle Pitcher Mines, near Joplin, Missouri, has furnished valuable information recently concerning Lett, and this individual should be frequently contacted for such further information as he may receive concerning the whereabouts of this individual.

Wichita, Kansas

HOLLINGSWORTH, DOYLE, 1451 Fannie Street. This individual has been for several months used as an informant by the Kansas City office in its endeavors to locate Lett. Hollingsworth is a brother to Vivian Mantooth, who also resides at that address, and should be frequently contacted as he can obtain information from both his sister and Clifford Collins, both of these known to be close contacts of Lett.

MANTOOTH, VIVIAN, 1451 Fannie Street. This woman was formerly a resident of Coffeyville, Kansas, during which time she was very intimate with Milton Lett. She has furnished information to Doyle Hollingsworth recently that she has been in touch with Milton Lett, but such information is doubted inasmuch as Lett is not thought to have been in Wichita subsequent to his marriage on February 21, 1936. She has also been used as an informant by the Post Office Inspectors, and Vivian at one time told

Doyle Hollingsworth that she had been offered \$500 by the Post Office Inspectors to 'put Lett on the spot'. On another occasion she was furnished an automobile and expenses by the Post Office Department, at which time she was away from Wichita, Kansas, approximately two weeks. It was on her return from this trip that she informed her brother she had seen Milton Lett in Cherryvale, Kansas. This information was furnished the Bureau by Hollingsworth on April 6, 1936. It is thought advisable to re-interview Vivian Mantooth in an endeavor to solicit her cooperation with the Bureau in its efforts to locate Lett.

SPRECHER, DICK, 402 North Vassar. Sprecher has not as yet been interviewed by agents of this Bureau, and it is thought that he is in direct contact with Lett. It has been reported and thought that in the event Lett comes to Wichita, he will undoubtedly either see Lela Mize, sister; Clifford Collins, his nephew; or ^{try} to make contact with Sprecher. Detective E. W. O'Connor of the Wichita Police Department knows Dick Sprecher, and through this detective a check should be made on the activities of this individual.

TINSLEY, J. W., Special Deputy, U. S. Marshal's Office. Tinsley is reported to know the entire Lett family and should be interviewed relative to further contacts and relations of Lett as well as to solicit his cooperation in learning of Lett's location.

FORTH, ETHEL LETT, address unknown. On April 16, 1936, a letter was received by the Kansas City office from Nate Smith, Special Agent for the Missouri Pacific Railroad, Coffeyville, Kansas, in which he supplied information that Milton Lett also had a sister in Wichita, Kansas, by the name of Ethel Lett Forth. Nothing whatsoever is known concerning this alleged sister of Lett; therefore, it is thought important that an investigation be conducted in Wichita relative to ascertaining the identity of this sister and her present address. It should be noted that one of the aliases used by Lett in 1935, when he was directing registered letters from Cleveland, Ohio, to his mother at Wann, Oklahoma, was that of Mary Forth.

Cherryvale, Kansas

No direct contacts are known in this city, but information was furnished on 4-6-36 by Doyle Hollingsworth that his sister, Vivian Mantooth, had made the statement she had seen Milton Lett in Cherryvale within the two weeks prior to that time. The serials in the possession of this office fail to reflect any investigation conducted in Cherryvale relative to this statement, and it is thought advisable that such investigation be conducted in this city in an effort to establish if Milton Lett is known there.

Larned, Kansas

CHEATHAM, CHARLES. This man is a parolee out of the State Penitentiary at Lansing, Kansas, and is at present residing in this city. Cheatham is well known to Sheriff A. W. Wilson and County Attorney Strobel and was thought at one time to be in direct contact with Alvin Karpis and other members of the Barker-Karpis mob. It is not known definitely whether or not Cheatham is familiar with Milton Lett, but the matter of contacting Cheatham should be taken into consideration by the Kansas City office.

Anderson, Missouri

CHANDLER, FRANK. Chandler has been very cooperative in the past relative to the Kansas City office's endeavor to locate Lett and furnished information relative to the fact that Lett was at one time visiting the farm of Nettie Lair, near Anderson. Mr. Chandler should be frequently contacted.

LAIR, NETTIE. This woman is an elderly person who owns a farm near Anderson, Missouri and is the aunt of Louis Thornton, a personal friend of Milton Lett. Information was received from Jim Luttrell, a neighbor of Nettie Lair, that on one occasion Milton Lett was seen at the farm of Nettie Lair.

Baird, Texas

LANG, KENNETH. In the report of Special Agent John R. Wells dated 8-19-36 at Oklahoma City it is reflected that Kenneth Lang has recently moved to Baird, Texas, and is alleged to have married the daughter of the sheriff located at this place. A lead has been set out in reference report for an investigation at Baird, Texas in this regard. It should also be stated that Kenneth Lang is an associate in crime with Milton Lett and was a subject of an N. M. V. T. A. case in the Oklahoma City office, and on March 23, 1936, on a plea of nolo contendere in the Federal Court at Tulsa, Oklahoma, Lang was found guilty and placed on three years' probation. Immediately prior to Lang's trial he was being used as an informant of the Oklahoma City office in an effort to locate Milton Lett; however, it was subsequently ascertained that during the time that he was being used as an informant Lang was in direct touch with Milton Lett and, in fact, spent one night with Lett in Wichita, Kansas. It is thought that Kenneth Lang is possibly the nearest individual to Lett outside of his family, and a vigorous investigation should be conducted at Baird, Texas, in an effort to establish an informant in the vicinity of the residence of Lang, who will advise the Bureau when and if Lett makes his appearance. It should also be stated here that on one occasion Vivian Mantooth, the former paramour of Lett, told her brother that "Lett is now driving a

1933 Chevrolet master sedan bearing 1936 Oklahoma license tags and that Lett would either be caught in Berger, Texas; Wichita, Kansas or Kansas City." This information is reflected in the report of Special Agent W. E. Hopton dated 3-17-36 at Kansas City, Missouri. This is probably meant to be Berger, Texas.

Cleveland, Ohio

b7D [REDACTED] This individual has been an informant of Special Agent C. E. Smith of the Cleveland field office since the inception of the investigation concerning this case at Cleveland, Ohio. On one occasion [REDACTED] informed Special Agent Smith, after identifying the photograph of Milton Lett, that Lett was for several months employed in the Harvard Club in Newburgh Heights, Ohio, a suburb of Cleveland, as a shiller for this gambling club, and at that time was going under the name of "Willie". [REDACTED] stated that, to the best of his information, "Willie" was from New Orleans, Louisiana. He also stated that Willie was very intimate with one Sherkey Gorman, who is thought to be at present still employed by the Harvard Club.

GORMAN, SHERKEY. Other than the Harvard Club, Newburgh Heights, Ohio, no other address is known for this individual at present. However, an investigation is now being conducted by the Cleveland field office in an effort to establish the correct name and address of this individual. It has been reported that he was closely associated with Lett during the time Lett was employed at the Harvard Club.

Youngstown, Ohio

HALL, CLAYTON, who is employed at the Holland Furnace Company at Youngstown and can be reached thru General Delivery, Youngstown, Ohio, his exact address being unknown due to the fact that he has moved, is an informant of the Cleveland office and can be considered rightfully so in view of the information he gave looking toward the apprehension of Karpis and Campbell. It is not known whether or not Hall can supply much information relative to Milton Lett, but due to the fact he has not been interviewed in this regard, it is thought advisable that either Special Agent E. J. Wynn or Agent John L. Madala, presently attached to the Cleveland office on special assignment, re-interview Hall relative to his knowledge of the whereabouts and past activities of Milton Lett.

Akron, Ohio

DUNN, J. T. The exact address of this man is unknown, but it should be recalled that in October 1935 when Milton Lett was arrested in Akron, Ohio, contact was made with Dunn in an effort to have Dunn secure bail for Lett's release. Dunn was subsequently interviewed by special agents of the Cleveland office, at which time he informed that he had known

Milton Lett as an associate of Fred Hunter for about two years. He stated that Milton Lett had the reputation in the gambling places of Akron as being a "crooked" gambler, and on one occasion he was compelled to order Lett to leave Dunn's establishment. At the time he was interviewed he exhibited a cooperative attitude, and due to this fact it is thought advisable to have Dunn re-interviewed, as it may be possible Dunn may furnish valuable information concerning Lett should he, Lett, return at any time to the city of Akron.

Canton, Ohio

HANEY, EDNA. This woman is a madam of a house of prostitution located in the city of Canton and was closely associated with JOE RICH, who is at present serving a sentence in the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas. Both Joe Rich and Edna Haney are potential subjects in the harboring investigation now being conducted, as they were known at one time to have assisted Karpis in his escapades in Canton, Ohio. Edna Haney has been interviewed, and altho she claims to have no knowledge of Milton Lett, it is thought that due to the fact she is a potential subject, she will make some effort to obtain information thru her various contacts in the city of Canton regarding Lett, should he make an appearance in that city.

Toledo, Ohio

INFORMANTS [REDACTED] The identities of these informants are known to the Bureau, having been furnished under confidential cover. These informants should be re-interviewed relative to their knowledge of Milton Lett and any contacts he may have in the city of Toledo. It should be noted that while Harry Campbell was incarcerated in the U. S. Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, he was interviewed by the Kansas City office, during which interview he made the statement he had seen Milton Lett in Toledo two or three times during the spring of 1936. It should also be noted that Clayton Hall during the time he was assisting this Bureau in Hot Springs, Arkansas, was interviewed by Special Agent John L. Madala and at that time he stated that Lett was probably in Toledo, Ohio.

ROSCOE, JOE, a gambler in Toledo, Ohio, is known to have financed the Garrettsville, Ohio, mail train robbery, for which he received a part of the loot obtained in this robbery. He is also known to have been directly associated with major members of the Barker-Karpis mob. It has been intimated that Roscoe has opened a gambling establishment in St. Louis, Missouri, and that probably Lett may at this time be employed in such gambling establishment. It is thought advisable that it be ascertained from Informant [REDACTED] whether or not Roscoe has opened such an establishment in St. Louis, and if so, obtain the address of same for subsequent investigation by the St. Louis office.

On June 6, 1936, the Chicago office was advised by the Kansas City office that one TONY MIEZEL, an informant of that office, had furnished information that while he was in St. Louis, Missouri the week prior to this communication he talked with one PEG, a former associate of Milton Lett, and that Peg had told him LETT was at that time hanging around the Saley Brothers Construction Company at Wilmington, Illinois. This informant stated that Lett was not employed by this construction company but that he was associating with the workmen of this firm and obtaining a livelihood by gambling with these workmen. Miezal could furnish no additional information as to the identity of Peg but advised that Peg is presently hanging around Shaeffer's Cafe located in Odessa, Missouri.

An investigation has been conducted as reflected in the report of Special Agent D. P. Sullivan dated 6-15-36 at Chicago, Ill., relative to the information furnished concerning the Saley Brothers Construction Company at Wilmington, Illinois, with negative results. However, no investigation has as yet been conducted at Odessa, Missouri in an effort to establish the identity of one PEG, an alleged associate of Milton Lett.

THE BUREAU OFFICES THAT ARE REQUESTED TO CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION RELATIVE TO THE LOCATION OF MILTON LETT WILL EXPEDITE SUCH INVESTIGATIONS, SUBMITTING REPORTS AT INTERVALS NOT TO EXCEED TEN DAYS.

The San Antonio and Nashville field offices are being furnished with a copy, each, of this report due to the fact that subsequent investigation may be necessary in their respective territories.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS

The New Orleans office at Baton, Rouge, Louisiana, will, if same has not been done, check the records of the Bureau of Motor Vehicles to ascertain whether or not Milton Lett, under his true name or aliases has registered any automobile in that state. It should be recalled here that on February 21, 1936, Lett was seen driving a 1935 or 1936 grey Ford V-8 coupe, bearing 1936 Louisiana license, the number of which is unknown.

The Dallas office will expedite at Baird, Texas, the investigation requested in the report of Special Agent John R. Wells, dated 8-19-36 at Oklahoma City.

The St. Louis office:

It has been suggested that Joe Roscoe has opened a gambling club somewhere in St. Louis, and it is also noted that when Lett and Sam Coker were in Claremore, Oklahoma, they purchased a ticket to St. Louis, Missouri, and it is thought that probably Lett may be employed at some gambling club somewhere in St. Louis, and due to his former affiliations with Roscoe it appears that he may be employed at Roscoe's place, if such is in existence. An investigation should be conducted looking toward the location of Lett.

The Little Rock office will at Hot Springs, Arkansas, contact Grace Goldstein and other informants in this city for such information as they may be able to furnish regarding Lett and his whereabouts.

The Oklahoma City office will review the file of their office relative to Lett as to such other information concerning his relatives and history that this file may disclose. If such is not contained in the file of this office, will conduct investigation in and around South Coffeyville and Wann, Oklahoma, to ascertain as much as possible relative to the family and history of this individual and conduct subsequent investigation relative to such relatives as may be learned in an effort to locate Lett.

At South Coffeyville, Oklahoma, will make frequent contacts with Charley and Les McCabe in an effort to encourage their cooperation with the Bureau in the location of Lett. Will contact Lynn Hicks and Charley Harris for such information as they may possess relative to Lett. Will again contact Dolly Hill, wife of Gus Hill, and solicit her cooperation in the location of Lett. If thought advisable, will contact Claude (Punch) Hill, brother of Tom Hill, relative to what information he may supply as to Lett's past activities. Altho this man is considered unreliable, he may have valuable information as to Lett that can be obtained from him diplomatically even if he is not of the cooperative attitude. Will endeavor to obtain some reliable person who resides in the neighborhood of Maggie Lett, who will keep the Bureau advised in the event Milton Lett should make his appearance. Will renew the mail cover on all mail being delivered to Maggie and Charles Lett and also arrangements should be made with Western Union and the Postal Telegraph Company at Coffeyville, Kansas and South Coffeyville, Oklahoma, in the event any other delivery is customary other than by phone or mail, to advise the Oklahoma City office of any messages directed or emanating from Maggie or Charley Lett at Wann, Oklahoma.

Will consider contacting Jim Ray who is ⁱⁿ charge of the WPA projects for the thirteen counties around South Coffeyville, Okla., and endeavor to have him locate some informants who would assist in locating Lett. Will solicit the cooperation of both Harry Berman alias

Boogy Woogy, operator of the Nut House night club, and Al Sherwood in locating Lett. Will continue to contact Mrs. Ester Twilley, 1401 South Elm Street, Coffeyville, Kansas.

Will conduct investigation relative to Pearl Stanley, who lives on a farm six miles east of South Coffeyville, just inside the Oklahoma line.

Will keep in touch with Nate Smith, Special Agent, Missouri Pacific Railroad, for such information as he may possess relative to Lett.

At McAlester, Oklahoma, will place a cover on all communications either going to or emanating from SAM COKER, inmate of the Oklahoma State Penitentiary, as it is anticipated that eventually Lett may endeavor to communicate with Coker. Will also consider the advisability of an interview with Coker.

At Ada, Oklahoma, will conduct further investigation at this place relative to Earl Collins and consider the advisability of openly interviewing him relative to the whereabouts of Lett. Will also ascertain and report the identity of the brothers-in-law of Lett, who are alleged to be brothers of Earl Collins.

At Tulsa, Oklahoma, will interview Harold "Fats" Wright, who is employed by the Tulsa World newspaper and is reported to be a friend of Milton Lett.

At Ponca City, Oklahoma, will conduct further investigation relative to Arthur and Ruby Perkey, 410 South 2nd Street, placing appropriate covers on their mail and any messages received by them by wire.

Will also consider the advisability of, thru SAC Dwight Brantley, soliciting the aid of Carol Tankersley, informant of SAC Brantley in instant case.

The Kansas City office, in addition to the leads set out in report of Special Agent V. W. Gillon dated 8-18-36 at Kansas City, will conduct the following investigation:

At Wichita, Kansas, will endeavor to ascertain more information relative to the alleged sister of Lett, Ethel Lett Forth.

At Cherryvale, Kansas, will conduct appropriate investigation to ascertain if Lett is residing anywhere in the vicinity of this town, as it is noted in the report of Special Agent W. E. Hopton dated 4-16-36 at Kansas City, Missouri, that Vivian Mantooth stated she had seen Lett in this town shortly prior to April 6, 1936. It is also noted that Cherryvale is in Montgomery County and very close to Cowego, Kans., where Lett and Lucille Ferris were married.

This office is also requested to review the file in this case in the Kansas City office and pursue any additional leads that will expedite the apprehension of Lett.

At Odessa, Missouri, will endeavor to locate PEG, who is alleged to hang around Shaeffer's Cafe. If located, she should be interviewed relative to information furnished by him that Milton Lett was recently seen in Wilmington, Illinois.

At Larned, Kansas, will consider the advisability of contacting Charles Cheatham for information relative to Lett.

The Chicago office will, through reference to its card index, locate the address of Frank Vaughan who was at one time owner of the Midwest Drug Store in Joplin, Missouri, and closely associated with Tom Hill and Al Sherwood at South Coffeyville, Oklahoma. It is thought by Special Agent S. K. McKee that Vaughan is at present located in Winnetka, Illinois, and in the event Vaughan's address should come within the Chicago field office territory, he should be interviewed, as he may be able to offer valuable assistance in the location of Lett or to give information as to valuable contacts in and around Joplin, Missouri.

Will furnish two copies, each, of the photographs of Milton and Lucille Ferris Lett to all offices receiving copies of this report except the Cleveland and St. Paul offices.

Will at Lincoln, Illinois, carry out the leads set forth in the report of Special Agent D. P. Sullivan, dated at Chicago, Ill., 6-15-36.

The Cleveland office will at Cleveland, Ohio, contact Kenneth Rosing, informant, and endeavor to have him make an active effort to ascertain some further information as to local contacts of Milton Lett while Lett was employed at the Harvard Club in Newburgh Heights, Ohio.

Will continue investigation looking toward the location of the residence of Sharkey Gorman, who, according to Rosing, was very intimate with Lett at the time they were both employed at the above-mentioned club. When the correct name and residence of Gorman have been established a cover on his personal mail, both at the Harvard Club and his residence, should be placed. This office is at present endeavoring to establish an informant who can obtain information at the Harvard Club, and in the event such an informant is established, the matter of locating Lett, of course, should be kept in mind.

Will at Youngstown, Ohio, interview Clayton Hall, informant, as it is thought he might furnish valuable information regarding Lett.

Will at Akron, Ohio, interview J. T. Dunn, local gambler, and solicit his cooperation in the location of Lett, should the latter make his

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appearance in the city of Akron.

Will at Canton, Ohio, interview Edna Haney, local madam of a house of prostitution, and solicit her cooperation among her various contacts in Canton in furnishing information which may lead to the apprehension of Lett.

Will at Toledo, Ohio, endeavor to ascertain through [redacted] information as to whether or not JOE ROSCOE has, in fact, opened up a gambling house in St. Louis, Missouri, and if so, will advise the St. Louis office of the address of same in order to facilitate the investigation suggested for the St. Louis territory. [redacted] should also be questioned relative to their personal knowledge of Lett. b7d

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1448 Standard
Cleveland,

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Special Agent in Charge,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREXID

In the summer of 1934, while certain fugitives in this case were residing in Cleveland, Ohio, one O. S. Frankes, Sr. of the Thomas Shirt Company, Columbus, Ohio, sold a large order of shirts to them at the Harvard Club in Newburg Heights, Ohio, a suburb of Cleveland. At the same time he sold other orders for shirts to various employees of this club.

Frankes has been interviewed in the past, but the results of this interview will not suffice for the harboring investigation presently being conducted. During the course of the prior interview it was learned that Frankes travels out of Columbus, Ohio and is on the road a good portion of the time.

It is requested that contact be had with the Thomas Shirt Company in order to learn when O. S. Frankes, Sr. will be available for interview. It will be satisfactory to make an appointment with him for a set date in the near future for an interview to be conducted by an Agent assigned to the harboring investigation here. Kindly advise of the date of the appointment in sufficient time to permit an Agent to proceed to Columbus for this investigation.

Very truly yours,

SEM/VJB
CC - Bureau
- Chicago

E. J. CONNELLEY
Inspector.

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1443 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

September 8, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

There are enclosed herewith the two volumes of serials which were furnished this office for use in the preparation of the summary report on Milton Lett, with aliases. These volumes are being returned to you as the above mentioned summary has been prepared and the appropriate offices furnished copies thereof.

Very truly yours,

APK/JB
CC - Bureau
- Cincinnati

J. P. MacFARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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September 8, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

Re: BREXID

Referring to your letter dated August 19, 1936, please be advised that Special Agent T. E. Thornton of the Cincinnati office examined the incorporation papers of the Mayfair Casino, Inc., at the office of the Secretary of State, Columbus, Ohio. The following information was obtained.

Incorporation papers number 163,141, located on page 416 of Volume 431 were filed on 5-29-35. The purpose of this corporation was to carry on business of owning, leasing and operating restaurants and the capital was stated as \$500.00. The name of the Corporation was originally given as "Casino, Inc." with the principal office located at 735 Leader Building, Cleveland, Ohio. The incorporators were listed as A. E. Gordon, Rosemary DiBartolo and Helen Shuhay.

The corporation papers were amended on 7-27-35 and the name of the corporation changed to "Mayfair Casino, Inc." and the following officers were listed:

Harry Fropper- President
A. E. Gordon, Secretary
Francis Weisenberg, Vice-President.

No other information was obtainable.

Very truly yours,

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E. J. CONNELLEY,

Special Agent in Charge

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8 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

September 8, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

It is respectfully requested that you have an Agent at Columbus, Ohio, check the Bureau of Motor Vehicle Registration records, and obtain from the files the description and other data of all automobiles registered under the name of CLARENCE CHARLES MILLER during the years 1935 and 1936. CLARENCE CHARLES MILLER is an alias of HARRY CAMPBELL.

It is also desired that you ascertain at Columbus, Ohio, whether a file is maintained as to makes of automobiles which are licensed; that is, whether all of the automobiles of a particular make are indexed, and if so, whether the file is segregated so as to show all of the automobiles of one make licensed in a particular county. In the event such a system is located, it is requested that you obtain the names and addresses of all licenses of Hudson coupes for the period July 1, 1935 to January 1, 1936, in Mahoning County. This request is being made for the purpose of locating a 1935 model Hudson coupe which Harry Campbell is thought to have licensed in that county. It, of course, will not be necessary to make this detailed check in the event a search of the name index file reflects a registration of such a car in the name of CLARENCE CHARLES MILLER.

Very truly yours,

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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:

Frank P. Greenwald alias Greenie states on or about January 23, 1935, at request of "Cooley" Monroe he and Monroe picked up Karpis and Campbell at LaSalle, Michigan, where latter two had abandoned car used after escape from Atlantic City, N.J., that he drove them to Casino Club where they were left; that he learned true identities of Karpis and Campbell same day and thereafter on or about March 13, 1936, he drove Campbell from Goulet's Grill to home of Edith Barry. Greenwald states first met Campbell at Casino Club in summer of 1934 with other members of gang. Ovel Webb was with Jimmie Wilson May 16, 1934, when he wrecked car of Harry Campbell, and she associated with Doc Barker and other members of gang at Casino Club. She states Doc Barker and another member of the gang wore bandages on fingers and faces during part of time they were at Casino Club. At time of afore-mentioned accident Wilson gave address of Ted Angus as his address. Maude Noble who admitted 'paying off' to Ted Angus died 9-1-36. Telephone number at Toledo, Ohio, Forest 5109 called from residence of Tip O'Neil on 11-21-35 made to home of father-in-law of Marie Flynn. Deputy sheriffs who raided Casino Club and 2831 131st Street, Point Place, Ohio in January 1935 state raids result of tip to Sheriff O'Reilly. Deputy Sheriff Charles Sharkey stated instructions were issued by Sheriff O'Reilly to arrest Karpis and Campbell. Further investigation in Lucas County reveals constables and field deputies do nothing to hinder the operation of slot machines and other gambling. Deputy Sheriff Sharkey admits he seized all slot machines belonging to W-B Service, but because

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of dislike for William Poulos; that slot machines of Tom Worland only seized on complaint. Information obtained that "payoff" made by Tom Worland thru Attorney W. S. Thurstin to Sheriff O'Reilly. Informant's brother alleged to have witnessed payoff. Joe Becker has stated to persons in Lucas County Sheriff's Office would not molest slot machines of Tom Worland. Matters related in article published in April 1936 issue of National Police Officer Magazine true in some respects. Clint Knudel, police officer, denies knowledge of Karpis being at Algeo Hotel; that Joe Fretti approached him in connection with inspection of pin-ball machines, stating to him it would be worth his while. Telephone tap on Fretti brothers shows pin-ball machines operating in violation of the law; that Fretti brothers admit they get information concerning complaints made against machines. Frazier Reams interested in new gambling device alleged to be legal. Telephone tap on Maxine Belmont indicates she is leader in the operation of houses of ill-fame in Toledo, while Sadie Danh probably does not have much to say concerning same and pays nothing for protection. Municipal Court Judge Ramey visited Shelby Hotel, house of prostitution operated by Jenny Miller and Maxine Belmont. Bernice Forrester not transported in interstate commerce for an immoral purpose but placed in house of prostitution by local taxi driver in Toledo, Ohio.

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REFERENCES:

Report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, Cleveland, Ohio, dated 8-29-36; and Bureau letter dated 6-9-36 re Bureau file No. 62-35330.

DETAILS:

AT TOLEDO, OHIO

This report covers the investigative activities of the various agents engaged on the harboring investigation at Toledo, Ohio, whose names are set forth throughout the report as to the investigation conducted by them.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents V.E. Criss and John L. Madala on August 31, 1936:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent R.C. Suran, Cleveland, Ohio, dated August 22, 1936, wherein Bobbie Robbletto, former nurse girl friend of Sam Coker, advised agents that Coker frequently hired the services of a Private cab, and that a driver whom she believes was called "Greenie", occasionally drove Coker up to McGraw's place for a few drinks. It should be noted that this individual is identical with Frank P. Greenwald, owner of the Private Cab Service Company, 520 Cherry Street. He has heretofore been frequently mentioned as a possible servant for Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell. It is likewise known that he answers most of the calls at Edith Barry's place and the Casino Club. On August 25, 1936, Special Agent Suran telephonically communicated with Inspector E.J. Connelley at New York City concerning Greenwald. Mr. Connelley instructed that Greenwald should be interviewed, but that the interview should be conducted in such a manner that Greenwald would not be to avoid prosecution at a later date in the event such action was deemed advisable.

On August 31, 1936 Agents brought Greenwald to the temporary offices of the Bureau being maintained at Toledo, where he was interviewed in detail by Agents Criss and Madala, and the following signed statement was obtained from him, the original of which is being retained in the Cleveland Bureau Office files:

"Toledo, Ohio
August 31, 1936

"I, FRANK P. GREENWALD, do hereby make the following signed statement to V.E. Criss and John L. Madala, whom I know to be Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice. No promises, threats, or rewards have been made to me, and I am fully aware that this statement may be used against me. I am making this statement of my own free will.

"I am 43 years of age, married, and have two children. I am presently engaged in the taxi-cab business, owning my own cabs, and operating under the trade name - Private Cab Service Company. My place of business is at 520 Cherry Street, Toledo.

"I have known Ed McGraw and his brother, Steve, for about 25 years. Steve McGraw formerly owned a taxi-cab business in Toledo called 'McGraw's Cab', and I worked for him as a driver for about five or six years approximately twelve years ago. Steve McGraw went into bankruptcy in

in either 1922 or 1923, and John Kelly, Buddy Kennedy, and I took over his telephone number. We purchased our own cabs. The following year Kelly and Kennedy withdrew from the business, and I continued to operate solely under the name of Private Cab Service Company continuously to this date.

"I have been shown a photograph of Willie Harrison, 1829, Hammond, Ind., 11/16/33, and identify the same as a man known to me as Little Willie. I have affixed my signature on the photograph shown me, certifying that I have positively identified this photograph. I have known Willie Harrison for about four or five years, usually seeing him at the Casino Club and Jackie Kennedy's place. The Casino Club is owned by Bert and Ted Angus. I frequently drove Willie in my cab, and I believe he was very close to both Bert and Ted Angus. The last time I saw this individual was in 1934 at the Casino Club. Willie Harrison was also very friendly with Charlie 'Skipper' Becker, who formerly worked at the Casino Club as a porter and bartender, and I on various occasions drove them in my cab to different joints in Toledo.

"From a group of photographs I have picked the picture of James Wilson and Joseph P. Moran as two individuals known to me as Jimmy and Doc. I have placed my signature on the photographs shown to me, which certifies that I have made a positive identification of these pictures. I first met these two individuals at the Casino Club possibly in the spring of 1934. I frequently drove Jimmy and Doc in my taxi-cab to and from the Casino Club, where they were almost daily during the period I knew them. I recall seeing Jimmy and Doc talk with Ted and Bert Angus at the Casino Club on several occasions. On various occasions I drove the man known to me as Doc to an apartment house at 1628 Collingwood Avenue, Toledo, where I believe he resided. This man occasionally kept company with a prostitute named Phyllis Crawford, who lives at 1809 1/2 Adams Street, Toledo. The Crawford girl spent considerable time at the Casino Club during 1934.

"The man whom I have identified as Jimmy Wilson also frequently rode in my cabs. I recall that he likewise was in the frequent company of Phyllis Crawford. On one occasion in possibly May or June, 1934, Jimmy had a wreck in the automobile he was driving at the time, which I believe was a new 1934 Ford Coupe. Someone at the Casino Club called me at my office, 520 Cherry Street, and I drove Jimmy and Doc from the Club to the Red Arrow Garage at 740 Summitt Street, Toledo, where they arranged to have the car repaired. Two or three

days later Jimmy told me that he ran his car into a light pole at the corner of Huron and LaGrange Streets, and nearly killed himself and a couple of 'tramps' who were riding with him. I later learned that he was referring to Phyllis Crawford and some other girl, who apparently were with him in the car at the time. I vaguely recall him telling me that he got pinched for this accident. However, I do not know what disposition was made of his case.

"I have been shown a photograph of Chas. J. Fitzgerald, on which I have placed my signature, and say that it greatly resembles a man whom I saw at the Casino Club on one occasion during 1934. I recall that this person walked with a cane, and on the occasion in question I observed that he was very drunk, and he took his cane and knocked the tops off of two bottles of liquor standing on the bar. I never saw this individual in company with Jimmy Wilson, Doc Moran, Willie Harrison, or any of the persons whom I am about to talk about.

"From a large group of photographs I have picked the one identified as Harry Campbell. I have placed my signature on the back of this picture certifying my identification of the same. I first became aware of his true identity a day or so after he and Alvin Karpis escaped from the police at Atlantic City, which date Agents Madala and Criss informed was January 22, 1935. I recall that at this time these men were likewise being sought by the Government. My first experience with Harry Campbell was sometime in the summer of 1934. On this occasion I got a call at the Casino Club, and the man whom I have identified as Harry Campbell hired the services of my cab. He told me that he had wrecked his car near Pono, Ohio, and requested me to drive him to Sandusky, Ohio, which I did. I might state that I had previously seen Harry Campbell at the Casino Club on at least three or four occasions, and remember that he was referred to as 'Buff'.

"When we arrived at Sandusky Campbell directed me to drive to Cedar Point, where I let him out of my cab, and he paid me \$25.00 for the trip. I recall him telling me at the Casino Club that his car had been towed in to Robison's Chevrolet Company, Toledo for repairs. Campbell's face was very much scratched, and during the trip to Sandusky he slept almost all of the way. He was quite drunk.

"I did not see Harry Campbell again until the early morning of January 23, 1935. I distinctly recall that on this occasion I received a telephone call at my office, 520 Cherry Street, at about 2:00 A.M. The call came from a man known to me as Cooley Monroe, who at that time worked at the

Casino Club. I don't know now whether Cooley identified himself over the phone, or whether I recognized his voice, as I had frequently talked with him over the phone on prior occasions. Cooley told me to meet him at the intersection of Ash and Summitt Streets, Toledo, and pick him up. I immediately got dressed and drove to that intersection in a 1930 Model Cadillac Sedan, which I used as a cab at that time. Cooley was apparently waiting for me at the gasoline service station on the southwest corner of Ash and Summitt. As I drove up he climbed into my cab, and told me to drive out Suder Avenue to the Dixie Highway; that we would pick up two men on the highway with a car, not explaining who they might be. I observed that Cooley was extremely nervous and was not his natural self. I did not ask whether there was anything wrong with him. We drove north on Suder Avenue to the Dixie Highway, and on this road at a point approximately four miles north of Erie, Michigan, known as La Salle, I observed a car parked on the highway with the lights on. When we neared this automobile Cooley suggested that I pull ahead of it and stop, which I did, stopping directly in front of the second car. I recall seeing two men standing beside the said car as we drove passed it. When I came to a stop after passing them, Cooley either got out of the cab or opened the right front door, and I don't recall him saying anything to these fellows. One of the men opened the right rear door of the cab, and threw something on the floor directly in front of the rear seat. I looked around and observed a machine gun with a drum or cylinder attached to it, standing against the rear seat. The two men got into the back seat of the cab, and one of them said that I should drive them to the Casino Club. I recall that these men wore dark overcoats with their collars turned up, and their hats pulled down well over their eyes. My first thought after I picked up these two men, was that they were going to hold me up, and possibly take my cab away. I, however, was somewhat relieved after they told me to drive them to the Casino Club.

"These two men whom I now know as Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell had nothing to say during the entire trip to the Casino Club; neither did Cooley have anything to say on this trip. When we arrived at the Club, the two men got out of the cab, and one of them slipped a bill into my hand saying, 'Here'. I later saw it as a \$20.00 bill. Cooley got out of the car with these individuals, and I did not observe whether these men entered the Casino Club from the front, or whether they went in the rear way.

"That same night I observed in the Toledo newspapers photographs of Harry Campbell and Alvin Karpis, indicating that they had abandoned a car at the place where I had previously that morning picked up the two men above referred to. I, at this time, recognized the photograph of Harry Campbell as the man I drive to Sanduskey, Ohio in the summer of 1934, and knew further from reading the paper that he and Alvin Karpis undoubtedly were the two men I had picked up early that morning.

"I did not report this matter to the police or to any other law enforcement agency at that time or any time thereafter.

"The next time I saw Cooley Monroe was about two or three weeks afterwards, at which time he came to my office at 520 Cherry Street. He was alone, and he said that he hoped no one would ever find out about that, meaning the trip from La Salle, to Toledo; further stating that it sure will be our 'ass' if anybody does find out about it. I told him that I didn't want anymore of that stuff, as that is a good way of getting some time or getting killed. Cooley and I never talked about this incident anymore thereafter.

"I swear that I did not see Alvin Karpis anymore after January 23, 1935. The next time I saw Harry Campbell was about five or six weeks prior to his arrest on May 7, 1936. As I recall this occasion, I got a call to go to Mc Graw's place at 2011 1/2 Adams Street, Toledo. I rang the bell at this address, and a man whom I have identified from a group of photographs as Sam Coker, came down and got into my cab. He told me to drive him to Edith Barry's place at 524 Southard Street, which I did. When we arrived at her house, he invited me in for a couple of drinks. It appeared that Edith Barry had previously met this individual, as she referred to him as 'Tommy'. I might state that on the way to Edith's place Coker advised that I should not refer to him as Mister, but to call him Tom. We drank at Edith's for approximately a hour or so, after which Tommy told me to drive him to Fred Goulet's Grill on Monroe Street. I have known Goulet for possibly 20 years. I don't recall any conversation which Edith Barry and Tommy might have had. When we arrived at Goulet's place, Tommy invited me for some more drinks, which invitation I accepted. I recall that Fred Goulet and a couple of women, who appeared to be waitresses were in the saloon at the time. Goulet was working on some lattice work within the place, and Tommy was

kidding him about being a carpenter. Approximately one hour after we arrive there, a man came into the place whom I immediately recognized as Harry Campbell. It seemed that Campbell was somewhat surprised and perturbed to see me, and I can't say that I was glad to see him. Campbell invited me to have a drink on him, and after drinking for about an hour, he told me to drive him to Edith Barry's place. I forgot to state that after Campbell came into Goulet's place, he and Tommy talked privately for several minutes, and I sat at a table by myself. When their conversation ended, Tommy and Campbell came to my table, and we had a couple of more beers, after which Tommy left the place without paying his fare to me.

"When Campbell and I arrived at Edith Barry's place, he invited me in for a drink. I observed that Edith apparently had met Campbell before, as she seemed very cordial towards him, and referred to him as 'Buff'. I had one drink with Campbell and Edith, after which Campbell paid me \$14.00 or some such amount for his fare and that of Sam Coker. There was no other person in Edith Barry's place at the time Campbell and I were there.

"I at no time ever saw Harry Campbell or Sam Coker after the above occasion.

"As to the time I last saw Harry Campbell, I wish to state that I am fairly certain it was five or six weeks prior to his arrest. I remember that after Campbell was caught I was somewhat fearful that he or his friends might think that I put him on the spot, inasmuch as I had seen him shortly prior thereto.

"I wish to state that I at no time, and at no place did I ever discuss with either Ted or Bert Angus, Edith Barry, or any other person the matter of my transporting Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell from Michigan to the Casino Club, nor did I ever discuss with anyone the character and true identity of these two individuals.

"I recall that on at least two or three occasions I drove Edith Barry to the 42nd Street Cafe, where she drank beer and talked privately with Joe Roscoe. On one occasion I drove Joe Roscoe away from the Casino Club.

"At my request Agent Madala read the foregoing statement which consists of five typewritten pages to me, in the presence of Agent Criss, and I swear that the same is true

to the best of my knowledge and recollection.

/s/ Frank P. Greenwald

Witnesses:
John L. Madala
Vernon E. Criss
Special Agents,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice."

In addition to his above statement, Greenwald advised Agents that he has been driving cabs in Toledo for the past 23 or 24 years; that when he was driving a cab for Steve McGraw, the latter's brother, Ed McGraw, was also working for him as a roustabout. He advised that ever since he took over Steve McGraw's business, Ed McGraw has been somewhat "cold" towards him, possibly because he took the telephone number of Steve's business, which number Ed McGraw apparently wanted to have. Greenwald advised that during the period of 1924 to 1930 he operated ten to twelve cabs, and when business began to fall off he got rid of these cars, and that he now has one Cadillac Sedan, two Plymouth Sedans, and one Hudson Sedan which he uses regularly in his taxi-cab business. He advised that the following persons have worked for him as drivers and otherwise for the past three years:

Bill Wirrick, driver for two or three years; lives at 415 - 3rd Street, Toledo.
Harry Francis, driver for 1½ to 2 years or more; lives on Erie Street, near Bush Street.
Elwood Tilton, driver for the past 8 months; lives on northwest corner of Michigan and Walnut Streets.
Bert Tanner, driver in 1933 and 1934; lives on Norwood Avenue, near 19th Street.

Greenwald stated that in 1934 and the early part of 1935 he had two Cadillac Sedans and a Pierce Arrow car which he used in his taxi-cab business. He advised that the following persons and places are his best customers in Toledo:

Casino Club
X Dutch Village Night Club
Call house at 931 Summit Street
Edith Barry at 524 Southard Street
X Oxford Hotel
X Jovial Club
Gambling place at 513 Jefferson Street
Newton Tracey - attorney
C.B. Briggs - broker
Francis Schumann, 426 Superior Street, saloon owner

With reference to the 42nd Street Cafe, supposedly owned by Joe Roscoe, Greenwald advised that he very seldom receives calls from this place; that the Red Cab Company have a station directly in front of the cafe, and that they get practically all of the business of that place. He stated that on one occasion he drove Emmett Dryer, bartender at the 42nd Street Cafe, and his wife from the restaurant to their home.

Greenwald advised that he knows Joe Roscoe well, more by reputation than by personal contact; that he knows of his own personal knowledge that Roscoe and Jimmy Hayes, now deceased, formerly controlled the gambling in Toledo, and that after Hayes was killed in Detroit, Roscoe more or less took over Hayes' interests. He stated that Roscoe appears to have an interest in the Jovial Club, and the gambling place at 513 Jefferson Avenue, as well as the 42nd Street Cafe. He went on to state that apparently Roscoe and Edith Barry are close friends; that on two or three occasions within the past year or so he drove Edith Barry to the 42nd Street Cafe where she drank beer and engaged in private conversations with Roscoe, none of which he ever overheard. He advised it is possible that some of his other drivers also drove Edith Barry to the 42nd Street Cafe.

Agents questioned Greenwald at great length concerning whether he observed or heard anything which indicated that Joe Roscoe was in association and intimate with members of the Barker-Karpis gang. He stated that Roscoe frequently hung out at the Casino Club in the spring and summer of 1934, but that he at no time ever saw him speak or drink with the individuals now known to him as Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell. He advised that on one occasion during this period he drove Roscoe from the Casino Club to the latter's home on River Road in south Toledo; that Roscoe was very drunk, and apparently was in no condition to drive his own car. Greenwald added that Roscoe very seldom hired a cab. Agents were unable to make Greenwald admit that he ever saw Joe Roscoe in Edith Barry's place at 524 Southard Street, or that he ever drove him to or from her house.

Continuing Greenwald stated that he frequently answers calls at McGraw's place, 2011 1/2 Adams Street, and that he has seen the following persons there from time to time; Glenn Kneisel, Bert Ford, and Pekay who is a bellboy at the Waldorf Hotel. He stated that Kneisel and Ed McGraw are very good friends, and that when Steve McGraw was in the taxi-cab business, Kneisel was one of his drivers.

With reference to the Casino Club, Greenwald advised that this place is a rendezvous for prostitutes, hoodlums, and criminals; that when the Licavoli mob was very active in Toledo, two of the gang, namely "Firetop" and "Wop" English, frequently hung out there;

that he has since heard that the entire Barker-Karpis gang visited the club during the spring and summer of 1934. Greenwald advised that he very seldom spent any time within the Casino Club; that when called there for a cab, he would go into the place, get his customer and leave; that the Red Cab usually had three to four cabs "hustle" business in front of the club at night, and that the only time he would be at the Casino is when he was called there for cab hire. He stated both Bert and Ted Angus, and a former waiter there, called "Cum-cum", frequently gave him business.

Continuing Greenwald advised that he is friendly with George Timiney and Art Langendorf; that he frequently saw Timiney at the Casino Club with his squad drinking at the bar; that Timiney and the Angus boys are very close friends. He stated that he never saw Timiney or any of his men drink at the Club with persons now known to him as members of the Barker-Karpis gang. Agents questioned Greenwald whether he had any information as to whom might have collected graft from gambling and vice sources during the recent years. He stated that he has no definite information along this line, but has observed that shortly after certain individuals in the police department were placed on the hoodlum and vice squads they would turn up with new clothes, new cars, and generally presented a condition of wealth; that prior to that time they would usually be broke, and borrow money from whomever cared to loan it to them. He advised that it is common knowledge that Ted Angus was the "fix" and go-between for graft collections in 1930 and 1931; that inasmuch as Timiney and Ted Angus were very close at that time, and since Timiney would always appear to have considerable money to spend, he can't help but believe that Timiney got a "cut-in" somewhere. He claimed to have no definite information as to this possible situation.

Greenwald advised that he is presently separated from his wife who resides with their two children at 463 - 4th Street; that he is now living with Anna Pearce in her apartment, number 2, at 2105 Warren Avenue; that Anna was employed as a hat check girl at the Casino Club from June or July 1934 to the early part of 1935. He stated that Anna Pearce is at the present working in the Algeo Coffee Shop as a waitress, working there nights from 6:00 P.M. to 2:30 A.M. Greenwald indicated to Agents that he told Anna Pearce about his bringing Karpis and Campbell from La Salle, Michigan, where they abandoned their car, to the Casino Club on the early morning of January 23, 1935. He stated that he was so afraid and nervous after he learned of their true identities that he had to tell someone. Agents asked Greenwald why he didn't report this matter to the police, and he averred that he was afraid that the Angus brothers might do him some harm, although he would not admit that he ever had any conversation with them concerning this incident. He

stated that Cooley Monroe likewise is very much worried about his participation in the transportation of Karpis and Campbell to the Casino Club on the morning in question; that he believes Monroe was living in the basement of the Club at that time, and it is very likely that both Karpis and Campbell stayed with him that night.

Agents questioned Greenwald at great length as to how Karpis and Campbell contacted Monroe on the morning in question, and he advised, without any definite proof, that possibly Karpis and Campbell either personally appeared at the Casino Club, or got in touch with Monroe through a third party or through a telephone call to the Club; that Monroe met them and drove with Karpis and Campbell to the intersection of Ash and Summit Streets, where they let him out and requested him to call him, Greenie, from the gas station at that intersection; that possibly Karpis and Campbell told Monroe that they would drive slowly down Suder Avenue to the Dixie Highway, and that Greenwald should drive over the same route and overtake them. Greenwald is certain that he was in sight of subject's car for possibly a mile or so. As stated above, Greenwald advised that he does not know just what arrangements Karpis and Campbell made with Monroe, and that the information above related is merely conjecture on his part.

It might be stated that Agents displayed all photographs of the Barker-Karpis mob to Greenwald, and that the ones mentioned in his signed statement are all he was able to recognize.

Greenwald advanced the information that it is his understanding that 32 police officers in the Toledo Police Department are interested in the Yellow and Knight Cab Companies, Toledo; that former Chief of Police Harry Jennings is the manager or is holding some high position in the Yellow Cab Company; that both the Yellow and Knight cabs apparently can park their cars at any place in the city, whereas he as well as other small cab companies are restricted.

With further reference to the last time he saw Harry Campbell, on which occasion he drove him to Edith Barry's place, Greenwald advised, after examining his daily reports, that he is fairly certain this trip was made on March 13, 1936. He identified the 18th entry appearing on the daily report, dated March 13, 1936, as having been made in his handwriting. It indicates that on the night of this particular date, he was dispatched to 2015 Adams Street, which is McGraw's place; that he hired out his cab from 2:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M., for which he received a fare of \$14.00.

Relative to the prostitute, Phyllis Crawford, mentioned in Greenwald's statement as a frequent companion of Jimmy Wilson and Dr. Joseph P. Moran, he advised Agents that this woman is at present living with a negro named Joe Western at 1807 1/2 Adams Street, Toledo, and that

Western runs a saloon at Michigan and Washington Streets. It might be stated that Agents recently conducted some investigation in the 1800 block on Adams Street, where John Brock told the Post Office Inspectors he visited Alvin Karpis and Sam, the fifth man in the Garrettsville Train Robbery, shortly prior to November 7, 1935. It was learned that the Crawford woman lives at 1809 1/2 Adams Street, and when Agents Madala and Criss called there to interview her, some woman living in her apartment advised Agents that she was on a vacation at her home in West Virginia. In view of the information received from Greenwald in that the Crawford girl was a frequent visitor to the Casino Club in 1934, and apparently close to the various members of the Barker-Karpis mob, it was thought quite possible that it was at her apartment where Karpis and Sam lived on the occasion in question.

On September 1, 1936 Agents Criss and Madala again called at 1809 1/2 Adams Street and brought Phyllis Crawford to the temporary offices of the Bureau at Toledo, where she was interviewed in detail by Special Agents V.E. Criss, D.P. Sullivan and John L. Madala. She advised that her correct name is Ovel Webb, and the following signed statement was obtained from her.

Toledo, Ohio
September 1, 1936

"I, OVEL WEBB, make the following written statement to D.P. Sullivan and John L. Madala, whom I know to be Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice. I make this statement of my own free will, no threats, or promises having been made to me.

"I was born at Clover, West Virginia on November 7, 1904, and was raised and attended school there. I left home when I was seventeen years of age, and went to Akron, Ohio where I worked as a waitress. I came to Toledo, Ohio, in 1928, and started to 'hustle' in a house of prostitution at 102 N. Erie Street. I later worked in a 'house' at 111 Ontario Street. These houses at that time were operated by Johnny Carr.

"In about 1930 I quit the house at 111 Ontario Street, and started up a call flat at 114 - 18th Street. I have operated a call house since that time.

"In the summer of 1934 I occasionally visited the Casino Club, as I had done for several years, having previously met both Bert and Ted Angus there. I recall that in the spring of 1934, I got a telephone call from Charlie Becker who used to tend bar at the Casino Club, at that time, and he asked

me to come out to the Club and bring a girl friend with me to entertain some friends of his. This was in the afternoon. I got in touch with Billy Taylor, and we went out to the Casino Club together in her car. When we got to the Club, Charlie Becker was tending bar, and he introduced us to three fellows named Jimmy, George and Willie. I have been shown photographs of James J. Wilson, Harry Campbell, and Willie Harrison, and I have identified the photographs of James J. Wilson as being Jimmy, the photograph of Harry Campbell as being George, but I cannot positively identify the photograph of Willie Harrison as being Willie, although there is a slight resemblance. I recall Willie being short and stocky, with reddish brown hair, and he always appeared to be intoxicated when I saw him.

"We sat around that afternoon and drank, and Charlie Becker cooked a dinner for all of us. Ted and Bert Angus were in and out that evening, and said hello to all of us, as though they were acquainted with these men I have mentioned. We sat and around drank till about eleven O'clock when they took us home. I believe it was Jimmy who gave Billy and myself \$15.00 a piece, merely for our company.

"I wish to state that when Charlie Becker called me on the telephone that day, I asked him who his friends were, and he told me that they worked on the boats, that they were all right, and that it would be worth my while to go out with them.

"Thereafter during the next two months Jimmy or one of the others I have mentioned would telephone me, and ask me to come to the Casino Club, or they would stop by and visit me at my apartment at the Mayville Apartments on 12th and Jackson Streets. Whenever there was one or more of these above mentioned men, I would call additional girls in to entertain them. Out of a group of photographs I have selected the photograph of Arthur R. Barker, and I identify it as being a likeness of a man I knew as Doc or Art; I have selected the photograph of Russell Gibson, and I identify it as being the likeness of a man I knew by the names of Slim and Russell; I have selected the photograph of Dr. Joseph P. Moran and I can only say that it appears familiar to me, but I cannot recall where I have seen this man before. I met Doc and Slim through Jimmy, Willie, and George, and they also used to visit my apartment. I likewise remember there

was a slim, young man the others called Curly, who was with the above men at my apartment on only one occasion. I can only recall that Curly was young and had curly blonde hair.

"For about two months after I met these men I would see them on an average about twice a week at my apartment or at the Casino Club. I recall that these men appeared to be well acquainted with Charlie Becker, Ted and Bert Angus, and I recall that sometimes Doc or one of the other boys would talk to one side with Ted, but I never overheard their conversation. I recall that one night Doc became very intoxicated and quite sick, and Ted took him into the ladies' washroom, the only one being available, and Ted took care of him. I at that time offered to take care of Doc, but Ted said he would do it, and told me to go back to the Club.

"These fellows spent plenty money at the Casino Club, and bought the most expensive drinks there. They would give generous tips to the entertainers, and would sometimes give them two or three dollars at a time to play their favorite pieces. They likewise would give generous tips to the waiters whose names I do not remember. They would buy drinks for other people who would be present at the Club. I recall that whoever was tending bar would keep a list of the drinks which were served, and sometimes after an evening we would leave without paying, and it appeared they were running a bill at the Casino Club.

"I remember on one occasion one of the boys asked for his bill, and when it was shown to him he whistled as though he was surprised at the amount, but he did not offer the amount he owed, and just kept on ordering drinks.

"When I first met Doc I did not notice any scars or bandages on him, but shortly afterward he had bandages on the fingers of both his hands, and a large bandage across the bridge of his nose. He also had bandages on other parts of his face, but I don't recall now just where they were. He told me in explaining the bandages that he had been out riding in a speed boat, and was thrown through the windshield. I remember that his hands appeared to be quite tender, and he could scarcely touch anything. We used to go to the Casino Club after his hands got a little better, and while the bandages were on his fingertips. I recall that after the bandage was taken from his nose, there was a noticeable red scar there. I remember that one other of the boys, the exact one I cannot now recall, also used to be at the Casino Club with bandages on his fingers. He was also supposed to have been with Doc when they had the accident in the speed boat.

"I remember that all of the boys talked about going over to Middle Island in a speed boat, and they told me that they had just come back from the Island when they had the accident in which Doc and the other fellow whom I cannot definitely place were thrown through the windshield, and injured their hands and faces.

"I believe that it was early in the Summer of 1934, and about two months after I had met the men I have mentioned above, that the Casino Club was redecorated and the bar was moved from the north side to the south side, and a partition was removed which made the club one large room. I was not at the club on the night of the Grand Re-opening, but I recall that shortly afterward Jimmy called me one evening, and asked me to bring another girl out to the Casino Club. I got in touch with Jean Bennett, a girl friend, and we went out to the Club where Doc, Jimmy, and George were drinking. I am also certain that another girl named Tillie whom I last heard was working at the Motor Meter Company, Toledo, was with Jean and me. Doc became quite drunk that night, and I believe it was on this evening that Ted Angus took care of him, as I have mentioned previously. As I recall a fourth man in the crowd whom I had not seen previously or thereafter was with Tillie that night. He was an old man about 55 or 60 years of age, was drinking quite heavily, and I remember that he and Tillie left shortly after we had arrived. Tillie told me later that he was so mean that she left him on the way home. George and Doc left sometime during the evening and Jean, Jimmy, and myself remained at the Club drinking until it closed around three or four in the morning. Just before the Club closed Archie Best, a Toledo Police Officer, and his partner whom I did not know, were drinking at the Casino Club while we were there. When the place closed Jimmy was quite intoxicated, and Ted Angus, who was present with his wife, Ruth, offered to drive Jean and myself home because of Jimmy's condition. Jimmy insisted, however, to take us home, and we went with him in a Ford Coupe which he was driving. At Huron and LaGrange Streets we were driving at a very fast rate of speed and to avoid hitting another car Jimmy ran off the street and hit an alarm box, breaking the pole on which it was attached. I was knocked unconscious, and when I came to I was resting on the side of a fire truck which had appeared on the scene meanwhile. Archie Best and his partner whom I had seen just a short while before at the Casino Club, also were there when I regained consciousness. A large crowd of people congregated around the scene, and I remember that Archie Best offered to take Jean, Jimmy, and myself back to my apartment, which they did.

"When we arrived at my apartment Jean and I went inside, and Jimmy stayed outside for a while and talked with Archie Best and his partner. I do not know what was said in this conversation, but Jimmy had sobered up from the shock, and was quite nervous and excited. Jean left shortly afterwards, and after Jimmy cleaned up, he called a cab and also left. We left the car at the scene of the accident, and I do not know what happened to it afterwards.

"I recall that on one occasion I asked Ted Angus at the Casino Club whether the fellows I have mentioned above were O.K., as I was wondering where they got all of their money, and was wondering just who they were. He told me that they were fellows from the boats; that they were swell fellows, and were all right, and would pay their bills. My ordinary price for a date is \$5.00, and these fellows always paid me \$10.00 or more, and when I was with them all night they would pay me anywhere from \$20.00 to \$30.00. I don't know exactly what they paid the other girls, but I do recall that Doc generally paid all the bills.

"In addition to Jean Bennett and Tillie, whom I have mentioned above, who accompanied me on dates with these men I recall that Patsy Kelly who resides at 1930 Franklin Avenue, and Ruth Fisher who resides at 1821 1/2 Adams Street occasionally went out on dates with these men.

"I recall that on the occasion I first met Jimmy, George and Willie at the Casino Club, Joe Roscoe was also there drinking at one end of the bar, and the three men mentioned above were at the other end. I don't remember Roscoe talking with any of these three men while I was there. When I came into the club Roscoe said hello to me, and I nodded to him. Shortly after Billy and I arrived, I recall that Joe Roscoe received a telephone call from his wife, after which he went home.

"I have known Joe Roscoe for about six years, having met him in a bootleg joing which was operated by a man named Torti in an apartment on Jefferson Avenue. Roscoe thereafter frequently had dates with me at my apartment, the last one being about three years ago. The last time I spoke with Joe Roscoe was about two years ago at the Casino Club.

"I also recall that Bill Kozman used to be out at the Casino Club quite frequently, and he would send drinks over to the table for the boys and myself. They would occasionally buy him drinks, and at times he would sit with us at out table. Another person whom I frequently saw at the Casino Club was a man named Nig who occasionally talked with Doc and Jimmy. He would also have drinks with them.

"I have operated a call flat at 1309½ Adams Street since May 5, 1935 under the name of Phyllis Crawford.

"I have read the foregoing statement which consists of four typewritten pages and swear that the same is true to the best of my knowledge and recollection. I have affixed my signature to each page of the statement.

/s/ Ovel Webb

Witnesses:
John L. Madala
D.P. Sullivan
Special Agents,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice."

The signed copies of the above statement are being retained in the Cleveland Bureau Office files:

During the course of the interview with Ovel Webb, alias Phyllis Crawford, she was interviewed thoroughly concerning the possibility of Alvin Karpis and Sam living at her apartment shortly prior to the Garrettsville train robbery on November 7, 1935, especially after she admitted that she has known Joe Roscoe intimately for five or six years. She strenuously denied that any men, except Joe Western, ever lived at her apartment, stating, however, that various men come to see her there frequently. She advised that she goes out on calls, as well as entertain men in her apartment. Miss Webb informed Agents that the most of her business is derived from call dates; that her minimum price is \$5.00 for one date, and \$15.00 and up for all night. She admitted that she made considerable money during the time she and her friends entertained various members of the Barker-Karpis mob, both at her apartment and at the Casino Club, during the spring and summer of 1934.

Miss Webb was thoroughly questioned whether she ever saw any guns or other firearms in the possession of the men she mentioned in her signed statement while they were at the Casino Club or at her apartment, and she advised that she did not; that during the period she knew them the weather was warm, and the men usually ran around in their shirt sleeves. She stated that at no time did she ever hear any conversation which indicated that these men were other than boatmen or sailors; that they nearly always wore white caps, seaman style, and when leaving her or any place, they would say that they had to go on their boat, after which they would usually be away for three or four days at a time, before she would see them again. Miss Webb was unable to identify the photographs of Alvin Karpis, William Weaver, Fred Barker, Ollie Berg, or any of this mob's paramours as having been at the Casino Club during the time she visited there.

Agents were informed by Miss Webb that she never observed George Timiney or Art Langendorf, or any members of the then hoodlum and vice squad at the Casino Club; that the only police officer she knows that she ever saw there is Archie Best, who was at the Club on the night Jimmy Wilson had the accident, mentioned in her signed statement.

With further reference to this accident, Miss Webb strenuously denied that she was able to overhear any conversation which Jimmy Wilson might have had with Archie Best and his partner, regarding the same. She also denied that Jimmy discussed the accident with her any time thereafter; that either the next day or the day after Doc Barker gave her \$10.00, which she claims was her compensation for entertaining Jimmy Wilson on the day of the accident. Miss Webb denied that she saw a pistol and bullet-proof vest in the car at the time it was wrecked, which information was provided by Edna Murray, she obtaining the same through conversations had with Jimmy Wilson relative to this matter.

Miss Webb also denied that she and Jimmy Wilson accompanied the officers to the Casino Club after the accident. She stated that this couldn't have happened as the Club was closed at that time, this being around 4 o'clock in the morning; she stated that Ted Angus was closing up the place when she and Jean and Jimmy left. Miss Webb was of the opinion that Archie Best and his partner, who were in a cruiser car, had possibly followed them from the Casino Club or were closely behind them, as they (the officers) appeared on the scene of the accident almost shortly after it happened. She stated that immediately prior to the accident when it was evident that they were going to collide with the other car, Jimmy mentioned some name to them to give to the officers as being his in the event they would be questioned. She is unable to recall this name.

Miss Webb either could not or would not furnish any further details relative to this accident, and in explanation stated that she was so dazed and excited at the time that she can't remember anything about it.

Miss Webb claimed that she does not know Ludy Fleming, nor does she have any information indicating that he visited the Casino Club or was intimate with this gang. She stated that the boys frequently talked about riding in a speed boat, and on various occasions invited her and her girl friends on a ride in this boat; that she refused, as she thought they were too reckless, and the further fact that she could not swim. She stated that she never heard from anyone as to whose boat they were using, nor does she recall ever hearing the name of this boat.

Miss Webb further advised that she recalls Madeline Angus visiting the Club while she was there, but has no information indicating that she was closely associated with any members of this mob. She stated that she never saw her drink with any of the boys.

Inasmuch as Miss Webb admitted that she has been prostituting in Toledo, Ohio, for the past six years, she was closely questioned as to whether it was necessary for her to pay-off to anyone in order to operate without any interference by the police. She denied that she ever paid off to anyone, and further denied that she was ever approached in this regard. She stated that she has been arrested so many times by the police that she can't count them, and that in some instances she was let go for insufficient evidence, and in other instances she was ordered to pay a fine. She admitted that she was arrested by Officer Archie Best on several occasions. Miss Webb had no definite information indicating that Ted Angus was the collector of protection money from vice sources, but stated that Ted Angus had the reputation of being a "fix" in Toledo for many years. She stated that she had no idea as to whose agent he might be.

Miss Webb advised that she visited the 42nd Street Cafe on only one occasion, this being two years ago, and, therefore, has no information as to who is presently or has formerly been employed there.

The following investigation was performed at Toledo, Ohio, on September 2 and 3, 1936 by Special Agents D. P. Sullivan and E. J. Wynn:

It is to be recalled, as set out in the report of Special Agent R. C. Suran dated at St. Paul, Minnesota, July 24, 1936, that Edna Murray mentioned that Jimmie Wilson told her, on one occasion, that while he was driving Harry Campbell's Ford, he was drunk and wrecked the car and that two police officers questioned him, and he advised them he was acquainted with Bert and Ted Angus; that the officers took him to the Casino Club where he was released; that on this occasion Jimmie Wilson was accompanied by two prostitutes.

In view of the fact that Ovel Webb alias Phyllis Crawford, who was one of the girls with Jimmie Wilson on the occasion of the wreck, whose statement appears elsewhere in this report, advised that a fire signal was knocked over and the fire department responded, agents interviewed Mr. Tyler Green, Superintendent of the Fire and Police Alarm System of the city of Toledo, and he checked his records and located the following reports:

"May 16, 1934 2:55 a.m.

"Isaac Sprague of 1371 Fitchland Ave., driving a Willys 6, license C-50-250 and going east on Lagrange, struck car of George Williams of 4209 N. Lockwood, who was going south on Huron and forced his car up against fire pedestal and box 421 Lagrange and Huron. The license of Williams' Ford V-8 is C-19-563. Scout crew officer Slusser furnished this data.

/s/ JJ McCuna, Operator

Mr. Green stated that his department receives reports of damages to fire or police alarm apparatus; that it is the general rule for some effort to be made to collect such damage from the party at fault; that in the event a party is reluctant to pay in such a case, his department refers the matter to the Law Department for whatever further action it desires to take; that his records do not show whether any effort was made to collect for the damage to the fire alarm box mentioned above.

Reference to the report of Special Agent D. E. Hall, Detroit, Michigan, dated September 25, 1934, sets out information concerning Ford V-8 coupe, motor No. 683450, bearing 1934 Ohio license plates

C-19-563, which was located at 7009 Franklin Boulevard, Cleveland, O., after Wynona Burdette, Paula Harmon and Gladys Sawyer were arrested on September 5, 1934 at the Cleveland Hotel and after the rest of the gang had escaped. It should also be noted that Bert Angus, as previously reported, introduced Harry Campbell as George Winfield, a dealer at the Jovial gambling club, Toledo, Ohio, to Salesman T. D. Reed of the Jess J. Ellis Motor Company, Toledo, at the time Bert Angus 'fronted' for Campbell in the purchase of this car. It should also be noted that 4209 North Lockwood is the home of Ted Angus.

Mr. Isaac Sprague was located as residing at 1024 Detroit Avenue and found to be an insurance agent with the Prudential Insurance Company with offices in the Edison Building. He was interviewed at his home in the presence of his wife and stated that about two years ago he was keeping company with his present wife and was returning her to her home about 2:30 one morning and while driving toward Summit Street, on Lagrange Street, a car traveling at a high rate of speed and moving south on Huron Street struck his front fender, careened across the street and knocked over a fire alarm box, causing a fire alarm to be sounded; that there was a young man in the other car, the car being a Ford coupe, and the man was accompanied by two or three young women; that the young man, who he identified from a photograph as being Jimmie Wilson, gave him some name and address on Summit Street; that the fire apparatus and police appeared on the scene shortly after the accident, and the details were reported to the police; that Wilson demanded that Sprague pay for the damage to the Ford V-8, but Sprague refused; that it appeared to Sprague and his wife that Wilson and his two women companions had been drinking; that he had his car towed to the Red Arrow Garage for repairs, and the Ford coupe, likewise, was taken to the same garage; that on the following day at the garage he spoke with someone employed there, and they mentioned that the damage to the Ford coupe amounted to about \$100; that Wilson was apparently getting plenty of service at this garage, because he demanded that the car be repaired that day, as Wilson contemplated taking a trip to Detroit that date; that he, Sprague, checked up on the address given him by Wilson on Summit Street, but was unable to locate same.

Sprague was unable to recall the address or the name given by Wilson at the time of the accident. He further stated that his wife had learned from some source that the occupants of the Ford coupe had been drinking at the Casino Club shortly before the accident.

Mrs. Sprague here stated that she had obtained this information from George Downing, who is employed by the Lucas County Police.

While agents were still interviewing Mr. and Mrs. Sprague, Mr. Downing called at the Sprague residence and was interviewed. He stated he had no information concerning the occupants of the car which had collided with the Sprague car; that he recalled the accident and had answered the call with the fire department, it appearing that he has a hobby of hanging around fire stations and answering fire and police calls.

At the Traffic Bureau, Toledo Police Department, agents made a copy of the accident report on the above-mentioned accident, which report names officers Best and Slusser as the reporting officers. The report sets out the names of the two drivers involved in the accident and describes the cars as previously mentioned, and the owner of the Ford coupe as George Winfield and describes the accident as follows:

"Ford coupe bearing license C 19-563 going south on Huron Street was struck by Willys 6 coach bearing license C-50-250 going east on Lagrange Street, causing Ford coach to hit fire box, breaking it off and turning in fire alarm. Sprague says that Williams struck left front of his car, turning Sprague's car completely around. Sprague says that Williams was driving about sixty miles per hour."

The report indicates by check marks that there was no improper driving by either party; that the condition of both drivers was apparently normal. The space in the report where checks should be made in case either or both of the drivers had been drinking is left unmarked, indicating thereby that so far as the report is concerned neither had been drinking. Under the name of the person reporting the facts to the officers is set out 'Sprague by M. Mikeseblelk', who was not a witness to the accident. Ben Coudrey, 337 Suder Avenue, is listed as witness.

Officer Archie Best was interviewed at the Detective Bureau of the Toledo Police Department, and upon being shown the copy of the above-mentioned report stated he recalled this accident; that he and his partner, Officer Slusser, received a radio report of a fire alarm at Huron and Lagrange; that they appeared on the scene and found a Ford coupe had knocked over a fire alarm signal; that Slusser obtained the details of the accident from the drivers of the two cars

involved; that he, Best, directed traffic; that he recalled that there was a young man accompanied by two women in the Ford coupe, and he remembered that he had arrested one of these women some years ago in a house of prostitution, but he could not recall her name; that these three persons appeared to have been drinking but were not intoxicated; that he could not recall the driver of the Ford coupe, saying he was acquainted with Ted Angus, nor that this man mentioned the Casino Club or that he had just left the Casino Club. When asked if he knew where Ted Angus lived, Best feigned ignorance of knowing who Ted Angus was; however, during this interview he admitted he had read of Ted Angus having been mentioned in various newspapers as being a 'fixer' prior to 1934, but he said he did not know Angus and had visited the old Casino Club on Summit Street on only one occasion and was at that time in the company of his wife. He stated he did not know where Ted Angus lived in 1934, stating he did not know Ted Angus lived on North Lockwood, altho he advised agents that he, Best, had resided for about a year at 4308 North Lockwood, which is located a short distance from 4209 North Lockwood. When asked what had become of the occupants of the two cars involved in the accident, Best stated he believed they had taken taxi cabs away from the accident, but when he was asked directly whether he and Slusser had not transported the driver and his two woman companions from the scene of the accident to an apartment at 12th and Jackson Streets, Best recalled he and Slusser had taken the young man driver of the Ford coupe and one of the women to an apartment at 12th and Jackson and he believed that the other woman had taken a taxi cab from the scene of the accident; that he could not recall any conversation he or Slusser had with the driver of the Ford coupe, and he emphatically denied hearing the driver mention he was acquainted with Ted or Bert Angus; that upon arriving at the apartment neither he nor Officer Slusser entered the apartment.

He recalled that the driver of the Ford coupe was somewhat embarrassed by virtue of the fact that the shock of the accident had caused him to soil his trousers. He was unable to identify the photograph of Jimmie Wilson as being the man involved in the photograph.

Best denied he had been in the Casino Club shortly before the accident, as stated by Ovel Webb, and, further, that he and his partner did not take the driver of the Ford coupe to the Casino Club to be identified by either of the Angus brothers.

Officer Milton D. Slusser was interviewed at his home: 1919 Brookwood Avenue, and he recalled the above accident at Huron and La-grange Streets. He stated that when he and his partner, Archie Best,

arrived at the scene of the accident he asked where the driver of the Ford coupe was and was told by one of the two woman companions of this man that he was in a neaby yard to the rear of a gas station nearby; that he, Slusser, found the driver in an embarrassed position attempting to clean himself up after the shock of the accident; that he talked with this young man, who told Slusser he was acquainted with Ted Angus, who would vouch for him; that it appeared to Slusser that both the driver the the woman companions had been drinking but were not intoxicated; that because of Ted Angus' name being mentioned had no bearing on the treatment given to the driver of the car; that upon the request of the driver he and Best drove the young man driver and two women companions to the apartment located at 12th and Jackson Streets after the driver had explained that he had borrowed the automobile from a friend. He was unable to identify the photograph of Jimmie Wilson as the driver of the Ford coupe. He stated that the accident report was made by him.

When asked whether he had requested of the driver of the Ford coupe some identification papers Slusser stated that he did not do so, but that this was not unusual.

Slusser stated he could not recall he and Best had visited the Casino Club shortly before this accident occurred, and further advised he could recall visiting the Casino Club on only one occasion during the time he was on duty and that this occasion was about 7 o'clock one night.

A copy of the accident report is being retained in the Cleveland field office file.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents E. J. Wynn and D. P. Sullivan:

In view of previous information obtained from Marie Barley, former cook at the Casino Club, that the girl entertainer at the Casino Club named Jerry, who was infatuated with Jimmie Wilson, had a brother who was a police officer and that this officer had given blood transfusions to Babe Bryzanski shortly before he died at Mercy Hospital, it was deemed advisable to learn through this police officer the location of his sister, Jerry.

Dr. D. O'Leary, Staff Physician at the Mercy Hospital, was interviewed and he caused a check to be made of the hospital records and information was obtained from them that Officer Massiker provided blood to Bryzanski while he was confined to the hospital.

It was learned through the police department that Officer Massiker resides at 2039 Berdan Avenue, Toledo. Agents interviewed Mrs. Massiker, who stated that Jerry was a sister of Mr. Massiker; that she has been residing at Columbus, Ohio, where she has been employed in various night clubs as an entertainer; that Jerry recently visited Toledo and stated at that time she was returning to Columbus, Ohio, but had received an offer of a job in Akron, Ohio, which she might accept.

Mrs. Massiker stated that Jerry uses the name of Jordan and is presently residing at 513 East Rich Street, Columbus, Ohio; that she expected to hear from Jerry, who told her she would advise Mrs. Massiker of her new address in case she moved to Akron, Ohio.

With reference to Jerry Massiker or Jerry Jordan, it will be recalled that this woman entertained at the Casino Club during the time the Karpis-Barker mob frequented this place in the summer of 1934; kept company with Jimmie Wilson and made a scene at the Casino Club after he had tired of her company.

The following is submitted by Special Agents D. P. Sullivan and E. J. Wynn:

Joe Remue, 1747 Spencer Avenue, met agents in the apartment of Special Agent E. J. Wynn on September 2, 1936, and at that time advised that on the day previous he visited Coulet's Grill and talked with Fred and Kate Coulet; that Fred Coulet told him that George Timiney had found out that agents had been checking on him, Timiney, as being the pay-off man and that George Timiney and some deputy sheriff had left Toledo and gone to Canada and were not expected to return, and that Fred Coulet indicated that Timiney had 'taken it on the lamb'.

As set out in previous report Maude Noble landlady at 50 Wabash Street, Toledo, a house of prostitution, when interviewed furnished information regarding protection money she was forced to pay to Ted Angus to continue to operate, and at the time she was interviewed she stated she would endeavor to secure additional information regarding pay-offs and so inform agents when again interviewed.

Agents Suran and Murphy on September 2, 1936, called at 50 Wabash Street to again interview Maude Noble and was informed that she died on September 1, 1936.

The following investigation was performed on August 31, 1936, by Special Agents D. P. Sullivan and E. J. Wynn:

Mr. William R. Brown, Manager for Worthy R. Brown & Son, Incorporated, operating Brown's Boat Service from Lake Erie Boathouse, Lakeside, Ohio, was interviewed for the purpose of securing any and all information as to the presence of the boats of Ted Angus, Joe Roscoe and Ludy Fleming in that vicinity, particularly in the summer of 1934, and the identities of various persons who rode in the boats, as well as any information Mr. Brown had as to the general activities on Middle Island and whether any members of the Barker-Karpis gang were ever observed by him in the vicinity or on Middle Island.

Mr. Brown stated that he has known Joe Roscoe for a number of years, and until recently Roscoe owned a large speed boat, the Rainbow, equipped with a Liberty motor, which was so powerful and treacherous that very few people would risk driving the boat, and that he never observed any individual other than Roscoe driving the boat; that he is positive that none of his employees would essay to drive the boat; that Roscoe occasionally stops at his dock to buy fishing tackle, and in the case of bad weather ties up for several days at a time; that, also, he sometimes drops into his dock on the way from Middle Island; that very infrequently has he ever observed any women riding in the boat of Joe Roscoe; that the latter has, on frequent occasions, been observed in the company of Art Langendorf of the Toledo, Ohio, Police Department, who often goes to Middle Island to fish; that he recalls being introduced to a Captain Timiney of the Toledo Police Department on several occasions in company with Roscoe in the 'Rainbow', but in this connection was unable to identify the photograph of Timiney; that he recalls being introduced to a man in one of Roscoe's party who, it was stated, was the Sheriff, but he was unable to recall whether it was Sheriff O'Reilly, but believed that this took place in the summer of 1935.

Continuing, Mr. Brown stated that Art Langendorf and a Toledo meat packer by the name of Smith or Schmidt were men he saw riding with Joe Roscoe more than any other men; that about two years ago Roscoe drove up to his dock in the speedboat and that he had several dark-appearing men in the boat who resembled hoodlums, swarthy in appearance, as if Italians; that Joe Roscoe on this occasion stated that the men were hoodlums he had picked up on a corner in the vicinity of Summit and Cherry Streets, Toledo. Mr. Brown was shown photographs as being the likenesses of any persons ever observed by him, with the exception of the photograph of Willie Harrison.

With reference to Willie Harrison, he stated that he recalled that in the summer of 1933 at the time Bert Angus was acting as manager of Middle Island, he, Brown, with several friends was on the island and there met a man known to him as Willie and identified the photograph of Willie Harrison as being this Willie; that Willie was quite a cut-up and dressed in brown pajamas and danced and pranced around; that in the party with Willie was a beautiful blonde young woman who was called Polly, who was very attractive, and stated that she was a Chicago cabaret entertainer and that there was another man in the party, a tall, young man who had one hand and forearm bandaged, and the word got around that he had been shot in the hand, and for this reason Brown thought that the party was there 'cooling' off. He stated that the photograph of Timiney somewhat resembled this man with the bandaged hand, but he did not identify Timiney's photograph as being a positive likeness.

Mr. Brown stated that Coolie Monroe was on the island in 1933 and for that matter is known by Brown to be presently on the island, being employed around the hotel which is located on Middle Island. He also stated that Walter Belpash has been employed on Middle Island for the past several years; that for several years prior to 1935 a man cook was employed on the island by the name of Scottie, who lives in Bellevue, Ohio, and was forced to give up his job as cook, because of tuberculosis, and it is thought he is presently living at Bellevue. Brown is to endeavor to ascertain his name, and agents are to again communicate with Brown in order to secure it.

As to Guy Tibbles, who operates a boat house on Highway No. 163, near Brown's Boat Service, Mr. Brown stated that he, Tibbles, and Joe Roscoe are very close; that during the summer months Tibbles operates a boat livery service for fishing parties and very often makes trips to Middle Island and stays for several days at a time; that Tibbles has several summer cottages around his property and persons known by Mr. Brown to occupy these cottages from year to year are the following: Steve Kovachy, who operates a Hungarian restaurant on West 25th Street in Cleveland, Ohio; Walter Van Sultz, who is an established resident of Cleveland, Ohio; Fred Peters who resides in Toledo, Ohio, and who, at one time, was a large con actor and is presently employed as a W P A road construction engineer, working out of Toledo, Ohio. He stated that it is rather common knowledge

that Tibbles is reputed to be behind certain criminal activities, possibly smuggling, but that he is a very shrewd and cautious person and has never been openly charged with any crime; that during the winter months Tibbles is employed as a game warden in the state of Michigan in the vicinity of the St. Clair marshes; that prior to a year ago Tibbles for a number of years was very friendly with the Zetzer brothers of Port Clinton, Ohio, and at one time they were interested in entering into a venture to build a pier and operate fishing boats to the islands which are near Lakeside, Ohio, but that they were unable, because of the distance of the pier from the fishing islands to compete with Brown.

With further reference to the Zetzer brothers, Brown stated that Roscoe has, on occasions, had his boat repaired by the Zetzers at their Marine Garage in Port Clinton, Ohio.

It is to be recalled, as set out in the report of Special Agent R. C. Suran dated at Cleveland, Ohio, 8-29-36, Mildred Kuhlman stated that on one occasion she went to a boat house some distance from Toledo with several members of the gang and took a trip to Middle Island in a speed boat which may have been that of Ted Angus and that a man was awakened at the boat house and drove the party to Middle Island where they remained for several days.

Brown stated that Ted Angus has in the past stopped at his dock and has also put up his boat, the 'Hay Bag' there, but not for any length of time; that he has often observed Ted Angus driving his boat and that almost always Ted Angus would be accompanied by a woman; that he cannot recall the identities of any other persons who accompanied Angus; that he had no recollection of such an incident as related by Mildred Kuhlman and that he did not have a watchman at his boat house and never permitted his employees to drive the boats of other people and remain away for more than a day; that one Henry Mack, presently operating the Waldo Hotel in Lima, Ohio, prior to 1935 operated a boat service and dock a short distance from that operated by Brown and that it may be that Ted Angus' boat could have been docked at this place from time to time without Brown's knowledge; that it is possible that the boat could have been docked at the dock of Guy Tibbles; that other than these two docks there are no other boat houses in the vicinity.

In Bureau letter under date of July 31, 1936 (file 7-576), addressed to the Cleveland field office, information is contained to the effect that one Spencer Sweeney, a cousin of Arthur Sweeney, who is

employed in the Files Section of the Bureau, formerly drove speed boats at Lakeside, Ohio, and in the vicinity thereof in the summer of 1934. Mr. Brown advised that Sweeney is a young man about 24 years of age; that he was employed by Mr. Brown in the summer of 1934; that he made several trips to Middle Island, driving Joe Roscoe to the island in one of the Brown speed boats on several occasions when Joe Roscoe rented a boat to go to the Island. Sweeney is presently employed by the Owens-Illinois Glass Company at Gas City, Indiana, and the Indianapolis office is being requested by letter to interview him.

Agent Sullivan submits the following:

The Dolly mentioned by Mr. Brown answers the description of DOLLY ARDER, who resided at Calumet City, Illinois, prior to the year 1934, where she was employed as an entertainer and singer.

This woman was living with a man by the name of George Brooks, who was killed just outside his home, presumably by gangsters.

At that time Charles J. Fitzgerald was staying with Brooks and Dolly Arder.

The Arder woman is known to have been a close friend of Willie Harrison, and it is possible that this is the woman referred to by Mr. Brown as Dolly. Efforts have been made previously to locate this woman without success. She was last reported to be in Texas or Arizona.

Assistant Postmaster McKenzie, Lakeside, Ohio, who has been a resident there for many years, was interviewed without any information of value being obtained as to the possible presence of the Barker-Karpis gang in that locality in the past.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents V. E. Criss and John L. Madala:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, Cleveland, Ohio, dated 5-19-36, wherein it should be noted on page 19 that a calling card bearing the name of Mrs. E. L. Wilmoth, 1519 Western Avenue, Toledo, was found at the apartment of Harry Campbell at the time of his arrest.

Agents called at the above address and were advised by Mrs. Wilmoth that her son, Elmer, and his wife, who reside at 440 Prescott Street, Toledo, were on a vacation last summer and that they went to Silver Lake, Michigan; that while camping there they met a young couple which later turned out to be Harry Campbell and his wife and after they left Silver Lake her daughter-in-law and Mrs. Campbell exchanged correspondence.

Agents interviewed Mrs. Elmer L. Wilmoth at her residence, 440 Prescott Street, and she stated that during the first week in August of 1935 she and her husband went to Silver Lake near Cement City, Michigan, on a camping stay; that while they were there they met a young couple which gave their names as Mr. and Mrs. Bob Miller; that they, likewise, were camping at this lake in a nice looking trailer; she stated that this couple always appeared very quiet and their mannerisms greatly impressed both her and her husband. She stated that Mrs. Miller informed her that her husband operated a beer place in Toledo.

Mrs. Wilmoth further advised that Mr. Miller did not talk very much, and, as she remembers, he, on one occasion, stopped and examined her husband's fishing rod and talked about fishing; that Miller spent most of the time fishing on the lake, usually by himself; that he was an expert fisherman and often came in with a good string of fish. She stated that from what she could gather Bob Miller and his wife came to the lake sometime during the latter part of July 1935 and that they left around Labor Day of that same year.

Mrs. Wilmoth stated that she did not observe anyone visit with the Millers, but that on the last day of their stay, Mrs. Miller indicated to her that she was expecting her folks that night and they would have a farewell party. Mrs. Wilmoth advised that she heard the Millers having a party that night but did not observe any of the people present. She stated that the Millers left the following morning and Mrs. Miller gave her the address of her mother on Hill Avenue asking that she write to her.

Mrs. Wilmoth at this time exhibited to agents a snapshot which she took of Mr. and Mrs. Miller. She stated that Mrs. Miller seemed eager to have her take a picture of them and she did not note any objection which Bob Miller might have had in this regard, altho it is to be observed from the picture that Campbell shaded his face considerably with the felt hat which he is wearing. His identity, however, can be ascertained from this photograph, but one must look closely at the picture to particularly do so. Mrs. Wilmoth stated that shortly after she had this snapshot developed and printed she sent the negative to Mrs. Miller, and in response she received a card of acknowledgment.

Continuing, Mrs. Wilmoth advised that after she recognized Mr. and Mrs. Miller from reading in the papers the account of Harry Campbell's arrest she wrote Mrs. Miller expressing her sympathy of the affair. She showed agents two letters which she received from Mrs. Miller, the salutation being "Dear Friends", in which she thanked Mrs. Wilmoth for her kind letter. In one of these letters Mrs. Miller mentioned the names of L. D. Greenlee and his wife, Jeanette, and when agents asked who these people were Mrs. Wilmoth advised that they, likewise, were present at Silver Lake, Michigan, during the time she and her husband and the Millers were there.

She stated that these people are from Jackson, Michigan, and that Mrs. Miller did not get along with them very well. Mrs. Wilmoth was unable to furnish the names of any other people with whom the Millers might have associated during their stay at Silver Lake, which is approximately fifty-five miles from Toledo.

When questioned as to whether she believed Mrs. Miller was aware of her husband's true identity prior to his arrest, Mrs. Wilmoth advised that she personally does not think so.

She stated that after looking back now she at no time observed anything which indicated that Mrs. Miller was trying to conceal or cloak her husband's true identity or where they were located.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents V. E. Criss and John L. Madala:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, Cleveland, Ohio dated January 20, 1936, wherein it is to be noted on page 12 that James "Tip" O'Neill resides at 11835 Lake Avenue, Cleveland, and on November 21, 1935, he placed a long distance call to telephone Forest 5109, Toledo.

Agents checked the criss-cross directory at the Hillcrest Hotel and ascertained that telephone Forest 5109 is listed as P. J. Tansey. The Toledo city directory reflects that P. J. Tansey operates a tavern at 944 Dorr Street.

Agents called at 944 Dorr Street and talked with the owner who advised his full name is Patrick J. Tansey; that he has been operating his present place of business for three years, and that prior thereto he worked in a cigar store on Superior Street from 1923 to 1930. He stated that while employed in this place the Fretti brothers had two slot machines in the store and that he received \$15 a week from Ben Fretti to watch them; that nearly every time he contacted either of the Fretti brothers at their place of business, Joe Roscoe would be there; that it has always been his understanding that Joe Roscoe was affiliated with the Fretti brothers in the slot machine business in this town, although he never heard anything definite along this line.

Mr. Tansey advised that he does not know anyone by the name of Jimmy or Tip O'Neill and that he has very few acquaintances in Cleveland. At this time he suggested that perhaps agents had him confused with his uncle, whose name is also P. J. Tansey. He stated that his uncle is a prominent contractor in this town and that he is presently visiting in the country of Ireland, which he does every year. It happened that Arnold Tansey, who is the son of the latter P. J. Tansey, was in the place visited by agents at the time, and, accordingly, he was interviewed relative to this matter. He recalled the name of Tip O'Neill, stating that he met him approximately six years ago, at the home of Marie Nagel. He explained that Marie Nagel is a Toledo girl and that she married one of his brothers, John Tansey, prior to 1918; that his brother died in that year and she thereafter married a New York Central police officer by the name of Flynn. He stated that she later became divorced from Flynn and that it is his information that Marie Nagel or Flynn is presently living somewhere on Lake Avenue in Cleveland, Ohio. He had no information to the effect that Tip O'Neill is at present living with this girl. Arnold Tansey advised he has no idea why Tip or Marie Flynn would want to call his father or mother and that his father is expected to return to Toledo in about three or four weeks.

The following investigation was performed at Toledo, Ohio, on August 27, 1936, by Special Agents D. P. Sullivan and E. J. Wynn:

Reference to the report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, Cleveland, Ohio, dated 8-23-36, reflects information that Deputy Sheriff Donald Cochran, 2048 Warren Street, Toledo, Ohio, participated in a raid at Point Place with Deputy Sheriff Lang and other deputies and officers of the Toledo Police Department in January 1935 for the purpose of locating Karpis and Campbell, who were reported to be residing there. This information is reported to have originated in the Office of the Sheriff, and the two mentioned deputy sheriffs were believed to have known where the information leading to the raid came from. The file, likewise, shows that these two deputy sheriffs frequented Lamb's Grille at the time Harry Campbell hung around this place and the place of Ed McGraw, located over Lamb's Grille.

Donald Cochran was interviewed at his residence, 2048 Warren Street, and he stated that his parents were financially interested in the Toledo News-Bee newspaper; that his father at one time was an advised in the operation of the Toledo Blade newspaper, and at the present time is residing in the east; that he, Donald Cochran, was a newspaper reporter for many years and held down the position of police reporter on the Toledo Blade for six years; that he was laid off during the depression and that about the year 1930 he was approached by former Chief of Police Harry Jennings, who introduced him to a Mr. G. J. O'Brien whom Cochran understood to be an investigator for the Department of Justice; that a deal was made whereby Harold Place, then editor for the News-Bee, was to see to it that a contemplated investigation to be conducted with reference to crime, vice, corruption and political alliance with same was to be given adequate publicity; that for the purpose Cochran was to be given a six months' job as Special Investigator by the newspaper under the guise of being a reporter at \$60.00 per week and it was further agreed that Mr. Place was to receive copies of all investigative reports submitted in the investigation by Mr. O'Brien.

He further stated that this deal went through, and he was given a job and that he thereafter worked with Mr. O'Brien, who had two other men aiding him in the investigation; that telephone taps were established and he specifically recalled that the telephone of Clarence Vena, who was then considered the 'fixer' was tapped; that a detail log of conversations taking place over this telephone was maintained; that the investigation continued for six months and that a wealth of information concerning corruption was obtained; that the investigation finally resulted in showing that the then Postmaster General of the United States, Walter Brown, was connected with corrupt elements which were being investigated and that the 'pay-off' and 'protection' were placed right

up to his door and that upon this development the investigation was terminated, and no great publicity was given to it; that he recalled that a great deal of information was obtained during the investigation concerning the activities of Ben and Joe Fretti, who are presently in evident control of the slot machine and pin ball racket in Toledo.

Cochrane stated that he knew that Place received a copy of the detailed report consisting of about 2000 pages, which set out the results of the investigation; that he believes that Place is at the present time employed in Washington, DC., that he does not know the present whereabouts of G. J. O'Brien, but is of the opinion that former Chief of Police Harry Jennings occasionally sees O'Brien and that Harry Jennings should be able to provide information as to who received copies of the reports other than Place, and, undoubtedly, would know the material results of the investigation.

He stated that for about two years prior to September 1934 he resided in California; that in September 1934 he returned to Toledo, Ohio; that on January 1, 1935, Sheriff James O'Reilly took office as Sheriff of Lucas County, Ohio; that he, Cochrane, had been a good friend of Sheriff O'Reilly and was appointed a deputy sheriff; that within a month after January 1, 1935, about the time that he read of Karpis and Campbell escaping from Atlantic City and abandoning a car near Monroe, Michigan, O'Reilly called Deputy Sheriff Zang and him into the Sheriff's Office and told them that he had received a report that Karpis was living in a cottage in Point Place, which he described as being a small cottage located in the rear of a large, old abandoned hotel at the end of Summit Street at the junction with 131st Street; that O'Reilly told them further at that time that it was reported that a watchman on the ships in Bay View was offered \$1500 by Karpis to be hidden out and that it was further reported that from twelve to fifteen sandwiches had been taken from an inn located near the ships apparently to the fugitive; that having had previous police experience he was placed in charge of a detail and that he with Deputy Sheriffs Zang, Gardner and Sharkey and one or two other deputies completed his detail; that about six men from the Toledo Police Department were called in to assist in the raid under the direction of Captain Rydman; that the two squads proceeded to the house above described and raided it and found a man and woman, and it was evident that Karpis was not there and that somebody in the party suggested that they raid a house nearby, (which was 2831 131st Street, where Harry Campbell as George Winfield lived in the summer of 1934, the details concerning which have been fully previously reported); that he had no conversation with the occupants of this house, but aided in searching the house; that at no time either from the information

provided by Sheriff O'Reilly and from conversation had with other members of the raiding party did he hear the name of Campbell mentioned.

He said that he at that time knowing that Bert and Ted Angus were no good, believed it advisable to raid the Casino Club, and he suggested that it be done. At the Casino Club they found only the son of Bert Angus, who was thoroughly frightened at the entrance of the armed officers; that the place was searched, but no evidence was found of anyone living there; that Bert's son was not questioned; that subsequently, he had occasion to visit the Casino Club on business, and Ted Angus registered a strong protest about the raid having been made on his place of business.

Further information was obtained from Cochrane that the detail upon leaving the Casino Club, raided and searched the boats anchored at Bay View and questioned the watchman, whose name he could not recall and who denied all knowledge of Karpis attempting to hide out there; that Deputy Sheriff Gardner was acquainted with the watchman and telephoned the man who was in charge of these boats, but Gardner was unable to verify the information provided by Sheriff O'Reilly.

Cochrane stated that at the time of this raid he and the other deputies did not have photographs of Karpis, but were provided with descriptive data, and he believed that he would have recognized Karpis had he seen him at the time; that this was the first information that he had received that Karpis or any of the Barker-Karpis mob had been in Toledo; that thereafter he read in the newspapers the statement made by one of the gang while on trial in St. Paul, to the effect that the gang had frequented the Casino Club in the year 1934.

He stated that Identification Orders from the Department of Justice and other circulars are tacked on the bulletin board in the Office of the Sheriff; that he recalled the circulars on Karpis and Campbell, offering rewards for each, being received and tacked on the bulletin board; that he also recalled that after Campbell was captured, there was some comment made about this placard on Campbell having been removed and after reporters had made a fuss over the matter it was replaced on the bulletin board; that it had been removed by John Schimmel, Chief Jailer; that it was a common topic of conversation around the Sheriff's Office, after the photograph of Harry Campbell taken after his arrest appeared in the newspapers, that no one would ever have recognized him from the photograph appearing on the reward circular and that comparisons were made of the photograph

taken after arrest with the reward circular in the Sheriff's Office.

Upon questioning Cochran stated that he occasionally visits Lamb's Grill on Adams Street, being acquainted with Lynn Lamb, who operates this place; that he never saw Harry Campbell at this place, altho he has heard since the apprehension that he was a frequent visitor at the grill; that since the apprehension, he has heard a number of people say that they saw and drank with Harry Campbell at Lamb's Grill, but he could not recall the names of any of these individuals but that he knew that George Hancock and Joe Croak, employed at the Refrigeration Service firm located two doors north of Lamb's Grill frequently visited the grill.

He stated that on Friday, August 22, 1936, he stopped by the Granada Gardens and had a conversation with Jim Coleman, the proprietor. Coleman told Cochran at this time that Campbell was known to him as Bob Miller and after Campbell had paid \$350 for a wedding party at his place of business and after he had been frequenting the Granada Gardens for some time spending money freely, Coleman asked Campbell what business he was in, and Campbell replied by asking Coleman if he recalled the row of slot machines at the Harvard Club in Cleveland, Ohio, and that when Coleman replied that he did, Campbell told him that they had belonged to him, but after the Harvard Club was raided, (which was January 11, 1936, details of which were reported previously in reports of Special Agent E. J. Wynn), he was out of the racket for a while; that, according to Cochran, Coleman stated that he, Coleman and Campbell had discussed several persons commonly known to each of them who were in some manner connected with the Harvard Club.

Concerning the allegation of Pat Murray, known as Scottie and The Singing Waiter, who was interviewed, inasmuch as he was employed at the Casino Club in 1934, to the effect that following the interview had with him by Bureau agents in the temporary office being maintained in Toledo in the Edison Building, that after his return home two police officers called on him and demanded to know what was asked him and what he told the agents concerning Bert and Ted Angus, Cochran stated that he recalled that about two months ago he received a telephone call from a man in Point Place, who inquired whether the Sheriff's office had any information concerning the whereabouts of Pat Murray, this man stated that he was calling for Pat Murray's wife, who was greatly upset over the fact that two men who stated they were officers took him away in an automobile and she had not heard from him since he left. Cochran stated that he sent Deputy Sheriff

Zang out to answer the call, and on his return Zang told Rochran that two government men had taken Pat Murray to the Edison Building in Toledo, Ohio, for interview, having secured this information from Pat Murray who had returned home meanwhile; that he, Cochran, had no further interest in the matter and did not know of the details that transpired at the time Deputy Sheriff Zang interviewed Pat Murray.

In speaking of the method by which Point Place is patrolled by the Sheriff's office, Cochran stated that there are no deputy sheriffs especially assigned to patrol this area, although they make investigations there when complaints are made, and perhaps occasionally cruise through that suburb when they have time; that there are two constables who are deputized as special deputies by the names of May and Stevens, who work out of the office of the Justice of the Peace in Point Place, who is the son of Constable Stevens; that both Stevens and May have held these constable positions for some years, and, no doubt, visit the various taverns and night clubs located in Point Place.

Consideration will be given to interviewing at a future date Constables Stevens and May for any possible information they may have as to the presence of the Barker-Karpis gang in the vicinity of Point Place in the past.

Cochran was questioned as to whether there was any order, express or implied, whereby any certain person or persons could operate slot machines and pin ball machines in Lucas County to the exclusion of others. He replied that he knew of no such order; that Sheriff O'Reilly had, on a number of occasions, ordered his deputies to pick up any slot machine found any place in the county; that these orders were obeyed and that where slot machines were found they were confiscated, but he stated that there was some question as to whether pin ball machines and digger machines could be operated within the law, and for this reason, ordinarily, the Office of the Sheriff did not bother with them. He denied that Tom Worland, to his knowledge, had any monopoly or exclusive right to have slot and pin ball machines in the county.

In confirmation of his contention that slot machines would be confiscated when they were discovered, he stated that upon complaint made to the Sheriff's Office slot machines were taken out of the grocery store located on Whiteford Road at the intersection of Alexis and Sylvania Avenues and that the owner of the store strenuously objected to the action. He also mentioned that recently the Sheriff's Office took out digger and pin ball machines from the old Barne's Cafe,

now known as the Swan Cafe, located on Woodville Road just this side of the railroad tracks, and while the deputies were in the cafe, a man called and stated that he was Ben Fretti's secretary and desired to know what was meant by taking out the machines, whereupon Cochran told the secretary that he was taking out the machines regardless of his desires in the matter. Cochran mentioned that he and the Sheriff's Office never did get along with the proprietors of the above-mentioned Cafe.

Agents having received information from Detective Harry Hanson that he and another detective, while working as special investigators for Reams, County Prosecutor, and at Frazier Reams' request made a survey of slot machines located in Lucas County, which list was delivered to the Sheriff by the secretary of Mr. Reams, questioned Cochran as to whether he had knowledge of this survey, and he stated that he did and that they checked on it, but he did not know what the ultimate result was. He stated that during the time he has been employed at the Sheriff's Office, he cannot recall any person being prosecuted for owning or operating gambling machines in Lucas County and could not explain why prosecutions were not invoked, other than to state that the proprietors of various places from which machines were taken would not reveal who the owners of the machines were.

In connection with the slot machine conditions operating openly and flagrantly in Lucas County, Ohio, reference should be made to recent reports reflecting investigation at Toledo and vicinity, which set out the locations of numerous places where slot machines are in operation, and the statements of proprietors of places in which the machines are located, to the effect that Tom Worland is the owner of the machines. In many of the places where investigation was made by agents, the proprietors were very cooperative.

It is to be recalled that Sheriff O'Reilly, as a result of his own statements to the newspapers, at the time of the publicity following the apprehension of Harry Campbell that he drank with Campbell was receiving adverse publicity, and the Toledo Blade was calling on him to resign; also, that shortly thereafter the newspapers carried articles about the remarkable apprehension made by O'Reilly of a fugitive from Detroit by the name of Nolan, and then later, Nolan revealed to the newspapers that it was all a hoax and that he had walked into the Sheriff's Office and given himself up and that O'Reilly came to him and told him that the newspapers were putting on a lot of heat because of the Campbell episode and asked Nolan if the latter would help the Sheriff be like a 'G' man and claim that Nolan was arrested on the street on sight by the Sheriff personally, which the Sheriff thought would cause the newspapers to 'lay off' about Campbell incident. Cochran stated that he recalled the incident and that the Sheriff

had nothing to do with the matter, but that some 'brains' in the Democratic party in Lucas County thought of the scheme and the Sheriff was made the goat of a misguided political move.

Cochran stated that Sheriff O'Reilly is a big-hearted Irishman and that he is sure the Sheriff has not 'made a dime' out of the office; that he has been buying a home in West Toledo for years and still owes considerable on it; that the Sheriff has not, as yet, been able to pay his last year's real estate and personal taxes.

Deputy Sheriff George A. Zang was interviewed at his home 2354 Monroe Street, Toledo, Ohio, and stated that he recalled the incident of the raid in January 1935 in Point Place above described in the interview with Cochran; that he, Zang, could not recall where the original information came from which led to the raid and that the first thing he knew somebody told him to get a machine gun and that the Sheriff's Office was to cooperate with the police department in conducting a raid at Point Place, looking for Campbell and Karpis; that Cochran was in charge of the raid so far as the Sheriff's Office was concerned; that the raid was conducted, as described by Cochran; that he learned during the raid that Harry Campbell was formerly the occupant of the house which was raided on 131st Street in Point Place; that he recalled that prior to the raid conducted on the Casino Club, some officer who was present with the raiding party mentioned that he had information that a night or two before Karpis and Campbell had made a meet with Doc Barker at the Casino Club and stayed all night in the basement there; that as he, Zang, recalled, the officer claimed that this information in some manner came from Bert or Ted Angus, altho Zang was of the opinion the information was not knowingly furnished by either Bert or Ted Angus with the expectation that it would reach the 'law'.

Zang was questioned as to his visits to Lamb's Grill on Adams Street, and he stated that this was a favorite spot of his for the purpose of drinking a few beers now and then; that since the apprehension of Harry Campbell, he has heard that Campbell often visited the place, but that he, Zang, has no recollection of ever seeing him in the place.

With reference to the Pat Murray episode, Zang was closely questioned for the purpose of determining whether he or any other officers had any specific motive in wanting to know the substance of the interview had by agents with Pat Murray. Zang stated that on several occasions the women with whom Pat Murray lives had made complaints

about Pat Murray being away from home and that as a result of the complaints he, Zang, had been put to some trouble; that when he was instructed by Cochran to answer the complaint at the time in question he thought it was merely another false alarm; that by the time he got to the Murray house, Pat had returned, and he questioned Pat in the house and at that time Murray stated that two 'G' men had picked him up for questioning; that he, Zang, told Murray to come outside, as he doubted the story told by Murray and desired to question him outside the presence of the woman; that in the talk outside Murray stated that two 'G' men had taken him to the Edison Building and questioned him about the Barker-Karpis mobbing at the Casino Club and about Bert and Ted Angus; that at no time did he, Zang, or his partner, Deputy Sheriff Liberoski, threaten to take Murray to the Sheriff's Office, as claimed by Murray, unless Murray answered the officer's questions. He further stated that when Murray mentioned the Angus brothers and the Karpis gang the whole picture of the Casino Club and the publicity that the gang had been there flashed across his mind, and he then told Murray that it would be best not to tell other people about the interview agents had with Murray and that he, Zang, reported the interview he had with Murray to the Sheriff personally and also made a written report of the matter; however, since the reports of deputy sheriffs are open to newspaper men, no mention was made of the interview which Murray told him he had with agents of the Bureau.

Zang, like Cochran, stated that so far as he knew no immunity was given to any person or group of persons so far as the control of slot machines and pin-ball machines in Lucas County were concerned and that as a matter of fact the Sheriff had stated that there was to be no gambling in the county and that wherever he discovers slot machines he brings them in, altho he later contradicted himself in the regard by stating that he did know of a place where there were slot machines and indicated that he had some reason for not bothering them, but did not elaborate on the matter.

On August 28, 1936, Special Agents R. C. Suran and J. V. Murphy interviewed George Bernhagen, 4028 Willys Parkway, Toledo, Ohio. He stated he has been a member of the Toledo Police Department for the past thirteen years and he is presently a sergeant of the Uniform Police. He advised that about ten years ago he was assigned to the Vice, Liquor and Gambling Squad for a short period of time and at that time the Chief of Police was Haas; that he has had nothing to do with Squads since that time and with the exception of this short period most all the time in the Toledo Police Department has been in uniform.

He advised that he has known Ludy Fleming for approximately eight years during which period of time Fleming until about a year ago was a state prohibition agent. He stated that Fleming was ousted from this position as state prohibition agent at the time State Liquor Commissioner Mathews committed suicide. He stated he understands that Fleming was arrested several months ago in Cleveland, Ohio, for hauling liquor illegally; that he was later convicted, paid a fine and lost his automobile and the liquor. He stated that Ludy Fleming kept company with Rene Holst several years prior to the time Fleming divorced his wife; that Fleming recently married Rene Holst.

Bernhagen stated that he did not visit the Casino Club during the summer of 1934, but knew the Casino Club always had the reputation of being a hangout for "hots". Fleming advised that he has known Ludy Fleming's former wife, Eva Stern, during the period of time that he has known Fleming; that the Flemings formerly rented his home after the death of his, Bernhagen's, wife. He stated that he positively did not at any time warn or advise Eva Stern to stay away from the Casino Club.

Bernhagen stated that he knows Bert and Ted Angus when he sees them and that Ted Angus has in the past had the reputation of being a Big Shot in Toledo, and it was necessary to see Ted Angus before you could engage in any racket and that Ted Angus also had the reputation of being able to fix things with the police but that Ted Angus never at any time interfered with any arrests that he, Bernhagen, made. Bernhagen advised that it was common knowledge that Ted Angus and George Timiney were close friends, and it was commonly accepted that Timiney was Ted Angus' 'in' in the police department; that Timiney and Ted Angus were also closely connected with the former Welfare Director Charles J. Mathews. He stated that John A. Price was Director of Public Safety at the time, but was not in the Angus-Timiney-Mathews clique. He stated, of course, he had no evidence to support the above statements, but that the various police officers at that time accepted the above to be true. He stated that the rank and file of the police department have absolutely no use for George Timiney due to his overbearing attitude and the fact that most of them are convinced that Timiney is crooked.

Bernhagen advised that during 1934, 1935 and until Harry Campbell was captured in Toledo in May 1936, various wanted notices and the Identification Orders issued by the Bureau were first routed to the Identification Bureau of the police when received, where the files were searched and thereafter they would be routed to the Detective

Bureau and to the Hoodlum Squad, which was headed by George Timiney. He stated the uniform men never had the opportunity to observe the various photographs of wanted individuals received by the Toledo police, but since the apprehension of Harry Campbell, a bulletin board had been installed and various wanted notices received are placed on this board, and all uniform officers now have the opportunity to observe and become familiar with photographs of wanted persons.

Bernhagen advised that Langendorf and Timiney have for some time endeavored to give the impression that they are bitter enemies, but the rank and file of the police department are of the opinion this is just a "show" on the part of Langendorf and Timiney; that altho they appear to have nothing to do with each other at the Safety Building and talk about each other when not together; he, Bernhagen, and other officers have frequently observed Timiney and Langendorf together at various drinking places and obviously on good terms.

Bernhagen further advised that Sheriff James O'Reilly and George Timiney are good friends and that he understands they are in some way related to each other, probably second or third cousins. Also he stated he understood that Chief Deputy Sheriff Delabaunt is also related in some way to Sheriff O'Reilly and Timiney.

On August 28, 1936, Agents Suran and Murphy endeavored to locate Ray McGlone, Justice of the Peace of Swanton Township, Lucas County, Rural Route #1, Swanton, Ohio, in an effort to interview him concerning the operation of slot machines in his township. Agents were unable to locate Mr. McGlone, and in the absence thereof interviewed Eugene Coon, Constable of Swanton Township, at his residence, Rural Route #3, Swanton, Ohio. Coon advised that he has been Constable since January 1, 1936, and he knows of his own knowledge that until about two months ago there were seven slot machines in operation in Swanton Township but that about two months ago the two slot machines, which were in operation in Cotes Wayside Inn, Rural Route #3, were removed, and to his knowledge have not been replaced; that there are at the present time five such slot machines operating in Swanton Township, but that he does not know to whom these slot machines belong. He stated that he has often wondered just what his authority was in connection with these gambling devices, and not knowing whether he had a right to take the machines until a complaint was made before the Justice of the Peace, he has not taken any steps to have these five machines confiscated. He stated that he is not a

deputy sheriff, and he has never received any instructions not to bother the machines. He advised that a Mr. Harper, who operates a filling station and grocery store on Rural Route #4, Swanton, Ohio, at the junction of Highway #2, and U. S. Highway #208, had two slot machines in his place of business; that he had some recollection that Harper had told him that a man by the name of Miller had something to do with these machines or that a man by the name of Miller had tried to place slot machines in his place of business. He stated that the deputies of Sheriff O'Reilly occasionally visits Swanton Township, and Sheriff O'Reilly must have knowledge of the operation of the slot machines.

Agents at the grocery store and filling station of Z. O. Harper, on August 28, 1936, observed one five-cent slot machine and one one-cent slot machine in this place of business. Mr. Harper advised agents that these slot machines are the property of Tom Worland, and he has had them in his place of business for the past five years, with the exception of a few times when the machines were taken out for a few days and then replaced. He stated that from time to time various deputy sheriffs, whose names he does not know, visit his place of business for the purpose of using the telephone, and these machines are placed in such a conspicuous position that the various deputies could not overlook them. He stated that when the machines were first placed in his store by Joe Becker, an employee of Tom Worland, Becker assured him that the Sheriff's Office would not molest the machines or get him in any trouble because of the machines. He stated he never asked any questions as to what arrangement existed between the Sheriff's Office and Tom Worland for the protection of these machines. He stated that the last time these machines were removed was about two months ago, but were replaced in a few days without any explanations being given to him as to why the machines were removed. Harper advised that Joe Becker is no longer collecting from the machines in his place; that recently another employee of Tom Worland's did the collecting, but he does not know his name.

Harper stated he is not personally acquainted with Sheriff James O'Reilly.

Agents on August 28, 1936, observed a five-cent slot machine in a lunch room bearing no name, located on the south side of U. S. Highway #208, just east of the Lucas County line. This machine did not bear a Delux Service sticker, but in conversation with the woman proprietor agents were advised that this machine is the property of Tom Worland. In the filling station located across the street from the above-referred to lunch room two pin-ball machines were observed, bearing Delux Service sticker.

Stephen Smith, Rural Route #3, Swanton, Ohio, Spencer Township, which is the adjoining township to Swanton Township, was interviewed on August 28, 1936, by Agents Suran and Murphy. Mr. Smith stated that he has been Justice of the Peace of Spencer Township since January 1, 1936. He stated there are two places of business in his township, and he is positive they do not have slot machines, but he has observed several pin-ball machines on U. S. Highway #20, but had no information concerning the operation of slot machines. He stated that Spencer Township is rather small and few cases come before him, and, in fact, the Justice of the Peace of Spencer Township has had only thirteen cases in thirty years.

On August 31, 1936, Special Agents Murphy and Suran interviewed James E. Dailey, constable, 6728 Maplewood Drive, Sylvania Township, Sylvania, Ohio. Dailey stated that he has been a constable for the past five years and prior to that time he was a deputy sheriff for ten years. He stated that he was first appointed a deputy sheriff under Sheriff Jack Taylor in 1922; then served in that capacity under Sheriff Emmert, as well as his successor, Joseph Zimmerman, until Zimmerman was removed from office for misabuse of funds in feeding county prisoners, after which Light completed Zimmerman's term as sheriff. He stated that he did not serve as deputy sheriff under Sheriff Krieger, but did possess a courtesy card, and when he subsequently campaigned for Light, Krieger called in his courtesy card. Dailey stated that, in addition to being a constable, he operates school buses and does not at the present time hold a deputy sheriff's commission. He stated that he has no knowledge of the operation of slot machines in Lucas County, but had heard the name of Tom Worland, but was not acquainted with this individual. He advised that, to his knowledge, there were no slot machines in operation in Sylvania, Ohio. He advised that it is the general opinion of the citizens of Sylvania that Sheriff O'Reilly knew the true identity of Harry Campbell and that due to this fact it was expected that O'Reilly would be defeated for re-election to the Office of Sheriff.

Concerning Louis Haas, Dailey advised that Haas was well thought of in Sylvania and to his knowledge Haas bears a good reputation.

Mr. Horace Randall, Sylvania, Ohio, advised that he has been the town marshal since May 1935, and he knows of his own knowledge that there are no slot machines or pin-ball machines in operation in Sylvania, Ohio. He advised that Mr. H. C. Quinnell was elected to the office of Mayor of Sylvania about six years ago and campaigned on the platform that he would abolish the numerous slot machines then in operation in Sylvania, and immediately after his election the slot

machines were removed, and although certain individuals have attempted to place slot machines in Sylvania, they have not been successful. He advised that he does not know the names of the individuals who attempted to place slot machines in Sylvania, but that he understood that these persons offered Mayor Quinnell a sum of money if Quinnell would permit the operation of these machines; that Quinnell was an honest man and would, no doubt, furnish agents with full information concerning this, if he were interviewed; that Quinnell is the editor of the Sylvania Sentinel, but he knew that Quinnell would keep any interview had with him confidential.

Randall further stated that in the early part of 1936 some individual placed two slot machines in Sylvania, and one of these was seized by the night marshal of Sylvania, and the other was removed by the persons who placed it there. Randall stated that he just recently destroyed the seized slot machine and exhibited to agents the wrecked machine. To his knowledge, no person ever attempted to secure the return of the seized machine.

Randall stated that last fall or early in the spring of 1936 the night marshal, Alfred Carl, was talking with Deputy Sheriff Sharkey and in a discussion over slot machines Sharkey offered his assistance to Carl in seizing any slot machines which might be in Sylvania, and Carl asked Sharkey why he did not seize the slot machines in the "Dugout", operated by the Veterans of Foreign Wars on Hill Avenue, in Lucas County, and Sharkey just shrugged his shoulders. Randall further advised that Sharkey had boasted to Carl that he, Sharkey, had drunk with Campbell, but that he did not know his true identity, and, therefore, the Sheriff should not be criticized for associating with Campbell.

Randall advised that he has known Sheriff O'Reilly all his life, and he most frequently saw O'Reilly hanging around some beer joint. Randall stated that the sheriff and his deputies are always highhating him and his night officer and was always endeavoring to make them feel that they are just country coppers, and for this reason he has no use for the Sheriff's Office. As one instance of inefficiency of the Sheriff's Office Randall stated that a woman was murdered about a year ago in Sylvania, Ohio, and the Sheriff's Office made a casual survey, but paid very little attention to what he and his night officer had to report about the matter; that some time later he, Randall, obtained a hammer which had blood stains on it, and he believes this was the instrument used in murdering the woman, and he sent it in to the Sheriff's Office; that the case has never been solved and now he learns that the hammer has been lost.

Mr. H. C. Quinnell, Mayor of Sylvania, Ohio, was interviewed on August 31, 1936, by Agents Murphy and Suran. Mr. Quinnell advised that he was elected mayor in 1928 or 1929, and there has been no slot machine in operation in Sylvania, Ohio, since that date, although two machines were placed in the village about a year ago, but were seized by the village officers. He stated that apparently these two machines were put in as a test to see if they would be allowed to remain, and after they were seized there was no attempt made by anyone to secure their return. Quinnell stated that there are no pin-ball machines in operation in Sylvania and that he classifies them the same as slot machines, and as long as he is mayor slot machines and pin-ball machines will not be tolerated.

Mayor Quinnell advised that in the year 1932 a man whom he believes was "Firetop" Sulkin came to his office in Sylvania with the proposition to place slot machines in Sylvania; that "Firetop" Sulkin laid \$5,000 on his desk and stated that sum would be paid annually in lieu of a license, which amount could be split among the various village officials; that Sulkin claimed that such an arrangement had been entered into with the village officials of Maumee, Ohio. He stated that \$5,000 per year was to permit the operation of thirty-six slot machines. He stated that he, Quinnell, permitted Sulkin to set forth his proposition fully and then refused it, after which Sulkin cursed him, and he, Quinnell, threw Sulkin out the door. Quinnell further advised that about a year ago a Greek by the name of Poulos wanted to place slot machines in Sylvania, and while not offering a direct bribe, Poulos stated that he would contribute \$100 a month to the relief of the village, if he were permitted to operate machines. He stated that inasmuch as the contribution was to be made for relief, he took the matter up with the village council which rejected the proposition.

Quinnell stated that sometime in 1933 Tom Worland came to him and requested permission to place slot machines in Sylvania; that Worland assured him that the machines would not be bothered by the Office of the Sheriff, and while not offering a direct bribe advised him, Quinnell, that he would not lose anything by permitting slot machines to operate in Sylvania. He stated that about this same time a man by the name of Gerken, who operates a tin shop at #29 Ontario Street, Toledo, was introduced to him by the Postmaster of Sylvania, who requested that he, Quinnell, extend any favor possible to Gerken. He stated that Gerken had an opinion dated about 1926 which was rendered by the Attorney General of Ohio, which purported to state that slot machines were legal. He stated that Gerken wanted to place slot machines in Sylvania, but he, likewise, was refused. He stated he ques-

tioned Gerken concerning the identity of his associates, but Gerken did not name them, but he, Quinnell, suspected that Gerken was connected with the Fretti brothers of Toledo, Ohio.

Quinnell stated that he has always in the past been a supporter of Frazier Reams, but Frazier Reams has pulled several things which he, Quinnell, could not sanction, and he referred to the murder case mentioned by Village Marshal Randall and also mentioned the release of two individuals on a small bond after they had been arrested by village officers for attempted rape on a fourteen-year old girl. He stated that it is his understanding that Frazier Reams is now purported to be the attorney for a new racket in the city of Toledo, which racket consists of a shooting gallery which was purely a gambling proposition. He further advised that Reams is alleged to be on the Board of Directors of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Club, the "Dugout", which is the large gambling establishment in Lucas County.

Alfred Carl, Night Marshal, Sylvania, Ohio, advised that about fourteen months ago one slot machine was put in the Little Wonder Cafe by Tom Worland, and he seized it the following day, which machine was subsequently destroyed by the village marshal without any effort being made by Worland to claim the machine; that the day following his seizing the above referred to slot machine Tom Worland placed a slot machine in the pool room in Sylvania, and while he did not seize the machine, he told the proprietor to have it taken out, and the proprietor then turned its face to the wall and the next day Tom Worland took the machine out; that since that time no slot machines or pin-ball machines have been placed in Sylvania. Carl stated that several months ago Deputy Sheriff Sharkey talked to him in Sylvania and asked him if there were any slot machines in operation in Sylvania, and if he wanted any help he would be willing to assist him in picking them up. Carl stated he then mentioned to Sharkey why he did not pick up the slot machines at the "Dugout" of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and Sharkey stated that was a private club, and they could not touch the machines there. He stated that Sharkey did not mention numerous other slot machines operated in numerous filling stations and grocery stores in the county. Carl advised that a Mr. Cooper, who operates a filling station at the corner of Whitford Road and Monroe Street, had two machines picked up about five months ago by a deputy sheriff, but Carl stated he did not know to whom the machines belonged or the identity of the deputy sheriff who picked them up. Carl advised

that he has no recollection of Deputy Sheriff Charles Sharkey ever stating to him that he, Sharkey, drank beer with Harry Campbell.

Mr. H. Cooper, who operates a filling station and grocery store at the corner of Whitford Road and Monroe Street on Rural Route #2, Sylvania, Ohio, was interviewed on August 31, 1936, and stated he had one five-cent and one ten-cent slot machines belonging to Tom Worland for about three years, and in 1934 Worland said there was a little trouble about slot machines and took out these machines, and later Worland tried to put them in again, but he, Cooper, would not allow them to be replaced; that he had no slot machines in his store and filling station until about eight months ago when a Greek by the name of Poulos, who operates the W-B Service, put in one-five cent slot machine, and after the machine had been in his store about a week Deputy Sheriff Sharkey came in and said he had orders to take out the machine, and took the machine; that just the other day Worland's man, whose name he does not know, but who is a large fat man asked to allow him to place a pin-ball machine in the store, but he refused him.

He stated he does not know why Worland would want to place slot or pin-ball machines in his store when other persons' machines have been seized in his store.

On September 1, 1936, Field Deputy Sheriff William Harmon, residence: Rural Route #3, Sylvania, Ohio, was interviewed by Special Agents R. C. Suran and J. V. Murphy near the intersection of US Highway #20S and State Highway #263, where he and his partner were observing passing trucks for violations of State Highway Laws. Harmon stated he has been a deputy sheriff since January 7, 1936, and has previously served 12 years on the Toledo Police Department and also had two years' service with the Texas Rangers in the state of Texas. With reference to allegation that Harry Campbell was in the slot machine racket, Harmon stated he heard that Campbell had some slot machines in either Toledo or Lucas County, Ohio, but has no direct information regarding same and does not remember where he heard such information.

Harmon stated that he and his partner devote their time as deputy sheriffs to violations of highway laws and regulations; that he does not have anything to do with slot machines, altho he stated he seized two slot machines last week at a hamburger joint near Westwood and Dorr Streets, three-quarters of a mile from the city limits of Toledo in Lucas County and turned over those machines to the Sheriff's Office for disposition. He stated those slot machines were Tom Worland's machines. He stated he does not know of any other slot machines in the county, except those of Tom Worland; that he and his partner have no special instructions from the sheriff regarding picking up or leaving alone the slot machines in Lucas County, but inasmuch as he and his partner are working entirely on a fee basis, it is generally understood that slot machines, on which no fees are collected, as usually no one is arrested, should be left as work of the salary basis deputy sheriffs.

On September 1, 1936, Agents Suran and Murphy interviewed A.B. Corrothers at his residence on Penn Road, Adams Township, Lucas County, Ohio. He stated he has been Constable of Adams Township for the past six years and held special deputy sheriff commission under former Sheriffs Zimmerman, Light and Keieger and now holds commission as service (fee basis) Deputy Sheriff under Sheriff James O'Reilly, being appointed January 7, 1936.

Constable and Deputy Sheriff Corrothers stated that he visits the "Dugout", operated by Tom Worland on Hill Avenue, almost daily, and noticed five or more slot machines in the Dugout and that they have dice tables in that place, but he does not go in the room where the dice games are operated.

He stated he leaves slot machine matters up to the Sheriff's Office, altho he is a deputy sheriff.

He stated he never seized any slot machines, but if he picked up a slot machine he would get his fee by filing on the person having the machine and arrest and take that person before a Justice of the Peace. He stated the main reason he did not want to touch slot machines is he does not want to interfere with someone else's business and get 'taken for a ride'.

He stated he knows he has the right as a Constable to close up the "Dugout", but knows it would be opened up the next day, and if he kept on closing it up, he fears someone would catch him when he came home late some night and 'take him for a ride', and he did not want to get killed.

Corrothers stated he heard that Tom Worland has other slot machines in Lucas County and often wondered how Worland could operate the 'Dugout' with gambling games therein, also operate slot machines in Lucas County and never be bothered. He stated he has seen regular salaried deputy sheriffs at the "Dugout" but had never seen Tom Worland and Sheriff James O'Reilly talking together; that he, Corrothers, has never had any dealings with Worland.

Corrothers stated he never knew or saw Harry Campbell and was unable to identify Campbell's photograph as any person he saw frequent the "Dugout".

It will be noted in the report of Special Agent R. C. Suran dated at Cleveland, Ohio, August 29, 1936, in interview had with William Poulos and also it will be noted in interviews reported in this report that Deputy Sheriff Charles Sharkey with his partner, Andrew Carr, were the individuals who seized various slot machines which were in operation in Lucas County, Ohio, and apparently failed to confiscate slot machines belonging to Tom Worland, although such machines were operating apparently with the knowledge of the Sheriff's Office.

On September 1, 1936, Special Agents J. V. Murphy and R. C. Suran interviewed Deputy Sheriff Charles Sharkey at his home on Plainview Road, Rural Route #2, Toledo, Ohio. Sharkey stated that he has been a deputy sheriff since January 7, 1936, when James O'Reilly assumed the office of Sheriff of Lucas County, and prior to that time he was engaged as a Sewer Digger and had no knowledge of police work. He also stated that at times he has been employed as a brick mason. Sharkey advised that when Sheriff O'Reilly first took office he issued instructions that all slot machines in operation in Lucas County should be seized; that he and his partner, Andrew Carr, seized numerous slot machines irrespective of the ownership of the same, and they were continuing their drive on these machines, and in doing so they were incurring the displeasure of the various business men who had these machines in their places of business, and he reported this to the Sheriff, and it was decided that the drive against slot machines, if continued, would seriously interfere with O'Reilly's chances for re-election; that the persons who had these machines in their places of business were all voters, and some of them possessed considerable influence. He stated that the Sheriff then decided that the only machines which should be seized were those against whom complaints were received by the Sheriff's Office. Also those machines should be seized when they were placed by the owners in places of business and a statement made that the Sheriff would not bother the machines. He stated that when a complaint is received at the Sheriff's Office and routed to him, he and his partner immediately seize the machine and take it to the Sheriff's Office and mark the date seized on the machine, and at the present time there is stored at the Sheriff's Office a large number of slot machines, which were the property of William Poulos, Al Fetzner, together with a large number of machines bearing the "DeLux Service" sticker, indicating that they were the property of Tom Worland.

Sharkey advised that when he and Carr first started seizing slot machines William Poulos sent him a message that he would like to talk to Sharkey and that he, Sharkey, was of the opinion that Poulos probably wanted to proposition him in order that Poulos' machines would not be molested, and he, therefore, refused to see

Poulos, and since that date he has absolutely no use for Poulos, who is rather a ruthless individual. He stated that Poulos would place slot machines any place regardless of the effect upon the community and particularly in close vicinity to schools. He stated that Poulos placed two slot machines in Sam's Place, located on State Highway #2, about five miles from the city limits of Toledo, which location is directly across the road from a school house; that Poulos had these machines on low stands, in order that the smallest child could play them; that he and his partner upon observing this instructed the proprietor of the place to remove the machines, and when he failed to do so, they were seized. It was called to the attention of Sharkey that at the present time there are two slot machines in this place, bearing the "Delux Service" sticker, indicating that they were the property of Tom Worland. Sharkey denied that he knew these slot machines were located in Sam's Place. Sharkey contends that at the present time Poulos and Al Fetzner have slot machines in operation in Lucas County.

He was questioned as to the location in Lucas County of slot machines belonging to others than Tom Worland, and he was unable to state any specific locations other than he mentioned there was a W-B Service slot machine, which is the property of William Poulos, now in operation in a store on Dorr Street, which is on the street near the railroad tracks. He also mentioned there were others besides Worland's machines at various locations on the Dixie Highway in Lucas County. Sharkey stated that on one occasion he seized a slot machine for the Prosecutor's Office, but does not know the results of the prosecution of this case, and he does not know of any prosecutions ever being had in Lucas County in connection with seized slot machines.

With reference to the "Dugout" operated by Tom Worland, Sharkey stated that he has been in this place frequently; that his purpose of going to this place was to telephone the Sheriff's Office at night, which is a routine matter. He stated that he knew Worland had several slot machines in the Dugout and that a long time ago Worland also operated a couple crap games in that place, but he does not believe there are any crap games in the Dugout at the present time. Sharkey stated that he firmly believed Sheriff O'Reilly was honest and would not accept money from anyone to permit the operation of slot machines and that the only reason that slot machines are presently operating in Lucas County is because Sheriff O'Reilly does not desire to offend the persons who have these machines in their places of business and thus loose a lot of votes.

Sharkey stated that he was a member of the raiding party which raided the address of 2831 131st Street, Point Place, Ohio, two days after Harry Campbell and Alvin Karpis abandoned their automobile near Monroe, Michigan, (January 23, 1935). He stated that other officers on this raid were Deputy Sheriffs Frank Liberskowski, George Zang, Malcomb Gardner, Donald Cochran and Police Officers Chris Brennan, James Tafelski and other police officers whom he does not know; that he believes there was also a government officer with them on this raid, but does not know who this person was. He stated that Sheriff O'Reilly received a tip from a source which is unknown to him that Harry Campbell and Alvin Karpis, after abandoning their automobile, would either be located at the 131st Street address or possibly at the Casino Club; that Sheriff O'Reilly instructed the above-named deputies to proceed to Point Place and conduct the raid and specifically mentioned that the deputies they should use utmost care, inasmuch as Karpis and Campbell were dangerous men.

Sharkey advised that no photographs or descriptions were furnished the deputies of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, but that he, Sharkey, was of the opinion that Harry Campbell was identical with a man by the name of Campbell whom he had known about eighteen years ago at Point Place, and it was this individual he was looking for at the time of the raid; that when he subsequently met Harry Campbell as Bob Miller at Jim Coleman's place, the Granada Gardens, at the corner of Secore and Monroe Streets at a Jiggs party, he did not associate Bob Miller with the Campbell they were looking for at Point Place. He stated that he was always of the opinion that the Harry Campbell who was later captured in Toledo was identical with the Campbell he had known at Point Place eighteen years ago until he was advised by agents that this was most unlikely. He stated that he did not know whether the other officers on the raiding party were in possession of descriptions and photographs of Karpis and Campbell. He stated that the officers at the time of the raid first raided an apartment house behind a school house on 131st Street and then raided the address of 2831 131st Street, after which the police officers left the raiding party and he, Sharkey, and some of the other deputy sheriffs searched the Casino Club, and he, Sharkey, searched the buildings in the rear of this club; that Bert Angus was at the Casino Club at the time they searched it, and he noted that Bert Angus was very nervous. (It will be noted this statement is in conflict with statements made by Deputy Sheriffs Zang and Cochran, in that the latter two men state the only person at the Casino Club at the time of the raid was Bert Angus' son). Sharkey stated that these raids started in the late afternoon and continued on until late at night when they were called away to investigate a murder.

Concerning the Jiggs party held at the Granada Gardens, Sharkey stated that this was more or less of a Democratic rally, and various prominent Democrats of Lucas County were there, including Sheriff O'Reilly, and it was on this occasion that he first met Harry Campbell as Bob Miller; that Harry Campbell was at the place with some woman and that he, Sharkey, introduced Campbell as Bob Miller to several friends. He stated he also on two or three occasions saw Harry Campbell on Monroe Street, but never had any conversation with him; that to the best of his, Sharkey's, recollection, Campbell informed him at the Granada Gardens that he, Campbell, was a salesman.

He stated that he never heard that Campbell was supposed to be in the slot machine racket, and he has no information that Campbell at any time had any slot machines in Lucas County.

Sharkey stated that he recalls the circular which was issued by the Bureau, announcing the reward for information leading to the apprehension of Harry Campbell; that this circular was received in the mail at the Deputy Sheriffs' room in the County Jail and was placed on a hook along with other wanted circulars for the various deputies to observe; that these circulars have never gone to the Sheriff's office, which is located in the Court House, and it is his opinion that the Sheriff never sees any circulars of wanted persons, and that the newspaper story that Sheriff O'Reilly had a photograph of Harry Campbell over his desk was ridiculous.

On September 2, 1936, Agents Suran and Murphy accepted invitation of Deputy Sheriff Sharkey to call at the Lucas County Jail building and observe the slot machines stored there, which had been seized by the Sheriff's Office since January 1935.

In a room in the basement of the jail building Deputy Sheriff Sharkey displayed to agents a group of slot machines and miscellaneous machines which he claimed had been seized since Sheriff James O'Reilly has been in office. An examination and count of these machines disclosed there are thirty one slot machines, three pin-ball machines and ten miscellaneous machines. Of the slot machines it was noted that eight of these machines bear W-B Service stickers, which service is operated by William Poulos, and six of the slot machines bear stickers of "Delux Service", which is operated by Tom Worland. Also one of the pin-ball machines bore the sticker of the "Delux Service". The balance of the slot machines and other machines bore no identification tag or mark of ownership. Deputy Sheriff Sharkey stated he believed that the unmarked slot machines were property of Tom Worland, but he was unable to furnish any information to substantiate that statement, with the exception of three machines which were stamped "Top Sales".

At the time of agents' visit to the County Jail to observe the seized slot machines stored there Deputy Sheriff Sharkey stated that his statement made to agents during interview at his home on September 1st to the effect that he seized slot machines of the DeLux Service and the W-B Service only after a complaint had been received about the machines, was not exactly true; that the truth is that he seizes a slot machine of the W-B Service every time he observed one of them for the reason he has no use for William Poulos, who is a Greek and very unscrupulous, but he only seized slot machines of Tom Worland, the DeLux Service, when a complaint has been received regarding the machine. Sharkey stated the Sheriff's Office also receives complaints about W-B Service slot machines, but he does not know the complainant.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents E. J. Sullivan and E. J. Wynn on August 29, 1936:

Mr. R. C. Stevens, RR No. 7, Box 360, Point Place, Justice of the Peace for Washington Township, and his father, George Stevens, who is a constable and was such in the year 1934, as well as Joe Marleau, another constable, were interviewed. From these men it was ascertained that there is no regular patrol system in policing Point Place and that none of the officers are engaged in conducting investigative work; that the constables generally restrict their police work to answering complaints and enforcing the state truck laws.

Mr. Marleau stated that sometime in the summer of 1934 he received information from some source, which he cannot now recall, that there was a gang of crooks living at 2831 131st Street, Point Place; that he observed the premises and saw several men and women going in and out and noted that there was generally a car parked in the driveway as if for a getaway, and he understood they always kept the doors of the house padlocked; that he did not take any action in the matter, never reporting the matter to the Sheriff and, as a matter of fact, not paying a great deal of attention to the report. He thought perhaps he might have received the information from Edward Mancovitz who lived at 2845 131st Street or a Mrs. Smith who also resides at that address.

George Stevens was also questioned with reference to the presence of the gang in Point Place in the summer of 1934, and he advised that he had no information about the matter. He is an old man and does not appear to be very active.

Justice Stevens and Constable Marleau stated that they have known for several years that the Casino Club has operated after the regular closing hours, and Marleau stated that he has known for a long time that Ted Angus is supposed to hide out criminals; that it is their desire to close up this place as a nuisance, and Justice Stevens mentioned that at one time he received a complaint that a crap game was being run at the Old Casino Club, and he ascertained that Ed Warrke, local Toledo gambler, was operating this game, and Stevens ordered him to cease, which was done; that agents gathered that both Stevens and Marleau felt that the question of closing the Club after hours was the work of the Sheriff's Office and State prohibition men; that little cooperation could be expected; however, from the state men, inasmuch as information has been given to the state men from time to time about bootlegging places in Point Place, and that nothing, apparently was done about it; that the constables did not frequent the Casino Club on official visits, and neither Marleau or Justice Stevens knew that a gang of "hots" was reported to be frequenting the Casino Club in the summer of 1934.

Justice Stevens stated that Corwin Ingalsbee, who was formerly a constable in 1934 and presently a deputy sheriff, resides in Point Place near the Casino Club and suggested that he be contacted for any information about the gang, as he is a heavy drinker and was probably a visitor at the Casino Club in 1934. He also stated that one Irvin Shimmins, who has a brother presently on the Toledo Police Department, was a state prohibition officer in 1934 and was the partner of Ludy Fleming; that Irvin Shimmins is now thought to reside in East Toledo and may again be employed by the State Prohibition Unit. In view of the close connection of Ludy Fleming with Rene Holst and the Angus brothers, it may be well to interview Mr. Shimmins about the activities of Ludy Fleming at the Casino Club in the year 1934.

Mr. Guy H. Swartz, who formerly operated a walkathon in Willow Beach Park in the summer of 1934, with his father, W. B. Swartz, 621 Walnut Street, Toledo, Ohio, were interviewed as to whether they ever observed members of the Barker-Karpis gang at the walkathon. Willow Beach Park is but a short distance from the Casino Club. Neither of these men were able to identify any of the photographs of the gang and otherwise had no information of value.

Mrs. Mary Smith, 2845 131st Street, Point Place, which place is located the second door from 2831 131st Street, which latter place was occupied by some members of the mob in the summer of 1934, stated that she was not acquainted with the persons residing at 2831 131st Street in the summer of 1934 as she does not mingle with her neighbors. She is an old woman and could not recall anything to the occupants of the above-mentioned house. She stated that in the summer of 1934 Edward Usnovitz, a taxi cab driver for the Knight Cab Company, who presently lives somewhere on Indiana Avenue in Toledo, Ohio, lived with his family in the front part of her home; that following the capture of Campbell in Toledo on May 7, 1936, Usnovitz's picture appeared in the newspapers in connection with an interview had with him by a newspaper reporter, in which Usnovitz revealed that some members of the gang had resided in Point Place in the past.

The following investigation was performed by Special Agents D. P. Sullivan and E. J. Wynn on August 27, 1936:

Mrs. Edith Marks was interviewed at Luna Pier at Lakeside, Michigan. She stated that a few days prior to the interview she learned that Timiney had checked out of the Lorraine Hotel in Toledo and said that he was going on a yachting cruise for two or three weeks. He made a reservation for a room at the Lorraine Hotel for September 5, 1936, on which date he expected to return.

With reference to former Toledo gamblers who were known by her to have worked at the Harvard Club in Cleveland, Ohio, in the year 1934, she stated that she knew Billy Schwartz, who worked at the Harvard Club and that during the past winter he was in Florida around Carter's Casine; that Frankie Merrit was also formerly employed at the Harvard Club and that he also was in Florida during the past winter; that Connie Desmond, who is now thought to be engaged as a gambler at the Ramona, the place of Mrs. Jimmie Hayes, Harbor Springs, Michigan, also worked at the Harvard Club for a very short time, but she thought this was subsequent to the year 1934. She advised that Frankie Merrit is married to a cousin of Jackie Kennedy, Toledo racket man, who was murdered by the Licavoli mob several years ago.

She stated that in about the month of April 1936 she and George Timiney paid a visit to the home of Joe Roscoe and that there was a man sitting in the kitchen of the Roscoe home, who was not introduced to her, but she recalled he was called by a peculiar nickname; that she was advised that he was recently released from a penitentiary, stating at first that George Timiney told her this, but later during the interview stating that Gainey Broadway, wife of Joe Roscoe, told her this. She described this ex-convict as being about fifty years of age, of medium height, slender build, with a thin face and hair somewhat dark. Timiney by his action indicated that he had been previously acquainted with this man. This is being reported as it may have been the "Sam" in the Garrettsville, Ohio, mail train robbery whom she observed.

With reference to the 42nd Street Cafe of Joe Roscoe, she stated that she did not visit this place very frequently, and, therefore, did not know the people who made a habit of going there; that she recalled that Harry Welles was bartender at this place for quite some period; that she recalled that in about the year 1934 there were two sisters who were waitresses there who came from a large Polish family in the neighborhood and that she would endeavor to find out their names and advise agents when she was again interviewed.

The following investigation was conducted at Toledo, Ohio, on August 27, 1936, by Special Agents D. P. Sullivan and E. J. Wynn:

Mr. B. B. Olds, 4207 North Lockwood, who has been contacted previously with reference to Ted Angus, who resides next door at 4209 North Lockwood, was interviewed and stated that Ted Angus had recently returned from a vacation and at the time of the interview was living at 4209 North Lockwood with a woman he thought was called Helen; that

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Ruth Wells had left Ted Angus some time ago; that at the present time Ted Angus has no telephone, and once in a while comes to the Olds home to use the telephone; that it appears that Ted Angus sleeps most of the day and goes out at night; that very recently Ted Angus mentioned about reopening the Casino Club in September; that so far as he has been able to learn from casual conversations with Ted Angus, the latter is not contemplating leaving the city.

Agent Wynn was able to look into the Ted Angus home from the front room of the Olds home and noted a girl in the Angus house who was taken to be Helen Kahlert, who was recently interviewed and admitted that at the present time she is the girl friend of Ted Angus.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents V. E. Criss and John L. Madala at Toledo, Ohio, on August 29, 1936:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated May 19, 1936, transmitting a copy of a letter received from Mr. Charles E. Murray, 1313 Ontario Street, Toledo, in which he indicated he had certain information which he was desirous of furnishing the Bureau.

Agents made several attempts to interview Mr. Murray at his home, 1313 Ontario Street, but without success, and the information received there indicated that Murray was confined in the Lucas County Hospital. On August 29, 1936, agents called at the County Hospital and were informed that Mr. Murray was released from the said hospital on August 19, 1936. It happened, however, that Murray was at the hospital for an examination at this particular time, and, accordingly, agents brought him to the temporary offices being maintained by the Bureau at Toledo where he was interviewed in detail concerning the information submitted by him to the Bureau in his letter dated May 11, 1936. The following signed statement was secured from Murray, the original of which is being retained in the Cleveland field office files:

Toledo, Ohio
August 29, 1936

"I, Charles E. Murray, do hereby make the following signed statement to V. E. Criss and John L. Madala, whom I know to be Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice.

"I am married, have three children, and reside at 1313 Ontario Street, Toledo, Ohio. I am presently employed with the Electric Auto-Lite Company, Toledo, in the capacity of a punch-press operator. I have been so employed for the past three years. Prior to this position I was employed as a railroad police for the New York Central Railroad, having had this job for eleven years. My duties in this capacity were to guard railroad cars and railroad property. I carried a State Police Commission while on this job and was paid on a monthly basis.

"I have never been arrested in my life.

"While working for the Electric Auto-Lite Company in 1933, I had occasion to call upon James O'Reilly, the present sheriff, but who was then county detective, relative to securing information about an ac-

quaintance of mine whom I had previously arrested while a railroad police. I was introduced to O'Reilly by Jim Kelly, now deceased, and I recall that Kelly told O'Reilly that I would be a good man to have working for him, O'Reilly, as I had numerous friends in the Second Ward, and in the Electric Auto-Lite Company; that I also was a member of the Auto Worker's Union of Toledo. O'Reilly told me after this introduction that he was going to run for Sheriff again and indicated that he would like it if I helped him out. I informed him that I would be willing to campaign for him, if he ran for Sheriff. He thereupon said that I should return in about a month, and if he definitely decided to run for the Sheriff's office, he would appreciate it very much if I campaigned for him; that perhaps he could help me out sometime.

"In the meantime I learned through the newspapers that O'Reilly was definitely in the race for the Sheriff's office, and I accordingly contacted O'Reilly in the County Prosecutor's Office. He told me to see Mickey Gavin, who had a room at the Holland Hotel. Mickey Gavin appeared to be O'Reilly's campaign manager. I told Gavin that O'Reilly sent me to him, and thereafter Gavin gave me a quantity of posters and stickers and told me to put them up in the Second Ward. I at this time asked Gavin for the roster of the Second Ward, and Gavin sent me to 'Louie the Greek's' place at 804 Jefferson Avenue, Toledo, for it.

"During the latter part of 1934 I was very active in campaigning for O'Reilly, and usually reported to O'Reilly at 'Louie the Greek's' place. It seemed that O'Reilly had his secondary headquarters at this place. Nearly every time I called at this place there would be a bunch of fellows there, who looked and acted like hoodlums. They all seemed to be working for O'Reilly during his campaign. I do not know any of these fellows' names, but believe that after O'Reilly became elected Sheriff he appointed the majority of them as deputy sheriffs and other positions.

"'Louie the Greek', whose last name I never heard, runs a sort of speakeasy at 804 Jefferson Avenue; that is, he sells whiskey and beer there without a license. On one occasion prior to the general election I ordered a beer and whiskey from Louie, and O'Reilly told Louie that it was all right, and that I didn't have to pay for it.

"In connection with this speakeasy, Louie also has two or three private rooms which is available to anyone who might desire one; that these rooms contain a settee and a table and chairs. I frequent-

ly saw different men take women into these rooms. I heard during the time I was campaigning for O'Reilly that he frequently stayed at Louie's place overnight. I also saw him eat meals there on several occasions. My impression is that O'Reilly had some sort of interest in Louie's place, as he seemed to dominate Louie, and everything that he ordered was usually carried out. I frequently heard O'Reilly tell Louie to give the boys anything they wanted to drink.

"I recall that the first time I went to Louie's place I had to have a note from Gavin, who informed that I was all right, and that Louis should let me in. In entering Louie's place one has to ring the door bell, and Louie looks you over to see who you are before he lets you come in. If Louie doesn't know who you are he won't permit you to come into the place. Louie the Greek and Sheriff O'Reilly appear to be very intimate friends, and as I stated before, the Sheriff spends considerable of his time there; that in 1934 O'Reilly kept from time to time some of his dogs in Louie's place; that Louie would feed them, and generally take care of them for O'Reilly. Since O'Reilly was elected Sheriff, I frequently observed Louie come in and out of the Sheriff's residence at the County Jail.

"I last saw Louie the Greek during May of 1936 on the street near the Court House, and Louie asked me whether I would again campaign for the Sheriff, he stating that we got to elect the 'old man'. I informed him that I was preparing to go to the hospital and that I was not in any condition to do any campaigning. During the time that O'Reilly was County Detective, all persons who were paroled and placed on probation were ordered to report to O'Reilly, O'Reilly thereafter would more or less look after them. I am positive that two or three of these parolees campaigned for O'Reilly in 1934, although I do not know their names. I believe that Gavin told me that they were parolees.

"On one occasion in 1935 I saw Yonnie Licavoli's brother come from the entrance leading up to Louie's place, although I don't know for sure whether this individual came from his place. I do know, however, that there was a warrant outstanding for him at that time. I had previously seen Licavoli's gang in various saloons on Adams Street, and they were pointed out to me by Sharkey, who is now one of O'Reilly's deputy sheriffs. On the night of election in November 1934 I recall that O'Reilly received a report at Louie's place that one of his men was being beaten up in the Eight Ward. O'Reilly sent three or four of his campaigners and me to break up that fight, and prior to our leaving O'Reilly cautioned one of his men to be careful, and this man assured O'Reilly that they would take care of it without

any commotion and that O'Reilly's name would not even be mentioned in connection with the same.

"After O'Reilly was elected Sheriff he told me that if I wanted a job, he would try to get one for me in the Highway Department. I told him that I had a job at the Electric Auto-Light Company, and didn't need one. He then stated that whenever I needed work, I should come to see him, and he would try to get me a job. I never contacted him thereafter, as I didn't care to have anything to do with the crowd he was running around with. I was satisfied that this gang of fellows were nothing but hoodlums, and was surprised when I later heard that some of them were appointed as deputy sheriffs.

"I hold no ill-feelings, either personal or otherwise, towards Sheriff O'Reilly, and he at no time double-crossed me. My only reason in reporting this matter to the Department of Justice is because I honestly believe that O'Reilly was fully aware of Harry Campbell's identity and that possibly O'Reilly might have hid out Campbell at Louie the Greek's place, which I am firmly convinced is a hoodlum hangout and hide-away.

"I have been shown a photograph of Harry Campbell, but do not believe that I ever saw him in Louie the Greek's place at 804 Jefferson Avenue. I am not acquainted with Fred Goulet or any members of his family and do not know of my own personal knowledge whether Sheriff O'Reilly ever frequented his place. I do not know of any other place which the Sheriff might frequent, other than Louie the Greek's.

"I have read the foregoing statement which consists of three typewritten pages and swear the same is true to the best of my knowledge and recollection.

/s/

"Charles E. Murray"

Witnesses:

John L. Madala,)
Vernon E. Criss,) Special Agents,

Federal Bureau of Investigation

In addition to his statement Charles E. Murray advised agents that he has no information whatever concerning the alleged payoff to the Sheriff in connection with the operation of slot machines in Lucas County. He advised that he knows Tom Worland by reputation. Murray stated that on one occasion one of his children who sells papers at Point Place told him that he observed a Deputy Sheriff who rides Motor-

cycle No. 3 playing the slot machines at the place where young Murray sells his papers. Mr. Murray advised that the last time he was in "Louie the Greek's" place was in the early part of 1935, shortly after Jim O'Reilly took over the Sheriff's office; that as far as he knows Louie has no occupation or business other than the "speakeasy" which he is presently operating. He stated he at one time heard Louie say that he holds a Special Deputy Commission.

It might be stated that Mr. Murray was interviewed at great length concerning the statement made by him indicating that Sheriff O'Reilly knew who Harry Campbell really was at the time he was drinking beer with him. He, however, could furnish no concrete evidence substantiating this allegation, stating that the same was merely his personal opinion as well as others. Efforts will be made to ascertain the character and reputation of "Louie the Greek's" place at 804 Jefferson Avenue and obtain, if possible, information as to the class of people frequenting the same.

In an interview Agents Madala and Criss had with Lynn Lamb at the temporary office in Toledo, Ohio, recently Lynn Lamb advised that his brother, Edward Lamb, an attorney in the Edison Building and a former assistant city prosecutor of Toledo conducted an extensive investigation in year 1931-1932 relative to vice, gambling and other illegal operations in Toledo which were making a payoff to city officials. At this time Lynn Lamb stated that his brother, Edward Lamb, was a candidate for United States Senator.

Mr. Edward Lamb was interviewed at his office, 1014 Edison Building, Toledo, by Special Agent J. V. Murphy on September 2, 1936. Mr. Lamb stated that he never conducted any kind of investigation or survey relative to vice and gambling payoff in Toledo, but in 1931 he did represent the Tax Payers League and conducted quite an investigation concerning the operations of the then Mayor Addison Q. Thacher and then Welfare Director Dr. Elwood A. Rowsey, a minister of Toledo, and who is still a minister in Toledo. This investigation had to do with monies spent by Welfare Director Rowsey and Mayor Thacher in connection with relief; that many thousands of dollars were spent each month by Welfare Director Rowsey, and he had no receipts to cover such expenditures; that Thacher was making various contracts with contractors and receiving fees for such contracts, and Thacher and Rowsey were stealing the city blind. Mr. Lamb further advised that they endeavored to have both Rowsey and Thacher indicted by the Grand Jury, and they missed indicting them by only one vote.

Lamb further stated that while Thacher was Mayor of Toledo in 1931 he had a dredge he was renting to the city of Toledo for \$700 a month; that when this was brought to light, Mayor Thacher claimed the dredge belonged to his brothers, George and Clarence Thacher, and as a result of investigation concerning payments made to George and Clarence Thacher in connection with this dredge, it was found that they had been padding their payrolls and defrauding the city of Toledo in bills rendered by them and paid, and the Grand Jury in the spring of 1933 or 1934 returned an indictment in fourteen counts against George and Clarence Thacher and to date the case has never been tried and the indictment is still pending against them. Mr. Lamb stated that several bankers were also indicted about five years ago in Toledo in connection with the closed Security Bank and the Commercial Bank, and to date no prosecution has been had in these cases, and the indictments are still pending. He stated that Frazier Reams, the present County Prosecutor, at that time was Trust Officer of the Commercial Bank.

Mr. Lamb also advised that Dave Topper, an attorney in Toledo is a close personal friend of Price, former Safety Director, and Topper did some collecting in 1935 for Mayor Klotz; that Topper, Price, Dave Britz and former Mayor Klotz were very close friends and all made a trip together to Milwaukee, and shortly after they returned in 1935 Jimmy Hayes gave Dave Topper \$1,000 to give to Klotz to be allowed to operate gambling in Toledo unmolested for six months, and Klotz split the \$1,000 up among other officials.

Further, Mr. Lamb advised that W. S. Thurstin, an attorney with offices in the Nicholas Building, Toledo, is attorney for Tom Worland; that Thurstin was a lar partner of Klotz, and Thurstin told him about gamblers making payments to Klotz when Klotz was Mayor of Toledo; that Thurstin has broke with Klotz and is very vitter toward him.

Mr. Lamb stated that his brother, Leighton Lamb, was a former deputy sheriff, and Leighton informed him that Worland is paying Sheriff James O'Reilly through Attorney Thurstin, and he believes that Leighton was present at one time when there was a pay-off made.

He stated he does not know the present address of his brother, Leighton, as he recently married and at present is in New York for ten days, but as soon as Leighton returns to Toledo, he will ascertain his address and advise agents.

Mr. Lamb stated that George Kapp was Safety Director of Toledo in 1933 and part of 1934 and could tell plenty about graft, if he will talk.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents V. E. Criss and John L. Madala on August 27, 1936:

Gertie Miller, Harry Campbell's wife, was again interviewed by agents on instant date, at which time she advised that the Scottie dog purchased by Campbell for her did not come from Sheriff Jim O'Reilly, but that it was purchased from the Caswell Kennels, Toledo. She advised that on the occasion the dog was bought she accompanied Campbell to the Kennels, but did not go into the yard to look at the dog.

Gertie further related that she believes Harry Campbell first met Sheriff O'Reilly in either August or September 1935; that as she recalls it, Campbell was standing at the bar of Goulet's Grill drinking, and she was sitting at one of the tables; that O'Reilly came into the place, and, as usual, ordered a drink for everyone in the house; that shortly thereafter she observed Fred Goulet apparently introduce Campbell to the Sheriff, as she later saw the latter two shake hands and engage in a conversation, none of which she was able to overhear. Gertie stated that after this time she frequently saw Campbell and Sheriff O'Reilly in friendly conversations and drinking beer together.

Continuing, Gertie Miller advised that on one occasion she indicated to Campbell that she desired a Scottie dog. In this connection she advised that Sheriff O'Reilly had two or three dogs in the rear of Goulet's Grill and that apparently Fred Goulet was taking care of them for him; that one of these dogs was a female Scotch Terrier, which the Sheriff wanted to sell to Campbell, but Campbell declined the purchase, as he wanted a male dog. Gertie stated it is her belief that either Fred Goulet or Sheriff O'Reilly recommended Caswell's kennels to Campbell, advising that this place had a good stock of pedigreed dogs.

Gertie Miller was questioned at great length concerning Campbell's association with Sheriff O'Reilly, particularly as to any conversations which she might have overheard between the two, but she maintained that the conversations heard by her were mostly relative to dogs, and at no time did she ever hear anything which might indicate that Sheriff O'Reilly knew who Campbell was, who his associates were and what the character of his business was. She stated that it has always been her understanding that O'Reilly knew Campbell as a road contractor.

Agents again questioned Gertie Miller relative to the Hudson coupe, which, according to Lynn Lamb, Campbell had in his possession for possibly two or three weeks during the early part of 1936, and she still maintained that she had no information whatever concerning this automobile. She advised that sometime in November of 1935 Campbell on one occasion drove his Ford coupe away from McGraw's place, and upon his return he advised that he had ordered a new automobile, which would not be delivered for sometime on account of the great demand for Fords at that time. She stated that they were without a car for possibly two or three weeks thereafter, and on November 26, 1935, Campbell brought home a new 1936 Ford V-8 sedan, which he gave to her as a present. Gertie advised that it has always been her impression that Campbell traded the Ford coupe in on the deal for the new car, although she has no definite information as to this particular point. She stated that she is positive Campbell never owned any other car other than the two above mentioned.

Gertie Miller was also asked by agents whether she saw Campbell at any time in any conversation with a deputy sheriff or police officer, and she advised that she did not.

On August 25, 1936, agents again interviewed Bert Ford at his home, 2130 Scottwood Street, where he is convalescing from a leg injury. He stated that sometime prior to the apprehension of Harry Campbell he heard at Goulet's Grill, exact source unknown, that Sam Coker, whom he knew as Tommy, had just gotten out of the penitentiary. He also stated that Charles Goulet, son of Fred Goulet, on several occasions washed Campbell's automobile and performed other odd jobs for him; that young Goulet is at present a taxi cab driver. Ford further stated that "Tucky" Avery is a close friend of Charles Goulet and that during the time Campbell frequented Goulet's Grill, neither of them were working and that both apparently were well acquainted with Campbell. "Tucky" Avery will be located and interviewed for information concerning his acquaintance with Campbell.

With reference to Ray O'Boyle, who, according to [redacted] b7d is a relative of Sheriff O'Reilly, and who was formerly O'Reilly's graft collector, Bert Ford advised that this individual is now a beer salesman for the Fretti brothers; that he at one time was a collector from the slot machines put out by the Fretti brothers and also operated a gambling joint at Monroe and St. Clair Streets. Ford stated that Boyle is very much disliked in Toledo

and is known as a double-crosser; that he is close to Sheriff O'Reilly and is one of O'Reilly's chief campaign men.

Bert Ford promised agents that as soon as he is able to walk again he will visit Ed McGraw, with whom he is very friendly, and endeavor to find out from him the circumstances of Campbell's first appearance at his place.

On August 27, 1936 agents interviewed Mr. Charles W. Quetschke at the Caswell kennels, 4100 Monroe Street, who, according to Gertie Miller, sold Harry Campbell a Scotch Terrier dog. Mr. Quetschke advised that he distinctly recalls the sale of a Scottie to Bob Miller, whom he now knows as Harry Campbell; that Miller first came to the kennels around the first part of January 1936 at about 8:30 p.m. and asked about a Scotch Terrier; that Miller was alone on this occasion and he, Quetschke, does not know whether he came there in an automobile. He went on to state that Miller looked at several dogs, and from conversations had with him concerning these animals, Mr. Quetschke gathered that Miller was a great lover of dogs. He stated that he tried to sell Miller a wire-haired terrier, but that he had his mind set on a Scottie; that at that time he had two Scotch Terrier dogs from a litter of three which he bought from Fred Gorman and that Miller appeared interested in one of these animals. Quetschke stated that Miller informed that inasmuch as his wife desired this dog, he would return with her and have her look at the dog before he purchased it. Mr. Quetschke recalled that Bob Miller told him that Sheriff O'Reilly recommended him to his kennels. He could recall no other conversation with Miller about the Sheriff.

Mr. Quetschke went on to state that Miller returned to the kennels about three or four days later, accompanied by his wife, and on this occasion he purchased the Scottie dog called "Navy" for \$35; that Miller was driving a new Ford V-8 sedan on this visit. Mr. Quetschke was unable to display any record of the above-mentioned sale, advising that he maintains no bookkeeping system of any kind.

It might be stated that Quetschke readily identified the long view photograph of Harry Campbell as Bob Miller.

Agents also questioned Mr. Quetschke concerning the Scotch Terrier dog purchased by Sam Coker for his girl friend, Bobbie Robb-letto. He advised that he, likewise, recalls this sale; that either

in February or the first part of March, 1936, Bob Miller and his wife brought another couple with them which appeared interested in securing a Scottie; that this couple looked at several dogs and finally decided on one; that he thereafter wrote to the Glenway Kennels, at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, for the dog's papers in order that these people might register the dog with the American Kennel Club in New York City. Mr. Quetschke stated he recalls sending the executed papers to the owner sometime later.

Mr. Quetschke was unable to identify the photograph of Sam Coker as the purchaser of the second dog, but vaguely recalled the name given in the transaction was Robbletto.

With further reference to Sheriff O'Reilly, agents were advised by Mr. Quetschke that he has known the sheriff for almost twenty years, during which period O'Reilly purchased several dogs from him. Mr. Quetschke stated that O'Reilly raises and keeps dogs as a hobby, and not for commercial purposes; that he usually gives them away after he has them for a while. Agents asked Mr. Quetschke whether O'Reilly has any interest in the Caswell Kennels, and he emphatically denied this, stating that he is the sole owner of the same. He further stated that Sheriff O'Reilly on several occasions farms his dogs out to various individuals for breeding purposes and that he knows for a fact that Fred Coulet, who used to operate the La-Vordo Inn, located across the street from the Kennels, boards some of O'Reilly's dogs. Mr. Quetschke could recall of no other individuals with whom O'Reilly has contact relative to his dogs.

Continuing, Mr. Quetschke stated that shortly after the arrest of Harry Campbell, Sheriff O'Reilly called upon him in regard to a dog which he was boarding for him; that on this occasion he talked with the Sheriff about the Campbell matter, he stating that it was too bad he didn't know who Campbell was at the time he purchased a dog from him. According to Quetschke, O'Reilly stated that he passed up the same chance, as he certainly could have put to good use the \$2500 reward and also could have earned a name for himself in Toledo for the rest of his life. He indicated to Quetschke that he knew Campbell under the name of Bob Miller and that he was made to understand that Campbell was a road contractor.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, Cleveland, Ohio, dated 8-22-36, on page 49, wherein Tony O'Brien stat-

ed that he was told when slot machines and pin ball games were placed in his place of business he need not worry about being arrested, as everything would be fixed.

Special Agents V. E. Criss and John L. Madala on August 28, 1936, re-interviewed Tony O'Brien, operator of O'Brien's Tavern, 4477 Munroe Street, which is located just outside of the city limits of Toledo, Ohio. He advised that Joe Becker, collector for Tom Worland, is the person who advised him that in case he, Tony, allowed him to place slot machines and pin ball games in his place of business, they need not worry about being arrested. He stated that Becker on several occasions came in and took the slot machines out, saying there was temporary heat on; that in one or more days he would return them; that about the first part of 1936 slot machines were taken out altogether and the pin ball machines left. Mr. O'Brien reiterated that he made no pay-off to anyone, and if one was made, Tom Worland did it out of his share of the proceeds from the slot machines and pin ball games.

Mrs. O'Brien was interviewed relative to the statement of Gertrude Billeter Miller, as set out in the report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, Cleveland, Ohio, dated 8-29-36, page 11, to the effect that on May 29, 1935, on the day she married Harry Campbell, that Mrs. Clara McGraw, Campbell and she visited the Granada Gardens, Tony O'Brien's Tavern and finally Goulet's Tavern; that at O'Brien's Tavern Mrs. O'Brien served them and seemed to be an old acquaintance of Mrs. McGraw.

Mrs. O'Brien vaguely remembered that some time during the first part of 1935 Mrs. McGraw with a newly-married couple came to the Tavern. She could not remember how Mrs. McGraw introduced this couple, nor could she remember any conversation. She could not identify the picture of Harry Campbell as anyone whom she had ever seen or knew.

Mrs. O'Brien was then led into a conversation relative to graft in Lucas County, Ohio. She claimed not to know of any direct pay-off but stated that she was quite positive that something of the sort must be going on, in that James Coleman, a competitor of theirs, who operates the Granada Gardens, is able to sell hard liquor, but has only a beer license; that he brought his liquor in from Indiana and thus does not pay any state tax; that she knows O'Reilly and James Coleman are very close friends and O'Reilly frequents the Granada Gardens and unquestionably knows of the sale of hard liquor by Coleman; that Coleman has been arrested by state inspectors, but the Gardens being operated under the name of someone of his employes, he pays only a small fine and continues to do business and sell liquor, thus not only saving a state license tax of approximately \$700 and the state liquor tax. His place of business remains open throughout the night as long as he has customers.

On September 1, 1936, during the course of an interview had with Deputy Sheriff Charles Sharkey by Agents Murphy and Suran information was elicited from him concerning the matters set forth in the article concerning the Sheriff's Office entitled, "A Metropolitan Sheriff", which appeared in the April 1936 issue of the National Police Officers magazine. The matter is referred to in Bureau letter dated June 9, 1936, Bureau file No. 62-35330. Sharkey stated that when Sheriff James O'Reilly first took over the office of Sheriff of Lucas County, Ohio, little had been done in the way of organization by the sheriffs who preceded O'Reilly; that Sheriff O'Reilly appointed as Chief Deputy Sheriff Joseph Delehaunty, who was a man who had had a great number of years' experience as a police officer.

He stated that at the time Sheriff O'Reilly went into office there was a radio broadcasting system in use, but that it was very unsatisfactory and messages transmitted often would not be heard by the scout cars, due to poor receiving equipment in the scout cars. He stated there is one scout car cruising the county at night, and one car in the day time; that these cars are now equipped with practical receiving sets, and there is a transmitter located in the Sheriff's Office, which transmitter is connected with the broadcasting system of the Toledo Police Department, and the system now works efficiently. There are also two motorcycles in use to patrol the highways.

He stated that at the present time there are 28 deputy sheriffs on a salary basis, and nine field deputies working on a fee basis. He stated that of these deputies only three have had prior police experience, and he quoted his own case stating that he had been a sewer digger prior to becoming a deputy sheriff. He advised that the sheriff had limited the number of special deputies, whose duties are to serve process; that the sheriff has endeavored to appoint most of the township constables or deputy sheriffs, irrespective of political affiliations, in order to extend their jurisdiction outside of their respective township. He further stated that the sheriff has endeavored to appoint as special deputies such men as have other means of livelihood in order to cut to a minimum a racket of special deputies making arrests in order to secure fees. He stated the sheriff has not been entirely successful in this but has greatly improved the situation.

Sharkey stated that Chief Deputy Sheriff Joseph Delehaunty is largely responsible for the improvement in the organization of the Sheriff's Office; that Delehaunty organized a police training school at the beginning of Sheriff O'Reilly's term of office for the benefit of the newly-appointed deputy sheriffs, who lacked police experience. He stated that instructions were given once a week to the deputies as to how to conduct investigations and acquainting them with the

state statutes and the rules of evidence. He stated that no such classes have been held for about a year. He further advised that the Sheriff's Office has four machine guns, two of which were seized by the preceding sheriff from a bank robber; that considerable training was given to the deputies in the use of firearms, but no such training has been afforded the deputies for practically a year, due to the lack of funds with which to purchase ammunition. He stated that each regular deputy sheriff is required to carry a .38 revolver on a .44 calibre frame, which the deputy must purchase out of his own funds. He stated that the Sheriff's Office retains the serial number of each gun, but there has never been test shots obtained from these guns for records for the Sheriff's Office.

Sharkey at the time he was interviewed on September 1, 1936 invited agents to the Lucas County Jail to observe slot machines which had been seized by the Sheriff's Office since January 1935. At the time Agents Murphy and Suran called at the County Jail it was noted the entrance to the jail building was not protected in any manner, and the first steel door is that which leads into the Jailer's office. The door is arranged as described in the article entitled "Metropolitan Sheriff", being a large steel door without bars and equipped with a bullet proof glass panel. This door is opened only by use of a key from the inside. The Jailer's desk is partitioned off from part of the room, which is used as a waiting room, this partition being a counter with wire netting part way to the ceiling. The entrance to the jail proper where the prisoners are kept is from the Jailer's room thru a barred door, which entrance is to the hallway, leading to the runaround on the first floor, where a number of trustees was noted, and the hallway also leads to stairways up to the other floors where tiers of cells are located, each cell block having a barred door to the hallway. It was noted that the barred door from the hallway of the jail to the Jailer's room was unlocked. It was further noted that the jail appeared to be in sanitary condition.

Captain Charles Hennessey of the Toledo Police Department advised Agent Suran that Chief Deputy Sheriff Delahaunty has made police training schools a hobby and was largely instrumental in affording training to the members of the Toledo Police Department at the time Delahaunty was a member of that department. He stated that when Delahaunty went into the Sheriff's Office he started maintaining classes for deputy sheriffs, Delahaunty being particularly adept in instructing classes in the state statutes and rules of evidence. Hennessey further stated that Delahaunty has made several attempts to develop a pistol team in the Sheriff's Office, but that Delahaunty has met with little success due to lack of time and finances. Hennessey advised that he does not know whether Delahaunty is still maintaining a police school for the Sheriff's Office, but that Delahaunty has met with little success due to lack of time and finances. Hennessey advised that he does not know whether Delahaunty is still maintaining a police school for the Sheriff's Office.

The following biographical data relative to James M. O'Reilly, present sheriff of Lucas County, Ohio, was obtained by Special Agents V. E. Criss and John L. Madala from the newspapers' files in the Toledo Public Library:

James Mathew O'Reilly was born in Cleveland, Ohio, on May 26, 1879; that when he was three years of age his family moved to Toledo where he attended the St. Francis De Sales School; that after he left school he went to work for the Libbey Glass Company as a glass blower, and later was employed as a conductor and motorman with the Toledo Street Car Company. O'Reilly entered the Toledo Police Department as a uniformed officer in 1902 under the then Chief of Police Ben Raitz; that he served on the police force until 1922 or 1923, when he was assigned to the County Prosecutor's Office as an investigator for that office. He remained in this capacity until January 1935 when he was elected Sheriff of Lucas County, Ohio, he having been defeated for that office in the two previous elections.

James O'Reilly is married and has two children and formerly resided at 3632 Willys Street, Toledo, Ohio. He now resides in the residence provided for the Sheriff, which is annexed to the Lucas County Jail. He is a member of the Eagles, the Moose, Knights of Columbus and Catholic Knights of Ohio. His hobby is raising dogs and flowers.

Agents interviewed Mr. Ralph E. Phelps, reporter for the Toledo Blade, who is a life-time resident of Toledo. He advised that he has known Sheriff O'Reilly for almost twenty-five years, he having known him when O'Reilly was on the Toledo police force; that O'Reilly first came into prominence when he together with several other officers killed Archie Pennison and broke up the erstwhile famous cowboy hill gang.

From an article appearing in the Toledo Blade December 25, 1934, the following information appeared with the exception of salaries which were obtained from the county auditor's office:

Staff of Sheriff Announced:

Joseph W. Delahaunty, Inspector of Police, to be appointed Chief Deputy. Sheriff O'Reilly and Delahaunty are to retire on pension from the police department, but they will undoubtedly return their pension. Salary - \$262.50 per month.

Phil Bettinger, 3835 Lockwood Avenue, contractor. Salary \$138.24 per month.

Harold Watkins, 1071 Lincoln Avenue, to be bookkeeper. Salary \$190 per month.

John Engler, age 27, 3135 Summit Street, married, ex-navy man. Salary \$138.24 per month.

Fred Mickel, age 23, 1218 Ontario Street, Secretary of Lucas County Syrian-American Democratic Club and former University of Toledo student;

Pete Sasso, age 40, 932 Page Street, resigned as Superintendent of the County Parking lot, married and father of 4 children; Business Agent of Local #87 C.L.U. Salary -? (Apparently never accepted appointment; auditor does not list his name on the payroll.)

John Juriski, age 36; 3225 Maple Street; married and father of four children; member of the Wheelworkers' Union. Salary \$138.24;

Harry Wilace, age 39; 2920 Warsaw Street; married and father of 2 children; member of Argonne post of the American Legion - with circulation department of the News-Bee for 22 years; salary -? (Apparently did not accept appointment as name does not appear on the auditor's list).

Leo Michalak, age 40, 320 Bronson Place, single, member of the American Flint Glass Union - salary \$138.24

Leo J. Collins, age 32, 139 West Central Avenue; married and father of one child; member of Switchmen's Union of North America salary - \$138.24

George Zang, age 40, 348 1/2 Batavia Street, member of Daily Post of the American Legion, former federal agent of Detroit, Mich., and a metropolitan policeman, newspaperman and world war veteran - salary \$138.24

William Lewand, Hamlin Hotel - salary \$138.24

Robert Price, age 34, 352 Indiana Avenue, world war veteran and married; salary \$138.24

Edward Clemens, age 43, 636 Pinewood Avenue, world war veteran, member Hyatt Allen Post of the American Legion - salary \$138.24

Mrs. Anna B. Sattler, 2485 Maplewood Avenue, to be a stenographer - salary \$138.24

James A. Campbell, age 41, 717 Castle Blvd., married and father of 1 child - salesman salary \$192.00

Ed Hakeas, 2032 Detroit Avenue, married and father of six children, foreman of Willys-Overland Company salary \$138.24

John R. Heizelman, age 47, 1815 Perth Street, member of Steamfitters Union; married and father of 5 children - salary \$182.00

Anthony Madyzkowski, 1328 Vance Street, married and father of eight children; foreman of Willys-Overland Co. salary \$138.24

Frank Liberkowski, 1239 Buckingham Street; married and father of three children; World War Veteran; former member of local No. 105, Machinists Union - salary \$138.24

Herbert (Mickey) Gavin, age 45, 1820 Glendale Avenue, non-commissioned officer M.T.C. and member of the McCune Post of the American Legion - salary \$138.24

Ray Flood, former city councilman; married and father of 1 child - salary \$138.24

John Sayen, age 27, 1415 White Street; married and father of one child, member of Flint Glassworkers Union salary \$138.24

M. M. Gardner, age 35; 425 1/2 Utah Street, single, member of US Navy during World War, salesman - salary \$138.24

Mrs. Emma Powell, 1011 Mott Avenue, who will be employed as a clerk - salary \$138.24

John Nyitray, age 40; 31 Magyar Street; married and father of one child; salary \$138.24

Edward Schlageter, age 45; 3854 Torrence Drive, married, member of Arthur Daily Post, American Legion, former Maroon football player; salary \$138.24

Victor Demke, 518 Kopernic Ave., married and caterer - salary \$182.00

Charles Sharkey, Sylvania Township; married, father 1 child - salary \$138.24

Andrew (Butch) Carr, age 35; 2712 Wyndale Road, married and father of 3 children, former well-known Toledo athlete and vice president, Butchers' Union #361; salary \$138.24

John Schimmel, the jailer, age 43, married, father 1 child; member of the Daily Post of the American Legion and former Maroon football player \$180.50.

James O'Reilly, Sheriff, salary \$407.08. He is not entitled to any fees, and his salary is supposed to be the entire remuneration received from his position as Sheriff.

For the information of the file, there was secured from the newspaper files in the Toledo Public Library the following information which relates to Sheriff O'Reilly's statement made publicly to the newspapers concerning his experience with Harry Campbell:

Sheriff O'Reilly admitted that he met Harry Campbell on many occasions, but he thought he was Bob Miller, a contractor, and a man interested in dogs. He stated that he had been acquainted with Campbell for five or six months and was introduced to him by Fred Goulet, whom he had known for many years and who had been keeping a couple of Scottie dogs for him. The Sheriff was quoted as saying that Campbell wanted to purchase a Scottie dog like his and that he, O'Reilly, suggested to Campbell that he purchase one from Charlie Quetschke; that the reason he did not sell Campbell a dog was because he wanted a male dog and he, O'Reilly, only had females.

Sheriff O'Reilly further informed the newspapers that he had never seen a picture of Harry Campbell; that his impression of Miller was that he was 5 feet 10 inches or six feet tall and that he has always been informed that Harry Campbell was a little fellow, possibly five feet four or five inches tall; that if he had suspected in the slightest that the man he knew as Bob Miller was Campbell, he could have arrested him on several occasions.

He further informed that he saw Campbell at the Granada Gardens at a Dinty Moore party, and at the opening baseball game at Swayne Field, Toledo; that he also learned that Campbell under the name of Miller registered at the board of elections.

It was noted that Sheriff O'Reilly admitted to the newspapers that the circulars from the Department of Justice are received at his office and thrown into a box; that he never sees them, as he has a lot of other work to do; that after Campbell's arrest he studied the photograph appearing on circulars describing Campbell and asserted that even if the likeness of Campbell, as pictured on the Bureau reward circular had been imprinted definitely on his mind he would not have been able to identify the man he knew as Bob Miller, declaring the photograph used on the circular must have been taken more than ten years ago; that the likeness does not in any way resemble Miller.

The following investigation was performed at Toledo, Ohio on September 1, 1936, by Special Agents D. P. Sullivan and E. J. Wynn:

It is to be recalled that recent interview with Police Officer Lynn Mathews concerning the story of the \$5,000 split of money between George Timiney and Alvin Karpis at the Algeo Hotel, resulted in the suggestion on the part of Mathews that Sergeant Clint Knudel of the radio department of the Toledo Police Department be interviewed.

In connection with Knudel, also, the following conversation is taken from the telephone tap being maintained on the Fretti brothers:

August 20, 1936 11:11 a.m. outgoing call to Adams 4141
(police department)

Joe Fretti calling: Radio Department please.
Man answering: Johnson speaking.
Joe Fretti: Let me talk to Sergeant Knudel.
Man answers: Sergeant Knudel talking.
Joe Fretti: Sergeant, this is Joe Fretti talking. Any word on extending the time?
Knudel: Joe, I told you the dead line is 3 o'clock; the order is out, and as far as I am concerned is going into effect.
Joe Fretti: Alright then; we will have to abide by it. Is my man Bill there?
Knudel: I haven't seen him.

August 20, 1936 5:01 p.m. incoming call to Fretti brothers.
Man calling asked for Joe Fretti.
Joe Fretti: This is Joe Fretti.
Man calling: Say, Joe, I got a copy of the pick-up order with the vending attachments. I am just about finished and going home.
Joe Fretti: What kind of an order is it?
Man calling: It is a regular issued order to the men. I can show it to you better than reading it over the telephone.
Joe Fretti: That's fine. I will be out to see you tonite.
Man calling: Will you be home? What is your number out there?
Joe Fretti: I will be home all evening. My number is 1836.
(It should be noted that Sergeant Knudel's address is 1836 Fernwood Avenue.)
Joe Fretti: I will be seeing you.

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On several occasions there appears in the Fretti tap information to the effect that the Fretti brothers receive tips from the police department concerning the activities of the police with reference to pin-ball machines.

Mr. Clint Knudel was interviewed at his home, 1836 Fernwood Avenue, on September 1, 1936, and he stated that he is in charge of the Radio Department of the Toledo Police Department; that after the recent enactment of the municipal ordinance prohibiting pin-ball machines which dispensed coins or slugs and required a license on all legal pin-ball machines, he was placed in charge of the licensing of such machines coming under the ordinance, in conjunction with the Law Department and the Chief of Police; that it is required that both the coin box which dispenses coins, and the tube leading to it be removed before a license is granted to the owner of a machine; that when the owner of a machine fails to make such adjustments a license will be refused him; that any machine having a coin box or slot tube is operating illegally; that slot machines which pay off in coins or slugs are also illegal. Knudel was not directly charged with being responsible for the Fretti brothers receiving information concerning the activities of the Toledo Police Department bearing on slot machines and pin-ball machines, but it was strongly intimated by agents that during the course of the present investigation, definite and conclusive information had been obtained concerning the identities of those persons who provided confidential information to the operators of houses of prostitution, gambling houses and pin-ball and slot machine operators dealing with police activities about these illegal enterprises. When asked whether he had been approached by Joe or Ben Fretti and propositioned to influence his action, he stated that recently Joe Fretti complained to him about the great inconvenience entailed in bringing the bulky, heavy and mechanically delicate pin-ball machines to the Safety Building for inspection for license and asked Knudel whether it would not be possible to have an officer inspect these machines where they were located, and Fretti stated that if such could be done, 'I will make it worth your while'; that he, Knudel, broached this subject to the Chief of Police, Ray Allen, who told Knudel that it would be agreeable to him to have the machines inspected at their locations; that shortly after this conversation had with Joe Fretti, he went on his vacation; that he will not return until the week beginning September 5, 1936.

When directly asked what benefits he had obtained from Joe Fretti as a result of carrying out this proposition, Knudel stated that he had not obtained anything. He stated that William Lucas took his, Knudel's, place while Knudel is on vacation; that Lucas is a patrolman who is assigned to the License Bureau and takes care of

all types of licenses issued by the city of Toledo. Agents questioned him as to an officer by the name of Wilson who, according to the Fretti brothers tap, has been out inspecting machines and calling the Fretti brothers, and he stated he did not know anybody by the name of Wilson. In talking with Knudel, agents took precaution to talk in such a manner as to in no way indicate that a tap is being maintained on the Fretti brothers.

Knudel stated that he has been a member of the Toledo Police Department for 23 years; that when he first joined the force the mother of Joe and Ben Fretti was operating a house of prostitution under the name of Dago Lena and that she is now deceased; that it has been common knowledge in Toledo that the Fretti brothers had an 'in' for years with Toledo city officials and that he did believe that the Fretti brother obtained confidential information on prospective activities of the police department concerning slot and pin-ball machines, because when a complaint was received and officers answered the complaint on many occasions, they would find that the machines had been removed prior to their visit. He also stated that it appeared that the Fretti brothers controlled the slot machine and pin-ball interests in Toledo, Ohio, to a great extent; that the slot machines operated by Lou House, Service Sales Company, Sullivan and Neal, bear stickers of the Fretti brothers and are owned by them. He stated that pursuant to the recently passed city ordinance, the pin ball machines operated in Toledo, Ohio, have been licensed; that on August 21, 1936, the last day Knudel was on duty before taking his vacation, there were 608 of such machines licensed, of which 465 belonged to the Fretti brothers.

When questioned whether he had any information whether Harry Campbell was interested in the slot machine business in or about Toledo, Knudel stated that the only information he had in this respect was obtained about a month ago when a meeting of all pin-ball and slot machine operators was called to explain to them the necessity for obtaining city licenses under the ordinance. Knudel stated that a tall, fair-haired young man, who is employed by the Shearer brothers, pin-ball machine operators, mentioned at that time that if the machines had been licensed a year ago, it would have been discovered that some racketeers were slot machine or pin-ball machine operators.

Knudel was closely questioned concerning his knowledge or information that either Campbell or Karpis was residing at the Algeo Hotel in the past and that either of these men had divided money in a room at this hotel with a police officer. He denied all knowledge or information concerning the residence of either of these men at the Algeo Hotel or ever having heard of a police officer receiving money for harboring these men.

Knudel was asked whether he ever received any information independent of the newspapers that the Barker-Karpis gang had frequented the Casino Club, and he stated that Officer Lawson told him on one occasion that two summers ago Lawson received a radio call to proceed to the Casino Club upon complaint of a disturbance there; that when he arrived at the Casino Club, Lawson saw so many hoodlums there that he stated to Knudel that it was not even safe for an officer to be there; that there was a deputy sheriff in the Casino Club when Lawson entered.

He stated that in his position as officer in charge of the radio department he comes in contact with practically all the detectives and a great many uniform officers; that it is generally believed that Timiney is the object of intensive investigation at the present time; that when Timiney was in charge of the Hoodlum Squad members of the Vice Squad were not friendly with Timiney, because they felt that he dominated their work and that he would give orders when houses of prostitution could be raided and when they could not; that there was a general belief that Timiney was 'on the spot'; that from these officers and policemen he gathered that Ted Angus and Timiney were closely associated, and it was generally rumored that Ted Angus was the collector for Timiney; that the Casino Club was mentioned as a hideout for gangsters.

Knudel was asked to name specific officers, and he recalled that John McCarthy, who was formerly on the Hoodlum Squad under Timiney, told him shortly before Campbell was arrested, that he was glad he was off of the Hoodlum Squad; that his old boss, Timiney, was 'on the spot' and had been so for over a year.

Throughout the interview had with Knudel agents questioned him on several different occasions concerning the reported harboring of Campbell or Karpis at the Algeo Hotel, in which a police officer was reported to have received money from harboring, either one of these individuals, but he stubbornly insisted that he had no information about this.

Agents interviewed Mrs. Isabelle Harley, who was previously interviewed and she stated she recalled that the officer who originally told her that Campbell had stayed for two or three weeks at the Algeo Hotel sometime previous to his apprehension and had been visited by George Timiney, who had taken Campbell out of the hotel, as set out in the report of R. C. Suran, Cleveland, Ohio, dated 3-8-36, was Clyde

Gilley, who is presently on the Vice Squad of the Toledo, Ohio, Police Department; that since she was previously interviewed by agents she had been endeavoring to think of the name of the officer, and one Thursday night recently at one of her wrestling matches she engaged Gilley in conversation, and she asked him if he was the officer who gave her the information, and he stated he was and again told her that the Algeo Hotel corner was 'hot' and that the 'Feds' were still in town.

Mrs. Herley was closely questioned as to whether or not it was a fact that she was in the room in the Algeo Hotel when Karpis paid Timiney a sum of money and she stoutly denied that this was so.

The following are several telephone calls which have been overheard on the telephone tap being maintained on the telephone of the place of business of Joe and Ben Fretti, 514 Monroe Street, Toledo, Ohio, which calls appear to have some significance to the present investigation:

8-28-36 incoming call at 10:01 a.m.

Man calling: Is Joe there?
 Girl answers: Hold the wire.
 Joe Fretti: (on the line)
 Man calling: Did you see Merl? He probably will let you have two hundred. We finally broke those two attorneys but went in the hold \$380, the little fellows got the money on the hot hands; we closed the table at 1:30.
 Joe Fretti: I'll be seeing you a little while after it quits raining.

The above conversation was overheard by Special Agent E. J. Dowd and indicates that the Fretti brothers are not confining their operations to pin-ball and slot machines.

8-28-36 incoming call at 10:50 a.m.

Man calling: Say, Joe, this is Carl Cooper. I just heard from Butch that they picked up one of the automatic machines near the Sherlock Bakery on Detroit Avenue. Is it one of yours?
 Joe Fretti: This is the first I have heard of it. We do have a machine near there in a drug store, but up to eight o'clock last night there was no complaint and if any such thing was going to happen we would know about it ahead of time. I got all our machines running and we absolutely will know if anything is going to happen. So don't worry and go along as usual. The thing we got to do is watch and be a little careful. Just as soon as a complaint comes in we know about it.

The above call was overheard by Special Agent E. J. Dowd.)

8-28-36 incoming call at 4:15 p.m.

Man calling: This is Budrow (phonetic). Let me talk to Herman. Herman answers.
 Budrow: Herman, what about them?
 Herman: Is Wilson there?

Budrow: Yes, I'll let you talk to him.
 Wilson: Herman, see that no one is on the extension phone and don't let anyone hear you. You've been paying that SOB \$2.00. Give him the gate, we were supposed to get \$1.00 each and the dirty B-- did not come across. I arrange the licenses.
 Herman: All right, George, I get you.

The above conversation overheard by Special Agent Dowd and the Wilson referred to therein is probably the Wilson mentioned in the conversation under date of August 19, 1936, and which conversation is recorded in the report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, Cleveland, Ohio, dated August 29, 1936. From the trend of the conversation of August 29th Wilson undoubtedly is a police officer who was inspecting pin-ball machines on the day that licenses were to be placed on the machines which did not have a pay-off device. His inspection probably assisted the Fretti brothers in securing licenses of machines which would not have otherwise been licensed. Further investigation is being made as to Wilson, and he will be interviewed at a later date.

8-29-36 incoming call at 9:43 a.m.

Man calling: Asks to speak to Joe and says: That machine you know 118 I'm arranging to keep it away. (Man speaks in a very low voice, it being difficult to hear him.)
 Joe Fretti: Keep it away from here. What time do you quit?
 Man calling: Three o'clock.
 Joe Fretti: I'll see you after you get off.

There is a shift in the police department which works from 7 am to 3 pm and due to the time the man calling said he quit work it is possible that Fretti was talking to a police officer. Conversation overheard by Special Agent Dowd.

8-29-36 incoming call at 10:05 am

Man calling: This is Lee (an employee of the Fretti boys) I'm over there now, the woman put the machine away. He claims he lost \$18. I found \$27 in the machine; gave him \$7. and we split \$20. That all right?
 Bernie: That's fine.

The above call might refer to the 9:43 am call indicating that a complaint was received relative to the machine 118 which is probably a portion of a street address. Conversation overheard by Agent Dowd.

8-29-36 incoming call at 12:23 p.m.

Man calling: This is John Cochrane (an attorney in the Spitzer Bldg.)
Let me talk to Ben Fretti.

Ben Fretti: (on the line)

Cochrane: Say, Ben, what about the LaSalle matter and the Western
Woodwork - Frank Gordon and Quillan?

Ben Fretti: I didn't have a thing to do with it. Those fellows got
the stuff, and they are now looking to me. I suppose I
have to make good, but they'll be taken care of. Say,
John, I'm going south; I'll be in Columbus Monday. When
are you going away? I want to talk to you about a won-
derful proposition...a legitimate gambling game. It is a
shooting gallery where skill is required. I want to get
some legal advice on it as we expect to go in on it.
Before I see you stop over at St. Clair and Lawrence
Streets (should be St. Clair and Orange Streets) and
look one of them over. Frazier Reams (prosecuting attor-
ney for Lucas County) is the big shot behind this new
legitimate gambling scheme, but he will not give me any
territory, so I want to see you about it.

Cochrane: I'm going away about the middle of the week but can ar-
range to see you before I leave.

Ben Fretti: I will get in touch with you later.

Special Agent Dowd overheard the above conversation and also the conver-
sations which follow referring to the same proposition.

8-31-36 incoming call at 4 p.m.

Man calling: Is Joe in?

Ben Fretti: No, Joe isn't in but he will be back in twenty minutes.
Say did Joe talk to you about three spot - five spot
shooting gallery?

Man calling: Yes he did.

Ben Fretti: What's your opinion of it?

Man calling: I haven't formed any opinion yet.

Ben Fretti: I think it's a good thing. They are making money, and we
are looking into it. Are you at the factory now?

Man calling: I'm at the office.

Ben Fretti: I'll have Joe call you when he comes in.

9-2-36 incoming call at 1:45 p. m.

Man calling: Is Ben or Joe there? Ben, this is Dan McCullough. Do you
have copies of that declaratory judgment that you received
from Troy? You know Gus Snyder had copies too.

Ben Fretti: Yes, I think so, but I would have to look for them.
 McCullough: I was going to call Snyder.
 Ben Fretti: How did you come out yesterday?
 McCullough: All right
 Ben Fretti: Well, they can't stop anybody else from going in on those gun clubs then.
 McCullough: Oh, that never came up yet. They will be declared legal and others will be enjoined from opening up.
 Ben Fretti: There's a new outfit from Cincinnati, called the Triangle Short Range Gun Club of America that is getting material together to open up 500 stores.
 McCullough: I hadn't heard that; do you want to look around for those declaratory judgments and call me?
 Ben Fretti: Yes, I'll see if Herman knows where they are.

As the result of a conversation overheard on the telephone tap to the Fretti brothers' place of business in which was mentioned a new gambling device being set up in Toledo and that Frazier Reams was interested in same the following investigation was made at the request of Special Agent in Charge J. P. MacFarland by Special Agent V. E. Criss:

Agent went to the intersection of Orange and St. Clair Sts., Toledo, and observed what purported to be a rifle range. The same was closed, but it was noted the name of the range was The Five Spot Short Range Gun Club, with headquarters located in room 1011, Edison Building, Toledo.

Mr. J. W. Lewis was interviewed at the said office and stated that The Five Spot Short Range Gun Clubs of America, Inc., was incorporated under the laws of the state of Ohio in 1936. The incorporators are Fred Preece, Dr. Paul Bennett and himself, Lewis, all living in Toledo; that Frazier Reams, according to Lewis, who is County Prosecutor in Toledo had acted as their counsel and legal adviser. Mr. Lewis then displayed a telegram signed by Frazier Reams, stating that the operation of the ranges was legal under the laws and statutes of the state of Ohio as it was a game of skill and thus does not fall under the head of a gambling device. Mr. Lewis was asked if Mr. Reams was a part owner. His answer was to the effect that no stock had been distributed as yet and perhaps some of it might be given to Reams. He further advised that 12 ranges had been set up in Toledo and one at Camp Perry to see if they would be a success before extending to other cities and perhaps to other states.

The operation of the system consists of placing a small target of about 4"x6" at a distance of 9' from the shooter, who uses a specially constructed short range .22 caliber rifle. The target has four figure FIVES located approximately one inch down or up from the top or bottom

respectively, and about one-half inch from the sides. It costs the shooter 10¢ for three shots. To win a prize he is or must obliterate a figure 5 with three shots. The prize consists of a "kitty" made up of \$5.00 donated by the corporation, to which is added 25% of the collections. The person obliterating a 5 spot collects all the money then in the kitty. A new "kitty" is then started. Anyone winning a prize then becomes automatically a member in the club and his name is entered for a grand prize.

Another target used is about the same size as the above, but instead of the figure 5 there are three approximately one-quarter inch circles located where the 5 spot appears on the above-described target. A person gets three shots for 10¢, and if he is able to place the three shots, so that each shot is centrally located in each circle of a group, he collects 50¢. The third target used is a practice target with five 5 spots on it and the shooter pays 25¢ for 15 shots. No prizes are offered for obliterating a 5 spot.

8-29-36 incoming call at 1:40 p. m.

Man calling: Asks for Joe and when told that Joe and Ben were out told the party at Fretti's who answered the telephone as follows: This is Lucas at the Radio Barn. Tell Joe to pick up that machine he was talking to me about the other day. It is here. What is Taylor's number?

Man said: 3014-R

The radio barn referred to is probably the police radio building. This conversation was overheard by Special Agent Dowd.

8-29-36 incoming call at 1:45 p.m.

Man calling: This is the Toledo Catering Company. Is it alright to leave the machine open today?

Jacoby: Yes, it's ok

Numerous similar calls were overheard by Special Agent Dowd clearly indicating that the Fretti brothers are operating pin-ball machines in Toledo, Ohio, contrary to the ordinance prohibiting the operation of machines which pay rewards. Many calls are received daily from places of business which desire repair work done on the machines and mention that the payoff device would not be working or the machine was paying on one particular number and other such requests. The city license ordinance provides for the operation of one-ball pin-ball machines for amusement only. Recent newspaper articles carry stories indicating that the police do pick up the pin-ball machines when a complaint is received.

8-29-36 incoming call at 5:06 p.m.

Man calling: Is Joe there?
 Joe Fretti: (on the line)
 Man calling: Joe, I thought he wasn't supposed to be around today.
 Joe Fretti: He wasn't supposed to be there.
 Man calling: I told him that was the only reason I didn't have a doorman and I thought it was ok.
 Joe Fretti: Well, I talked to him at 10'clock.
 Man calling: It puts me in a bad spot, you know, as I said that was the only reason there was no doorman. He didn't come in though. Can you patch it up?
 Joe Fretti: Yes, I'll take care of it.

This call appears to refer to some gambling joint, but the identity of the caller not being known the significance of the call cannot be determined at the present time.

8-31-36 incoming call at 2:21 p. m.

Man calling: Joe, Norm met the Chief and you're to get ahold of him.
 Joe Fretti: You mean Norm Cohen (phonetic)
 Man calling: He (probably the Chief) feels the same as he did before. Waiting to see what the law department says about it. Maybe they'll change their minds.
 Joe Fretti: Well, that's just what he told me. I can see Nick on it though.
 Man calling: That might be worthwhile. Will you do it today?
 Joe Fretti: Yes, I will give him a call.

This conversation was overheard by Special Agent Guerin, and no doubt refers to the issuing of licenses for "digger" machines, as prior conversations indicated that Chief of Police Allen has the proposition under consideration and was inclined against licenses for "digger" machines.

9-1-36 outgoing call to Forest 1009, Harry Hall, 4:50 p.m.

Joe Fretti: Say, Harry is that brother associated with you in business. I want to stop him from butting into our business.
 Harry: Joe, I can't do a thing with him; he's simply a drunkard and goes around with that fellow, Hughie, making trouble. Someone ought to hit him on the head with a book.
 Joe Fretti: He pulled a knife on that fellow, but as you say nothing can be done in talking to him.

9-1-36 incoming call at 3:50 p.m.

Man calling: Say, Joe, the law is over at the Hillcrest ^{Hotel} (Hillcrest Hotel - where three pinball machines were seized by police after a complaint was received). Are you coming up?

Joe Fretti: You don't know who it is, do you?

Man calling: No, I don't you had better come over.

Joe Fretti: Right away.

This conversation was overheard by Special Agent Dowd.

9-2-36 incoming call at 9:18 a.m.

Woman calling: Say, what about the machines? I see where they are picking them up.

Man answered: It's alright; just got to be a little careful.

This conversation was overheard by Special Agent Dowd.

9-2-36 incoming call at 10:01 a.m.

Man calling: Let me talk to Carson.

Ben Fretti: Who did you say you wanted to speak to and what number do you want?

Man calling: Is this 514 Monroe?

Ben Fretti: Yes, it is.

Man calling: Well, Bennie Harris has two men working on the telephones upstairs and one of them is Carson, and I would like to talk to him. Can you give me the telephone number?

Ben Fretti: I don't know who you are and I can't give out such information. You can call Adams 6173 and they may tell you. (Adams 6173 is Harris' gambling joint, but from the above Harris must have a numbers game or race-horse book in the Fretti brothers' building.)

Conversation overheard by Special Agent E. J. Dowd.

9-2-36 incoming call at 2:45 p.m.

Man calling: Say, Joe, where can I get ahold of Jack Murphy; do you know his phone number?

Joe Fretti: No, I do not. He has his phone in some other guy's name, but if you call, call up the furniture store on the corner of Bancroft and Cherry; they will be able to locate him for you. Tony Paul also knows his phone.

Man calling: I want to get ahold of him as quickly as I can because Jack Murphy is considered the best spotter in Toledo. He knows all the coppers.

9-2-36 incoming call at 3:50 p. m.

Man calling: Is Ben Harris there?
 Joe Fretti: No, he isn't. He won't be here for twenty minutes. Is there anything I can do. This is Joe Fretti.
 Man calling: This is Ramee (phonetic). They are getting hot on the machines. There were two policewomen in looking them over.
 Joe Fretti: They could have been in for lunch. Don't they eat?
 Man calling: Yeah, but they don't come around these joints for lunch. Looks fishy to me.
 Joe Fretti: Just as long as the machines do not pay in nickles, you have nothing to worry about.
 Man calling: How about the diggers?
 Joe Fretti: They were declared legal by Judge Frank O'Connell a week ago, but are in court again. They come up again the 6th; we'll let you know about the decision.

Conversation overheard by Special Agent Dowd.

The following conversations were overheard over the telephone tap of Maxine Belmont Thomas, 2105 Warren Street, which conversations appear to be of interest:

9-2-36 1:00 a.m. to Melrose 5-9353 New York City

Johnny Thomas calling: Hello, Marty, how are you?
Marty: Alright, how are you?
Johnny: Kind of worried a bit
Marty: What's the matter?
Johnny: Don't know where the rap went in, but can't make a go of it in the club.
Marty: How's that?
Johnny: Somebody put the rap in that they were phoney, and the shamuses are on the job again.
Marty: Can you do anything about it?
Johnny: Going to write you a letter tomorrow and send a clipping.
Marty: Is it serious?
Johnny: No, it will probably blow over, but it woke up Sammy's men again. You know - my Uncle Sam's men.
Marty: How did it happen?
Johnny: Out of the 100,000 people the girl in the hotel had to approach one of those guys.
Marty: That's too bad.

A letter is being addressed to the New York field office to check the identity and activities referred to above.

9-2-36 2:37 p. m. outgoing call to Main 7218

Maxine talked to Del at the Algeo Hotel and asked if he would have the fish ready, if she sent down for it. Del told her that he would have Larry wrap it. She thanked him profusely.

9-2-36 3:45 p.m. outgoing call to Main 0596

Maxine called Johnny to find out if he got that and to complain that it took Slim 45 minutes to get out to the house; also that he charged \$1.05 to just stop at the Algeo and Smiths and stated in no uncertain terms what Greeney could do with his cabs from now on. Johnny wanted her to start a letter to Marty and tell about having the stuff out in about 10 or 20 spots. She told him to write it himself; that he should shoulder some of the work; argument wound up by Maxine agreeing to write the letter when Johnny came home.

9-2-36 4:40 p. m. outgoing call Adams 4530

Maxine calling: Mary, is Helen sleeping? Well, let me talk to her.
Hello, Helen, how are you?

Helen: Fine, I had the best sleep since I've been here.
You know things are better, and I feel fine today.
Lena went downtown this afternoon.

Maxine: Those hours are too irregular. I'm cooking dinner
tonight; Art Langendorf (Toledo police officer)
gave me a fish and I got it in the Algeo last nite.
I've got it cut up and it only makes two pieces
and I asked Lena to come up, too. Marie couldn't
come.

Helen: Well, this will work out alright.

Maxine: I got home at 9:30 this morning and was I left in
a spot last nite. Mary, Jenny and I were having
a drink when somebody come over and said one of
the boys wanted to see me. You know who I mean,
one of those GOOD MEN and he was half stiff. Well,
anyway, he started talking to me and they went out
and left me there with him. She don't give a damn.
Helen: Was everything alright? You didn't say anything
did you?

Maxine: No, he was very stiff and I always remember what
I say. I was on my guard. You know even if you
are a little stiff the shock of something like
that would sober you up in a hurry.

Helen: Did you know who he was?

Maxine: She knew he was a stranger. I went back to the
Shelby then and had coffee.

Helen: Have you been to bed?

Maxine: Yes, I got up about 2:30.

Helen: Well, I'm pleased with the way things are going.
Maxine: You did well all right; you took in \$100 more than
ever before. Don't say anything to Jenny as you
know it's best to say you're just doing alright
when anyone asks you how things are.

Helen: Between you and I, did Lena say anything to you
about Buddy? (Lena Schaller's dog).

Maxine: (They have a lot of words pertaining to Lena's
efforts to have someone mind her dog for her).

The above conversation was overheard by Special Agent R. A. Guerin.

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5:12 p. m.

9-2-36/ Outgoing call Main 0655 (Shelby Hotel)

Maxine: Mary, how come you left me last nite? Did you know who that fellow was?

Mary: Yes, I knew

Maxine: Are you sure you knew he was a G-man?

Mary: Yes. Well, you know how Jenny is. She didn't ask me as she just started to leave and I went with her. She figured you were alright.

Maxine: Yes, of course. Well, believe me, I'm going to call her and let her know. I was praying for somebody to call me away from him, but she just dashed out knowing that.

Mary: You know how it is. You didn't go down to her apartment?

Maxine: No, I went to the hotel and stayed there until this morning. Yeah, somebody come over and said somebody who was a G-man wanted to talk to me. Wait till I see her tomorrow; I'll tell her a few things.

Mary: There was no sense of her running out.

Maxine: She's crazy about badges, too. She got cold feet and left me there to take it, but I can. If there were some Schmuck (phonetic) there wearing a badge, she'd drive around all night with him. I'll talk to you later.

9-2-36 5:25 p. m. incoming call

Woman calling: Judge Ramey said you should give him a ring.

Maxine: Was he there this morning?

Woman: Yes.
(Woman calling sounded like Mary at the Shelby Hotel).

The above conversations were overheard by Special Agent R. A. Guerin.

9-3-36 5:10 p. m. (Incoming call from Jenny Miller)

Jenny calling: I forgot to tell you; Judge Ramey was up yesterday about 11 or 11:30 a.m. Viola called me and I asked her if he called up and she said "No, he's here now talking to Betty). He made them call you, but you weren't home.

Maxine answers: I don't want to call him at home. I'll call him tomorrow over there, you know.

Jenny: My boy friend called and said they would be up. My boy friend was up there last night and told Mary it was important.

Maxine: Your boy friend, Peter, said he called me but he couldn't get ahold of me. I don't think he called, but I don't answer the phone all the time.

Jenny: If I call you, I'll give you one ring and then hang up, so you'll know.

Maxine: Johnny does that too.

Jenny: Well, sometimes it might be important that I get in touch with you.

Maxine: There's lots of people calling me trying to sell stuff. Sadie (Dann) calls 3 or 4 times a day with her line of bunk. Lena should buy this and buy that and \$1500 for this; she's full of bunk. You know what I asked her to do and she couldn't do anything. She has nothing to do and keeps pestering me. You know what she gives them - nothing.

Jenny: Fritz was in court today and was up to see the Big Boss. He seen all the boys, Cookie and Gilley. Fritz said to them - When are you going to knock off her on Ontario Street? They told him they take her in her turn and then Kitty Diamond would be next. Fritz said "Knock her over first and take Kitty Diamond later."

Maxine: You mean the Old Lady?

Jenny: Yes.

Maxine: I got a lot of scandal to tell you. That party that used to live here is back in town in an apartment in West Toledo. She stored her furniture, but I didn't even call her up. He's alright, but if it weren't for her, we could still be in business. There will be a big stink in town if they get her. The boys were up here and he says "I got to give you credit; you took it like a good fellow" (meaning the time Jenny was arrested in the Shelby Hotel on vice charges).

Jenny: You should say you have been here for 20 years.

Maxine: I told them I wasn't squawking, but I told them I did think it was rotten. Two of them are coming up tonight at ten as they can't get me there in the daytime.

Maxine: Which ones -- the two smart ones?
 Jenny: Hazen and -- (Maxine interrupted her.)
 Maxine: Oh, the old timers. Do you want me to come up about that time so I'll be there?
 Jenny: Yes.

9-3-36 3:42 p. m. outgoing call to Adams 3658

Jenny answers: I just call you and I got no answer.
 Maxine calling: I didn't think you would leave me with that fellow the other nite. You knew who he was, didn't you?
 Jenny: Not until Murphy told me.
 Maxine: The waiter told you who he was.
 Jenny: No, he didn't. Murphy told me. How did I know who he was.
 Maxine: The waiter told you on those steps there, didn't he?
 Jenny: No, he didn't. Jew Murphy told me when we were going home in the car. I said then "Why did he call her over?".
 Maxine: The man wanted to talk to me and what could I do.
 Jenny: If I knew who he was, I wouldn't have gone over to the table, that time when I told you to leave with us.
 Maxine: I couldn't leave then; it don't look good.
 Jenny: Well, I'm no mind reader. I thought it was one of the boys. They said there were two fellows.
 Maxine: Just one but he didn't find out anything from me. I had to walk over to the table or it would have looked funny.
 Jenny: Mary said before we went to try and get you out but you said in half an hour.
 Maxine: I played that music machine and then Murphy told me, too.
 Jenny: No, mam, the waiter didn't tell me nothing. I was downtown when Murphy told me.
 Maxine: You could have called me or something. Well, it's all over now. I didn't know him from a load of hay. One of them was and the other wasn't.
 Jenny: How come they let people in there that they don't know when it's after hours.
 Maxine: He came in with the entertainer. Just like I could go up there and have six people with me and talk in.
 Jenny: I didn't believe Murphy when he told he was one of them.
 Maxine: Oh, he was ----I found that out since. I called over there last night, but you were to the picture show.
 Jenny: Yes, I called you yesterday, but I got no answer. Meyers wanted to talk to you.
 Maxine: What's he working now?
 Jenny: Days. He's going on his vacation tomorrow. He and Gilley were up here.

Maxine: Well, Johnny called last nite that somebody wanted to see me, so I went out.

Jenny: What did he say when you weren' home. I'll bet he was as hot as a firecracker.

Maxine: No. I didn't say anything about that other to him. They all have been hanging around the Algeo. The entertainer was a fellow from the Dutch Village. All those fellows (meaning G-men) are very young looking. He pretended he was drunk, but he wasn't.

Jenny: Yes, he was just a young fellow.

Maxine: A lot of them are very young. They can't make friends with me. That's why they won't learn anything from me. I don't tell people; I know my business, so why should I tell it to a stranger. He said to me "They stay open late here; they must have an in with the shamuses". I said I don't know; I have no badge.

It is noted in the above conversation that Municipal Court Judge Homer Ramey was at the Shelby Hotel, a house of prostitution, on September 3d, 1936. His purpose for being at this house is not indicated. The names Cockey and Gilley refer to Officers Cook and Gilley of the Vice Squad. The old lady referred to on Ontario Street is, no doubt, Mother H, and previous information has been obtained that Maxine Belmont and other madams are trying to force her out of business. Mother H has operated a house of prostitution at 527 Ontario Street for many years. The identity of the person known as Fritz, who was up to see the 'big boss' is not known. Investigation to determine the identity of Fritz and the 'big boss' is being made and it is suggested, in view of the above conversation, that the 'big boss' might be Judge Ramey, and again it might refer to Captain Fauble of the Vice Squad.

The following conversations were overheard over the telephone tap of Sadie Dann, Oxford Hotel, 825 Summit Street, Toledo, which conversations appear to be of interest:

8-26-36 5:40 p.m. incoming call

Marion called and said that a girl friend of hers came to visit her, and she wanted to know if Sadie (Sadie Dann) whether it would be all right with her to bring her over tonite. Sadie said that she didn't want any out-of-town girls in her place, and after Marion said she wouldn't come to work tonite less he came along, Sadie agreed to let her come. Sadie asked Marion how old this girl was, and Marion said 28. Marion at first asked Sadie whether this girl would work at Sadie's place until Friday, but Sadie said she didn't want any strange girls working in her place. Marion said this girl was from Detroit.

The conversation just given was overheard by Special Agent J. L. Madala.

8-27-36 10:40 p.m. Incoming call

Sadie Dann calling: (After greeting) How's everything?
 Mickey answering: Terrible, it's just murder. Are you at home?
 Sadie Dann: No.
 Mickey: Homer just told me there was a little excitement down the street, you know.
 Sadie Dann: Who told him?
 Mickey: The boys - the boys who come up here, you know who I mean.
 Sadie Dann: Freddy?
 Mickey: No, Bob, you know who I mean. He told Homer he just saw two carloads of "madels" (Jewish, meaning "girls") going down, and he wanted to know if it was here or the other - you know what I mean. Homer just went out to find out something for me.
 Sadie Dann: Was Freddy up there?
 Mickey: Yes.
 Sadie Dann: Did he say anything?
 Mickey: No.
 Sadie Dann: Well, I'm going to find out what it was. I'll call you back.

The above conversation was overheard by Special Agent N. S. Harzenstein.

8-27-36 11:05 p.m. outgoing call Adams 0655 (Shelby Hotel)

Sadie Dann calling: Jennie?
 Jennie answering: Yes.
 Sadie Dann: (conversation mostly in Jewish - translation of pertinent excerpts follow) Did they take anybody?
 Jennie: Yes, so I heard.
 Sadie Dann: There? By you?
 Jennie: No, in the next block.
 Sadie Dann: Marie?
 Jennie: Yes.
 Sadie : Why?
 Jennie: I don't know - I heard that she called somebody.
 Sadie Dann: Jennie, if I told you what poor business we are doing, you would not believe me....Everybody is hustling except here..no wonder we can't do any business.... we're the only ones who don't hustle around here... we'll have to stop them from hustling..we ought to tell her (no name mentioned) about it.

Jennie: I have tried to get her to tell her, but I can never get to speak to her.you can't do anything now unless you call them, and that's no good, because if you get picked up, it costs for the copper (it is believed that the Jewish word for the metal, copper, was used here)

Sadie Dann: What judge is now?

Jennie: I don't know. (further conversation indicates Jennie spends each evening at her house of prostitution)

Above conversation was heard by Special Agent N. S. Harzenstein.

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8-27-36 11:55 p.m. incoming call

Sadie Dann: (Part of call unintelligible - call concerned recent arrest. Girl arrested evidently named Mabel. Sadie Mickey answering says nothing to worry about.)

Note by Special Agent R. C. Suran - probably refers to agents bringing Mabel Green to the Edison Building for questioning on August 17, 1936)

The above conversation was overheard by Special Agent N. S. Harzenstein.

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8-28-36 1:00 p.m. outgoing call to Adams 1556

Sadie Dann calling: I didn't call you yesterday because I was on Cherry Street and had no phone there...I saw you riding with Lena y before yesterday. I was on the sidewalk..I want to see you. Will you be busy today? Are you going to be there?

Maxine Belmont: No, I'm going to Jennie's now, and then I'm going downtown. I'm just going to Jennie's apartment to pick up a coat, because it's chilly today.

Sadie Dann: Well, I heard last nite that something happened on the street...there's something I want to talk to you about...can I see you downtown this afternoon?

Maxine Belmont: Sure, you can meet me at 2:30 in the same place.

Sadie Dann: 2:30 is alright in the drug store.

(Note: the woman answering is evidently the woman to whom Jennie and Sadie referred to in last nite's conversation as the person to whom they would complain re street soliciting)

The above conversation was overheard by Special Agent N. S. Harzenstein.

8-30-36 outgoing call to Adams 4141 (police department)

Man answering: Police Department.
 Woman calling: Will you be kind enough to connect me with the Vice Room, please?
 Man answering: They don't answer, is it anything important?
 Woman calling: It is to me, will you connect me with the Bond, please?
 Man: I'll connect you with the lieutenant.
 2nd man: Lieutenant speaking.
 Woman: Is Mr. Freddy Morris around, please? (probably Fred Moss)
 Lieut: No, he isn't. If he's working, he's out on the street. Is there any message? If he calls in shall I have him call you?
 Woman: Never mind, thanks, I'll take a chance and call him again.

The above conversation was overheard by Special Agent N. S. Harzenstein.

8-30-36 incoming call

Sadie Dann calling, Mickey answering: (after greeting) Anything doing?
 Mickey: Not much. There was a party here looking for you... Van, from Saginaw. I gave him the phone number, and he will call you tomorrow. He's gone now.
 Sadie Dann: What did he want?
 Mickey: He wanted some 'madels,' that's all.
 Sadie Dann: So that's it, isn't that a nice thing.
 Mickey: Dona will go home at 12. I'll have Sally here with me then.
 Sadie Dann: All right, I'll go to bed now. I'll see you tomorrow.

The above conversation was overheard by Special Agent N. S. Harzenstein.

9-1-36 incoming call

Sadie Dann calling: Anything doing? Did anyone come?
 Mickey answering: No.
 Sadie Dann: I mean the other people, you know. The ones I told you to tell to come back tomorrow.
 Mickey: Yeh.
 Sadie Dann: Did you tell them?
 Mickey: OK
 Sadie Dann: Who came?
 Mickey: Just two.
 Sadie: Who, Jimmie and ?
 Mickey: No.

Sadie Dann:	Freddy?
Mickey:	Yes.
Sadie Dann:	What did he say?
Mickey:	He said he'll come over tomorrow.
Sadie Dann:	Marion come?
Mickey:	No.
Sadie Dann:	Did you call her?
Mickey:	Yeh, nobody answered.
Sadie Dann:	Did you do anything?
Mickey:	Pretty good.
Sadie Dann:	I wish the new one would do something.

The above conversation was overheard by Special Agent N. S. Harzenstein.

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On August 29, 1936, [redacted] advised Agent J. V. Murphy that he recently talked to Mrs. Elsie Sweet, wife of Charley Sweet, who resides at 628 Lotus Street, South End, Toledo -downstairs; that Charley Sweet is now employed by Joe Roscoe on Middle Island. [redacted] stated that Mrs. Sweet informed him she was at Middle Island about two years ago and while at the hotel on the island, she acted for a short time as waitress and recalls that George Timiney was at the island with a woman, whose name she did not recall, but was informed by her 12-year old daughter -Dot - that the woman with Timiney was named Cora. Mrs. Sweet informed [redacted] that Roscoe would often take parties of guests from the hotel on Middle Island in a lugger from the island over to Sandusky, Ohio, to a winery for wine parties; that she saw an old man called Dutch on the street in Toledo several days ago and Dutch told her he was out of work; that Dutch used to work at the Casino Club for Ted Angus at one time; that she does not know where Dutch is living, but [redacted] stated he could find out where Dutch is living thru the cook at the 631 restaurant as Dutch begs his meals from the cook at this restaurant. [redacted] stated Mrs. Sweet knows about various police officers of Toledo Police Department visiting at Middle Island. He stated Mrs. Sweet stated that Joe Roscoe has a 99-year lease on Middle Island, and the following men are now working on Middle Island for Joe Roscoe: Texas, Cooley Monroe, Charley Sweet and Walter Belpash.

In an interview with [redacted] on September 2, 1936, he advised Special Agents R. C. Suran and J. V. Murphy that the man called Dutch, who worked for Ted Angus at the Casino Club in 1934 (true name Richard Vogt) is residing at the Buckeye Hotel, room 19, on Cherry Street in Toledo. He stated that Ted Angus is to reopen the New Casino on September 2nd or 3rd, and Dutch is going to work for Ted.

[redacted] also stated that his friend, Liddy, formerly reported in error as Lilly, informed him that Ted Angus was talking with him, Liddy, the other day, and Ted says that he thinks he is a "goner", meaning that he will likely be convicted for harboring members of the Karpis-Barker gang in Toledo and Point Place, Ohio.

[redacted] stated that he saw Joe Roscoe in Toledo on September 1st driving a dark Buick sedan, bearing Ohio 1936 license No. 9283 B; that there is a boat works at Lakeside, Ohio, where Roscoe and others, who go to Middle Island, leave their automobiles for as much as ten days to two weeks at a time, but he does not know the name of the boat works or who is operating same; however, it is near a dock that Roscoe and others use.

Also, [redacted] stated that Sheriff James O'Reilly is now drinking heavily. b7d

He stated that he was informed that George Timiney and Art Langendorf were seen flashing a thousand dollar bill a short while before Harry Campbell was apprehended in Toledo, but he cannot recall just who informed him, but in event he does recall such, he will inform agents in order that his informant may be interviewed.

[redacted] advised that he ascertained that Bill Erwin, a gambler, is now manager at the Jefferson, a gambling place located at 513 1/2 Jefferson Avenue; that Bill Erwin has worked in gambling houses in Cleveland as a crap dealer, but does not know the locations in Cleveland where he worked.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, Cleveland, Ohio, dated July 25, 1936, concerning one Paul Reno, who is frequenting a drink joint known as Zeke's Place, and is believed might be the person "Sam" who participated in the Garrettsville, Ohio, mail train robbery on December 7, 1935.

On August 8, 1936, [redacted] was contacted by Special Agents Dowd and Murphy and forty six "K" photographs of individuals whose descriptions are similar to that of Paul Reno were exhibited to him, and after viewing same stated that none of the photographs bear any resemblance to that of Paul Reno and no one of them is the photograph of some person known to him as Paul Reno. b7d

Special Agents E. J. Wynn and J. V. Murphy, who have seen the Paul Reno referred to, also stated that none of the 46 "K" photographs include that of some person known as Paul Reno. These "K" photographs have been returned by the Cleveland field office to the Bureau as they have served their purpose.

Under date of July 14, 1936, the Bureau forwarded to the Cleveland office a photograph of Paul Reno, whom it was thought might be identical with Paul Rowe Reneau with aliases, Fugitive, the subject of a case entitled, PAUL ROWE RENEAU with aliases, Fugitive; Irene Moorehouse, Victim; White Slave Traffic Act, presently pending at the Omaha field office. Agents E. J. Wynn, J. L. Madala and J. V. Murphy observed the Paul Reno referred to by [redacted]

[redacted] stated that altho being several years older than the person represented in the photograph of Paul Reno alias Ray Chisto, there was a similarity in facial features, but a decided discrepancy in height as the Paul Reno wanted by the Omaha field office is reported to be five feet, six and one-half inches in height, while the Paul Reno under observation was observed to be approximately five feet, ten inches. [redacted] was unable to secure additional information which would indicate that the Paul Reno at Toledo, Ohio, was the individual wanted as the "Sam" of the Garrettsville, Ohio, mail train robbery.

On August 29, 1936, Special Agents R. C. Suran and J. V. Murphy interviewed the Paul Reno referred to [redacted] at the temporary office in Toledo. Reno stated that his correct name is William Paul Renaud, but that is commonly known as Paul Reno; that he is 64 years of age and was born at Stony Point, Canada, but has been a resident of Toledo for 39 years, and for the past two years has resided at 729 LaGrange Street, Toledo, Ohio, at a rooming and boarding house operated by May Grubb. This fact was previously learned by agents from May Grubb.

Reno states that he has never been married and his only living relatives are: brother, John Renaud, 737 Marion Street, Windsor, Ontario; and sisters - Emma Duquette, Tilbury, Ontario and Aggie Shampour, Windsor, Ontario.

He stated that his principal occupation for the past twenty nine years has been that of mechanic or boiler engineer at the Toledo Pipe Threading Machine Company located in the 1400 block on Summit Street, Toledo, Ohio, but that he has been unemployed since March 31, 1936, due to ill health. Agent Suran communicated with the Toledo Pipe Threading Machine Company by telephone under the pretext scheme to avoid a possibility of causing Renaud any embarrassment in the event he was telling the truth and learned in conversation with the employment bureau of that company that Renaud had been employed by that firm for a number of years. The man to whom Agent Suran talked advised that he had been employed at this place for six years, and Renaud had worked there a number of years prior to that time and was considered a good employee but was not working at the present time due to ill health.

Following is a description obtained of Paul Renaud as obtained through personal observation and interrogation:

Age	- 64
Height	- 5' 10"
Weight	- 175 lbs.
Hair	- black, turned grey
Eyes	- grey
Ears	- large
Marital status	- single
Tattoos	- none

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It is noted considerable differentiation in the fingerprint classification of Paul Renaud and the fingerprint classification of Paul Reno alias Ray Chisto, the latter's classification being as follows:

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The following investigation was performed at Toledo, Ohio, on August 28, 1936, by Special Agents D. P. Sullivan and E. J. Wynns.

There appeared in the Toledo News-See and Blade, newspapers, of August 26, 1936, publicity with reference to one Bernice Forrester, age 16, having been an inmate in the house of prostitution of Margert Clark, 1236 Monroe Street, these articles mentioning that she came from Tennessee and that the girl had been placed in the house of prostitution by a taxi cab driver by the name of Denzell Burton of Toledo, Ohio; that she was found to be suffering from a venereal disease; that the police received first information from a doctor who was treating the girl and Burton and the Clark woman were arrested.

Agents interviewed Mrs. Lucille Petty, who resides on the second floor of the apartment at the southeast corner of Chestnut and Erie Streets, and she stated that she had resided in Toledo, Ohio, for the past two years with her husband; that they were neighbors to Denzel Burton and his mother, 823 Broadway; that she separated from her husband about four months ago and has since been divorced; that her husband is recently living in Tennessee with another woman; that her home is in Possum Hollow, Tennessee, and about June 27, 1936, she returned home to get her young son, who was at the home of her parents; that for the purpose of aiding her in taking care of her son, she returned to Toledo on July 3, 1936 with her young sister, Bernice, age 16 years; that her young sister stayed with her until the latter part of July 1936, having in the meanwhile met Denzel Burton; that Denzel and Bernice left one day, Burton telling her that he had obtained employment for Bernice as a housekeeper. After Bernice had remained away from home about two or three days, Lucille began to worry, and Burton told her not to worry as the girl had a job which prevented her from coming home. A day or two after this conversation Bernice returned home, and Lucille learned from her that she had been engaged in prostitution during the time she was away at 1234 Monroe Street. Bernice further informed Lucille that the doctor had told her that she had a venereal disease, Lucille mentioning to agents that Bernice's arm had swollen, and she apparently was in a serious condition, inasmuch as she had lapses of unconsciousness; that apparently the doctor who was called in to treat her reported the matter to the police, who came to the house and removed Bernice to the Health Building at Washington and Ontario Streets.

The father of the girls was present at the home of Lucille at the time agents called, and he was interviewed and stated he suggested to Bernice at the time Lucille came to get her small 3-year-old son that Bernice accompany Lucille back to Toledo, Ohio, feeling that

Bernice would be of help to Lucille in taking care of the baby while Lucille worked; that he had just arrived in Toledo on that day, having been advised by Lucille of the plight of Bernice.

It was necessary for agents to see Chief of Police Ray Allen in order to be permitted to interview Bernice. Chief Allen stated that he had issued orders to the doctors at the Health Building to refuse admittance to any persons for the purpose of seeing the girl, in view of the fact that there were apparently 'influences' at work in interfere in the case against Burton and the Clark woman; that prior to the Clark woman operating at 1234 Monroe Street this place was operated as an exclusive 'call' house by the notorious Jerry Burke, but that the police raided the place several times and drove the Burke woman out of business; that shortly thereafter it came to his attention that Margaret Clark, a sister of Earl McBride, city detective, had moved into the premises, and he had a check made of her activities, and it was reported to him that she was operating a rooming house and had no prostitutes there; that he made some inquiry and found that apparently the Clark woman and Earl McBride had not spoken for over a year and that, therefore, he could not consider that Detective McBride could be held accountable for the actions of his sister. Upon the Chief calling the Health Building to instruct the doctor in charge to permit agents to interview Bernice Forrester, he was advised that the Director of Welfare had also issued an order requiring a permit from his office before the girl could be seen, and the Chief secured a permit for agents from the Office of the Safety Director. Chief Allen expressed great concern over the possibility of the girl being spirited out of the state.

Bernice was interviewed and the following signed statement, the original of which is being retained in the Cleveland office file, secured:

"Toledo, Ohio

August 28, 1936

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

"I am sixteen years old. I was born on February 17, 1920 at Possum Hollow, Tenn. On July 2, 1936, I left my home with my sister, Lucille Petty, for Toledo, O. My sister had been living in Toledo and came down to get her baby boy and I came back to Toledo with her to take care of her baby. We got back to Toledo on July 3, 1936. The next day I met Denzal Burton at the home of his mother, where I went to visit with my sister, Lucille. About a week later he came up to Lucille's, and from

then on I started going with him. I met his wife the day I first met him. Shortly after I started going with Denzal I had sexual relations with him at my sister's house and on occasions since that time.

"About the middle of July 1936 Denzal asked me if I would like to be a 'party' girl and I said 'no'. I tried to get a job as a waitress, but I could not find one. About July 22, 1936, I told Denzal I would take a job hustling and he said he would get me such a job. He took me up to 1234 Monroe Street but Margaret was not in and Lena was there and said she could not hire any girls. On July 23rd I stayed all night at the Algeo Hotel with Virginia, Denzal's wife. The next night we stayed at the Millner Hotel. The next morning I called Margaret Clark on the telephone, getting the telephone number from a card which Denzal had gotten from the place when we first went there. Virginia and I went up to the Clark woman's place, and she hired us both. I told Margaret Clark that I was 16 and had never hustled, but that I had had sexual relations before. She told me to say I was 21 if anybody asked me any questions. She told me how to examine a man.

On July 29, 1936, I got sick and left the place and went to my sister's house. While I was working at the Clark place I had dates with several men who came there and as I recall my half was \$17.50. I was a 'straight' girl. Denzal told me I could get more money if I was 'french'. I gave Denzal \$2.00 of the money I earned.

/s/ "Bernice Forrester"

Witness:

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

Bernice Forrester was questioned concerning whether she knew any police officers prior to her arrest, but she stated she had never seen a police officer at Margaret Clark's place; that the only conversation she had with the Clark woman concerning a possible arrest was at the time she was hired when Margaret Clark told Bernice that if anyone questioned her, she should say that she was 21 years of age.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS

The CLEVELAND OFFICE will at Toledo, Ohio, continue the investigation in accordance with previous leads set out and as other leads are being set forth by memorandum to the investigating agents, these leads are not being set out in this report.

- P E N D I N G -

1443 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

September 8, 1936.

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

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

For use in an official investigation being conducted by this office, it will be greatly appreciated if you will forward a photograph of C. N. Mitchell of Cleveland, Ohio, whom I understand is confined in your institution. Will you also advise the approximate date on which this prisoner will be released?

Very truly yours,
J. P. MacFarland
Special Agent in Charge

SKM/RJB

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- Cincinnati
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1442 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

September 8, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREXID

It is requested that copies of the indictments returned against Dolores Delaney and Wynona Burdette for harboring of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell in the District of Florida be furnished to the Cleveland office at an early date.

These indictments are desired in order that it can be determined whether the scope of the said indictments would preclude the return of an additional indictment against Dolores Delaney in the Northern District of Ohio, for the harboring of the fugitives in this district during the year 1934.

Very truly yours,

HCS/PJB

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- Cincinnati
- Chicago
- St. Paul

J. P. MacFARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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September 4, 1936.

Time - 2:45 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Harboring Cases at Cleveland

Special Agent S. E. McKee telephoned me from Cleveland and said they are having difficulty with one of their dial recording machines. He said that this machine has gone dead, and although it has been checked thoroughly by Agent Brennan, they are unable to find what the trouble is. I told him to get in touch with the Chicago Office, and if they have a dial recording machine available, it should be sent over. If not, I told him to get in touch with the Louisville Office and ask that theirs be sent over.

With reference to the letter dated September 3, 1936 from Mr. H. L. Sitzenstock of the Real Estate Department of the Toledo Trust Company concerning the activities of our Agents on the surveillance at 325 Locust Street in Toledo, I told Mr. McKee to get in touch with Suran at Toledo and have him go to see this man at once and explain the situation to him.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

P.O. Box #1525
Pittsburgh, Pa.

September 9, 1936.

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

BREKID

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith further lists
of sales of Thompson Sub-Machine Guns, furnished this
office by the Federal Laboratories, Incorporated, at
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Very truly yours,

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Encls.

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

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THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF THOMPSON SUBMACHINE GUNS SOLD
IN OHIO FROM JULY 23, 1928, TO JULY 26, 1934, AS FAR AS THE RECORDS
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PURCHASER	DATE	QUANTITY	SERIAL NOS.
C.A. Clark, Main & B Sts. Hamilton	7/23/28	1	5158
H.T. Belz Hdwe, Co. Maumee	9/13/28	1	7298 ⁷⁻⁵⁷⁶⁻¹²⁷
Powell & Clement Co. 430 Main St. Cincinnati	10/6/28	1	8024
W.J. Wiggeringloh, Director of Public Safety, Norwood	10/25/28	1	7394
Powell & Clement Co. Cincinnati	11/2/28	2	7722 7830
J.W. Lingo Hdwe Co. Lebanon	12/26/28	1	6031
Sheriff Barnes, Wauseon	1/3/29	1	6506
M.R. Richardson, Maumee For Commissioners, Hancock County	1/8/29	1	7470
Page Dairy Co. Toledo	1/28/29	1	7757
M.R. Richardson, Maumee For Sheriff of Wood County, Bowling Green	1/24/29	2	6577 7321
Sheriff, Lucas County, Toledo	1/28/29	1	6450
Wagner Hdwe. Co. Corner Diamond & 5th St. Franklin Sts. Mansfield	2/14/29	1	5167
Richardson (For Perrysburg)	2/14/29	1	8237
Safety Director Shuman City Building, Fostoria	2/14/29	1	8017
Chief of Police, Bowling Green	2/25/29	1	5682
Sheriff of Henry County, Napoleon	2/28/29	1	5627
Safety Director Shuman, Fostoria	3/2/29	1	5928
Richardson, Maumee	3/2/29	1	5243
Richardson, Maumee	3/4/29	3	6614 6336 499
Champion Coated Paper Co. Hamilton	3/5/29	1	6977
Chief of Police, Sandusky	3/16/29	1	7210
Frank Ellemberger, Clerk County Commissioners, Elyria	3/16/29	1	7493
J.R. Wood Supply Co. 913 Broadway, Cincinnati	4/9/29	1	4858
Sheriff Huron County, Norwalk	4/12/29	1	6884
Police Dept. Portsmouth	4/12/29	1	7535
" " "	4/12/29	1	6283
Clossman Hdwe. Co. Zanesville	6/25/29	1	5407

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PURCHASER	DATE	QUANTITY	SERIAL NOS.
Mr. George Abele Director of Police, Springfield	7/5/29	1	5963
Richardson, Maumee	7/17/29	1	6107
Richardson, Maumee	8/20/29	1	7466
Sheriff Geauga County, Chardon	9/21/29	1	5665
Grim, Chief of Police, Bryan	10/10/29	1	6476
Sheriff Ragan, Bryan	10/18/29	1	6548
Frank P. Hall Co. 100 North High St. Columbus	10/21/29	1	6790
Chief of Police, Massillon	10/21/29	1	6061
Richardson, Maumee	10/22/29	1	6036
Frank P. Hall Co. Columbus	12/18/29	2	7604 6345
Richardson, Maumee	2/3/30	1	6847
"	2/5/30	1	9878
"	3/3/30	1	9915
"	3/10/30	1	5837
"	3/27/30	2	8979 9964
Bostwick Braun Co. Toledo	3/28/30	6	8831 9253 806 8799 8639 881
The Sport Shop, Lancaster	4/9/30	1	8742
Miller Bros. Cor. Main & Walnut Sts. Troy	4/22/30	1	8626
Crusey Bros. Sidney	4/22/30	1	8780
W.C. Sheriff Shelby County, Sidney	4/29/30	1	8801
Powell & Clement Co. Cincinnati	4/23/30	1	7353
Sheriff Auglaize County Wapakoneta	5/2/30	1	8899
Police Dept. St. Marys	5/2/30	1	5675
Sheriff Miami County, Troy	5/17/30	1	8324
Ohio State Ref. Mansfield	5/29/30	2	9187 9979
County Sheriff, Mansfield	6/10/30	2	8785 8456
W. Amrine, London, Prison Farm London	6/13/30	2	9706 8833
J. Guy c/o Sheriff's Office Franklin County, Columbus	8/9/30	1	7857
Chief of Police, Eaton	7/9/30	1	7857
Chief of Police, Piqua	7/17/30	1	9762
Chief of Police, Franklin	7/23/30	1	8978
Richardson, Maumee	7/24/30	1	9962
H. Lyons, Milford Center	9/4/30	1	6199

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PURCHASER	DATE	QUANTITY	SERIAL NOS.
Fed. Reserve Bank of Cleveland Cincinnati	9/25/30	2	6386 6645
Fed. Reserve Bank of Cleveland Cleveland	9/25/30	2	8296 8222
Richardson, Maumee	10/23/30	1	10758
Chief of Police, Marietta	11/15/30	4	6865 9941 10886 8912
Police Dept. Columbus	12/23/30	14	
3096 3971 2404 6478 9906 3447 2411 2884 9942 3510 2966 5484 8887 2253			
Police Dept. Girard	12/20/30	1	5777
Sheriff Franklin County Columbus	1/2/31	2	6578 7467
Police Dept. Ashland	2/19/31	1	2678
Sheriff Licking County, Newark	5/15/31	2	3115 4326
Sheriff Hocking County, Logan	6/27/31	2	2953 7694
Chief of Police, Girard	8/28/31	1	5767
Shaker Heights Police Dept. 3400 Lee Rd. Cleveland	9/29/31	1	7195
Fed. Reserve Bank of Cleveland	2/3/32	1	7560 6025
Sheriff of Athens County, Athens	2/24/32	1	11555
Supt. of Police Zanesville	4/9/32	2	6950 14345
Chief of Police, Zanesville	4/15/32	1	7700
Sheriff Muskingum County, "		1	8662
Sheriff Pickaway County Circleville	5/20/32	2	5542 2943
Sheriff Athens County, Athens	6/16/32	1	10299
W. Abbey, c/o Police Chief Middletown	8/4/32	1	3546-62-3284
Sheriff Athens County, Athens	8/6/32	1	8956
Sheriff Columbiana County	8/30/32	1	7683-62-4458
Police Dept. Alliance	9/26/32	1	7011
Sheriff's Dept. Crawford Co. Jail Bucyrus	10/17/32	1	8126
Sheriff Mercer County, Celina	10/21/32	1	5442
City of Warren Police Dept.	12/10/32	2	3789 7755
Lucas County Jail, Toledo	1/4/33	1	6516

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PURCHASER	DATE	QUANTITY	SERIAL NOS.
Sheriff Summit County, Akron	2/27/33	1	7653
Sheriff Defiance County, Defiance	3/4/33	1	6985
City of Salem Police Dept.	4/28/33	1	3897
Frank Mann, Fed. Lab. Agent 1305 Locus St. Cincinnati	4/29/33	1	2037
Bureau of Investigation 1420 Enquirer Bldg. Cincinnati	7/6/33	1	8600 - 7-576-11
Sheriff Erie County, Sandusky	7/21/33	1	5807
Sheriff Wyandot County, Upper Sandusky	9/14/33	1	3883
Sheriff Putnam County, Ottawa	10/19/33	1	6465
Sheriff Auglaize County, Wapakonetta	11/1/33	1	7561
Sheriff Hancock County, Findlay	11/1/33	1	7860
Sheriff Ottawa County, Port Clinton	11/3/33	1	9468
City of Findlay Police Dept.	11/6/33	1	9911
Sheriff Knox County, Mt. Vernon	11/9/33	1	5955
Sheriff Butler County, Hamilton	11/7/33	1	7544
City of Waterville	11/21/33	1	3756
Logan County Jail 120 Madriver, Bellefontaines	11/21/33	1	3186
Sheriff Trumbull, County- Warren	12/18/33	1	8314
Sheriff of Ross County, Chillicothe	1/5/34	2	7569 7261
City of Lima, Police Dept.	2/3/34	1	7763
Allen County, Lima	2/14/34	1	6099
Sheriff Clark County, Springfield	3/29/34	1	7046
City of Kenton Police Dept.	3/31/34	1	5794
City of Lorain Police Dept.	4/7/34	2	3577 7793
City of Findlay Police Dept.	4/9/34	1	3085
City of Struthers Police Dept.	4/10/34	1	6063
Div. of Inv. 426 U.S. Custom & P.O. Bldg. Cincinnati	4/24/34	2	5720 7678 - 7-571
Sheriff Sandusky County, Fremont	4/28/34	1	6658
City of Tiffin Police Dept	5/8/34	1	6547

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Sheriff Wayne County, Wooster	5/19/34	1	6805
Seneca County	5/21/34	1	7531
State of Ohio Highway Patrol	5/22/34	6	6537 7365 3706 3432 7815 7148
State House, Columbus			
City of Ashtabula Police Dept.	6/1/34	1	3662
Sheriff of Ashland County, Ashland	6/8/34	1	7634
City of Marion Police Dept.	6/8/34	1	7698
West Center St.			
City of Galion Police Dept.	6/16/34	1	11133
Sheriff Gallia County, Gallipolis	6/10/34	1	11519
City of Gallipolis Police Dept.	6/16/34	1	11183
City of Akron Police Dept.	6/23/34	2	10270 8906
Sheriff Hardin County, Kenton	7/17/34	1	8188
Richardson, Maumee (Fed. Lab. Agent)	7/25/34	1	10747
City of Columbus Police Dept.	7/24/34	4	12615 13536 14488 14460

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THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF THOMPSON SUBMACHINE GUNS SOLD IN
PENNSYLVANIA FROM JANUARY 9, 1929, TO JULY 26, 1934, AS FAR AS THE
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PURCHASER	DATE	QUANTITY	SERIAL NOS.
Pa. Highway Patrol 19th St. & Swatara Ave Harrisburg	1/9/29	2	7446 6908
W. McK Reber, Bloomsburg	1/16/29	1	7122
" "	12/24/28	1	7418
Capt. Edwards 3617 North Broad St. Philadelphia, Pa.	4/10/29	1	6650
F. Hersh Hdwe Co. Allentown	5/23/29	5	6594 5898 6681 7254 7212
J.B. Shanon Hdwe. Co. 13 S. Letitia St. Philadelphia	9/13/29	4	7453 8434 6475 6591
City of Pittsburgh, Dept. of Supplies, 202 City-County Bldg.	11/14/29 Pittsburgh	2	5639 6734
Chief of Police, Arnold	1/15/30	1	6620
Chief of Police, New Kensington	1/15/30	1	6186
Sheriff Beaver County, Beaver	1/21/30	1	5940
David Glover, 5523 Broad St. E.E. Pittsburgh	1/21/30	1	4613-7-576-1193
Chief of Police, Braddock	1/31/30	1	6378
Tuberculosis Hospital, Phila. County Prison, Holmesburg	2/25/30	4	7315 8450 5802 7068
Dept. of Police, Ambridge	3/27/30	1	9957
City of Beaver Falls, Police Dept.	4/21/30	1	8088
Sheriff of Cambria County Ebensburg	5/16/30	1	8598
Mayor McMurray, Altoona	5/21/30	1	7009
Chief of Police, Monessen	7/29/30	1	9217
Chief of Police, Swissvale	9/12/30	1	8596
Chief of Police, Canonsburg	9/20/30	1	9458
Fed. Reserve Bank of Cleveland Protective Dept. Pittsburgh	9/25/30	2	8354 8129
International Motor Company, E. Penn. Reading County, Delivery	10/7/30	1	7628
Borough of Warren c/o Haehn, Chief of Police	1/22/31	1	6248
International Motor Co. Allentown	5/18/31	3	2844 2625 2695
J.W. Young, Fed. Lab. In. 185 41st St.	4/2/32	1	6032

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PURCHASER	DATE	QUANTITY	SERIAL NOS.
J.W. Young, Fed. Lab. Inc. 185 41st St. Pittsburgh	4/2/32 6/11/32	1 4	7916 7192 7922 7807 5352
County Detective Lee Union Trust Bldg. New Castle	6/20/32	1	5857
Fed. Lab. Pittsburgh	6/21/32	2	6773 8190
Warden U.S. Ne. Penitentiary Lewisburg	6/30/32	4	7872 8685 7325 5950
Fred Lloyd c/o Railway Express Fed. Lab. Agent, Reading (Consignment)	7/26/32	1	11563
Police Dept. New Castle	7/28/32	1	7575
Dept. of Police, Sharon	8/1/32	1	3071
Venango County, Franklin	10/22/32	1	6963
Sears Roebuck & Co. Philadelphia	3/2/33	1	12553
Bu. of Inv. Law & Finance Bldg. Pittsburgh	7/7/33	1	6663-7-576-119
Bu. of Inv. Phil. Saving Fund Bld. Philadelphia	7/7/33	1	7048-7-576-119
Beaver County, Beaver	10/6/33	2	6972 11452
Lawrence County, New Castle	10/9/33	1	8016
Eastern Pen. Philadelphia	11/24/33	1	4853
City of Harrisburg.	11/27/33	2	6167 7739
Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp. Pgh.	12/11/33	2	1240 3615
Borough of Tamaqua	2/12/34	1	1882
Hudson Coal Co. Scranton	3/9/34	2	3811 8133
Carbon County, Mauch Chunk	3/21/34	1	13670
City of Pottsville	4/18/34	1	5850
Div. of Inv. Philadelphia " " Pittsburgh	4/21/34 4/21/34	1 1	8048-7-576-119 2228
City of Williamsport	6/16/34	1	10319
Tuscarawas County, New Philadelphia	5/14/34	1	2575
Western Pen. Pittsburgh	7/25/34	2	10976 13411
Fed. Lab. Pittsburgh, marked for Endicott Johnson, Fire Prevention Dept. Johnson City, New York	7/25/34	2	10275 11570

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THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF THOMAS SMACHINE
GUNS SOLD IN WEST VIRGINIA FROM DECEMBER 1, 1929, to
JULY 26, 1934, AS FAR AS THE RECORDS OF THIS OFFICE DISCLOSE.

PURCHASER	DATE	QUANTITY	SERIAL NOS.
West Va. Penitentiary, Moundsville	12/27/29	5	7137 7240 75 6789 7754
Chief of Police, Parkersburg	10/15/30	1	10873
Chief of Police, Huntington	12/20/30	1	8472
Sheriff Hancock County New Cumberland	10/3/33	1	8842
City of Holidays Cove	10/14/33	1	8166

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

FILE NO. 7-5

REPORT MADE AT Louisville, Kentucky	DATE WHEN MADE 9/8/36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 9/8/36	REPORT MADE BY O. C. DEWEY OCD:mk
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases; I. O. #1232 - FUGITIVE; et al; EDWARD G. BREMER - VICTIM.			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING- HARBORING - OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

All leads in Louisville Office district have been covered. There being no further investigation, this matter is being referred upon completion to the Office of Origin.

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REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent John L. Madala, dated at Louisville, Kentucky, August 4, 1936.

DETAILS:

A review of the file in this case, at the Louisville Office, reveals that "stops" have been placed with the various County Clerks, in an effort to locate certain automobiles used by the remaining Subjects in the instant matter. All of these "stops" have been withdrawn.

There being no outstanding leads in the Louisville territory, this matter is being,

"REFERRED UPON COMPLETION TO THE OFFICE OF ORIGIN."

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>O. C. Dewey</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES 7-12797 SEP 11 1936 SEP 16 1936	
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501 Healey Building,
Atlanta, Georgia,
September 9, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Little Rock, Arkansas.

RE: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to letter from the Little Rock Office dated August 7, 1936 and to Bureau letter dated August 4, 1936, Bureau File 7-576, in the above captioned case.

Fred Hunter, #48668, United States Penitentiary, Atlanta, claimed ownership to personal property listed in the Little Rock letter of reference and executed written authority for the shipment of these articles to Albert C. Hunter, Box 91, Leavittsburg, Ohio.

The original authorization for the disposition of these articles signed by Hunter is being retained in the Atlanta File and a signed copy is being attached to this letter for the Little Rock Office.

Very truly yours,

E. E. CONROY,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc-Bureau
Cincinnati
E. J. Connelley, Chicago
Cleveland
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Atlanta, Georgia.
August _____, 1936.

I, FRED HUNTER, No. 48668, U. S. Penitentiary, Atlanta, Georgia, do hereby authorize the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, to ship the following articles which are my personal property, to Albert O. Hunter, Box 91, Leavittsburg, Ohio:

Stetson Hat, Standard Quality, feather weight, dark blue in color with black band, purchased from Felcher's Toggery, 714 Central Avenue, Hot Springs National Park, Arkansas. P. T. Tailor written in ink on inside lining, also "H. Tourist 54" written on lining and inside of band. Size about seven and one-half.

Dark blue cloth chauffeur's cap, size seven and three-eighths, purchased from "Goldsmith's, Memphis Greatest Store."

Tan canvas hunting cap, no trade mark, size about seven and three-eighths, with fur ear muffs inside band.

One pair khaki trousers, freshly cleaned, trademark "Sanforized Big Smith, Fast Color," size and other labels not shown.

One pair oxford gray fine plaid trousers, no size shown, bearing cleaners marks "3728", "4001", "6644", "5259", and "5487".

One white shirt, no label, bearing laundry marks "WA" and "P-1", size about fifteen.

Three piece suit, Richman Brothers 3011, with label inside pocket showing date 3-25, number 15, salesman 33, and bearing cleaners marks "K.P.L.", "H. Sims", "7037-5-7A", "0708L", "H. Dixie", "2749", approximate size forty.

Black cardboard suitcase, approximately 36 inches long, 24 inches wide and 8 inches deep.

Witness: _____

Fred Hunter

W. M. Rott, Special Agent,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Atlanta, Georgia.

7-576-12800

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION
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PRIVACY ACTS**

**SUBJECT: BARKER/KARPIS GANG
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Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Re: Brekid

Dear Sir:

Please refer to your letter of September 4, 1935, having to do with one
Rex Graham, #1 Salther Street, telephone number 3705, Hammond, Indiana.

Immediately upon receipt of your letter on September 5, 1935, the
matter was given as an assignment to Special Agent Kenneth Logan of this
office.

I am now in receipt of information from him to the effect that he
checked the Hammond, Indiana, city, telephone, and postal directories but
did not find the name of Rex Graham listed therein, and that there is no
such address as #1 Salther Street in Hammond, Indiana, but that the directory
also covers the city of Calumet City, Illinois, and it recorded a #1
Salther Street in that city and gave the name of Joseph H. (Ansel) Graham
as the name of the person residing at that address.

Captain Singer of the Hammond, Indiana Police Department advised that
he had not heard of Rex Graham in Hammond for the past several years, but
that it is his recollection that a few years ago one Rex Graham had been
night clerk at the Savoy Hotel in Hammond, at which time all the hoodlums
in that section of the country hung out there. Captain Singer informed that
the Savoy Hotel had changed hands a few years ago and since the change it had
not been a rendez-vous for hoodlums. Further, that the former owner of the
Savoy Hotel was a personal friend of his, Singer's, and if Rex Graham was
employed at the hotel he could obtain such information. His efforts to con-
tact him were without results, however, as the former owner was absent from
Hammond.

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During Agent Logan's conversation with Captain Singer, the latter stated
that the police department in Calumet City, Illinois, could not be trusted
with information of a confidential nature, and in view of said hints, the
Agent made no attempt to make any investigation in Calumet City, and is
leaving that inquiry to the Chicago Bureau Office which covers that territory,
is likely to be better informed concerning conditions there, and may have in
its files the name of some person or persons who may be contacted confidentially.

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A copy of your communication dated September 4, 1936, with a copy of this letter is being forwarded to the Chicago Bureau Office.

Very truly yours,

JOHN A. DOWD,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc Bureau
cc Cincinnati
cc Chicago

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

506 Fletcher Trust Building

Indianapolis, Indiana

September 9, 1936

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Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: Brekid

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto you will find a copy of a letter from the Cleveland Office to the Indianapolis Office dated September 4, 1936, having to do with the location and reputation of one Rex Graham, 41 Saltham Street, telephone number 3703, Hammond, Indiana, formerly employed as a dealer at the Harvard Club, a well known gambling establishment in Newburg Heights, a suburb of Cleveland.

You will also find attached hereto a copy of my response to that letter which shows that there is no such person and no such address or telephone number at Hammond, Indiana, but that there is such an address at Calumet City, Illinois, where Joseph E. (Anelia) Graham resides.

Because of the impression gained by Agent E. Logan of this office who made the inquiry at Hammond, from Captain Singer of the Hammond, Indiana Police Department to the effect that the Calumet City Police cannot be trusted on confidential matters, you are requested to make the inquiry desired by the Cleveland Office as contained in its letter of September 4, 1936.

In view of the fact that Calumet City, Illinois is in your territory, it is likely that Agents of your office are better acquainted and understand local conditions, and may have sources of information. Please give this matter your immediate attention and submit your investigative findings promptly to the Cleveland Office.

Very truly yours,
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JOHN A. DODD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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September 8, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Dallas, Texas.

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Dear Sir:

RE: ROXID

In connection with the harboring investigation being conducted in Cleveland, Ohio, a telephone tap has been in operation on the telephone of Ardelle Quinn, 1916 East 84th Street, Cleveland, Ohio, which place is a notorious house of prostitution and cell house. This woman has connections with the police department, as well as political connections, and her house is a well known resort in this part of the country.

At 10:55 A. M., September 8, 1936, one Joe Quinn, a nephew of the Quinn woman, telephoned the following telegram to the Western Union Telegraph Company at Cleveland, Ohio, for transmittal:

Miss G. Carrier,
1720 S. Erway St.
Dallas, Texas.

YOU WILL BE NEEDED SEPTEMBER EIGHTEENTH PLEASE RETURN PROMPTLY

Ardelle.

It is desired that discreet inquiry be made at Dallas to ascertain the true identity of Miss G. Carrier in order that this information will be available for the development of a White Slave Traffic Act violation. It is anticipated that this woman will proceed to Cleveland, Ohio, on or about September 18th, in order to be here when the American Legion Convention opens as the business of the sporting establishments will, no doubt, increase during the period of the convention.

In making this inquiry it is requested that same be conducted in such a way that the matter of the investigation will not get back to Miss Carrier. It might be advisable to place a mail cover on this woman's mail at Dallas in order to possibly obtain her Cleveland address when she arrives here. If possible please secure a description of this woman for use in the future inquiry at Cleveland.

Very truly yours,

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- Chicago
- Cincinnati

A. J. CONNELLEY
Inspector.

Post Office Box 812,
Chicago, Illinois.

September 9, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir,

In accordance with the request contained in
your letter of September 1, 1936, there are being trans-
mitted the following:

The original and six copies each of the photo-
graphs of Mrs. Milton Lett, John Brock, Tony Amerbach
and James Patton (two poses).

The original and three copies of the photo-
graph of the matrons of the Cleveland City Jail.

Six photographs of Dolores Delaney, bust
and standup poses.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge

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Post Office Box 812,
Chicago, Illinois.

September 9, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Sir,

Re: BREKID.

In accordance with request contained in your letter dated September 4, 1936, three copies of each of the following photographs are being forwarded to Agent R. C. Suran in care of E. J. Wynn, Post Office Box 383, Toledo, Ohio:

Harry Campbell
Alvin Karpis
Volney Davis
James Wilson
John Brock
Sam Coker
Milton Lett

Fred Hunter
C.J. Fitzgerald
William Harrison
Ruth Heidt
Myrtle Eaton
Russell Gibson
William Weaver.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge

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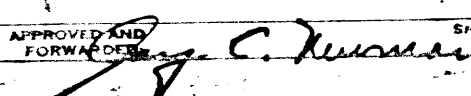
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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Cincinnati, Ohio**

St. Louis

FILE NO.

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REPORT MADE AT St. Louis, Mo.	DATE WHEN MADE 9-7-36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 8-14, 21, 24-36	REPORT MADE BY V. J. WOLFE
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases I.O. #1232-FUG. et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p>Trueman Smith Construction Co. worked for Texas Empire Pipe Line Co. in Cass and Pike County, Ill. and not at Lincoln, Ill. C. A. Manuel and Mr. Zimmerman, Williams Construction Company, Lincoln, Ill. unable to identify picture nor give information concerning Milton Lett.</p>			
REFERENCE: <p>Report of Special Agent D. P. Sullivan, Chicago, Ill. dated 6-15-36; Letter from the Chicago Office dated 8-7-36 addressed to the Kansas City Office.</p>			
DETAILS: <p>AT LINCOLN, ILLINOIS</p> <p>Telephonic inquiry at the Texas Empire Pipe Line Company revealed that the Williams Construction Company and not the Trueman Smith Construction Company handled the pipe line work for the Texas Empire Company.</p> <p>Mr. C. A. Manuel, Superintendent and Mr. Zimmerman, office clerk, were both questioned concerning Milton Lett and both were shown Lett's photograph. These gentlemen stated they had never seen an individual of his description around their men, either working or playing cards with them.</p> <p>Mr. Manuel advised that the Trueman Smith Construction Company had done pipe line work for the Texas Empire Company in Cass and Pike County, Illinois but that work had now been finished and the present location of the crew could be ascertained at the home offices of that company in Eldorado, Kansas.</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED  SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE		DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES <div style="font-size: 1.5em; font-weight: bold;">7-576-12807</div> <div style="text-align: right;">SEP 11 1936</div> <div style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold;">SEP 12 1936</div>	
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UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

KANSAS CITY OFFICE at Eldorado, Kansas will ascertain the present location of the pipe line crew of the Trueman Smith Construction Company that had completed the work for the Texas Empire Company in Cass and Pike County, Illinois. The offices of the Trueman Smith Construction Company are located in Eldorado. Appropriate leads will then be set out to conduct investigation to locate Milton Lett.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

CINCINNATI, OHIO.

FILE NO. 7-33

REPORT MADE AT DALLAS, TEXAS.	DATE WHEN MADE 9-8-36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 8/28 & 9/3/36	REPORT MADE BY H.C. COULTER.
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; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Lett believed to have frequented Baird, Texas at intervals recently; he is not presently located in Baird, and City Marshal does not know his whereabouts. Arrangements effected in order for Dallas Office to be notified if and when he returns.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P.</p>			
REFERENCE: <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Report Special Agent John R. Welles, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, dated 8-19-36.</p>			
DETAILS: <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Mrs. John Gilliland, Postmaster, Baird, Texas, was contacted on August 29, 1936, and advised that Kenneth Lang had been in Baird for sometime, and that he was employed by the T & P Cafe and lived at the Stanley Rooming House, operated by O.P. O'Neil, a man of advanced age, who receives his mail at Post Office Box #684. She stated she had never seen Lang and knows nothing about his associates. Mrs. Gilliland produced a box addressed to Kenneth Long, Box #684, which bore the return address of the Great Western Tailoring Company, Chicago, Illinois, the meter reading showing it was sent from the St. Louis Branch on August 13, 1936; that Mr. O'Neil had inquired about how long the package would be held, and advised that Lang would pay the charges on it and take it out in a few days. This box appears to contain a suit of clothes.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Mrs. Gilliland stated that Sheriff R.L. Edwards' only daughter married Jodie Hutchfield about two years ago, and Lang could not possibly be going with the sheriff's daughter, or married to his daughter as reported. She stated there is a possibility that Lang might be going with</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>F.J. Belser</i>		SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE 7-576-12808	
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Mary Lou Powell, who lives at the sheriff's residence. This girl was tried on a murder charge recently, and released in custody of the sheriff for the time being; that none of the deputy sheriffs has any grown daughters, and there is no Chief of Police at Baird. Mrs. Gilliland stated she had no specific reason to believe, but was of the opinion Lang is a relative of O'Neil.

The photograph of Milton Lett was exhibited to Mrs. Gilliland, and the other employees of the post office, and all advised that to their knowledge they had never seen Lett in Baird and did not know him.

R.L. Elliott, Jr., City Marshal, Baird, Texas, who is a young man, possibly not more than thirty years old, was contacted and stated in substance that he knows Lang by sight, and believes he has been in Baird the greater part of the time for a year or longer, and during that time he has been employed as a waiter for F.E. Stanley, who operates the Jester's and T. & P. Cafes in Baird. Stanley also owns the Stanley Rooming House, where Lang lives, but it is operated by O'Neil, previously mentioned.

Elliott stated Lang has been in no trouble since coming to Baird, and while he has had several visitors, he has not observed them and does not know any of his women acquaintances. He stated he could learn considerably more about Lang and his associates at Baird. He stated Stanley is considered rather reputable, but advised against a contact with him at this time. Elliott viewed the photograph of Milton Lett and stated Lett is unknown to him, and so far as he knows Lett has not frequented Baird, however, he explained there had been considerable activities in the oil fields in the vicinity of Baird recently and numerous strangers had come through Baird.

The photograph of Lett was left with Mr. Elliott, and he was advised that the Bureau was extremely anxious to locate Lett, but did not desire his arrest at this time. Mr. Elliott was further informed that Agent would contact him again within a few days, and he promised to discreetly secure all available information in the interim.

Mr. Elliott re-contacted on September 3, 1936, by Agent, and photograph of Lett secured from him. At that time he stated he is absolutely sure that he has seen Lett about town on one or two occasions in the past and that he probably has talked to him on the streets. He stated he took this matter up confidentially with the son of one Shockley, who operates a pool hall in Baird, and that Shockley's son stated he has seen Lett in his

father's pool hall but could not recall with whom he was associated or any of the other circumstances. Elliott further advised that Lang passes his home going to and from work; that he will keep close check on him from now on and in the event he observes Lett visiting Lang or observes Lett in town, he will immediately call the Dallas Bureau Office. Elliott stated he did not believe Lett had been in Baird for the past two months.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

DALLAS OFFICE at Baird, Texas, will maintain contact with City Marshal Elliott for any additional information he may receive as to the probable whereabouts of Milton Lett.

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Transmit the following Teletype message to: CLEVELAND 0711

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INSPECTOR E J CONNELLEY

PHONE. BREKID. RETEL LAST NIGHT FOLLOWING REGISTRATIONS APPEAR AT COLUMBUS.

JOHN GORMAN ONE NINE NINE NAUGHT SEVEN MOUNTVILLE STREET, BEDFORD, OHIO, FOR
NINETEEN THIRTY WHIPPET COACH, MOTOR TWELVE EIGHTEEN SEVEN SEVEN, LICENSE AT-537.JOHN R GORMAN, TWO TWO SIX NINE GRANDVIEW, CLEVELAND, FOR NINETEEN THIRTY SIX
FORD COUPE, MOTOR TWO SEVEN SIX EIGHT THREE TWO FIVE, LICENSE JQ-54.JOHN GORMAN, ONE ONE SEVEN ONE LAKEVIEW, CLEVELAND, FOR NINETEEN TWENTY EIGHT
DURANT COACH, MOTOR EIGHT NINE NAUGHT THREE SIX, LICENSE DQ-923. J E GORMAN,NINE TWO THREE ONE BIRCHDALE, CLEVELAND, FOR NINETEEN THIRTY CHRYSLER ROADSTER,
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607 U. S. Courthouse
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September 10, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio

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RE: BREYER

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of September 3, 1936, in which you request a search of the files of the Startling Detective Magazine published by the Midwest Distributors, Farmers Building, Greenwich, Conn., to ascertain whether any photographs or articles appeared in any of these magazines concerning fugitives in the Bremer kidnaping case.

In connection therewith, there will be found enclosed herewith, issues of the Startling Detective Magazine for July 1935, May 1935 and September 1935, in which appear articles pertaining to the Bremer kidnaping. There will also be found enclosed herewith, issues of the Startling Detective Magazine for the months of August and September 1936, and of the Startling Detective Magazine for the months of August, September and October 1936, all of which contain articles pertaining to the Bremer kidnaping.

Very truly yours,

R. WHITNEY
Special Agent in Charge

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1130 Enquirer Building
Cincinnati, Ohio

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Post Office Box 812

Chicago, Illinois

September 10, 1936

Special Agent in Charge
Cleveland, Ohio

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto are three original snapshot photographs, one a group picture including Mr. and Mrs. John Stover, one a photograph of John Stover and one a photograph of Mrs. John Stover, together with six copies of each.

One copy of each of the above photographs is being forwarded to the Bureau and the St. Paul and Cincinnati Field Offices with their copies of this letter.

This in accordance with your request contained in letter from your Office dated September 5, 1936.

Very truly yours,

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

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Transmit the following message to:

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L.A. FILE NO. 7-12

REPORT MADE AT Los Angeles, Calif.	DATE WHEN MADE 9-9-36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 9-4-36	REPORT MADE BY F. E. Wright
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, 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:

F. C. Tuttle and daughter, Katherine, identify photographs of Frank C. Davis, Arthur Happney, with aliases, and Samuel Allen as the individuals Tuttle dealt with during the swindle. Happney also identified by Mrs. Tuttle.

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REFERENCE:

Letter from SAC E. J. Connelley, Cincinnati, Ohio, dated September 2, 1936, and report of Special Agent H. D. Harris, Cincinnati, Ohio, dated June 23, 1936.

DETAILS:

The writer called on Mr. and Mrs. F. C. TUTTLE and daughter, KATHERINE TUTTLE CORNICK on September 4th, 1936, at 1027 Olive St., Coronado, California, and exhibited to them for possible identification the photographs of: ARTHUR HAPNEY, NYPD No. 104,908; WILLIAM O'BRIEN, USP No. 475-NE; FRANK C. DAVIS, USP No. 497-NE; SAMUEL ALLEN, DENVER PD No. 15293, which photographs were forwarded to this office with report of reference from Cincinnati.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>J. H. Hanson</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES
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The writer, before exhibiting these photographs, obtained other criminal photographs to exhibit with them. Without hesitation TUTTLE and his daughter, KATHERINE, at once identified the photograph marked ARTHUR HAMILTON as the individual known to them as A. WALTER (TONY) HUNTINGTON; TUTTLE identified without hesitation the photograph marked FRANK C. DAVIS as the individual known to TUTTLE as JIM MILTON. TUTTLE also identified the photograph of SAMUEL ALLEN as the individual known to him, not by name, but as the individual who brought the bag of money to TUTTLE and "HUNTINGTON". TUTTLE states that he does not recall hearing this latter individual's name mentioned. TUTTLE or his daughter did not recognize the individual in the photograph marked WILLIAM O'BRIEN.

MRS. TUTTLE also readily identified ARTHUR HAMILTON's photograph as the individual known to her as A. WALTER HUNTINGTON, stating that she had had dinner with him upon one or two occasions.

Mr. TUTTLE stated that none of the photographs exhibited resembled the man JENKINSON, whom he first met at Atlantic City, New Jersey.

Relative to the individual represented in the photograph marked SAMUEL ALLEN, TUTTLE advised that he recognized this person from his glasses; that he also wore a Shrine pin.

The photographs forwarded with letter and report of reference are being returned to the Cincinnati office with its copies of this report.

REFERRED UPON COMPLETION TO OFFICE OF ORIGIN

1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

September 14, 1936

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Re: A. DICKSTEIN
Special Agent

Dear Sir:

This is to advise of the arrival of
the above-named special agent at Cleveland, Ohio
on September 13, 1936, at 8:35 a. m., for special
assignment in connection with the BREKID investi-
gation.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MAC FARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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Miss Gandy

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E. J. Connelley

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

The following is supplied for the information of the
Bureau:

Today Police Inspector Charles Tierney, of St. Paul, Minnesota, accompanied by Mr. Conley and Mr. Flynn, of the office of City Attorney of St. Paul, called on me stating that they were passing through and just desired to drop in. They advised that they had been at Jefferson City, Missouri, where they had obtained an affidavit from Edna Murray with reference to activities of the Barker-Karpis mob as they related to Detective Tom Brown, of the St. Paul Police Department, advising that the hearing was to be had with reference to Brown's dismissal from the department. They stated they were leaving Kansas City for Omaha for the purpose of securing an affidavit from Gladys Sawyer at that place.

Very truly yours,

W. A. Smith

W. A. SMITH
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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St. Paul, Minn.
September 10, 1936.

J. Edgar Hoover,

Dear Sir;

Have patience and read this.

Have you an idea what the confidence men take out of Florida each year? If I where to tell you it runs better than a million a year, you would be skeptical. But all I tell you can be verified by Inspector Graham of the postal department.

I am now reffering to the racket called the PAY OFF. In the past Inspector Graham settled a number of the gangfer using the mails to defraud. So now they play only for cash. That is they make the victim use only cash.

In order to operate they of course have local fixing. The only U.S. laws they violate is transporting more then a thousand dollars from one state to another, and evading the income tax.

Are you interested and would like some information.

At Miami, Fla. the head of the gang is Fred Gondorf. His lieutenants are GEORGE Kennedy and Fred Flowers. Their fixing is direct with the sherrif but Attorney Schenk handles the local police.

At Hollywood, Fla. the head of the gang is a former Capone gangster, Potatoes Kaufman. He does his fixing direct with the sherrif. A tapped wire would yeald some interesting information

At Daytona Beach, Fla. the sherrif and local police do the business also.

At Jacksonville, Fla. the fixer is Harvey Beaths. He has made a fortune there.

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SAC Smith advises. Police Insp. Tierney, St. Paul, and 2 others from City. Atty.'s office dropped in our Ks. Cy. Off. Had been to obtain affidavit from Edna Murray re activities of Barker-Karpis mob as they related to Det. Tom Brown. Hearing is to be held re Brown's dismissal from PD.

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September 11, 1936

9/11/36

F. J. Blake
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
1206 Tower Petroleum
Dallas, Texas

BREXID REFERENCE LETTER SEPTEMBER NINTH REGARDING G. CURRIER

ENDEAVOR DISCREETLY LEARN DATE DEPARTURE AND SECURE PULLMAN ACCOMODATIONS
AND ADVISE AS SURVEILLANCE APPEARS DESIRABLE EITHER PRIOR OR FOLLOWING
ARRIVAL HERE.

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SEP 11 1936

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 2118

Detroit - Michigan

September 11

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 a letter written to Dolores Delaney, an inmate of the United States Detention Farm, Milan, Michigan, by Mrs. Clara Venute, sister of Subject Alvin Karpis, and also copies of two letters written to Wynona Burdette, an inmate also of the United States Detention Farm, Milan—one from her niece, Gwen, and one from her sister, Ester.

Photostatic copies of these letters were received at this office through Mr. John J. Ryan, Superintendent of the Detention Farm.

Very truly yours,

Herold H. Reinecke
H.H.R.

Herold H. Reinecke
Special Agent in Charge

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CAPITOL-HILL

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dearest Aunty,

Will drop you a line before retiring. Its so terribly warm a person doesn't feel like doing much of anything. How have you been feeling lately? Guess mother told you about my accident. Im feeling much better but still I can't say "I feel swell."

School will start Monday. I enrolled today. Im taking - American History, Glee Club, Geomotry, Eng. III & Typing. " I've got to get me a type writer from some direction.

Gee Aunty I got me the "best looking" dress you ever saw. Its silk crepe trimmed in Black satin. Its a tunic. They are wearing them a lot. I got a pair of school oxfords but they are dressy looking. they are black suede.

Well sweet pea Im going to bed now. nighty-nite. Keep sweet - I love you

Your faithful neice

Gwen

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Aug 5 1936
Chicago. Ill

Dear Dolores.

I spoke to Dad this morning over the phone & he asked me to drop you few lines. He rec'd your letter O. K. Every thing is going along here just as usuall. Little Ray is getting along just fine. He's getting cuter all the time. You'll be able to see for yourself soon just how cute he really is. We had some Studio pictures taken of him & really they came out beautifully. That is the proofs did. The pictures will be ready next Sat. When Dad saw the proofs (5 of them), he couldn't make up his mind so he wanted to have them all. Three of each but I talked him into getting the 4 best of them as they are quite expensive & I thought it would be foolish to get so many. Alvin has asked several times about the pictures.

Ive been getting a letter every week from Al & he seems to be in fairly good spirits. He's very disappointed in not being able to write to you. He said that he heard there was a letter there from you for him but he hadnt heard anything else about it so I don't know if he received it later or not,

Have you heard from any of your people? We haven't heard anything. I think your brother was over to Mothers again but Im not sure.

Weve been having some decidedly Autumn-ish weather the last few days here. I guess it wont be long before winter will be here. I hope by then, Dolores youll be here with us & that things will be a little better for you than they are.

Write often to Dad & Mother so we can be sure you are O. K. & receiving our letters

Sincerely

Clara

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Hominy Okla.
Sept 2, 1936.

My Dear Sister:

I Was just thinking. if i Wanted a letter from you this month id better Write to you Huh? dear, you Will have to for give me for not Writing sooner. When you hear my story you Will really, it has been so Hot this summer i didnt have the Nerve to sit down & Write a letter to any one.

But that isnt all, some of us have been sick this Whole summer. Two Weeks ago Sunday Gwen was hurt awful bad she & her friend Jack Wheeler were swinging in the park at Hominy, rather they Were pumping as high as they could go and Gwen fell out on her head & Knees. "oh Nonie i have been so Worried about her. she is under the Dr s care now.

Dr Logan says there is nothing to Worry about, but i dont know. You see the bump on her head caused her eyes to turn black & one leg is black & blue from her ankle to her Knee, & her other Knee is all peeled up. the bump on her forehead had to be lanced, & he keeps having to open it up because it wont drain i dont think it Will leave a big scar, oh i hope not. I guess Ellen L Will go to School up here this term & i dont know how many more. she is spending this week with Jim in Tulsa i ask Jim to have Ellens Tonsils out, while she is there, I dont know, i just dont understand Jimmie, or Eunice either they never think of tomorrow, i stayed saturday nite & Sunday With Millie she was feeling pretty bad then, i took her Breakfast & Lunch to the bed, & it tickled her pink. Mary Ellen and Marie has been up but Kathleen didn't get to come, i told her she could come Xmas Vacation. Ruth & Mark has been up twice and stayed a Week each time, that guy Will never change. you ask about Aaron. Honey, he isnt in the Hosjit any more. you know he got his Bonus, i dont know how he spent it but Anna & little Jimmie didnt see any of it, they are at Stillwater. i heard Aaron went to see Laveta.

Love

Ester.

must dr my Baby and go to Bed. Will let you know how she gets Lots of Love your Sis.

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1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

September 12, 1936.

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

Dear Sir:

I wish to acknowledge your letter of September 9,
1936, in which you furnished advice concerning C. W. Mitchell,
your number 2743, and forwarded a photograph of this individual.

Please accept my thanks for your courtesy.

Very truly yours,

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E. J. CONNELLEY
Inspector.

RE: BREKID

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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SEPTEMBER 12 1936

To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to:

CLEVELAND

INFORM AGENT MCKEE THAT AGENTS DICKSTEIN AND HOLSTROM BEING INSTRUCTED
TO REPORT TO HIM FOR ASSIGNMENT BREXID

HOOVER

Edward J. [unclear]

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Mr. Nathan
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Post Office Box 2118
Detroit - Michigan
September 11
1936

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

Dear Mr. Ryan:

This will acknowledge receipt of a photostatic copy of a letter written to Dolores Delaney, an inmate of your institution, under date of August 5, 1936, by Mrs. Clara Venute, and also photostatic copies of letters written to Wynona Burdette, also an inmate of your institution—one from her niece, Gwen, and one from her sister, Ester.

Thanking you for your cooperation in transmitting these letters to us, I remain

Very truly yours,

Herold H. Reinecke
Special Agent in Charge

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Post Office Box 812

Chicago, Illinois

September 12, 1936

Automobile Protective and
Information Bureau
166 West Van Buren Street
Chicago, Illinois

Gentlemen:

Reference is made to my letter of May 1, 1936, re-
questing that wanted notice be placed in your files
against 1936 Ford Deluxe Coupe, Motor No. 2407878
and 1936 Plymouth Coupe, Motor No. B212244.

Inasmuch as investigation pertaining to these cars has
now been completed these wanted notices may be with-
drawn.

Very truly yours,

DML:JFM
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D. M. LADD
Special Agent in Charge

cc - Bureau
Cincinnati
Cleveland
St. Paul

Re: BREXID

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.
September 3, 1936.

Time - 10:50 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

In connection with the harboring investigations in Cleveland, and the fact that we have to send another man to relieve Special Agent V. I. Parry who has been instructed to report to Mr. Clegg on the morning of September 8, 1936, I telephoned Special Agent J. D. Cunningham at the Detroit Office and instructed him to have one of the Agents of that office proceed to Cleveland and report to Mr. McKee at the Cleveland Office on Saturday.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

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

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1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

September 12, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

It is respectfully requested that you have an Agent call at the office of the Board of Cosmetology, 21 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio, and ascertain the name of the woman who inspected the ANN ARBOR BEAUTY SHOP, 1523 Cherry Street, Toledo, Ohio, in March, 1935. If no record of an inspection in March, 1935, could be found, it is suggested that you cause a similar check to be made of the several months preceding and subsequent to this period. It is particularly desired that the exact date of the inspection be secured, as well as the name and location of the woman who made this inspection in order that she may be interviewed relative to this case.

For your information it has been recently developed that the woman under consideration accompanied John Brock on March 26, 1935, and assisted him in purchasing a 1935 model Ford coupe from the Lyman F. Arnold, Inc., at Toledo, Ohio, which car was later in the possession of Harry Campbell. It is desired that you do not disclose to the Board of Cosmetology the purpose of your inquiry.

It is also requested that you have an Agent call at the State Bureau of Motor Vehicle Registration, Columbus, Ohio, and have him ascertain whether 1935 model Ford coupe, motor #16-1615253 was registered and by whom, in the state during 1935 and 1936. It is known that this car was purchased by John Brock for Harry Campbell at Toledo, Ohio, on March 26, 1935, under the name of Charles Miller. Information recently received indicates that the same was possibly traded in on a new Hudson coupe in September, 1935, but no information could be obtained as to where this latter car was purchased.

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Very truly yours,

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J. P. MacFARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

September 12, 1936.

TO ALL FIELD OFFICES:

RE: BREKID

Reference is made to mimeographed letter from the Cleveland office to all field offices dated June 17, 1936, requesting the placing of an appropriate flash card with the Bureau of Motor Vehicles in the various states on 1933 Standard Ford coupe, model 40, motor #18-429014.

The above-mentioned car has been located at Toledo, Ohio, and accordingly stop notices as to this car should be withdrawn from the Bureau of Motor Vehicles in the various states.

Very truly yours,

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

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CLEVELAND OHIO
September 12, 1936

F. J. Blake
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
1206 Tower Petroleum Building
Dallas, Texas

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CONNELLEY

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316 Security Building
Phoenix, Arizona
September 10, 1936

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Special Agent in Charge
Cleveland, Ohio

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter dated September 8, 1936, in the above entitled case, Special Agent W. E. Hopton has advised that at the time Paula Harmon and her two companions were arrested by the Cleveland, Ohio, Police Department he was on a road trip and had occasion to be in Cleveland, Ohio, on general work.

At this time former Agent W. E. Peters, who was resident agent at Cleveland, Ohio, had mentioned to him that Paula Harmon and her companions had been arrested and that he was making arrangements with the Police Department to secure their custody. Several days subsequent to this arrest Agent Hopton was requested to conduct an investigation at the several banks in Cleveland, Ohio, including the Cleveland Trust Company, in an effort to ascertain whether various members of the Barker-Karpis gang had bank accounts or safety deposit boxes.

It is Agent Hopton's recollection that the result of this investigation is set forth in the report of Special Agent D. E. Hall, Detroit, Michigan, dated in September or October, 1934. No mention was ever made of a key to a safety deposit box nor was it known to Agent Hopton that the Cleveland Police Department had found a key on the person of Paula Harmon.

Very truly yours,

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H. E. ANDERSEN

Special Agent in Charge

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cc - Bureau
Cincinnati
Chicago
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From
THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

to

Official indicated below by check mark

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Baughman
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Dawsey
Mr. Egan
Mr. Foxworth
Mr. Glavin
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Miss Gandy

MEMORANDUM

Solicitor General Reed
Assistant to the Attorney General Keenan
Assistant Attorney General Dickinson
Assistant Attorney General Jackson
Assistant Attorney General Morris
Assistant Attorney General Blair
Assistant Attorney General McMahon
Assistant Solicitor General Bell
Mr. Hoover, Director of Investigation
Mr. Bates, Director of Prisons
Mr. Beardslee, Director of War Risk Bureau
Mr. Lawrence, Taxes and Penalties
Mr. Stewart, Administrative Assistant
Mr. Holtzoff, Special Assistant
Mr. Suydam, Special Assistant
Mr. Miller, Advisory Committee on Crime
Board of Parole
The Pardon Attorney
Mr. McClure, General Agent
Mr. Donaldson, Chief Clerk
Mr. Moore, Division of Records
Mr. Sornborger, Appointment Clerk
Mr. Carusi
Mr. Gates
Miss O'Brien
Miss Lamke
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Mr. Hoover.
Here is some one
who does not keep
abreast of the news!
@Hallygaff

HARMONY MAINE

August 24, 1936

General Cummings
Washington, D. C.

I saw by the paper you were offering a reward for information leading to the arrest of Alvin Karpis. I know of a fellow around 27 that came here last spring goes under two names three sets of number plates one one Philadelphia one New York & I think he has 2 Maine sets. Staid at hotel some now he is boarding in private family, he has a rich mans car. There is a girl staying at my sisters he is running after, during Skowhegan fair week, he came most every night always with a differant car from garage said his was being fixed. The girls mother he is running after said, he is rich has a lot of \$1000.00 dollar bills he put one up for a target and fired at it, he went away said to get a bill cashed told them if any one should ask for him to say they didn't know anything about him. He is some crook I am shure hiding, he made the remark he fouled the government once. If you haven't already got this Karpis, he is apt to be the very one. I wish I had a good picture of him if you have one. If you are interested send some one here at my home & I will direct them where to find him.

/S/ Nettie E. Braley
Route 1
Harmony
Maine

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now he is boarding in private
family. He has a nice new car
there is a girl staying at my
sisters he is running after. during
Stowe he ran fair well. He came
most every night always with

a different car from garage
said his was being fixed,
The girls met as he is running
after said he is rich has a
lot of 100.00 dollar bills he
put one up for a target and
fired at it, he went away
said to get a bill carried told
them if anyone should ask
for him to say they didn't
know anything about him
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of him if you have one. If you are
interested send some one here at
my home & I will direct them
where to find him. Nettie E. Bradley
Route 1 Harmony
Maine

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September 9, 1936

7-576-12833

Miss Nettie E. Braley,
Route 1,
Harmony, Maine.

Dear Madam:

I have received your letter of August 24, 1936, in which you expressed the belief that a person frequenting the vicinity of your residence may be Alvin Karpis. For your information, Alvin Karpis was apprehended at New Orleans, Louisiana on May 1, 1936 and since that time has been incarcerated in penal institutions at all times. I am, however, instructing Mr. C. D. McKean, Special Agent in Charge of the Bureau's Boston Office, located at 10 Post Office Square, Room 950, Boston, Massachusetts, to have an Agent call upon you for the purpose of ascertaining whether the individual described by you may be a person whose apprehension is being sought by this Bureau.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc Boston (with copy incoming letter)

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION
MAILED

SEP 10 1936

Handwritten initials and signature.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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

#10 Parkview Apartments
1230 Ocean Drive
Miami Beach, Florida
August 20, 1936

Personal & Confidential

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

Dear Sir:

Re: Brekid

Mr. G. A. Worley, States Attorney, Miami, Florida, recently furnished me with the following information:

Shortly after Joe Adams was indicted for harboring members of the Barker-Karpis Gang in Miami, Florida, he approached Bart A. Riley, a prominent criminal lawyer in Miami to defend him. He was accompanied on this occasion by his father in law, Bob Knight. During the course of this conference Riley demanded a retainer fee of \$5000. to defend Adams.

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At this time Mr. Riley was engaged as a Special Prosecutor for Dade County in prosecuting charges against S. J. McCreary, the Chief of Police, Miami, Florida, for accepting a bribe from Al Howard, then Manager of the Embassy Club to permit gambling at that place. McCreary was formerly manager of the El Comodoro Hotel, and for many years has been closely associated with Bob Knight, who was formerly reputed to be the mouth piece of the Gambling Fraternity in Miami, and is said to have passed on what Gamblers could operate and the like.

Bob Knight and Adams agreed to pay Bart Riley the \$3000. retainer fee on condition that he throw the case against McCreary, which he apparently did for the defense in cross examining one of the chief witnesses for the prosecution pointed to Herman Master, the leader of the Boleta and numbers racket among the colored people, and asked if he could not have been the person whom the witness saw accept the money from Howard, and he answered in the affirmative. Masters on that day was dressed in clothes identical to those worn by McCreary and resembles him very closely. Mr. Worley who defended McCreary states that he was guilt of alot of things, but was not guilty of the charges for which he was indicted. Likewise Mr. Worley stated that McCreary furnished him with the above information, hence his name should never be mentioned in connection with this information.

According to J. O. Barker, of the Miami Police Department, Duke Randall is now employed by Joe Adams as a Bar Tender.

CC: Jacksonville.

Very truly yours,

L. B. Nichols

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Cleveland FILE NO. 7-1

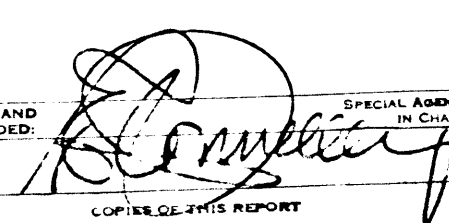
REPORT MADE AT Cleveland, Ohio	DATE WHEN MADE 9/8/36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 9/1-7/36	REPORT MADE BY S. K. McKee SEM/EJB
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. 1232; ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVE; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Telephone taps on Ardell Quinn and Nate Weisenberg continued; tap on Weisenberg switched to business telephone at Mayfair Casino, 9/3/36; summary of tap information set out herein. Check of Cleveland Police Department records as to arrests of Sawyer-Harmon-Burdette made and police unable to locate book covering arrests on 9/5/34; additional inquiries fail to locate source of tip off. Indications are that Paula Harmon had key to safety box in possession, but same has not been located as yet. Interviews conducted with employees of Cleveland Hotel show Paula Harmon attempted to frustrate arrests by offering money to employees; and, women were not so drunk they did not know what they were doing. Data regarding present operation of Harvard Club supplied in informant Kenneth Rosing. Quinn and Weisenberg taps show several police contacts; also other relevant data. Photos of all policewomen and matrons have been obtained for future use. Surveys of Cleveland Plain Deal and Cleveland Press made; no photos this case appeared prior September, 1934.

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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent S. K. McKee, Cleveland, Ohio, 9/1/36.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: 	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES	
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DETAILS

This report represents the investigative activity of the various Agents assigned to this investigation as indicated in the body of this report.

During the period of this report a tap on the telephone of Ardell Quinn, 1916 East 84th Street, Cleveland, Ohio, where she operates a notorious house of prostitution, has been maintained by Special Agents W. H. Hoffman and H. A. Snow. A summary of the information obtained from this telephone surveillance will be found in this report.

The telephone surveillance on the residence telephone of Nate Weisenberg, 3558 Raymont Boulevard, Cleveland, Ohio, as maintained by Special Agents V. I. Parry and W. B. Matney, was discontinued on September 3, 1936. Summary of information secured through this tap will be incorporated later in this report. On September 3, 1936, a tap on the business telephones of Nate Weisenberg at the Mayfair Casino, 1511 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, was installed by Special Agents J. M. Jones and J. E. Brennan and was put in operation on the same date. This tap is presently being manned on a twenty-four hour a day basis by Special Agents W. B. Matney and L. Levin. Weisenberg is known as a leading figure in the gambling setup at Cleveland and vicinity.

In connection with the installation of the telephone tap on the business telephones of Nate Weisenberg at the Mayfair Casino, 1511 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, it is to be stated that all of the cables in this downtown section are underground, and observations made by Special Agent J. M. Jones at and in the vicinity of this place indicated that it would be risky to attempt to get into the basement of the Casino building in order to secure access to the terminal box.

Telephonic communication was had by Special Agent S. K. McKee with Inspector E. J. Connelley at New York City and he was advised of the above situation and was told that we had established working relations with one Walter Walker, right hand man to Safety Director Eliot Ness in Cleveland; that Walker was believed to be entirely reliable in every way; that he had indicated that he did the telephone work for Ness and had a contact with the telephone company through whom he could secure cable information, and that it was believed we could obtain cable information through him if the contact was approved. Inspector Connelley advised that it would be satisfactory to contact this individual for cable data.

Special Agent S. K. McKee contacted Walter Walker and requested him to obtain information from the telephone company as to the pair numbers and locations of all multiples with reference to telephone Prospect 2575. He advised that he would be glad to do this stating

that he did not desire to know the identity of the telephone in question, and that he would not let the telephone company know that the cable data was for the use of this Bureau. Walker later called at the Cleveland office and informed that there are three telephones working out of a switchboard in connection with telephone PROspect 2575; that they all appear to be trunk lines with only the one listing in the directory; that the pair numbers are 724, 725, and 734; that there is only one place where these pairs appear other than in the box of the building where the phones are located and this place is in the basement of the building at 1620 Euclid Avenue, which is a vacant building.

It was ascertained that the Mayfair Casino has a switchboard with three working lines. These lines work on 724, 725, and 734 pairs in the telephone box in the basement of 1527 Euclid Avenue and bridge in the telephone box in the basement of 1620 Euclid Avenue, the Euclid Building. The latter address is a four-story office building, the first floor of which is occupied by the Alpine Village, a restaurant and night club, the remaining three floors being unoccupied. It was ascertained that the rental agents of the Euclid Building, the Realty Corporation, is located in room 402 Sloan Building. Special Agent W. I. Parry made inquiry [redacted] and found that Mr. W. P. Greenwood, is President; Sylvester E. Nelson, treasurer and manager; and William G. Griffiths is vice president and secretary; that the corporation has a satisfactory rating from 1930 to date of last report; that the officers are well known and that there is no doubt as to the firm's financial stability. b7d

Special Agent John E. Brennan interviewed Mr. W. P. Greenwood and upon informing him of his identity learned that Mr. Greenwood was formerly a member of the American Protective League, an organization which assisted the Department of Justice in conducting investigations during the World War. After discussing mutual acquaintances Agent Brennan stated that he would like to have the use of the unoccupied space in the Euclid Building in connection with an investigation being conducted by the Bureau. Mr. Greenwood stated that this space had been unoccupied for the past two years and it would take some time to get it ready for occupancy; that in the meantime he would give Agent Brennan a key to the premises and it could be used for whatever purpose he desired, rent free, for at least a month, at which time he expected to get the building in condition for rental purposes.

On September 3, 1936, Special Agent J. M. Jones bridged three telephone pairs above referred to to three on the house cable, terminating the lines in a room on the third floor, the light from which cannot be seen from outside the building. Dial recorders were connected to these lines and Special Agents V. I. Parry and W. B. Matney were assigned to this detail.

Special Agent C. E. Smith checked the police blotter at the Central Police Station, Cleveland, Ohio, and the following record appeared in blotter number 168 on page 114.

On Friday, September 7, 1934, three arrests were recorded in order from the 1st precinct and they are listed below with all remarks that appeared in connection with them.

Name	Gladys Mason, alias Sawyer	Ethel Matterson	Wynona Winfield, alias Walcott
Offense	Suspicious person	Suspicious person	Suspicious person
Residence	4419 W. 171st St.	4419 W. 171st St.	4419 W. 171st St.
Occupation	None	None	None
Nativity	U.S.	U.S.	U.S.
Married	Yes	Yes	Yes
Able to read	"	"	"
Female	"	"	"
White	"	"	"
Age	38 years	30 years	22 years
Hour of Arrest	2:00 PM	2:00 PM	2:00 PM
Remarks	General Principles	General Principles	General Principles
Disposition of case	Turned over to Federal Authorities.		

It was noted that immediately after the names of the prisoners a penciled notation was made with the word "hold". Sergeant John Merneugh, desk officer, stated that evidently the booking officer had received information from someone in authority to hold the women until they were picked up by the Federal men and had marked "hold" on the blotter in order that he would not make any mistake in the case.

Agent questioned Sergeant Merneugh why when the women were arrested on the fifth of the month they were not booked until the seventh, and he stated that the women were probably held incommunicado for a time and then charged and booked, however, he stated that their names should then appear upon the "Golden Rule blotter" for the time prior to the booking date. Agent personally checked the "Golden Rule blotter" for the period that the women were in jail, however, no record of them was found. Sergeant Merneugh was unable to advise Agent as to the identity of the officer who booked the women and further stated that anyone of a dozen or more officers may have been on desk duty during that period and booked the women in the general course of business and made the usual notation in red ink whenever a prisoner is turned over to another law enforcement agency.

Miss Alice Weber, matron in the city jail was interviewed by Special Agent C. E. Smith and requested to produce the matrons' book that reflected the incarceration of Gladys Sawyer, Wynona Burdette and Paula Harmon and after considerable search she advised that the book which covered the period from March 1934 to October 1935, appeared to be missing as she could not locate it. In view of the fact that the Women's Bureau had on occasions called for the matrons' books for the purpose of compiling records, Miss Weber called the Women's Bureau and was advised by them that they did not have the book in question. Agent later contacted Patrolman Walker in Safety Director Ness' office relative to the whereabouts of the book and he stated that he knew of no reason why the book should be missing. Further effort will be made to locate this book and ascertain the notations therein relative to the women.

On September 3, 1936 Matron Alice Weber was again contacted by Special Agents J. B. Fitzgerald and C. E. Smith and requested to make further search for the missing matrons' jail book and she advised that at the time of Agents' last contact she knew this book was missing but hesitated to advise Agents in front of Mrs. Gahan, another matron. Miss Weber further advised that immediately after she had been questioned by Special Agents S. K. McKee and C. E. Smith she had checked the matrons' records in order that she would know who had admitted the women and noticed at that time that the book was missing. Miss Weber was unable to state who would have any necessity to take the book. Lieutenant Holmer of the Women's Bureau was also interviewed by Agents relative to any records that would show the correct time and date of the arrest of the women and she stated that the booking window in the basement or the detective bureau would keep that record. It is to be noted that Matron Gahan was not on duty during the period the three women were confined at the city jail.

Special Agent C. E. Smith contacted Miss Hazel Witt in charge of the Women's Bureau and requested permission to review all their records pertaining to Gladys Sawyer, Paula Harmon and Wynona Burdette, which permission was readily granted. The cases of all three women were incorporated under one case number, same being 13365.

Under date of September 6, 1934, the following information was reported on form 33, one form being used for each prisoner:

Ethel Materson, address 4419 W. 171st Street, and 10515 Parkhurst
Complaint Disorderly conduct
Referred by Cleveland Hotel
Officer assigned - Heidinger

There also appeared the following notation in red:

Rec: 9-26-34 Officer C. H. Piotrowski, Ethel Marsh, Marion Bradford.
(Note: This notation refers to the second time that Paula Harmon was picked up by the police and placed in the City Hospital.)

Husband Henry, 10515 Parkhurst
Brother Alfred Bradford, 321 Jefferson Ave., Toledo, Ohio.

There also appeared the notation that Paula stated that she had resided in Cleveland for ten years and that her husband was employed at 722 Superior Street. (It will be noted here that 722 Superior Street is the address of the Argonne Club, a known gambling establishment.)

Wynona Wolcott, 4419 W. 171st Street, home address 2831 - 131st St.,
Toledo, Ohio.

Complaint	Disorderly conduct
Referred by	Cleveland Hotel
Officer assigned	Heidinger
Religion	Protestant
Last School	North Carolina
Time in Cleveland	one week
Relative	Husband - John

Gladys Sawyer, 4419 W. 171st Street, home address Dayton Bluff Station,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Complaint	Disorderly conduct
Referred by	Cleveland Hotel
Officer assigned	- Heidinger
Religion	Catholic
Time in Cleveland	- One week
Relatives -	Husband - John, daughter - Francine, age 5 years.

The file also contained a telegram from the Minnesota Children's Bureau to Lawrence Cole of the Cleveland Children's Bureau with instructions as to the handling of Francine Sawyer, as well as two newspaper clippings setting forth a photograph of Francine Sawyer and an article dealing with her connection with Mrs. Sawyer.

Joseph Sweeney, Inspector of Detectives, was interviewed by Special Agents J. E. Brennan and C. E. Smith for the purpose of securing the files of the detective bureau reflecting their activities in regard to the case and a review of same by Agents Smith and J. B. Fitzgerald is set forth herewith.

In a report dated September 6, 1934 and written by Detective Sergeant Harry Hugo it stated that Hugo, in company with Detective Joseph Jacobs on September 5, 1934, questioned three women who had been arrested at the Cleveland Hotel by policewoman Wilcox. They were unable to secure any information of value from them relative to their identities or associates and in view of the fact that they had considerable money and jewelry on their persons further investigation was desirable. The report further stated that eventually a Ford V8 coach was found in a parking lot known as the Stratford Parking Place, the automobile bearing 1934 Ohio license #711-745, which subsequent investigation revealed as listed to Marion L. Bradford, 321 Jefferson Avenue, Toledo, Ohio. The report further reflects that a .32 caliber Colt automatic was found in the car.

The file further reflects that on September 6, 1934, a request was made by Detective Jacobs that a telegram be forwarded to the Toledo, Ohio Police Department requesting that they be on the lookout for Fred Barker and others wanted for the killing of C. R. Kelly, Sheriff of Howell County, Missouri, on December 19, 1931. The request further stated to be on the lookout for a Ford coupe license C-21274, listed to Alfred G. Bradford, 321 Jefferson Avenue, Toledo, Ohio, and also that the Toledo Police be furnished with photographs of the women and giving the address of Wynona Winfield as 2831 131st Street, Toledo, Ohio.

The file further reflects that on September 6, 1934 at 6:46 P. M., a teletype was sent to all precinct stations requesting that they pick up a Ford coupe license C-21274, issued out of Toledo, Ohio, and all occupants of the car. Stating that Fred Barker might be an occupant of the car and all precautions should be taken in apprehending them.

The report further reflects in a report written by Detective Emil Musil on September 6, 1934, that he in company with Detective Orley May, interviewed Mr. Fall, manager of the Cleveland Trust Bank branch at 11645 Lorain Avenue, regarding the safety deposit box key which was found in possession of Ethel Matterson and same had number 194 stamped on same, he then got in touch with the manager of the Cleveland Trust branch at Lorain and Triket Road, and described the key which "we" hold and he informed that they have the same kind of keys at their branch and also that box 194 is at their office, but he was unable to state whether any one had visited that box on September 6, 1934.

The above named officers also called on Nelson Couchy, who is employed in the Safety Department of The Cleveland Trust Company, and requested him to place a "stopper" on this box the next day, which Mr. Couchy stated he would do.

The officers also requested that the safety deposit box key be taken to the main office of The Cleveland Trust Company by the day men and Mr. Couchy would then go with them to the Lorain Trisket Road Branch for the purpose of identifying same.

Further reference to this key will be made later in this report.

In a report dated September 10, 1934, written by Detective Mettel it stated that Mettel, in company with Sweeney, interviewed William Klinger, 4415 West 171st Street, and was advised by him that he noticed at 9:27 P. M. that date he was coming home in a bus and while crossing the New York Central railroad tracks and Purits Road, he noticed a man sitting in a Ford sedan and another man looking at the engine with the hood up and a third man was on the west side of the tracks looking toward the home on West 171st Street, this man he recognized as the man living next door to him with the dark bushy hair.

Detective Harry Hugo was again interviewed by Agents Brennan and Smith and he reviewed his daily report book and advised that at 3:30 A. M. on September 6, 1934, he in company with Detective Jacobs, detective cruiser #2 in command of Sergeant Finnigan, and a squad of uniformed officers under Lieutenant Olderman of the 17th precinct, entered the house at 4419 West 171st Street, and searched same, then Jacobs and he remained on detail there until relieved at 6:00 A. M. by Detectives Cowles and Crator. Detective Hugo further stated that on September 10, 1934, in company with Detective Jacobs, he interviewed a Sam Grogan, 4499 Martha Road, and was advised by him that he had seen a Packard sedan bearing 1934 New York license plates 9 Y 6427 parked a short distance from the house on West 171st Street. Hugo further stated that a letter had been directed to the police of New York City relative to this car.

Agents with the assistance of Hugo located the correspondence relative to the car and it was noted in letter dated October 2, 1934, and signed by John J. Seery, Chief Inspector, New York Police Department, that the New York police had interviewed one Frank Szunjogh, 310 East 80th Street, New York City, who advised them that the plates were listed to him for a Chrysler sedan, motor #P200668, and serial LE 806 P. The letter further stated that Szunjogh had arrived in Cleveland in August, 1934, to visit his father John Szunjogh, 2215 Hurley Avenue, and with his uncle, Louis Kline, 12507 Griffen Avenue. That he stored his Chrysler in a garage located at 12509 Griffen Avenue, until September 20, 1934, when he sold it to a man known only to him as Nick, and paid one dollar to John Bushner, Clerk of Court to record the sale.

Special Agent C. E. Smith checked the grantor and grantee books at the office of the Clerk of Courts, County Courts Building, Ontario and Lakeside Avenues, and ascertained that the above described Chrysler automobile was in fact transferred by Szunjogh on September 20, 1934, to Nick Antonelli, 2661 East 114th Street, Cleveland, Ohio. Interview will be had with Antonelli in the near future to ascertain what disposition he made of the license plates which were on the car when he bought it.

In view of the fact that Detective Hugo advised that he had found a .32 caliber automatic in the automobile used by the women just prior to their arrest, inquiry was made of Inspector Joseph Sweeney as to its present whereabouts and he stated after a search of the records that instant pistol, as well as a .25 caliber automatic found in the house at 4419 West 171st Street, when it was raided by the police on September 6, 1934, were presently in possession of D. C. Cowles, Superintendent of Ballistics. Agent C. E. Smith interviewed Superintendent Cowles and he advised that the number of the .32 caliber Colt automatic was 308548, which had been shipped by the Colt Firearms Company to Farwell, Ozmun, Kirk and Company, St. Paul, Minnesota, on September 12, 1919. Cowles further stated in reference to this gun that a check of the Cleveland police

records did not disclose that it had ever been pawned, reported stolen or used in a shooting in the Cleveland territory, and further that he had sent test shots obtained from this gun to the St. Paul Police Department. Superintendent Cowles stated in reference to the .25 caliber Colt automatic that it bore number 392863, and was shipped to Thomas Diggs Company, Sacramento, California, on March 9, 1932. Agent was further advised by Cowles that this gun was never pawned, reported stolen or used in a shooting in the Cleveland territory, and that test shots taken from this gun were likewise sent to the St. Paul, Minnesota Police Department. Test shots using Peters, Western, and Remington UMC ammunition were fired on September 3, 1936, by Patrolman Lloyd Trunk of the Ballistics Bureau and turned over to Agent and same have been forwarded to the Technical Laboratory for appropriate examination. The above-mentioned guns are still in the possession of the Cleveland Police Department. PREVIOUS RECORD OF IN 7-876-127

With reference to the safety deposit box key which Detectives May and Musil checked in an endeavor to ascertain the location of the box, Agent contacted Mr. W. H. Rodgers, manager of the Safety Box Department at the main office of the Cleveland Trust Company, and he stated that after a check of his records they did not reflect the rental of any box to any person or persons using the name or alias of any of the three women. Mr. Howard Gales of the Legal Department of the Cleveland Trust Company advised that there was no record of any stop or restraining order placed on any box by the Cleveland Police Department, on or about the time of September 5, 6, 7, 1934.

Mr. H. J. Gwilyn, manager of the Cleveland Trust Company at West 171st Street and Lorain Avenue, advised that key number 194 would have been issued for a safety deposit box at the Lorain Trisket Road branch of the Pearl Street Savings Bank, which had been taken over by the Cleveland Trust Company and all of the safety deposit boxes moved to his branch. At Agent's request he was permitted to personally check the safety deposit contracts, ledger cards, and monthly reports of the branch, however, no evidence was found which indicated box 194 had been rented by anyone. Mrs. L. Spitko, clerk at the bank, advised that box 194 was a six dollar box and only one box of that type had been rented during the period around June, 1934 to October, 1934. At the request of Agent and in the presence of Manager Gwilyn, Teller A. E. Restel and clerk Spitko, box 194 was opened and was found to be empty. Both keys to this box are and have been in the possession of the bank and Mr. Gwilyn stated that they were the original keys and not duplicates.

In view of the fact that Detectives May and Musil had contacted Mr. Nelson Couchy of the Safety Department of the Cleveland Trust Company with reference to the key, Agent interviewed him and he stated that if his recollection was correct he personally checked all of the Cleveland Trust bank branches for the detectives and later Detectives Corso and Finnigan had made some further check and then he believed they had sent the key to either the Chief of Police at Detroit or Chicago. A check

was made of the Detective Bureau property book, as well as the booking window property book which lists all property taken from prisoners or held in evidence and it was noted that on September 7, 1934, Detectives Hugo and Jacobs turned over to Patrolman Meyer of the police property room, one lady's coat and baby clothes that had been found in the automobile used by the women just prior to the time of their arrest. The remarks in reference to this property were, "Hold for the owner." In the prisoners' property book at the booking window, the following property was noted accompanied by the following remarks:

September 8, 1934, turned over to Special Agent Peters of the U. S. Department of Justice, and signed for by him:

Ethel Matterson	Hand bag and 600 dollars. (Notation: Matterson drew ten dollars on 9/6/34 for food and two dollars on 9/5/34 for food.)
Gladys Sawyer	Hand bag, papers, keys, and fifty dollars. (Notation: Sawyer drew five dollars; no date given.)
Wynona Walcott	Chain hand bag and keys.

Inspector Sweeney stated that it was entirely possible that the key in question had been turned over to Agent Peters at the time all other property was turned over to him. Special Agents S. K. McKee and C. E. Smith checked all of the keys presently in the files of this case at the Cleveland office as well as the inventory taken by Agents at the time of the women's arrest, however, no reference to a key bearing the number 194 was found. Further investigation will be conducted relative to this matter.

In view of the fact that the file discloses (report of Special Agent D. E. Hall, Detroit, Michigan, September 25, 1934, page 11, interview between Captain Frank Story and Special Agent W. E. Peters) that a bank book was found by the police, bearing the name of Ethel Matterson, 4419 West 171st Street, Special Agent C. E. Smith interviewed Miss H. G. Dunn, clerk of the combination file at the main office of the Cleveland Trust Company, and she advised that her records disclosed that Ethel Matterson (Mrs. J. Earl) of 10515 Parkhurst Street, opened an account with the Lorain-West 117th Street branch of the bank on June 22, 1934, at which time

Miss Dunn telephonically communicated with Mr. D. E. Hall, manager of the branch bank and he advised that account number [redacted] in the name of Mrs. J. Earl, or Ethel Matterson, was presently inactive and there was a balance of [redacted] in same. The record card did not reflect in the names of any individuals who may have vouched for the account of Ethel Matterson.

Mr. F. L. Chamberlin, Auditor of the Cleveland Trust Company was interviewed for the purpose of ascertaining the amount of deposits at various times in the account of the Matterson woman and he advised that the account was opened on June 29, 1934 and same is set forth: b7c

June 29, 1934

July 13, 1934

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Aug. 3, 1934

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Sept. 4, 1934

Oct. 16

July 1, 1935

Mr. Chamberlin further advised that Attorney Edward Stanton

Agent requested to see the assignment and a yellow sheet of paper similar to that used by Attorneys in their offices was exhibited to Agent and it was noted that on October 2, 1934, Ethel Matterson had set off and assigned to her attorney, Edward Stanton, all of the money in her bank account, same amounting to approximately

This assignment was written in long hand by someone other than the Matterson woman, however, it was signed by Paula Harmon as Mrs. Ethel Matterson. The withdrawal slip was made on October 15, 1934, and the money drawn on October 16, 1934. Attorney Edward Stanton signed the withdrawal slip and Mr. Chamberlin advised that the stamp on the slip would indicate that Mr. Stanton was paid the money in cash at the main office of the bank.

Special Agent C. E. Smith interviewed Walter Walker in Director Nees' office and he furnished Agent with a photograph of the matrons of the city jail. A list of the prisoners who were incarcerated in the woman's jail prior to the time the three women were arrested and who were released either shortly before or at about the same time the three women were admitted to the jail, was also furnished and these names will be set out below, as follows:

Ida Waters, 23 years, of 5804 Cedar Avenue
9:10 AM, September 4, 1934

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Marie Allen, alias Wilson, 30 years, of 1890 East 97th Street
3:30 PM, September 4, 1934

Detectives Murphy and Masterson
Bound over to Grand Jury

Luella Tillman, 20 years, of 2255 East 55th Street
4:15 PM, September 4, 1934

Released by Detectives 6:05 PM, September 5, 1934

Doris Gray, 29 years, of 1854 East 19th Street
9:25 PM, September 4, 1934

Sergeant Graham and Zalewski, 1st precinct.
Released by Sgt. Graham, 6:00 PM, September 5, 1934.

Lillian Richardson, 36 years, of 1795 East 19th Street
9:25 PM, September 4, 1934

Sergeant Graham and Zalewski #1082 - 1st precinct
Released by Sergeant Graham 6:00 PM, September 5, 1934

Agnes Foster, 47 years, of 4022 Perkins Avenue
10:00 PM, September 4, 1934

Sgt. Graham and Zalewski #1082 - 1st precinct
Released by Sergt. Graham at 6:00 PM, September 5, 1934.

Christine McDonald, 27 years, of 1861 East 24th Street
10:00 PM, September 4, 1934

Sergeant Graham and Zalewski #1082 - 1st precinct
Released by Sergt. Graham 6:00 PM, September 5, 1934.

Maude Herbert, 58 years, of 1829 East 65th Street
9:50 PM, September 4, 1934

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[REDACTED]
Released by Lt. Busser - 10:20 AM, September 5, 1934

Jennie Posur, 41 years, of 1416 East 26th Street
12:30 A. M., September 4, 1934

[REDACTED]
Released by Lt. Busser, 10:20 AM, September 5, 1934

Eva Gilmore, 26 years of 6407 Euclid Ave., suite 304,
11:50 PM, September 4, 1934

[REDACTED]
Captain Cadek, et al
Released to 4th Precinct, 10:30 AM, September 5, 1934

Rose Newman, 37 years, of 1717 East 55th Street
1:00 AM, September 4, 1934

[REDACTED]
Captain Cadek, et al
Released to 4th Precinct 10:30 AM, September 5, 1934.

Mr. Stanley Carruthers, 3801 Montevista Road, former Chief of the Safety Department of the Cleveland Trust Company, advised Special Agent C. E. Smith that it was his recollection that Detectives Corso and Finnegan had checked the banks the following day after Detectives May and Musil had made arrangements with Nelson Couchy to locate the safety deposit box and it was also his recollection that an Agent by the name of Hopton had also discussed the facts surrounding the safety deposit box key with him.

John Corso, detective, was interviewed by Special Agent C. E. Smith relative to the safety deposit key and he advised that he was during 1934 assigned to the automobile squad and the only work done by him on the Karpis case was "planting" an apartment in the vicinity of 40th Street and Perkins Avenue, on the tip that Karpis was staying there, however, Corso stated that "was a bum tip" like numerous others and that they had received many such reports at that time. Corso further stated that he had not interviewed anyone at the Cleveland Trust Company nor had he ever worked with Detective Finnegan.

N. J. Finnegan, Sergeant, fourth precinct, was interviewed by Special Agent C. E. Smith and he stated that in September, 1934, he was assigned to the detective bureau and to the hotel and check squad under Inspector Sweeney. Finnegan further stated that he did at that time fill in on the detective cruisers as the sergeants were on furlough and he recalled that during that time his cruiser had received a call to meet Detectives Hugo and Jacobs in the vicinity of 177th Street and Purits Road, and while on the way there were called off and sent to the scene of a shooting at the Back Stage Club and after investigating that complaint were ordered to proceed on the previous call. Sergeant Finnegan stated that he met Hugo and Jacobs and as he recalled there was also a uniformed squad there and they proceeded to a house on West 171st Street and Detective Hugo, or one of the men, opened the door with a key and they went in and searched the house, but no one was home. Agent as advised by Finnegan that they did not know the identity of the occupants of the occupants of the house at that time, however, he left a detail there until morning for the purpose of watching the house and picking up anyone who might come there. Sergeant Finnegan further advised that during the nights following, the house on West 171st Street and one on West 140th Street, were given special attention by his cruiser. Agent inquired of Sergeant Finnegan if he had had the occasion to check any safety deposit boxes or keys at that time and he stated that he was working nights and day men would have taken care of that, further stating that the names of the officers assigned to the case would have been written on the bottom or back of the report made by Detectives May and Musil. Agent previously checked all correspondence pertaining to this case in the Cleveland police records, and it was noted that no officers names were written on the report other than May and Musil.

Kurt Gloeckner, captain of police, 4th Precinct, was interviewed by Special Agents S. K. McKee and C. E. Smith and he stated that during the year 1934 and especially at the time that Gladys Sawyer, Wynona Burdette and Paula Harmon were arrested by the Cleveland police he was assigned to the detective bureau and worked on the vandal squad and also investigated labor troubles. Captain Gloeckner stated that he was not sure of the exact date that the women were arrested, however, he advised that the morning after their arrest Inspector Cody ordered Sergeant Eusman and himself to proceed to the West 171st Street address and search the house thoroughly for any evidence they might find pointing to the identity of the individuals then under arrest. Captain Gloeckner further advised that he was certain in his own mind that the reason Inspector Cody ordered him to search the house was because Attorney Ed Stanton was in the office inquiring about the women and Gloeckner stated that Stanton was never interested in any small stuff, as he termed it, and Inspector Cody felt that the women must be from a rather big time gang if Stanton was wasting his time on them.

Continuing, Captain Gloeckner advised that during the search he found a getaway chart in the house as well as a set of fingerprints with the name and description cut away. Gloeckner stated that in his opinion that was the first time any definite information was received which would cast any light upon the identities of the women, or their associates. It was his opinion that a detail of detectives was placed on the house and remained there for several days although he was not sure of the exact length of time. Gloeckner advised that all of the information obtained at that time was turned over to Special Agents Peters and he heard no more about it until Agents under Inspector Cowley attempted to gain entrance to the house and the detectives on the detail refused to let them enter until their superior officers arrived from Central police station.

Captain Gloeckner stated that shortly thereafter Inspector Cowley arrived and took command of the situation and he had nothing further to do with the investigation. Agents asked the captain if he had heard any rumors to the effect that there had been a tipoff and he stated that it was his impression that Detective Jacobs, whom he stated was a friend of James "Shimmy" Patton, had made a telephone call to the Harvard Club, but he did not know that of his own knowledge. In order to secure the Captain's reactions he was asked if it were possible that the telephone call was made innocently, and for the purpose of securing information in view of the fact that Paula Harmon continually called for Shimmy Patton, and Gloeckner said, "Don't give me that stuff; you know better than that; that there must have been a tipoff somewhere." Continuing, the Captain stated that anyone who knew the setup would know that nothing could be ascertained from Shimmy Patton, as he told nobody anything.

Agents ^{were} further advised by Captain Gloeckner that he had talked very briefly with the women but had been unable to secure any information from them whatsoever. Captain Gloeckner further advised that the reason he dropped out of the investigation was that Agent Peters had not cooperated with the police as he had promised to do and later Agents had made a raid in the early morning of an apartment on Franklin Boulevard, and neighbors in the vicinity had called the police department and said that a group of men with machine guns were running around and the police had sent some squads to the address, which might have resulted in both the police and Agents firing at each other. Gloeckner stated that he realized the nature of our work was such that we could not advise the police departments of all of our moves, but felt that some advance information such as calling the police department possibly five minutes before a raid and advising that our men would be working in a general district would greatly lessen any chance of either police or Agents being shot by mistake. Captain Gloeckner was advised that in view of the present investigation he might possibly hear some rumor regarding the case and he was requested to advise the Cleveland office in the event that he did, to which he appeared to readily agree. Agents inquired of Gloeckner if he

had heard some sort of rumor of a bracelet being involved in the tipoff and he stated that it was entirely possible that some prisoner being released from the jail could very easily have received it in payment for making a contact. In this connection he also stated that conditions in the jail were not of the best when it was necessary to hold a prisoner incommunicado inasmuch as individuals from various restaurants were continually coming and going, bringing food, candy and cigarettes to the prisoners and any of them might be approached and requested to carry a message out. Continuing, Gloeckner stated that it had happened on occasions that attorneys had called at the Bureau requesting to see a prisoner who was supposed to be held in that manner, and he had asked the attorney how he had found out that his client was in jail and had received the answer that a little bird had told him.

Agents requested Gloeckner to advise them of the names of the various detectives who were on duty and had any part in the case and he stated that the only one he could recall was a detective by the name of Cowles who was on detail at the West 171st Street house. Gloeckner further stated that a special beat book was kept in the detective bureau and this book should reflect the names of the men and what their duties were at that time. A check of this book will be made in the near future and the names of the detectives assigned to the case will be secured for further investigation.

The following investigation concerning the arrests of Gladys Sawyer, Wynona Burdette, and Paula Harmon at the Hotel Cleveland on September 5, 1934, was conducted by Special Agent S. K. McKee:

Fred Bonneville, Assistant Manager, was interviewed and, although he could not recall the date, he remembered the incident of the arrests of the three women. He advised that he was on duty on the afternoon in question and received a telephone call from the Bronze Room, the hotel cocktail room, in which he was informed that there were three intoxicated women with a small child. He stated that it is the policy of the hotel to refuse to serve additional drinks to anyone who becomes intoxicated, and that he instructed the cocktail room employee not to let the women have anymore drinks. He said he then went to the Bronze Room and observed the women, noticing that one of them was so drunk that she had her head down on the table; that he instructed a house officer, who was at the scene, to take the women and the child out of the place in order not to attract attention to their conditions; and that he then left the room. He advised that these women later created quite a disturbance in the room, but that he was not present and had no personal knowledge of the matter.

Through inquiry of House Officer Howard it was ascertained that H. J. Gunderson, house officer, was the individual who had contact with the women at the time of their arrests.

H. J. Gunderson, house officer, was interviewed and it was ascertained that he recalled the incident of these arrests. He could not fix any date, however, but referred to the incident as having occurred about two years ago. He advised that on the day in question he received a telephone call to come to the Bronze Room to look after some disorderly women; that when he arrived there he met Assistant Manager Bonneville, who instructed him to get the women out of the place as soon as possible. Gunderson was shown pictures of Gladys Sawyer, Paula Harmon and Wynona Burdette, and he identified them as the likenesses of the three he found in the Bronze Room. He stated that the Sawyer woman had a small child with her; that she was very drunk and had her head on the table as if asleep; that the other two women were creating considerable disorder because the waiter would not let them have additional drinks. He said he told them they would have to leave and at this point the Sawyer woman roused herself and became very abusive; that the Harmon woman dropped her pocketbook and a pocket knife with a blade at least four inches long fell out of same and that the knife was taken from her; that the women were started from the place and the Sawyer woman fell down in the foyer near the Bronze Room and became sick at her stomach and vomited over the floor; that he helped her to a wicker couch in the foyer and a colored maid came to take care of her; that an old lady tried to help her, but she cursed this lady and she left.

He advised that a wheel chair was obtained and the Sawyer woman was placed in this and taken to the service hall on the first floor where she could get some air. He explained that the first floor referred to is really the fourth floor of the building. The colored maid accompanied her. He advised that a couple additional employees of the hotel assisted in taking the other two women and the child with Mrs. Sawyer. He stated that in the meantime a police officer had been contacted by someone and had made a telephone call to police headquarters. He said that he remained with the Sawyer woman on account of her condition and that the maid kept cold towels on her head. Assistant Manager Carr came to the service hall and assisted in looking after the women and in a very few moments a policewoman arrived. Gunderson said the women and the child were taken to the Third Street entrance of the hotel via the freight elevator, the Sawyer woman still remaining in the wheel chair, and were loaded into a police car. He advised that the policewoman had quite a struggle with the women, particularly Mrs. Sawyer, in getting them into the car and that they continually cursed and fought. It was the opinion of Mr. Gunderson that a uniformed policeman came to the assistance of the policewoman after the women had been put in the car. He, also, seemed to recall that one Weber, head porter at the hotel, was present when the women were taken to the car.

Mr. Gunderson advised in response to questions that none of the women offered him any money in order to let them leave the hotel unmolested, but stated in this connection that he spent all of his attention on the Sawyer woman, who was very drunk and abusive.

H. D. Carr, Assistant Manager, upon interview advised that he recalled the incident with reference to these three women, but he could not remember the date. Photographs of Gladys Sawyer, Paula Harmon, and Wynona Burdette were shown to him and he identified them as the women to whom he referred. He stated that the Sawyer woman had a small child with her. Mr. Carr stated that he first came in contact with the women when Mr. Alguire, sales manager at the hotel, advised him of the disturbance and instructed him to go to the service hall on the first floor and take charge of the situation. He stated that he went to the service hall and found the Sawyer woman in a wheel chair in an intoxicated condition and sick at her stomach, advising that she had been taken there in order to get some air for her and to apply cold towels to her head. He said a policewoman arrived shortly after he did and that he opened room 1098 for the use of the crowd and in order to get the women out of the hall; that the policewoman took one or two of the women into the room to talk with them, but that the Sawyer woman remained in the chair in the hall. He said the Sawyer woman raved and cursed, but that the other two were behaving themselves. It was the recollection of Mr. Carr that in addition to himself, the policewoman, Gunderson, an employee named Callahan, and a maid named Irene Stafford were upstairs with the women.

He stated that the policewoman decided to take the women to jail, and they were loaded into the freight elevator for this purpose. Mrs. Sawyer still remained in the wheel chair on account of her apparent condition. He said that Mrs. Sawyer seemed to come to while going down in the elevator and that she raved and ranted and they had considerable difficulty in keeping her in the wheel chair. The persons who had been upstairs accompanied the women down in the elevator. The policewoman had gone to get the police car in the meantime and arrangements had been made to meet her at the Third Street door of the hotel. Mr. Carr remembered the police car as an old Tudor model. When they succeeded in getting the women downstairs and the police car arrived, the first concern was in getting Mrs. Sawyer into the automobile. She put up quite a struggle and attacked the policewoman, pulling at her clothes and striking her in the face. While they were trying to get the Sawyer woman in the car, the Harmon woman started toward Euclid Avenue with the little girl and Mr. Carr stated that he ran after her accompanied by either Mr. Alguire, who was then present, or Mr. Callahan. They caught up with her and she pleaded with them to let her go, stating that she would give them \$500. if they would let her go. She opened her pocket-book at this time and asked them to look into it to see that she had the money. They advised that she became very angry when they insisted on taking her back to the car, and began to curse them with exceptionally vile language.

Mr. Carr advised further that he is positive there was a uniformed policeman at the car, and that when the women and the child were finally loaded into the car the policeman accompanied them and the policewoman away. Mr. Carr had an idea that the uniformed policeman might have been up in the hotel before the women were brought downstairs, but he was not positive in this statement. He did state that he believes the policeman involved was an officer named George, who has been assigned in the vicinity of the hotel for years.

Casual inquiry through the Yellow Cab Company starter at the Cleveland Hotel indicated that a police officer named Herman Cletzer and another named George, last name unknown, have been on traffic duty in the vicinity for a number of years. These officers will be interviewed later as it is possible that one of them may have been the source of the tip off through which the fugitives ascertained the women had been arrested.

L. H. Alguire, sales manager, Cleveland Hotel, was interviewed for his knowledge of the circumstances surrounding the arrests of the three women. Mr. Alguire could not fix the date of the incident other than to say that it occurred a couple of years ago. He advised that the disorder in the Bronze Room was called to his attention and that he went to the lower foyer to learn what was going on. He said the incident occurred during the middle of the afternoon, or about three to four o'clock. Mr. Alguire encountered Mr. Carr in the foyer and directed him to go to the service hall on the first floor and see that everything was looked after. It was the statement of Mr. Alguire that the small slim woman approached him in the foyer, prior to the arrival of Mr. Carr and offered him \$100. if he would let her and the other women leave the hotel without calling the police. He advised that he did not pay any attention to her talk, however, as he knew all of the women had been drinking heavily and he did not want to risk placing any liability on the hotel by permitting the women to leave with the small child in their drunken condition. Mr. Alguire advised further that he went to the service hall on the first floor and observed what was taking place but intentionally kept out of the picture. He also stated that after the women had been placed on the freight elevator to be taken out of the hotel he went to the Third Street door and also observed what was going on. He remembered the policewoman having much difficulty putting the fat woman in the police car, stating that quite a battle took place before they succeeded in getting her inside. The photographs of Gladys Sawyer, Paula Harmon, and Wynona Burdette were shown to Mr. Alguire and he readily identified them as the likenesses of the three women who were involved in this incident at the hotel.

C. H. Callahan, Assistant Steward, at the hotel was interviewed and he informed that he was on duty in the service section of the Bronze Room on the day the three women were arrested at the hotel for drunkenness and disorderly conduct. He said he could not fix the date of this occurrence, but did recall that it was a couple of years ago. He stated that he was in charge of the room in the absence of the steward. He advised that one of the waiters reported to him that there were three women in the room with a small child; that they had run up a check of about fifteen dollars for drinks; that they were in an intoxicated condition and one of them was slumped over on the table as if she had become unconscious. He said the waiter told them that they could not buy any more drinks and that they became very nasty and noisy and created considerable disturbance. When the disturbance started he went to the scene and assisted several other employees, including Officer Gunderson in getting the women out of the cocktail room. Photographs of Gladys Sawyer, Paula Harmon, and Wynona Burdette were shown to him by Agent and he immediately identified them as the women in question. He advised that the fat woman, whom he indicated was Mrs. Sawyer, became ill in the foyer and had to be taken upstairs in a wheel chair. He said he took care of the child and accompanied the three women and the hotel employees to the service hall on the first floor where there was some air for the sick woman and where a maid applied cold towels to her head.

He stated that a policewoman and a policeman came to the service hall upstairs in a few minutes and it was decided by them that the women and the child should be taken to police headquarters, inasmuch as they would not furnish information concerning themselves and because they appeared to be tough, inasmuch as they continually cursed everybody who had anything to do with them. He stated the women were taken downstairs via the freight elevator to the Third Street entrance of the hotel; that the Sawyer woman was still in the wheel chair on account of her intoxicated condition; that she seemed to revive going down in the elevator and commenced hollering about being in a jail; that when the women were brought outside a struggle was had in getting the Sawyer woman into the police car and the policewoman had a fight with her; that the Harmon started toward Euclid Avenue with the little girl and that he and Assistant Manager Carr ran after her and the Harmon woman offered Mr. Carr \$500. or some such sum of money if he would let her go. He said she was returned to the police car, however, and was driven off in it by the policewoman and policeman, along with the three women and the child.

Irene Stafford, colored maid at the Cleveland Hotel was interviewed for her knowledge of this episode. She stated she is employed as a parlor maid at the hotel, and that she remembered the incident concerning the three women quite well. She was shown photographs of Gladys Sawyer, Paula Harmon and Wynona Burdette and she identified them as the women to whom she referred. She stated she was called to the foyer near the Bronze Room on the afternoon in question to administer to Mrs. Sawyer, who had become sick at her stomach; that when she arrived Mrs. Sawyer

was not wearing shoes and she learned in a few minutes that the Harmon woman had gone to the toilet and had taken the shoes of the Sawyer woman to keep her from leaving the hotel in a drunken condition. She advised that she had Mrs. Sawyer lie down on a sofa while she put cold towels to her head; that shortly thereafter a wheel chair was brought to the foyer and Mrs. Sawyer was placed in it and taken to the service hall on the first floor; that the other two women and the child were taken with her. She said the other women and the child were looked after by the other hotel employees. It was the recollection of this maid that a policewoman appeared on the scene on the first floor shortly after the women were taken there, and that the policewoman took Paula Harmon into a nearby room and talked to her for a few minutes. She also advised that Paula Harmon had the pocketbook of the Sawyer woman in her possession during the time she was sick.

The maid said that the three women and the child were taken down to the Third Street entrance in the freight elevator shortly after the policewoman arrived, and that the Sawyer woman created a lot of disturbance going down in the elevator. During this time the maid was continually applying cold towels to her head. She said she saw Mrs. Sawyer attack the policewoman when she tried to get her into the police car, and that the help of several men was necessary before she was finally put in the car. Irene Stafford could not recall the presence of a policeman on the scene at any time, nor could she remember any offers of money to the policewoman or hotel employees for permitting the women or any of them to go about their business. It was ascertained during the course of the above interview with Irene Stafford that she resides at 2205 East 78th Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

[REDACTED] was interviewed by Special Agents S. K. McKee and C. E. Smith relative to the identity of the various employees of the club and he stated that he had not had the occasion to visit the club recently due to the fact that he had been working on the boats, however, he signified his willingness to go to the club and find out who the present employees are. [REDACTED] was questioned about Fred Hunter and Milton Lett for the purpose of ascertaining the whereabouts of Sharkey Gorman, who [REDACTED] had been very friendly with Milton Lett. [REDACTED] stated that Gorman and Lett were frequently together and in his opinion that Lett either resided with Gorman or very near to him. [REDACTED] that he thought that Lett was some relative of Gorman, but [REDACTED] nation on which to base his beliefs. In reference to Lett Lett had worked at the Harvard Club in the capacity of a schiller and

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at times also worked in the coop. In reference to the coop [redacted] stated that it contained rifles, tear gas, shot guns and a machine gun as well as the electrical buzzer system used in the club. [redacted] stated that he had obtained that information from a man who was one of the regular coop men, further stating that he had never seen the machine gun himself.

In reference to the employees of the club [redacted] that the following named individuals were noted by him as working at the club:

Toots (last name not known)	fronting for Art Hebebrand and James Patton. This man's name is probably "Toots" Talbot.
Shorty Conway	In company with "Toots" fronting for Hebebrand and Patton.
Sammy Solomon	Dealer.
Solomon	Dealer, brother of Sammy (first name not known).
Red McKay	Dealer.
Kelly	Ladder man (first name not known) former bit shot gambler in Cleveland, who went broke.
Tony Amersbach	Doorman.
Louis Monica	Doorman (brother-in-law of Hebebrand.)
Dave (last name not known)	Driver.
Big Joe (last name not known)	Driver.
Micky " " " "	Driver.

[redacted] at the present time the club is operating four crap tables, one black jack table and the horse racing board, and employs about twenty dealers plus ladder men and doormen.

[redacted] was also questioned as to how or through whom Hunter and Lett had been able to obtain employment at the club and he stated that Hunter was a good dealer, but he did not know his connections. As to Lett, he stated he had been friendly with Gorman, Hebebrand, and Solomon had also been very friendly with Gorman and Hebebrand and would therefore possibly have been friendly with Lett.

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Agents questioned [redacted] as to what connections or contacts Hebebrand and Patton had in political circles which made it possible for them to run, and he stated that a man by the name of Morris, whose last name he did not know, had some checkers working at the Harvard Club for the purpose of protecting his interests. [redacted] was unable to furnish any further information relative to this man.

With reference to the Argonne Club, [redacted] advised that he thought Francis Zimmer and Tom McGinty operated the place, but he did not believe that Hebebrand or Patton had any connection, stating that the present group operating the Harvard Club had been together for approximately the past seven years. The Argonne Club, which is located on the third floor of the building located at 722 Superior Avenue, and is known as the Argonne Athletic Club, may be running at the present time, but if it is, it is "under cover" [redacted]

When questioned by Agents as to why Hebebrand and Patton were apparently not at the club and "Toots" and "Shorty" Conway were fronting for them, [redacted] advised that both of them spent considerable time at the Beachliffe Building Company located opposite the Westlake Hotel in Rocky River, Ohio, which is a suburb of Cleveland, where they are engaged in building five new houses on Morewood Parkway.

The following summary of the logs of the telephone taps now being maintained was prepared by Special Agent A. Paul Kitchen:

On August 29, 1936, on the telephone tap on the residence of Nate Weisenberg, nothing of great importance occurred with the possible exception of the following:

Nate Weisenberg called the residence of Captain John Wolf of the Cleveland Police Department, and asked to speak to him, but Captain Wolf had left the house and therefore it is not known what the conversation was concerning as he stated that he would contact him at his work. On this same morning Nate called Sergeant Gallagher at precinct number eight at which time he made an appointment to see the sergeant at the courtroom. According to the Agent listening in on this call, the sergeant was not at all enthusiastic concerning this appointment.

During this same day, Mrs. Weisenberg, in conversation with Noonan, mentioned the fact that she had found a receipt for \$15.00 made out to Nate by the Fairmount Dress Shop, address unknown, for a deposit on some clothes that were obtained for Mildred Thatcher. This further confirms the fact that Thatcher is the paramour of Nate.

The tap on the telephone of Ardell Quinn on this date was unproductive except that a girl called Ardell and stated that her telephone number was Henderson 0910 and that her name was Ruth. She stated that she was residing in the Belden Apartments, apartment 203. She wanted Ardell to give her a call in the event she could be used on a date out of Ardell's house. This is an apartment hotel located at 1903 East 70th Street, and the above number is listed to the hotel and is operated through a switchboard.

On August 30, 1936, Nate Weisenberg was notified by Zimmer that Jimmy Sincetta at Canton, Ohio, gambler and racketeer, was putting in some marble machines in Nate's territory; after being notified of this fact, Nate called Alfred Polizzi, 1576 Oakmount Road, telephone FAirmount 7209, but did not find him at home. This number is an unlisted number. Al Polizzi, as has been reported before, is a local racketeer and part owner of the Thomas Club. It is also thought he is one of the big shots in the Mayfield Road Mob. He then called Zimmer who gave him the details of the report that Sincetta was going all over the county with a man by the name of Pomeroy scaring people into allowing him to place machines in the same spots where Nate's machines are located. Nate then called Morris Haas and asked for the telephone number of Gyp or Tip. Then he called Michigan 8366 and talked to some foreigner relative to having him do something about running Sincetta out of town. This number is listed to C. W. Gerrick, 4626 East 88th Street.

On this date on the telephone of Ardell Quinn, nothing happened except a continuous calling of the same telephone numbers which have already been reported.

On August 31, 1936, both of the above-mentioned taps were only a repetition of the calls previously made and reported.

On September 1, 1936, the telephone of Weisenberg was unproductive with the possible exception that Nate called and made an appointment with Director Eliot Ness for 10:30 A. M. this same date. He then called Sam Haas and told him of the appointment with Safety Director Ness, whereupon Haas told him that before he went to see Ness for him to come by his (Haas') office and talk to him. The Agent on the tap immediately advised this office of the appointment with Ness, whereupon Agent C. E. Smith went to the office of the Safety Director and observed Weisenberg. Agent Smith stated that Ness did not fill his appointment with Weisenberg.

On this same date Ardell called several girls as she was having a difficult time locating enough girls for a party which she was to plan for out-of-town men. During this time three more prostitutes were called the names and addresses of whom are as follows:

Barbara Gaughan, 1910 East 85th Street, suite #7, telephone Garfield 1308.

Mary P. Carney, 1387 East 89th Street, telephone Garfield 1302.

Bea Ramer, 1898 East 82nd Street, suite #11, telephone Garfield 8724.
Called Henderson 7024, talked to Margie.

Jack Maresca, 1640 East 78th Street.

Mrs. Ruby Tresnow, 1472 Addison Rd., telephone Henderson 5812,
talked to Billie.

Ardell also called a new bookie joint and placed a bet on the horses. The number called was Clearwater 2440 and is an unlisted number. This is the number of Ray French, 3117 West 116th Street.

During the day, Nate Weisenberg called Ardell and they had a long conversation concerning Mildred Thatcher and the fact that she had been out of town for a few days and was staying in or near Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Nate told her that he was putting a new bar in at the Mayfair Casino. Ardell invited Nate out to dinner and he accepted.

On September 2, 1936, Mrs. Weisenberg was called by some unknown party and they discussed Mildred Thatcher at which time Mrs. Weisenberg told this party that Mildred Thatcher was living at 4060 Rocky River Road and that her mother was living at 13317 Edgewater. This, however, is not the address that this office has for Thatcher as was obtained from the telephone company.

On this same date Ardell called the Harvard Club, telephone Michigan 7333, and asked to talk with Mr. Tully. Mr. Kelley answered the telephone and would not connect her with Tully as Tully was busy.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent A. Paul Kitchin:

While at the offices of the Ohio Bell Telephone Company ascertaining listings on calls made from the telephones of Nate Weisenberg and Ardell Quinn, this Agent was informed by Mr. R. Christman, business manager, relative to the alleged association of Nate Weisenberg and Mildred Thatcher.

Mildred Thatcher, it should be recalled, has been called by Ardell Quinn on several occasions at which time the conversations had by these individuals makes it apparent that they are quite intimate. The telephone number of Mildred Thatcher is Westlake 394 and is unlisted.

Mr. Christman stated that several months ago, probably in the late winter of 1935-1936, Mildred Thatcher came to his office and complained of the fact that she thought her telephone to be tapped, giving as a reason for her beliefs the fact that she was being "kept" by Nate Weisenberg and she was afraid that she at one time may have become overly intoxicated and talked a little too much and for this reason she suspected that Weisenberg was checking up on her and would probably have her "bumped off" in the event he overheard anything from her that might in any way leave him with the impression that she was "talking."

Mr. Christman stated that she talked very freely with him and he ascertained from her that at that time she was not living with her mother, but she was residing somewhere on Westlake Boulevard; that she was living at this address under the name of Mrs. Weis; that she also had her own apartment, the address of which she did not disclose, and her mother was residing at the address at which she is presently residing. This address is 24463 Westlake Road.

According to Christman, she has discontinued the two apartments mentioned above and is living with her mother at the above address. The telephone is in her name and not under the name of Weis.

Christman stated that Mildred Thatcher is a very attractive woman and at the time she was in his office she was wearing what appeared to be very expensive clothes. She also had on several pieces of expensive jewelry. Christman informed this Agent that he had no information to offer as to whether or not she is still being "kept" by Weisenberg and he had no way of ascertaining this.

From the telephone tap on the telephone of Weisenberg, however, it has been learned from Mrs. Weisenberg that Nate is still having an affair with this woman and is suspected of taking a trip with her in the very near future. From the last conversation overheard relative to this matter, it seems that information has come to one Noonan, the identity of whom has not been definitely established, that Nate is supposed to leave on Monday, August 31, 1936, for Atlantic City, New Jersey, where he is to meet Mildred Thatcher.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent J. B. Fitzgerald:

A memorandum was submitted in this case by Special Agent L. A. Ducommun of the Cleveland office to the effect that recently a garage owner by the name of Murphy told him that Alvin Karpis purchased an automobile battery last winter some time from his garage, which is located near the corner of Superior and 102nd Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

Agent interviewed this garage owner, who stated that he, Morris Murphy, is the owner of the A.B.C. Garage located at 10217 Superior Street, and that one night last November or December a man walked into his garage and asked to purchase a battery for his 1935 Chevrolet coupe, which had stalled near the corner of Ashberry Street and the boulevard. This car bore a Michigan license and the man gave no name. When questioned as to why he thought this man was Karpis, Mr. Murphy stated that he had seen pictures of Karpis in the papers and later was sure this man was Karpis because he resembled the pictures, and further that this person kept his hands in his overcoat pockets as though he carried a gun therein. Mr. Murphy described this man as being six feet in height, 190 pounds, black hair, very muscular build, wore no eye-glasses, had a square face, protruding jaw, and was very tough looking. Agent exhibited photographs of the Barker-Karpis mob, including the photographs of Karpis, but Murphy said positively that none of them resembled the man who bought the battery. Agent then brought the attention of Murphy to the photographs of Karpis, and was informed positively that this was not the likeness of the man he thought was Karpis.

As requested in report of Special Agent S. K. McKee, Cleveland, Ohio, dated August 25, 1936, Agent placed a mail cover on the mail of the following persons, who reside at 24463 Westlake Road, Bay village, Ohio: John E. Thatcher, wilda Thatcher, John Thatcher, Kenneth Thatcher and Mildred Thatcher Weis. Postmaster O. R. Bentley of Bay Village stated that he would commence this mail cover on September 2, 1936, and send all tracings promptly to the Cleveland office. He stated that Mildred Thatcher was married to a Jew named Weis. It will be remembered that Weis is the name which Mildred Thatcher and Nat Weisenberg use when they pose as man and wife.

During a portion of the period of this report Special Agent A. P. Kitchin has been engaged in the preparation of a summary report as to Milton Lett. This summary report has been completed and is being forwarded to the various offices for which investigation is indicated.

Photographs of all policewomen and matrons employed by the Cleveland Police Department have been furnished to this office by Safety Director Eliot Ness, and are being retained in the file pending additional interviews with Gladys Sawyer, Paula Harmon, and Wynona Burdette; Also for use in interviews with the various women prisoners confined in the City Jail during the time the above three women were held, if and when these women are located.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent J. B. Fitzgerald at the Public Library in Cleveland, Ohio:

The files of the Cleveland Plain Dealer for the period between January 15, 1934 and May 10, 1936, were examined for news articles and photographs pertaining to the Bremer kidnaping case and the Barker-Karpis gang with the following results:

Following the date, the headlines of each article will be set forth followed by the gist of the article.

Jan. 19, 1934

Father Begs Police Halt Kidnap Hunt. Edward G. Bremer family vainly await instructions from kidnapers of 37 year old bank owner held for \$200,000 ransom.

January 20, 1934

Tells of Seeing Banker Kidnaped. Milk driver gives first clue, says he was an eye witness to the kidnaping of Bremer and tells how an automobile blocked the path of the Bremer car while several men got in with victim and drove away.

Jan. 21, 1934

Negotiations Near in Kidnaping. Banker is OK Police Declare. Note saying Bremer is bumped off is branded as hoax. Victim's aged father willing to pay the ransom and is waiting to be contacted by the kidnapers. A copyrighted article in Inspector Charles J. Tierney appears in this issue telling his version of the whole case.

Jan. 22, 1934

Banker Dead Says Second Kidnaping note. Article relates that a squad of special agents were sent to the vicinity where this note said the body would be found to search for same.

Jan. 23, 1934

Reports Banker Lives and Will Be Released On Payment of Ransom. Minneapolis underworld characters corraled by police at request of the U. S. Government in hope of gaining information from them.

Jan. 24, 1934

Family Hopeful in Kidnap Case. Friends Expect Quick Release of Banker. Bremer, Sr. says that he has heard nothing from the kidnapers.

Jan. 25, 1934

Discloses Kidnaping Notes Were Mailed. U. S. Hughes, Minneapolis Post Office Inspector, said, "I understand letters to the family have come through the post office."

EDITORIAL. Underworld holds the aces. The kidnap racket is a long ways from being broken.

Jan. 27, 1934

Secret Ransom Pledged. Walter Magee pledged to keep secret all information in order that the gang can contact him or the Bremer family.

Feb. 1, 1934

U. S. Traps Sankey, Kidnap Gang Chief. He denied any connection with the Bremer kidnaping. Fifteenth day passes without any further communication from the Bremer kidnapers. Photograph of Vern Sankey.

Feb. 9, 1934

Kidnaper Sankey hangs self in cell. Hundreds hunt gang that got \$200,000 from Bremer. Release of St. Paul man sets 200 police and 313 Federal Agents on great manhunt. Victim was beaten, has welts on his head. Photo of Vern Sankey.

EDITORIAL. Gangland plays its aces. Victim is delivered, \$200,000 is paid as ransom. So far Bremer's kidnapers have made a monkey of the law.

Feb. 10, 1934

Bremer Pictures 3 week Ordeal. Ransomed banker tells of suffering in the clutches of kidnapers. Bremer told story of abduction and detention by kidnapers. Photograph of Mrs. Edward G. Bremer and daughter Betty.

Feb. 11, 1934

Winnepeg Bobs Up in Kidnap Search. Contact man in Bremer case reported there with Federal Agents. Assistant Director Nathan said that no Agents were in Winnepeg. U. S. took full charge of Bremer case today.

Feb. 17, 1934

Senator Copeland of New York flays three cities police; St. Paul, Minneapolis and Kansas City. Crime conditions called horrible. Edward G. Bremer said he did not think Attorney General justified in saying that Federal Agents were not receiving full cooperation from the Bremer family.

Feb. 18, 1934

St. Paul insult Up to Roosevelt. President asked to force Cummings to explain rap at twin cities police. Mayor William Mahoney wants facts relative to non-cooperation of police in Bremer case.

Mar. 16, 1934

Jail two women and six men wanted for killings. Hot on Bremer kidnap trail Federal and state manhunters arrested eight. Two or more Bremer kidnapers reported in this district. (Mannford, Oklahoma.)

Mar. 23, 1934

Trail Chiefs of Gangs in Kidnap Case. U. S. Agents name two wanted for job on Bremer. Arthur R. Barker and Alvin Karpis, joint leaders of a notorious gang named as kidnapers of Edward G. Bremer. Front Page.

Apr. 8, 1934

Dillinger hit by gunfire, belief. Ravings of wounded Eugene Green studied for clue to Dillinger hideout. Authorities are pressing search for other reputed Dillinger associates, Tommy Carroll, Fred Barker and Alvin Karpis.

Apr. 13, 1934

Held for Extortion. Jack Neely, a former convict, was arrested in St. Louis today on a Federal warrant charging extortion of \$200,000 from Adolph Bremer, St. Paul brewer.

Apr. 28, 1934

Dillinger Air Robs Bank at Chicago. \$40,000 Bremer Kidnap Money Recovered. One of money passers is in custody. Report that the \$40,000 was found in Spider Lake, Wis. lodge where Dillinger gang escaped last Saturday. \$2,665.00 Bremer money found with William E. Vidler in Chicago, Illinois.

Apr. 29, 1934

Five Now Jailed In Bremer Kidnaping. John J. (Boss) McLaughlin and son arrested on information obtained from Vidler, and charged with passing ransom money in Bremer case.

May 1, 1934

Snares Four With Hot Kidnap Cash. John J. (Boss) McLaughlin today confessed he was given \$53,000 Bremer kidnap ransom money to pass. His son, Philip Delaney, and William E. Vidler arrested. Hunted as actual kidnapers are Arthur Barker and Alvin Karpis - criminals who were part of Dillinger school of seven big ones that got away at Little Bohemia a week ago.

May 18, 1934

Feds say Dillinger hid in mine. Agents assert he stayed in Southern Wisconsin after shooting way out of resort. Prepare trap for gang at Galena, Ill. Believe kidnaped Bremer was held in house next to abandoned mine. This reported discovery added a link to chain which connected the uncaptured kidnapers of Bremer with the Dillinger gang. Barker and Karpis reported as members of Dillinger gang.

Sept. 7, 1934

(Cleveland, Ohio) Hunt For Bremer Kidnap Gang Here. Fingerprints tell hideout story in this city. Three flashy women held incommunicado reveal West Boulevard address. Four mystery men flew house at this address and Federal net. Front page headlines and front page photo of Arthur R. Barker and Edward G. Bremer. Policewoman Mildred Wilcox arrested these three flashy women. Paper with fingerprint classification number of Barker found in home. Barker and Karpis wanted for Bremer and Hamm kidnapings. Smart blonde little girl with women leads to identity of woman as Gladys R. Sawyer.

Sept. 8, 1934

U. S. Will Take Up Kidnap Trail Here (Cleveland, Ohio). Agents expected today. Women left behind for quiz. Arrested women gave names Mrs. Ethel Matterson, 30 W. Boulevard, Cleveland, Ohio, Wynona Walcott, 22, Toledo, Ohio, and Mrs. Gladys R. Sawyer, 38, St. Paul.

Sept. 27, 1934

Woman Quizzed in Kidnap Case, Found in Daze Here. Held in jail's probate ward after attempt to gain admission to city hospital. Mrs. Ethel Matterson whose whereabouts has been a mystery since release two weeks ago by Department of Justice after arrest with two women in a downtown hotel. Carried into jail on stretcher in stupor. Attorney Ed. C. Stanton said all three women appeared at his office after their release and received valuables left with him then disappeared. He got phone call from Chicago about them.

Sept. 28, 1934

(Cleveland, Ohio) U. S. Hunts Pair Here in Kidnaping. Fugitives in Bremer case believed hiding in Cleveland. The hunt for Arthur Barker and Alvin Karpis wanted for the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer was centered by Department of Justice men in Cleveland last night. Mrs. Matterson one of their women, is back in town.

Nov. 29, 1934

Find Nelson Dead of 17 U. S. Wounds. Agents are guided by phone tip. (Headlines first page). The blanket wrapped body was abandoned by the wife and man believed by Government to be Alvin Karpis, St. Paul gangster wanted for kidnaping Edward G. Bremer. G. Men relentlessly keep up hunt for Karpis and confederates of Nelson. This article mentions deaths of Inspector Samuel P. Cowley and Herman E. Hollis, Special Agent.

Dec. 4, 1934

Three Gamblers Facing Jail Open Fight. Out on Bail. Harvard and Thomas Clubs run as usual. Photos 6 x 4 Arthur Hebebrand, James (Shimmy) Patton, and Samuel Game Boy Miller. Their counsel is Walter Booth. Gamblers called before Grand Jury, refuse to talk, fined \$50 each and sentenced 10 days each for contempt.

Dec. 6, 1934

Nelson's Widow Talks To Feds. Nelson's male companion when two Federal Agents were killed is identified. Newspapers don't know whether it is Alvin Karpis or John Hamilton.

Dec. 11, 1934

Hughes defers decision on Ardell Quinn license. Ardell Quinn known for her efforts to promote esthetic amusements and entertainment, yesterday appeared before Col. J. A. Hughes, Ohio liquor control director for a hearing as to whether the liquor for the Hollywood Royal Club should be revoked. Permit obtained under her maiden name Ardell Bojda. She is president of this club located at 1916 E. 84th St., Cleveland, Ohio. State Representative Bernard J. McCluskey is attorney for Ardell. Ardell Quinn testified the club has 300 members who paid \$1. each per year dues. She

states the club paid her \$100. a month rent and \$50. per month salary. She declined to produce the membership list but stated she would show it to the colonel privately. She said she did not want the list made public.

Jan. 9, 1935

U. S. Agents Shoot Man in Kidnap Raid. Russell² Gibson member of the Barker-Karpis kidnap mob was shot in the abdomen and fatally wounded by Federal Agents who captured another man and two women. Willie Harrison and Gibson's wife were taken. Gang blamed for \$200,000 kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul banker.

Jan. 17, 1935

Get Barker and Karpis in Order. Last big gang shattered in slaying of Ma Barker and Fred Barker. Fred and Ma Barker killed today at Oklawaha, Florida after long gun battle. Photographs of Fred Barker and Mrs. Kate Barker. Orders out from Department of Justice to press hunt for Arthur (Doc) Barker and Alvin Karpis, who kidnaped Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul banker.

Jan. 19, 1935

(Front page) U. S. Smashes Kidnaping As Gang Racket. Three Men Still Hunted. The public enemy list stood topped by these names, Alvin Karpis, Arthur (Doc) Barker, wanted for abduction of Edward G. Bremer and John⁹ Hamilton last of the Dillinger gang. Arthur (Doc) Barker captured yesterday.

Jan. 21, 1935

(Front page) Outlaw Karpis Escapes in Gun Fight. Enemy No. 1 trapped in hotel room. Shoots way out to automobile with pal but leaves two girls, one wounded in hands of police. Florida hot. Pair fled to Atlantic City where gun fight took place. Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell last of Bremer kidnap gang shot their way out of trap and fled in stolen automobile. Photographs of Alvin Karpis, Wynona Burdette and Dan-Mor Hotel. Arrest of Girl Adds to Evidence Karpis Gangsters Hid Here (Cleveland, Ohio.) Belief the Bremer Kidnap gang hid here last summer was strengthened when patrolman Otto Mossholder identified Wynona Burdette, companion of Alvin Karpis in Atlantic City, as Miss Wynona Walcott arrested here (Cleveland) last summer.

Jan. 22, 1935

Kidnap victim left in Ohio. Hunt Karpis. Northern Ohio police and deputy sheriffs swarming highways leading to Chicago after two men believed to be Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell the nation's most hunted criminals who deposited, near Wadsworth, Ohio, a physician kidnaped near Allentown, Pa. The doctor tells his story of the kidnaping and automobile ride from Allentown, Pa. to Ohio.

Jan. 23, 1935

Photograph of Tommy Gibbons former heavyweight boxer and newly elected sheriff of Ramsey County, Minnesota, pictured yesterday as he took personal/81-183 to cell of Arthur (Doc) Barker. Barker is held in connection with kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul banker.

Photograph entitled Ready For Bandits. With Alvin Karpis, Public Enemy No. 1 believed seeking a hiding place in the Michigan area with his pal Harry Campbell, police armed with machine guns ready to receive them.

Feb. 8, 1935.

Feminine Feud Traps Gangster. Bremer suspect is captured after woman is shot. Photograph of Mrs. Vinita Stacey and Jess Doyle. Bremer kidnaping suspect is captured after woman is shot (Kansas City). Hunted for months in connection with Bremer kidnaping. At Yorkville, Illinois. Alvin Karpis believed to be the person who threw glass of beer in Federal Agent's face and escaped.

Mar. 26, 1935

(Miami, Fla.) Karpis' Two Girl Friends Given Terms. Wynona Burdette and Dolores Delaney plead guilty and are given terms on five indictments charging them with harboring Karpis. Four other persons were charged with harboring Karpis during his visit to Miami and Havana in January. The Burdette and Delaney women were each given five years.

Apr. 8, 1935

Hunt Karpis in Reno. Search for Alvin Karpis, Public Enemy #1 was underway in Reno, Nevada tonight. (Front page)

Apr. 12, 1935

Ten indicted in county drive on gamblers. Secret indictments grew out of investigation of Thomas Club and Harvard Club.

April 16, 1935

Guard Cullitan's Home From Gang. While detectives guard the homes of County Prosecutor Frank T. Cullitan and Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Thomas A. Burke, Jr. Arthur Hebebrand of the Harvard Club and H. G. (Snapper) Bauer of the Argonne Club plead not guilty to gambling indictments. Photographs of Arthur Hebebrand and H. G. (Snapper) Bauer. Dan Gallagher, James (Shimmy) Patton, Joseph McCarthy and Klex (Elky) Miller also indicted on same charges.

Apr. 26, 1935

Rob U. S. mail of \$100,000 at Warren, Ohio. No names mentioned.

May 26, 1935

Answer, Kin of Kidnap Boy Say in Ad. Karpis hoodlums blamed in Tacoma case. Effort is made by the family of George Weyerhaeuser to contact the kidnapers who are thought to be members of the Karpis gang. The victim, age nine, is the son of J. P. Weyerhaeuser, timber baron and is being held for \$200,000 ransom.

May 31, 1935 (Tacoma, Wash.) (Front Page)

Gets second note from kidnapers. Family keeps message secret. Karpis henchman is linked to this case. Coincident with the delivery of the second note came word of national net spread for Alvin Karpis, public enemy number 1, and his henchmen in crime, Volney Davis, Harry Campbell and

an unidentified woman. The report is that Volney Davis and a woman tried to rent an apartment in this city last Saturday.

June 1, 1935

(Tacoma) Believes Family Meets Kidnapers. Suspicion again points most frequently to the Karpis gang in the Weyerhauser case. A boarding house keeper in this city identified photographs of Volney Davis and Paula Harmon as having been here last Saturday.

June 2, 1935

Find Kidnap Auto After Boy is Freed. Karpis gang is blamed for job that brought \$200,000 ransom from lumber millionaires. Boy is released when the gang is paid \$200,000 the same amount paid to the Karpis gang in the Bremer kidnaping case. Alvin Karpis and Volney Davis thought to be in the kidnap gang.

June 2, 1935

Kidnap suspects headed by Karpis. Campbell believed with 25 year old killer wanted in many crimes. Search for Weyerhauser kidnapers today centered on the Karpis mob and Volney Davis, Harry Campbell and Edward Bentz. Description of Alvin Karpis, his characteristics and resume of his criminal activities printed in this item.

Big Push On For Karpis. George Weyerhauser statement points to Karpis.

June 3, 1935

Kidnapers Hunted on Land and in Air. Search is being made for the Alvin Karpis gang in the badlands around Pendleton, Oregon.

June 3, 1935

Feds Seize Kidnap Suspect in Chicago; Fly West With Him. Man thought to be Volney Davis, important figure in the Alvin Karpis kidnap gang captured today after being fired upon. The prisoner was loaded into a plane and flown west. This was considered an important development in the Bremer kidnaping case.

June 7, 1935

U. S. orders racket probe in Cleveland, Ohio. Attorney General Cummings orders investigation into racketeering, vandalism and terrorism here.

July 27, 1935

(Front Page) Two Report Seeing Karpis Driving Auto in Public Square. Two men who said they had known Karpis when he was hiding out on the west side last summer told Cleveland police that they recognized Karpis as his auto passed theirs near Avon, Ohio on Lake Road and followed it to the public square in Cleveland where they lost it in traffic. Police refused to divulge the names of the men who gave this information. Alarm was spread by the Cleveland Police Department. This occurred about 10:00 P. M., July 26, 1935, and Karpis was said to be driving an Auburn speedster with New York license plates.

Sept. 3, 1935

G-Men Arrest Two in Bremer Case and Two in Gem Theft.
G-Men are holding a paroled convict and a woman in the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, wealthy St. Paul banker. William Weaver and Myrtle Eaton were arrested by Bureau Agents at Allendale, Florida and flown to St. Paul.

Oct. 15, 1935

(Miami, Okla.) Hunt Karpis After Kidnaping is Blocked.
Two men, possibly Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, public enemies number one and two, were thwarted today in two attempts to kidnap a seven year old son of Harry Hoffman, wealthy mine owner. Two men came to the school and asked for the child, but the teacher refused to let the child go with them without orders from its parents. Later the men came back with a note alleged to be from the father, but fled when the teacher telephoned to verify the note.

Jan. 11, 1936

Cullitan, Ness Shut Harvard Club; Gamblers Block Raiders
6 Hours. Prosecutors sudden attack also closes Thomas Club. County authorities detained at the door of Patton-Hebebrand Club resort as proprietors and workers yell threats and talk of mowing down officers. Sheriff Sulzman refused request for assistance but Director Ness "as private citizen" led volunteer Cleveland Police officers into the Harvard Club in Newburg Heights.

Jan. 12, 1936

Lights Blaze Again in Harvard Club. Gamblers who blocked law may open Monday. Lights inside the Harvard Club today indicated activity but covered windows prevented outsiders from knowing what is going on inside. The club is expected to be open for business Monday.

Jan. 14, 1936

Ness Roasts Sulzman's Refusal of Aid. Assistant Safety Director John Flynn went to the Sheriff's office and found six deputies just sitting shortly after the request was made for help by county prosecutors.

Jan. 16, 1936

Photo of Terese Carmichael of Miami, Fla., who will testify for the Government against Casius McDonald, Bremer kidnap suspect, on trial in St. Paul. She was a nurse in the home of Alvin Karpis head of the kidnap gang.

Feb. 26, 1936

Karpis reported Sought for Ohio. Five men were sought last night as the remainder of the gang that staged the Garrettsville, Ohio mail robbery November 7, 1935, after Grover Keady of Tulsa, Okla. was charged by Postal Inspectors with participation in it. Alvin Karpis, Public Enemy #1, was mentioned as one of the gang. Postal Inspectors trailed and captured Keady who was brought to Cleveland.

Mar. 31, 1936

(Hot Springs, Ark.) Karpis and Pal Klude G-Men in Raid on Cottage. Arkansas State Police, Postal Inspectors and Department of Justice men made an unsuccessful raid on a cottage near here today seeking Alvin Karpis wanted in connection with the \$200,000 Bremer kidnaping in St. Paul. This information resulted from information obtained from Grover (Burrhead) Keady, Tulsa, Okla., now in custody.

Apr. 23, 1936

Vandenberg Wing Shelters G-Men. \$5,000 Put Up on Karpis Head. Alvin Karpis today became a \$5,000 quarry when the Department of Justice placed that amount on his head. Harry Campbell, who has limped along with Public Enemy #1 in his last two year flights from the Justice Department Agents is now worth \$2,500 to any person with information leading to his arrest. Karpis was one of the 7 persons indicted today in St. Paul on charges of participation in the \$100,000 kidnaping of Wm. Hamm, Jr., in 1933.

May 2, 1936

Karpis Caught in New Orleans (Front Page)
Hoover leads G-Men in Shotless capture then flies with prisoner to St. Paul. Fred Hunter is captured with Karpis. Photos of Karpis and Director Hoover.

(Cleveland, Ohio) Ask Karpis Trial Here for Robbery of Mails. U. S. Attorney Freed wants trial of Alvin Karpis here on mail robbery, Garrettsville job. Brock, Karpis, Campbell, Hunter and John Doe named in warrants Monday in the Garrettsville mail robbery.

Karpis, Old Creepy to Pals, a criminal at 16. Life history of Karpis given in this issue. Photo of John Brock, Alvin Karpis henchman now in county jail in Cleveland.

Freed Helps to Pick Karpis Trial Setting. U. S. Attorney Emerich Freed is now in Washington attending a conference to decide where Karpis and Hunter will be tried.

See Men's Chief Here after Arrest of Karpis. Director J. Edgar Hoover interviewed at airport in Cleveland after arrest of Karpis. Photo.

Photo - St. Paul Cold to Summer Clad Karpis.
Photo - Photo of Alvin Karpis, John Fetzer, Fred Hunter, Addison Cole and Mrs. J. S. Meyers.

Says Karpis was Frightened Dumb. Hoover reports public enemy #1 had a poor job of face lifting done. This capture was brought about entirely by Department of Justice Agents and no rewards will be paid to anyone.

May 4, 1936

Girl Talks About Karpis is Belief. Ruth, the comely red haired consort of Alvin Karpis is believed to have talked and she probably will not be held. Karpis is slated to be tried first in St. Paul on the Hamm kidnaping. Cartoon appears entitled "Just From Now On", Karpis being dropped in a jug by Uncle Sam's G-Men.

May 8, 1936

Lucas County Sheriff Drank with Campbell. The capture of Harry Campbell in Toledo, Ohio, brings to an end the Barker-Karpis mob. This article tells about the capture of Campbell and about the apparent friendship between him and the sheriff of Lucas County. Photos - Harry Campbell, Sam Coker and the apartment where Campbell and Coker were captured in Toledo. Photo of Campbell being rushed to jail in St. Paul.

May 9, 1936

EDITORIAL. Who Tipped Off The Raid. This article relates that for three weeks during September, 1934 the Barker-Karpis gang dwelt with their women in a west side apartment in Cleveland; that the women got drunk, got in a brawl in an uptown hotel then the men left town before a raid was made.

May 10, 1936

G-Men Silent on Tipoff's Roundup. Report that picked 20 men of Department of Justice hunt Karpis' aids here brings no comment from those in charge.

The Cleveland Press for the period January 15, 1934 to May 10, 1936, was reviewed by Special Agent R. T. Noonan with the following results:

Jan. 19, 1934

Front page story of the Bremer kidnaping and the finding of the victim's car. There is a statement in this article as follows: "See same gang in Hamm case." Photo of Bremer and his father appear on page 18.

Jan. 20, 1934

Story of kidnaping and also the story of the milkman who is alleged to have seen the actual kidnaping.

Jan. 22, 1934

Front page story that Bremer is believed dead.

Jan. 23, 1934

Front page article refers to contact made with the kidnap gang through Dr. Nippert. It also mentions Verne Sankey by stating that rumors he is a suspect are denied by the investigators.

Jan. 24, 1934

Article on page 11 is to the effect that Bremer ransom is still being held by the family.

Feb. 1, 1934

Story of capture of Verne Sankey in which it is stated that he is being questioned relative to both the Bremer and Hamm cases.

Feb. 8, 1934

Story of release of Bremer and his picture is on the front page. No mention is made of any suspects.

Feb. 9, 1934

Front page story of search for the kidnapers and of two men arrested in Milwaukee for questioning. In this writeup is a statement by Charles Tierney, Inspector of Detectives at St. Paul, that he was seeking Alvin Karpis and Fred Barker, Missouri desperadoes.

Feb. 10, 1934

Story on page 13 that the elder Bremer (Adolph) will help in the search for the kidnapers and has furnished a list of the ransom bills.

Apr. 13, 1934

Article on the 42nd page of the Press contains the following headlines: "11 Kidnapers Linked in Ring-Gang Accused of Terrorizing Midwest, Harboring Dillinger." The article itself contains the following: "A syndicate of fugitive outlaws * * * exposed today by Department of Justice Agents * * *. The syndicate's reported achievements are the Bremer kidnaping, the Hamm kidnaping * * *." The article names Karpis, Fred and Arthur Barker, Campbell, and Volney Davis, among others, as being in the gang or syndicate.

Apr. 27, 1934

Front page story with these headlines: "Seize Ex-Convict with Bremer Money." This is the story of Wm. E. Vidler seized with part of the Bremer ransom money.

Apr. 30, 1934

Article on page 12 directly under the writeup of the Robles case, with these headlines: "Seek Swindler in Bremer Kidnaping." The article stated that Government Agents sought William Elmer Mead. It also mentions that five men are being held incommunicado in Chicago. It is also stated that Mead is believed to have planned the kidnaping with Boss McLaughlin.

May 1, 1934

The Press contains an article on page 12, about three-quarters of a page in length, with these headlines: "Show How Hot Kidnap Money Is Passed Out. Federal Agents in Bremer Roundup Tell of Brokerage of Ransom Cash." The article tells of the arrest of John J. McLaughlin, and his son, John Jr., and Philip Delaney, and explains how ransom money is passed, in this case saying that \$53,000 was passed by McLaughlin. The article also states that disclosures by Assistant Director Nathan, and Purvis, revealed

that the Government was running to earth an important gang, and also linked McLaughlin with "such notorious gangs as the Dillingers and the Barker-Karpis gang in the southwest." It is also stated therein that "among other things, Mr. Purvis said, 'Today's findings linked the Bremer kidnaping with the Dillinger gang and a gang of Oklahoma outlaws headed by Alvin Karpis and the Barker brothers, Fred and Arthur.'" The photographs of both McLaughlin and Delaney appear on page 12 also.

May 18, 1934

On page 10 is a writeup of the Dillinger case and the Evelyn Frechette trial in St. Paul and there is a claim made that the Dillinger gang is linked with the Bremer case, alleging that the hideout was found in an old abandoned mine near Cuba City, Wis.

Aug. 18, 1934

An article on the Labatt kidnaping in Canada on the front page in which appears the following: " * * * this fingerprint was being compared with those of known American kidnapers, including Alvin Karpis, and Arthur and Fred Barker, three of the most desperately hunted criminals in the United States, and who are charged with the abduction of Edward Bremer, St. Paul brewer."

Sept. 6, 1934

Front page writeup with these headlines: "Little Girl Only Claw to Mystery of Three Molls. Jeweled and Jubilant They are Seized for Disturbance in Hotel." It is further stated in the article that the police believe these women are gangsters' sweethearts.

Sept. 7, 1934

Photograph of these three women, Paula, Wynona, and Mrs. Sawyer, also Francine Sawyer, the little girl, and Arthur Barker, appear on the front page and the article in connection therewith is to the effect that the three women are suspected companions of Arthur Barker and other members of the gang wanted for the kidnaping of Edward Bremer of St. Paul. It further sets out that the Government has definitely established that Fred Barker, "linked by fingerprints in the Bremer case, and a mob of notorious gangsters, have made Cleveland their headquarters in recent weeks." It also sets out that photographs of three of the gang were identified by neighbors as being at 4419 W. 171st Street. It mentions as members of the gang Arthur and Fred Barker, wanted in St. Paul for the kidnaping of Mr. Bremer, and Alvin Karpis, murderer, and another unidentified man who all fled from the city Wednesday night after the arrest of three women in a downtown hotel. It also states that both Barkers are wanted for murder of Sheriff C. R. Kelly of Howell County, Missouri, on December 19, 1931.

Sept. 10, 1934

On sport page is an article that the three women were released, wherein Lawyer Stanton said he could not find the women. This article mentions that the women were picked up in connection with the escape of two suspects in the Bremer kidnaping.

Sept. 14, 1934

On page 22 is an article that the D. J. Agents deny holding these women, all of whom are again mentioned as suspected companions of the gangsters who kidnaped Bremer.

Sept. 18, 1934

Story with a St. Paul date line that Francine Sawyer, 6 year old girl, is back in St. Paul and is being protected from members of the Barker-Karpis gang.

Sept. 27, 1934

On page 4 is an article with the headlines: "File Complaint Against Woman in Kidnap Quiz." This is a story of Mrs. Ethel Marach (Paula Harmon) being found at the Y.W.C.A., and Inspector Cody filed an insanity warrant on which she is to be taken into probate court and given a hearing. Mention is made that she was with Karpis and the two Barkers who recently escaped from Cleveland.

Sept. 28, 1934

A small front page article has these headlines: "Hunt Two Leaders of Bremer Captors." The article states that Federal Agents have identified Alvin Karpis and Fred Barker as leaders of a band who kidnaped Bremer and that they are the object of an extensive hunt by Justice Department Agents.

Oct. 23, 1934

It is stated that the Government, following the killing of Pretty Boy Floyd, is concentrating on others, including * * * the Bremer kidnapers, Alvin Karpis and Arthur Barker.

Nov. 29, 1934

In writing the death story of Baby Face Nelson it is stated: "Search Now Turns to Bremer Kidnapers. Immediate Quarry is Alvin Karpis, St. Paul Gangster Wanted for Kidnaping of Bremer." In the article it is stated that Karpis was thought to be with Nelson when he shot Agents Cowley and Hollis. The photo of Karpis is on page 6 of the Press on this date.

Nov. 30, 1934

Article relating to search for Mrs. Nelson, in which Alvin Karpis as well as Chase is mentioned as possibly being with Nelson at the time the Agents were slain.

Dec. 1, 1934

Editorial entitled "Shoot to Kill." This has to do with the hunt for Nelson's widow. In it is the following statement: "The hunt goes on for others, including * * * Alvin Karpis and Arthur Barker, the kidnapers of Edward G. Bremer, the St. Paul banker, * * *."

Dec. 5, 1934

In an article relating to the return of Mrs. Nelson to Madison, Wis. it is stated that rumors persist that Alvin Karpis or John Hamilton are under arrest.

Jan. 9, 1935

On page 4 is an article with the following headlines: "Slay Bremer Kidnap Suspect in Gun Battle." This article tells of the death of Gibson and the arrest of Bolton stating that both were "allegedly members of the notorious Arthur Barker-Alvin Karpis gang * * * charged with the \$200,000 kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer."

Jan. 16, 1935

The Press carries full front page headlines with a story of the shooting of Fred Barker and his mother "sought throughout the nation for the Bremer kidnaping." The latter part of this article carries a St. Paul date line with a statement that the gang involved in the fight in Florida may be members of the Barker-Karpis mob sought for the kidnaping of Bremer and contains the following statement: "The gang is led by Alvin Karpis and Arthur Doc Barker, both sought for more than a year in the \$200,000 Bremer abduction. Both have been definitely identified as the men who kidnaped Bremer, the St. Paul banker."

Jan. 17, 1935

On page 20 an article carries the headlines, "Doc Barker-Karpis Quarry of Uncle Sam." This article calls Alvin Karpis and Doc Barker the remaining big time desperadoes at large. In the same article in a statement under a Chicago date line it is set out that the Agents denied they were holding Doc Barker suspect in the Bremer and Hamm kidnapings in St. Paul.

Jan. 21, 1935

In headlines on the front page is the following: "Order Karpis Slain on Sight - Kidnaper Escapes Trap." This tells of the extended search for Karpis and Campbell, who are called the last surviving members of the Barker-Karpis gang, and that both are wanted for the Bremer kidnaping. The article relates to the escape of these two at Atlantic City.

Jan. 22, 1935

On the front page is a large photograph of Dr. Horace Hunsicker eating breakfast, with the following words: "Ride with Karpis - Just Appetizer." The article relates that Karpis is trailed to Michigan and calls him "kidnaper and Public Enemy #1", and refers to "his killer companion Harry Campbell." This article tells of the kidnaping of Dr. Hunsicker and also relates that these two are wanted in the Bremer kidnaping for the actual abduction.

Mar. 26, 1935

On page 4 it is stated that Wynona Burdette and Dolores Delaney, the two girl friends of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, deserted by them at Atlantic City, pleaded guilty at Miami, Florida, to charges of harboring Karpis and were given five year sentences.

May 4, 1935

Front page headlines covering half the front page are as follows: "Sawyer, Key Man in Kidnap Gang, Seized. Long Sought Bremer Figure Trapped by U. S. Agents." The article calls Sawyer a "member of the Barker-Karpis gang which splashed the nation with murders, kidnapings and other crimes." It is also stated that many others of the gang are now

being tried in the Bremer case and that only four are left at large, Alvin Karpis, the leader, 29 having been killed or captured. It is stated that Mrs. Sawyer was not arrested with her husband, and continues by stating that she is reported to be one of three women held in Cleveland last year with Sawyer's daughter.

May 31, 1935

There are the following statements in the Weyerhauser writeup: "Karpis Suspected as Boy's Kidnap - Hardened Gang of Killers Blamed in West."

June 3, 1935

On the first page is an article wherein Volney Davis pleads guilty in the Bremer case. It is stated that he is a member of the Barker-Karpis gang, this being in the Weyerhauser writeup, and it is stated that he is wanted in the Bremer case.

June 5, 1935

On page 2 it is stated that the kidnap gang in the Weyerhauser case is known, and that one of the Karpis gang passed a \$20 bill, also stating that Karpis is wanted in the Bremer case.

June 25, 1935

On the first page there is a story of the police cleanup in St. Paul and reference is made to the Hamm and Bremer kidnaping cases and also to the Safety Commissioner, N. E. Warren, and the Daily News as playing a part in the cleanup.

July 17, 1935

On the tenth page there is a small article with these headlines: "Bremer Finger Man Escapes on Bail." The article tells of Mead's release at Northampton, Mass. with his fingertips burned with acid. He was referred to as the man sought as finger man in the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul brewer.

Aug. 29, 1935

On page 4 is an article telling of the finding of Hamilton's body, with date line at Saratoga Springs, N. Y. is the following: "Federal Agents Followed Trail of Alvin Karpis, Public Enemy #1, Through This Resort today." It also refers to him as the "much sought mobster."

Sept. 30, 1935

Monday, in a front page article with headlines covering about one-fourth page appears the following: "Karpis, Gang Routed at Bank With Four Wounded." The article states that the gang of six is believed headed by the Public Enemy #1.

Nov. 8, 1935

In the writeup of the Garrettsville, Ohio train robbery it is stated that Inspectors Potts and Hettrick remarked that no chances would be overlooked and that pictures of Karpis, fugitive kidnaper and bank robber, would be shown to victims of the holdup. It is recalled in this article that two years ago Karpis barely eluded a police trap on the west side.

Dec. 20, 1935

On page 20 in a writeup of the alleged Milne kidnaping it is stated that search for "Alvin Karpis, Public Enemy #1, as the possible leader of the abductors, spread, etc."

Jan. 15, 1936

There is a small front page article that "Karpis Eludes U. S. Agents in Missouri", and he is again referred to as Public Enemy #1.

Apr. 18, 1936

There is a front page article with these headlines: "Arrest of Four Solves Hamm Kidnap Case - Alvin Karpis Blamed." The article then names those involved in the case referring to Alvin Karpis as Public Enemy #1 still at large. It also states that Karpis is wanted in the Bremer case also.

Apr. 22, 1936

There is a small article on page 4 as follows: "U. S. Offers \$5,000 for Karpis Capture." It is also stated that \$2,500 is offered for the capture of Campbell believed to be a confederate of Karpis and also wanted in the Bremer kidnaping.

Apr. 27, 1936

In front page headlines appears the following: "Issue Karpis Warrant Here." The article then states that Karpis, Campbell, and three others named as John Brock, Fred Hunter, and John Doe, are being charged with the Garrettsville, Ohio, train robbery on November 7, 1935. It is also stated that rewards of \$2,000 each are being offered for each of the ones named by the Post Office Department.

May 1, 1936

There is a small article on the fourth page wherein John Brock is said to face a holdup charge and pleads not guilty in the Garrettsville robbery. In this he is called a confederate of Alvin Karpis, the nation's Public Enemy #1.

May 2, 1936

Front page one column headlines: "Lock Karpis Behind Bars at St. Paul." It then tells of his arrest in New Orleans and removal to St. Paul for the Bremer and Hamm cases. It states that his "recent associate, Harry Campbell, is still at large."

May 4, 1936

There is an editorial concerning the capture of Karpis.

May 7, 1936

Front page headlines covering about three-fourths of the front page: "Nab Karpis Pal; Reveal Gang Capture Here Foiled by Tipoff." It further sets out that crooked politicians in the city are being hunted. It is also stated that the Director of the Bureau charged that "Cleveland politicians with police connections gave Alvin Karpis the tip that prevented capture of the Karpis desperadoes while they were hiding in Cleveland in the summer of 1934. Photograph of Campbell is on page 14 and he is described as 'Karpis' pal." The Bremer case is referred to in the article.

May 8, 1936

There are headlines covering about half the front page as follows: "G Men Trail Politicians Here Who Aided Karpis." On page 26 of this edition appears a photograph of the attorney, Stanton, and of policewoman Mildred Wilcox, and four of the police officers. This article repeats the story of the escape here in September, 1934. The last paragraph of one writeup is as follows: "It was reported today that James (Shimmy) Patton, and Art Hebebrand, gamblers and friends of Billy Ferguson, were instrumental in arranging for rental of the 171st Street house to Barker, Campbell and Karpis."

May 9, 1936

Full front page headlines are as follows: "20 G-Men Trail Karpis Aids Here." There is also a similar statement in this article to that above on May 8th with reference to Patton and Hebebrand being responsible for the renting of the house and bringing these parties into Cleveland.

In reviewing the Cleveland Press for the period January 15, 1934 to May 10, 1936, for the purpose of obtaining the information therein relative to the Bremer case and the subjects thereof, Special Agent M. T. Noonan noted additional items which it is believed are pertinent to the investigation of the harboring case. It was noted under date of May 25, 1934, that Louis C. Monica, age 34, of 16610 Southland Avenue, a reputed card dealer at the Harvard Club, was shot in the abdomen, that it happened at East 9th Street and Carnegie, where some man from another car drove along and shot him. The news item indicates the belief that this man was shot at the Harvard Club and lays particular stress on the fact that Shimmy Patton and Art Hebebrand got to the hospital first and were talking to Monica when the police arrived. Monica is stated to be a brother-in-law of Hebebrand, and at the time denied that he worked at the Harvard Club.

Under date of Monday, July 9, 1934, Police Judge Jacob Stacel made a bitter attack on the police of Cleveland for failure to rid the city of slot machines and for arresting a few small operators in isolated cases and letting the big fellows go. He said there were 10,000 slot machines in the city, that the police knew it and he knew it; and that the police could rid the city of slot machines in 24 hours "if they wanted to." Under date of July 18, 1934 is a photo of Billy Ferguson, and a story of his going to Roumania to put in 250 slot machines by Government contract; further stating that Clarence Hebebrand, brother of Art Hebebrand, was going with Ferguson. Other articles have been noted to the effect that Nate Weisenberg was connected with Ferguson on this venture.

Under date of August 6, 1934 there is an article which is summarized in the headlines it carried: "Wide Open Gambling Here is Under 'The Muscle' - Marty O'Boyle Once West Side Beer Baron, Now Front for Bookies with Milana Gang, Cutting a Big Slice of Betting Profits."

Under date of December 27, 1934 one Joseph Pirchner, manager of the Alpine Shore Club, E. 185th Street and Lake Shore Boulevard, charged that the police harrassed him and offered protection for \$75 a month.

September 9, 1935, the Press carries an account to the effect that Art Hebebrand, Dan Gallagher, and Sam "Game Boy" Miller, plead guilty that date to gambling charge and were fined \$500 and sentenced to 30 days in jail. It also states that James "Shimmy" Patton, and David and Alex Miller, brothers, were fined \$100 and sentenced to serve 10 days in jail on similar charges.

Under date of January 11, 1936 the Press reports the raid on the Harvard Club and the closing thereof. There is a front view photo of Patton connected with this news article. On February 15, 1936, Saturday, an article in the Press states that the Harvard Club had reopened in the old Jungle Cafe located on Harvard Avenue and East 42nd Street.

On September 1, 1936 Mrs. Pauline Schnitzer, 3907 Franklin Boulevard, Cleveland, Ohio, called at this office and stated that she had been referred to Special Agent S. K. McKee by Director of Public Safety Ness. A telephone call was received from Mr. Ness' office prior to the arrival of Mrs. Schnitzer indicating that she might have some information which might have a bearing on vice conditions in Cleveland. She was interviewed by Special Agent John E. Brennan and furnished information to the effect that on August 29, 1936, two girls, one of them blind, had rented a room at her rooming house for the period of one week; that they inserted an advertisement in the Cleveland Plain Dealer for a companion to a blind girl and received many responses to this advertisement; that after they had hired a girl they departed; that it seemed to Mrs. Schnitzer that the only purpose in renting the room was to use the address to receive applicants for the position for which reason she suspected that something might be wrong, although one of the girls had informed her that they earned their living by having the blind girl sell a perfume product from door to door and that there were several blind people in the party and they needed another girl to accompany one of the blind girls in this manner of salesmanship. Mrs. Schnitzer furnished the names of two of the applicants who had been interviewed by the two girls, one of whom was interviewed by Special Agent John E. Brennan and who informed

him that she had answered the above referred to advertisement and had been informed that the position was filled; that the nature of the work was to accompany a blind girl in selling a perfume product; that they were travelling from one town to another selling this product. The above information in more detail was submitted to the Cleveland Bureau office in memorandum form.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS

The CLEVELAND OFFICE will continue maintenance of telephone taps on Ardell Quinn and Nate Weisenberg and conduct any indicated investigation as to data obtained from these taps.

Will continue investigation through police department as to records relating to arrests of Sawyer, Harmon, Burdette in order to learn source of tip off to gang on September 5, 1934. Will also conduct inquiries to locate other women in jail with the above three in order to obtain information on tip off. Conduct additional investigation looking toward location of safety deposit box key allegedly in possession of Harmon when arrested.

Conduct additional inquiries through employees of Cleveland Hotel and police officers concerned with arrests of Sawyer, Harmon, Burdette to obtain full information regarding this incident.

Prosecute undeveloped leads contained in prior reports this investigation.

- PENDING -

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

404 New York Building
Saint Paul, Minnesota
August 25, 1936

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

~~PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL~~

Dear Sir:

[REDACTED] of the Northwestern
Bell Telephone Company, 224 Fifth Street South, Minneapolis,
Minnesota, have cooperated with this office one hundred
per cent. They have at all times furnished us any infor-
mation desired, and have even assisted us in placing
telephone taps. They both hold you and the Bureau in high
esteem.

At a recent date [REDACTED] desired to know
whether the cooperation he had given us in placing various
telephone taps and in furnishing us information, had
assisted in the solution and the subsequent investigation
in the Brekid and Hanap cases. They were told that their
cooperation was very much appreciated by this office and
that it had assisted us to a great extent.

If it is not against your policy, I believe
it would be fitting for you to drop a personal and confid-
ential message of appreciation to both of the above
individuals, not only to thank them for the assistance they
have given us in the past, but to cultivate their present
good will.

Very truly yours,

C. W. Stein
C. W. STEIN
Special Agent in Charge

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September 5, 1936

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Northwestern Bell Telephone Company,
274 Fifth Street South,
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

I have been advised by representatives of this Bureau who have had occasion to contact you on various occasions during the past two years during the course of official investigations conducted into the Bremer and Hamm Kidnaping cases, of the excellent and unrestricted cooperation which you have extended to those representatives of this Bureau. I desire to thank you for the splendid assistance which you have rendered to this Bureau on various occasions, and feel, frankly, that the Bureau could not have accomplished the complete solution of these cases without your assistance. Your cooperation and assistance prompts me to offer to you my personal and official appreciation for your help in these cases.

Sincerely yours,

cc St. Paul

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WITH PREFERENCE TO SHOWING CASE ON SHERIFF. AT CLEVELAND, DIRECTOR
PUBLIC SAFETY NESS IS PUSHING CHARGES AGAINST VARIOUS HIGH OFFICERS
IN POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THIS WITH DATA WE HAVE COLLECTED, WILL SHOW
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PATTON AND HEBBERAND AT HARVARD CLUB CLEVELAND. PAULA HARMON
PORT ARTHUR TEXAS, HAVING BEEN RELEASED FROM ASYLUM SHOULD BE INTER-
VIEWED AGAIN PARTICULARLY AS TO POLICE TIP-OFF CLEVELAND WHEN
THREE WOMEN ARRESTED SEPTEMBER 1934 AND WILL ARRANGE FOR AGENT MADALA
TO PROCEED PORT ARTHUR TEXAS, TWELFTH, SATURDAY, TO INTERVIEW HER
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U. S. Department of Justice

629 First National Bank Building,

Omaha, Nebraska.

September 10, 1936.

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

Dear Sir:

Re: BREXID

As of interest to the Bureau, the following information
is being furnished:

Today, John L. Conley and H. G. Flynn, from the office
of the City Attorney of St. Paul, Minnesota, accompanied by Police
Inspector Charles Tierney, called at the office advising that last
night they obtained from Gladys Sawyer, an affidavit and also took
her deposition, which is in connection with Tom Brown's dismissal from
the St. Paul Police Department. Mr. Conley advised that Tom Brown
arrived in Omaha about twenty-four hours in advance of his arrival
and was registered at the Paxton Hotel. Before obtaining an affidavit
from Gladys Sawyer, they called on her at her place of business, 825
Park Avenue in Omaha, advising her that later they would arrange to
take her deposition. When they returned several hours later, Gladys
informed the Officers that a friend of hers, whose name she would
not divulge, had contacted her after their first call, informing that
he was a good friend of a local police officer who, in turn, was a
good friend of Tom Brown's, and that Brown, in St. Paul, was being
"pushed around", and cautioned her that if St. Paul Officers called,
she should not make any statement or sign any affidavits. He first
asked her if a statement made by her would do Brown any good or any
harm. He also asked her if she wouldn't get out of town today, so
that she couldn't be contacted by St. Paul Officers. She told this
friend that she would not get out of town; that she had arranged
to give the Officers an affidavit and that she wouldn't do anything
for that "double crossing son of a b---- Brown".

Very truly yours,

R. A. ALT,

Special Agent in Charge.

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CC St. Paul; Chicago;

Cincinnati; Cleveland.

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BREKID TO REPLACE SURAN AND KAVANAGH RELIEVED AND TO RELIEVE AGENT

CRISS FOR OTHER ASSIGNMENT SUGGEST AGENTS DICKSTEIN AND NORSTROM

REPORT CLEVELAND FOR INSTRUCTION AND THEN TO WORK TOLEDO

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SAC Alt advises of affidavit taken from Gladys Sawyer, and also an affidavit, by the St. Paul authorities, in conn. with Tom Brown's dismissal from the St. Paul PD. Gladys Sawyer stated that she had been contacted by a friend whose name she would not divulge, cautioning her that if St. Paul officers called she should not make any statement or sign an affidavit as Tom Brown was being "pushed around". The friend also asked her if she would not get out of town. She stated she would not get out of town; that she had arranged to give the officers an affidavit and that she would do nothing for Brown.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.
September 12, 1936

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

In the attached telegram Mr. Connelley asks that Agents Dickstein and Norstrom be assigned to him at Cleveland to replace Agent Suran and Criss, who are being transferred and Agent Kavanagh, whose resignation has been requested. Dickstein, you will recall is the brother of Congressman Samuel Dickstein and is presently assigned to the Trenton office. Norstrom is one of the Agents who was reported to have been in a truck covering an extortion plant at Chicago, which truck left the point at which it was stationed prior to the time when it was to leave that point. Connelley has, however, specifically requested these two men and was advised that the Bureau would furnish to him any agents that he designated. In view of his selection of these men I believe we should send them to Cleveland and accordingly I have prepared telegrams to Chicago and Trenton, which telegrams are attached hereto, instructing these men to report to Agent McKee at Cleveland.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm
E. A. Tamm

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Mr. Nathan ✓
Mr. Tolson ✓
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Mr. Tracy ✓
Mr. Carson ✓
Mr. Egan ✓
Mr. Gurnea ✓
Mr. Harbo ✓
Mr. Hendon ✓
Mr. Jones ✓
Mr. Keith ✓
Mr. Lester ✓
Mr. Quinn ✓
Mr. Nease ✓
Mr. Gandy ✓

Enclosed are 3 copies of telegram to Chicago and Trenton

1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

September 14, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREXID

At the present time a summary report is being prepared at the Cleveland Bureau office in connection with the harboring case at Toledo, Ohio.

It is requested that the index being maintained at the Chicago office be checked and that copies of all reports in the BREXID and HAMP files, which set out the dates of conviction, of sentencing, or dates that guilty pleas were entered and the sentences imposed on the following persons be forwarded to the Cleveland Bureau office for use in the preparation of the above-mentioned summary report:

Cassius McDonald
Harold Alderton
John J. McLaughlin
Alvin Karpis
Harry Campbell
William Weaver
Byron Bolton
Dolores Delaney

Oliver Berg
Elmer Farmer
James J. Wilson
Arthur R. Barker
Volney Davis
Charles J. Fitzgerald
Myrtle Eaton
Eynona Burdette

Harry Sawyer.

Such reports will be returned to your office immediately after the information desired is obtained from them.

Very truly yours,

DPS/4JB
CC - Bureau
- Cincinnati

J. P. MacFARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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Post Office Box 4907,
REB:MFS Jacksonville, Florida.

September 12, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:- RE: BREKID

As requested in your letter of September 8, 1936, I am forwarding herewith copies of seven indictments, all of which name either Dolores Delaney, or Wynona Burdette, or both. These copies were obtained from the files of the United States Attorney at Miami, Florida, and may be retained. However, copies of these indictments have not been made for the Bureau and for other interested offices, and it is suggested that this be done by the Cleveland Office, if it is considered desirable.

It should be noted that both Dolores Delaney, and Wynona Burdette entered pleas of guilty to each of the 1 indictments against them and each was sentenced on each of the indictments.

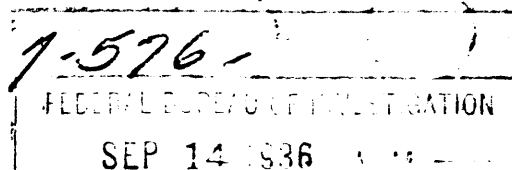
Very truly yours,

R. B. NATHAN,
Special Agent in Charge.

Encl.

cc - Bureau ✓
Cincinnati
Chicago
St. Paul

Jax # 7-24-



Post Office Box 812

Chicago, Illinois

September 12, 1936

Special Agent in Charge
Louisville, Kentucky

Dear Sir:

Re: BREXID

Reference is made to report of Special Agent in Charge
O. C. Dewey dated Louisville, Kentucky, September 8,
1936, advising that all wanted notices with respect to
automobiles in this case have now been withdrawn.

Your attention is directed to letter from Inspector E.
J. Connelley dated July 18, 1936, St. Paul, Minnesota,
which letter requests that the wanted notices as to
Plymouth 1935 Sedan, Motor No. PJ322772, and as to 1935
Ford V-8 Tudor Sedan, Motor No. 2044327, be continued.
In the event these wanted notices were withdrawn by your
Office it is suggested that they be reinstated.

Very truly yours,

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D. M. LADD
Special Agent in Charge

cc - Bureau
Cincinnati
Cleveland
St. Paul

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Post Office Box 1469
Little Rock, Arkansas
September 14, 1936

Special Agent in Charge
Cleveland, Ohio

RE: BREXID

Dear Sir:

Under separate cover there is being forwarded to the Cleveland Office, via express under Government bill of lading No. J.68159, a black cardboard suitcase approximately 36 inches long, 24 inches wide and 8 inches deep. This suitcase contains personal belongings of Fred Hunter, with aliases, who is now confined in the United States Penitentiary, Atlanta, Georgia and, as authorized by him, are being forwarded to your office for delivery to Albert O. Hunter, Box 91, Leesvittsburg, Ohio.

I am attaching hereto unexecuted receipts and it is requested that two executed copies be returned to the Little Rock Office for our file.

Very truly yours,

CHAPRON FLETCHER
Special Agent in Charge

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1443 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

September 14, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREXID

Reference is made to report of Special Agent J. L. Fallon, dated at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, July 7, 1936, containing results of an interview with THELMA HOLST.

It is noted that on page two of the report, first paragraph, THELMA HOLST advised that she became acquainted, at Toledo, Ohio, with the following individuals: "A party whom she knew as Doc Barker, Jimmy Wilson, Slim Gibson and Willie Harrison, Wynona Burdette, and a girl they called 'Babbie', who, of course, is Edna Murray."

By reading this report it is difficult to determine whether or not THELMA HOLST knew the aforementioned individuals by the names given by her during her association with them at Toledo. If she knew these individuals by the names given by her during that period, this would be a very damaging admission against her.

It is requested that you advise this office specifically as to whether or not THELMA HOLST, during the interview had with her, claimed to know the individuals, in 1934 at Toledo, Ohio, by the names Doc Barker, Jimmy Wilson, Slim Gibson, Willie Harrison, and Wynona Burdette. THELMA HOLST, of course, should not be reinterviewed in this matter, but the Agents who talked with her should be able to provide this information.

In view of the fact that a summary report is being prepared this office would appreciate it if you would expedite this matter.

Very truly yours,

JH/EJB

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- Chicago

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J. P. MacFARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

September 14, 1936

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Re: H. A. SNOW
Special Agent

Dear Sir:

This is to advise of the arrival of Special Agent H. A. Snow at Cleveland, Ohio from Richmond, Va., on September 13, 1936, at 8:25 a. m., for investigative work in connection with the BREKID case in this district.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFarland
J. P. MAC FARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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Miss Gandy

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PHONE. BREKID. RECORDS CLERK U S DISTRICT COURT MIAMI SHOW NATHANIEL HELLER WAS NAMED IN FIVE INDICTMENTS CHARGING HARBORING, MISPRISION OF FELONY AND CONSPIRACY TO COMMIT THESE OFFENSES. ALL HAVE BEEN DISMISSED AS TO HELLER, THREE OF THE INDICTMENTS BEING DISMISSED MAY FIFTEENTH NINETEEN THIRTY FIVE AND LAST TWO NOLLE PROSSED APRIL TWENTIETH NINETEEN THIRTY SIX. NO PENDING CHARGES AGAINST HELLER IN THIS DISTRICT GROWING OUT OF THIS CASE.

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This certainly shows something is wrong at Wash. Hq. The letter originally drafted was incorrect & apparently our files showed the case still open whereas it was closed last April.

J. E. H.

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Copy to Mr. Tamm

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*Letter Reu Mark
Ear 8/27*

1210 Liberty Trust Building
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

September 14, 1930.

Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
1130 Enquirer Building,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

RE: BREKID

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On my return to this district today, I have your letter of July 27, 1936, regarding the above-captioned matter.

10 July 57, 1957. Regarding the
assignment of the 100th Airborne Division to the
1st Cavalry Division, I am sure that you are
assigned. I would like to say that we will exercise greater care in the
future.

Very truly yours,

R. F. LUTHELL,
Special Agent in Charge

cc Bureau
cc Chicago
cc Cleveland
cc St. Paul

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

Milwaukee FILE NO. 7-2

REPORT MADE AT Milwaukee, Wisconsin	DATE WHEN MADE 9/12/36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 9/10/36	REPORT MADE BY T. G. HEWITT
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 OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: No information received relative to \$1,000.00 bills of the Atlanta Federal Reserve Bank, or automobiles on which stop notices are still outstanding. - RUC -			
REFERENCE: Letter dated 7/18/36 from Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley to the New York office.			
DETAILS: <u>AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN:</u> The Milwaukee office is not in receipt of any information relative to the \$1,000.00 bills of the Atlanta Federal Reserve Bank, serial numbers F00022451A to F00022500A, against which stop notices have been placed with the various banks in the state of Wisconsin. These stop notices will remain outstanding. Likewise no information has been received by the Milwaukee office relative to 1935 Plymouth Sedan, motor #PJ322772, 1933 Standard Ford Coupe, motor #429014, Ford V-8 Tudor Sedan, motor #2044337. Stop notices against these cars will also remain outstanding. Subject to being reopened in the event any information relative to the \$1,000.00 bills or cars above mentioned is received by this office this case is being referred upon completion to the office of origin. - REFERRED UPON COMPLETION TO THE OFFICE OF ORIGIN -			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>V. W. Peterson</i>		SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	
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Cleveland, Ohio

September 16, 1936

SAC DALLAS

PHONE BREKID REFERENCE YOUR TELETYPE SEPTEMBER FIFTEENTH. PARTY DID NOT ARRIVE CLEVELAND LAST NIGHT. IF YOU HAVE NAME USED BY PARTY IN MAKING PULLMAN RESERVATIONS, FURNISH DATA ST. LOUIS OFFICE REQUESTING PULLMAN RESERVATIONS ST LOUIS TO CLEVELAND BE CHECKED THRU SEPTEMBER SEVENTEENTH AND FURNISH INFORMATION HERE SO GIRL CAN BE BROUGHT INTO CLEVELAND UNDER SURVEILLANCE. PLEASE EXPEDITE REPORT YOUR INVESTIGATION

MAC FARLAND

SKM:

cc: Bureau

Cincinnati

10:30 AM

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September 5, 1936

[REDACTED]
Northwestern Bell Telephone Company,
224 Fifth Street, South,
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

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On various occasions during the Bureau's investigation into the Bremer and Hamm Kidnapping cases, Special Agents of the Bureau have informed me of the excellent cooperation afforded them by you. The cooperation and assistance which you rendered contributed in no small part to the successful termination of both of these investigations, and I desire at this time to express to you my sincere personal and official appreciation for the assistance which you have been to the Bureau.

Sincerely yours,

V-R

cc St Paul

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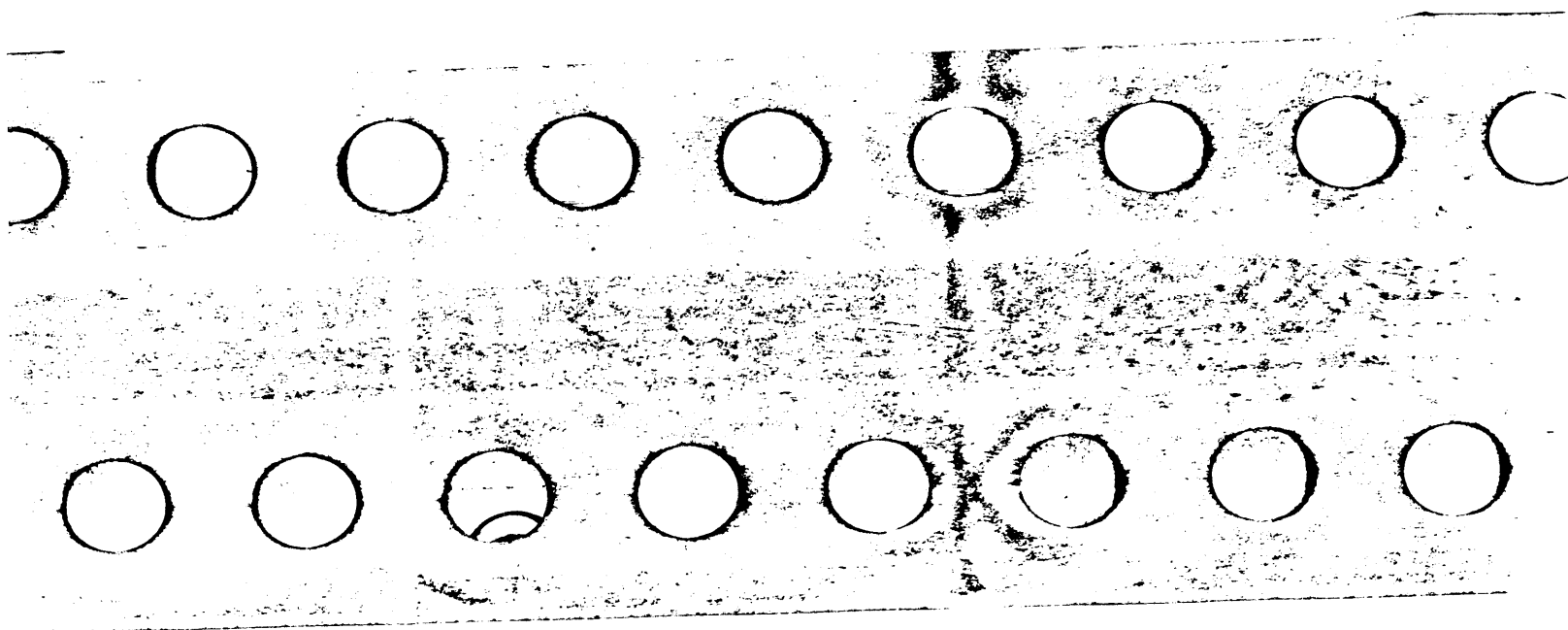
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LETTER TO MR. BILLY,
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September 15, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir: In re: BREXID

Reference is made to the summary report of Special Agent A. Paul Mitchin, dated at Cleveland, Ohio, 9/8/36, in the above entitled matter, with respect to Milton Lett, which summary report carries a lead for the Chicago Bureau office at Lincoln, Illinois, to carry out a lead previously set forth in the report of Special Agent W. F. Sullivan, dated at Chicago, Illinois, 6/10/36.

Attention is directed to the fact that in Mr. Sullivan's report this lead was set forth for the Chicago Bureau office, in whose territory Lincoln, Illinois, is located, and that this lead had not been covered as set forth in the report of Special Agent W. J. Wolfe, dated at St. Louis, Missouri, 9/7/36.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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REPORT MADE AT: NEW YORK CITY	DATE WHEN MADE: 9/14/36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 9/8 & 9/36	REPORT MADE BY: H. C. LESLIE
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, VICTIM.			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Articles concerning BREMER KIDNAPING case appeared in Startling Detective Magazine for the years 1934, 1935 and 1936. Articles concerning the BREMER case also appeared in the Daring Detective Magazine during the year 1936. Magazines obtained and forwarded under separate cover to Cleveland Office. Telephone Melrose 5-9353 listed in the name of MARTIN D. LISS, 760 Grand Concourse, Bronx, N.Y. LISS formerly operated night club; no record at Police Headquarters.			
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REFERENCE: Letters from the Cleveland Office dated 9/3 & 4/36.			
DETAILS: Reference letter dated September 3, 1936, requests a search of the files of the Midwest Distributors, Greenwich, Conn., publishers of the Startling Detective Magazine, to determine whether any articles or photographs appeared of the fugitives in connection with the BREMER kidnaping case during the years 1934 and 1935. Mr. LEONARD W. DIEGRE, Editor of the Startling Detective Magazine, and the Daring Detective Magazine, published by the Midwest Distributors, Fawcett Building, Greenwich, Conn., was interviewed.			
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Mr. DIEGRE caused a search of the files, and furnished copies of the following magazines:

Startling Detective Magazine - July 1934 - An article entitled: "Cracking the \$200,000. Bremer Kidnaping Case", by DAN LAMBERT, in which photographs appeared of ADOLPH and EDWARD G. BREMER, as well as several of the gang who were engaged in the kidnaping.

Startling Detective Magazine - May 1935 - An article entitled: "Smashing the Karpis-Barker Mad Dogs", by DAN LAMBERT.

Startling Detective Magazine - September 1935 - An article entitled: "The Crimson Career of Alvin Karpis, Notorious Snatcher", by FRANK ALBERT.

Mr. DIEGRE also furnished copies of the STARTLING DETECTIVE MAGAZINE for the months of August, September and October 1936, in which are contained articles entitled: "I was a Karpis-Barker Gang Moll" by EDNA MURRAY.

Copies of the Daring Detective Magazine for the months of August and September, 1936, were also furnished. Articles appearing in the Daring Detective Magazine are entitled: "The Notorious Karpis Mob", by JACK HEAL, and "Smashing the Notorious Karpis Mob", also by JACK HEAL.

The above referred to magazines have been forwarded to the Cleveland Office under separate cover.

With regard to reference letter of September 4, 1936, concerning long distance telephone call made from Adams 1556, Toledo, to Melrose 5-9353, New York, it was ascertained that Melrose 5-9353 is listed in the name of MARTIN D. LISS, 760 Grand Concourse, Bronx, New York.

Agent interviewed Mr. SACHS, owner, at said address, who advised that he has only seen MARTIN D. LISS on one or two occasions, and that he does not know anything about him, as LISS had been living in this apartment building five or six years before it was taken over by Mr. SACHS. Mr. SACHS called the wife of the superintendent, Mrs. FREDENSTEIN, who advised that MARTIN D. LISS has resided at this address for about eight

years; that he is married and has one child. She stated that she had heard Mr. LISS operated a night club somewhere in New York several years ago, but she does not know at this time whether he is still engaged in this business. She stated that both Mr. and Mrs. LISS are very quiet and do not associate with any of the other tenants to any extent, and that very little is known concerning them. She stated that they appeared to be very respectable people; that they pay their rent regularly, and are considered good tenants.

This apartment house is located in a good section of the Grand Concourse, Bronx, New York, and is occupied by a good class of people, among them being former Police Commissioner EDWARD P. MULROONEY. Rentals for these rooms were formerly \$28. per room, but have recently been reduced to \$20. per room.

The records at Police Headquarters, New York City, were checked for the name of MARTIN D. LISS, without result.

Inquiries [redacted] developed that there is no record of LISS on file. Inquiries were also made at the U. S. Secret Service Division, Custom House Building, New York City, concerning LISS, without result. b7d

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

The NEW YORK OFFICE will contact the New York State liquor authorities, 80 Centre Street, New York City, to determine whether there is any record on file for MARTIN D. LISS as having been engaged in the liquor business at any time, and in the event no information is obtained, will conduct further investigation to determine his record and connections.

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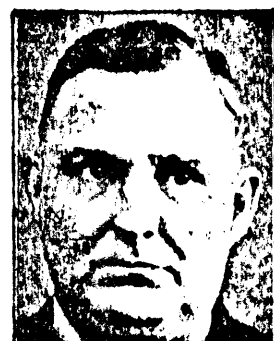
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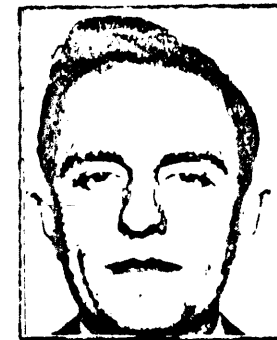
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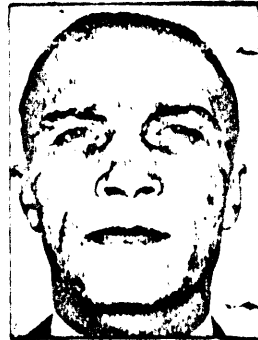
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Gordon C. Fleming is wanted for jumping bond on charge of "Obtaining Money Under False Pretenses" for defrauding a widow out of \$3,320.00.

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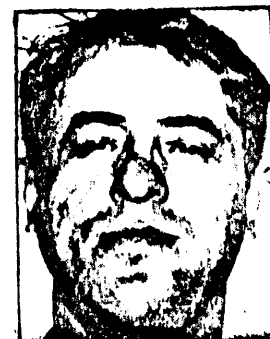
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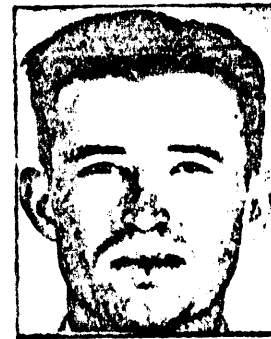
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225. **EDWARD GALE**, aliases, **E D W A R D BAILEY**, **BILL BAILEY**. Arr. Cleveland, Ohio, 2-17-34; Con Man; 41 yrs (1934); 5-8 1/2"; 190 lbs; med stout bld; blk hair; lt chest eyes; lt comp. (Cleveland, Ohio photo 1934.)

226. **NEVILLE T. P. O'SULLIVAN**. Arr. Rochester, N. Y., 1934; Con Man; 37 yrs (1934); 5-10"; 177 lbs; med bld; brn hair; bl eyes; oee—Brokerage (Rochester, N. Y., photo 1934.)

227. **BEN ORDENS**, aliases, **LAMBERT, ARDENS**. Arr. Detroit, Mich., 9-28-34; Con Man; 41 yrs (1934); 5-7 1/4"; 155 lbs; slim bld; brn hair; brn eyes; med comp. (Detroit, Mich., photo 1934.)

228. **FLOYD M. HUNT**. Arr. Buffalo, N. Y., 5-19-34; Crime, Pet. Lar (Con Man); 35 yrs (1934); 5-9 1/4"; 145 lbs; med bld; dk brn hair; sl bl eyes; med comp; oee—Salesman. Se rt side upper lip, mole rt side forehead. Buffalo, N. Y., No. 31879.

229. **EDWARD LOVETT**, aliases, **EDWARD LEONARD**, **EDWARD HAMMON**, **WM. McNEALLIS**, **HARRY MORRIS**. Arr. Buffalo, N. Y., 5-19-34; Crime, Gd Lar (Con Man); 47 yrs (1923); 5-11 1/2"; 161 lbs; med sl dr bld; dk chest hair; bl eyes; med sl comp; oee—Salesman. Mole on rt & left cheek, se in rt eyebrow. (St. Louis, Mo., photo 1923.) Buffalo, N. Y., No. 1177.

230. **SALVATORE RUSO**, aliases, **SALVATORE RUSSO**, **SALVATORE NOTO**. Arr. Buffalo, N. Y., 9-21-31; Crime, At. Gd Lar 2nd deg; 45 yrs (1931); 5-5 1/2"; 134 lbs; med sm bld; dk chest & gr hair; brn eyes; med

dk comp; oee—Laborer. Buffalo adrs. Seventh & Court St. Arm crooked at wrist from break. Buffalo, N. Y., No. 27689.

231. **THEODORE DAWSON**, aliases, **EDWARD CASKER**, **TED HESS**. Arr. Buffalo, N. Y., 1-26-32; Crime, Impersonating Federal Officer & Extortion (Con Man); 28 yrs (1932); 5-8 1/2"; 170 lbs; med bld; med chest hair; bl eyes; med comp; oee—Salesman. Tat kewpie doll left arm. Buffalo, N. Y., No. 28321.

232. **ALEXANDER WINKLER**, alias, **ALEXANDER WEISS**. Arr. Buffalo, N. Y., 5-3-34; Crime, Investigation (Con Man); 37 yrs (1934); 5-10 1/4"; 133 lbs; slim bld; dk brn hair; gr grn eyes; med dk comp; oee—Salesman. Lge se rt side of nose, se rt side upper lip. Buffalo, N. Y., No. 31806.

233. **PATRICK J. LANE**, alias, **JAMES BAXTER**. Arr. Buffalo, N. Y., 4-6-34; Crime, 2240 E. P. L. & At. Pet Lar (Con Man); 40 yrs (1934); 5-8 1/2"; 136 lbs; slim bld; lt red hair; lt bl eyes; med flr comp; oee—Railroad Worker. Tat rose, clasped hands, heart, star dagger, rose left arm. Buffalo, N. Y., No. 31701.

234. **ALEXANDER KACZOWSKI**, alias, **ALEXANDER KACZOROWSKI**. Arr. Buffalo, N. Y., 5-4-28; Crime, Gd Lar 1st deg (Con Man); 36 yrs (1928); 5-7"; 163 lbs; med bld; dk chest hair; gr brn eyes; med comp; oee—Salesman. Buffalo adrs. 228 Lovejoy St. Brn mole on rt cheek. Buffalo, N. Y., No. 20572.

235. **HYMAN KANTER**, aliases, **HERBERT KASDEN**, **HARRY**

KRASNOW, **HYMAN KASDEN**. Arr. Buffalo, N. Y., 2-4-30; Crime 423-22 P. H. L. (Dope & Con Man); 32 yrs (1930); 5-3 1/2"; 120 lbs; med bld; blk hair; brn eyes; med comp; oee—Showman. Se on forehead bet eyes. Buffalo, N. Y., No. 23952.

236. **MILO VULETIC**, aliases, **MILTON VULETIC**, **MIKE M. VOLAN**. Arr. Buffalo, N. Y., 1-24-33; Crime, 887-1 C.C.P. (Con Man); 36 yrs (1933); 5-7 1/4"; 165 lbs; med bld; blk & gr hair; brn eyes; med dk comp; oee—Crane Man. Tat "1912" & anchor rt arm. Buffalo, N. Y., No. 29949.

237. **SAM ASINOVSKI**, aliases, **SMERKA ASINOVSKY**, **SAM ASINOW**. Arr. Buffalo, N. Y., 3-14-33; Crime, 887-6 C.C.P. (Con Man); 42 yrs (1933); 5-8 1/4"; 181 lbs; med bld; blk hair; brn eyes; sl comp; oee—Musician. Lge se under chin. Buffalo, N. Y., No. 30101.

238. **ARCH CHRONISTER**, alias, **ARCH T. CHRONISTER**. Arr. Dallas, Tex., 6-30-34; Con Man; 36 yrs (1934); 5-10 1/4"; 154 lbs; med bld; brn hair; bl eyes; sl dr bld; med comp. (Dallas, Texas, photo 1934.)

239. **W. W. WHITESIDE**, alias, **L. HALL**. Arr. Miami, Fla., 1-1-30; Con Man; 48 yrs (1928); 5-4"; 170 lbs; med bld; dk chest hair; med comp; oee—Race Track W. (Miami, Fla., photo 1928.)

240. **LESLIE ROSCOE LEWIS**. Arr. Colorado Springs, Colo., 5-7 1/2"; 170 lbs; sl dr bld; gr hair; bl eyes; med comp; oee—Gambler & Showman. (Colorado Springs, Colo., photo 1934.)

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WANTED FOR EMBEZZLEMENT!

The Sheriff of Madison County, Illinois, holds warrant charging embezzlement for the following described subject:

FRANK ROBERT PAGE, alias **FRANK R. PAIGE**, alias **WILLIAM R. PAGE**. Age 32. Height 5 ft. 9 or 10 ins. Weight 160 to 170. Hair brown, thin. Eyes light blue. Complexion ruddy, smooth shaven, faint trace of pock marks. Good dresser, good talker, fond of music.

We are advised that the Western Union Telegraph Company will pay a reward of \$500.00 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of **PAGE**.

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The following described subject, while acting as Secretary-Treasurer for the Cooks, Waiters and Bartenders Union in Richmond, Contra Costa County, California, collected moneys from members and absconded with same:

JOSEPH P. Du FRANE, alias **JOSEPH J. Du FRANE**.

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Age 34. Height 5 ft. 6 1/2. Weight 150. Hair dark brown. Eyes brown. Complexion medium fair. Build stout. Nativity French Canadian.

Du FRANE is believed to be driving a Lafayette coupe; 1936 California license number 9-C-6583, motor number LE-19132.

Notify **John A. Miller**, Sheriff, Contra Costa County, Martinez, Calif., or Illinois State Bureau of Ident. & Invest., Springfield, Ill.

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ment into consideration and the improvement over it by the creation of the modern flashlight is just one comparison of the improvement in the police business. I was compelled to mention that because it was the first instrument handed to me upon my appointment and this is the first time that I have ever noticed this little lantern on any literature.

Very sincerely yours,

L. J. BENSON,
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PERSONALS

California, Santa Monica—On June 2, Charles Dice took office as chief of police. Dice has had 20 years' experience as a peace officer.

New Jersey—Mark O. Kimberling has recently been appointed superintendent of the New Jersey State Police.

Ohio—Chief Henry Klopfer resigned as chief of police at Fremont, Ohio, on April 1 at the age of 82. Succeeding him is 31-year-old Herman Schneider.

John A. Dunn was recently selected to head the police depart-

ment in Columbus, Ohio, following the death of Fred E. Kundts.

Tennessee—Chief Inspector Frank Fitzpatrick of the Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis Railway, and a member of the International Association of Chiefs of Police, died on May 9. Chief Fitzpatrick was president of the Tennessee-Mississippi Sheriffs' and Peace Officers' Association.

South Dakota—M. R. Downs, for 16 years a member of the Watertown, South Dakota, police force, has recently been appointed chief of police. He succeeds Chief L. P. Johnson.

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As provided for in a bill that became a federal law June 8, federal funds will be available for local police training schools, beginning July 1, 1937.

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For instance, the gallery of well-known pickpockets which is a contribution to the police officers of this country and presented by our friend, Commissioner Jimmy Higgins of Buffalo, and so many other contributions too numerous to mention.

I have been reading your paper for 25 years and I feel it is about time that I am telling you that I appreciate your efforts to broadcast news pertaining to the police authorities. I, for one, am familiar with the efforts put forth by yourself and your organization to gather this valuable information and want to tell you that I appreciate reading THE DETECTIVE.

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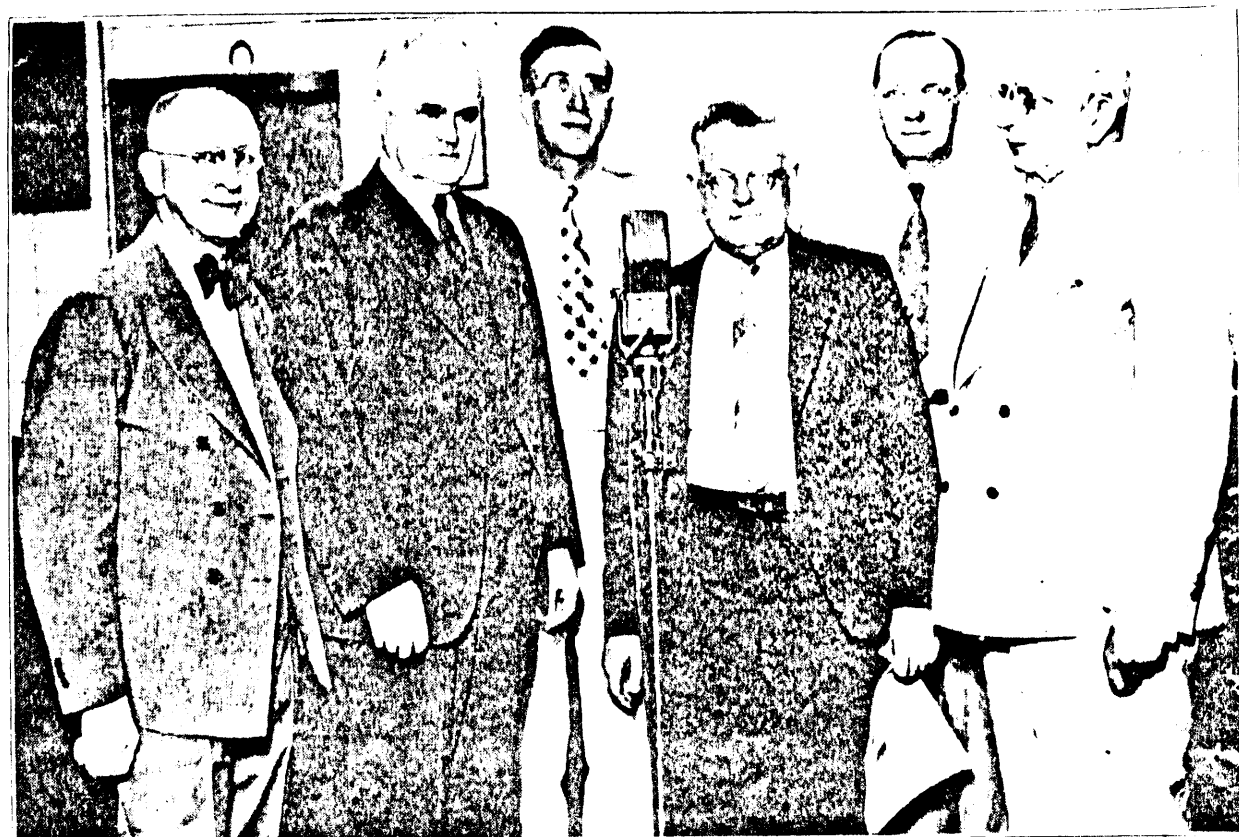
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Rural Crime a Paramount Problem

Radio Address of Chief U. S. Post Office Inspector K. P. Aldrich on WLS Dinner Bell Program, Chicago, Illinois, on Rural Crime Prevention July 30, 1936



Reading, left to right: Al Dunlap, editor of The Detective; K. P. Aldrich, Chief U. S. Postoffice Inspector; Arthur Page, Director, Radio Station WLS; Ross Saunders, Inspector, Rural Crime Prevention Division, Ill. Dept. of Agriculture; Walter Johnson, Chief, Chicago Division, U. S. Postal Inspectors; Ernest J. Kruetgen, Postmaster, City of Chicago.

K. P. Aldrich, chief U. S. Post office Inspector, is regarded by all well-informed peace officers of the nation as one of the most able and experienced law enforcement officials of all time.

The U. S. Postal inspectors constitute the oldest investigative group of the

fight cattle rustling and horse stealing. Such organizations flourished in nearly every state and were productive of great good.

With the advent of the automobile and the unfortunate inclination on the part of many people to want

who have a smooth tongue and who make promises which if made by their neighbors would be laughed to scorn. I recall a humorous note in the papers the other day in which an old lady remarked that while she would not say all strangers

tion of justice. People get the kind of government and the kind of law enforcement they deserve. An interested and inquiring public can bring about improvement in every branch of the government.

The efforts of Governor Horner and your state police forces in co-operation with Prairie Farmer-WLS along rural crime prevention lines merit the support of every citizen, but they can only be effective to the extent that the citizens back them up.

The Grange, Farm Bureaus and other farm organizations should have vigorous farm prevention committees who should work in close contact with local law enforcement officers. They will make poultry stealing and grain thefts as dangerous as horse stealing was in the old days. In your efforts, you will have the continued and hearty support of the Post Office Department which still provides the best sources of information in the world in aiding in the apprehension of criminals.

In closing, I wish to express my hearty appreciation of the splendid cooperation that has been extended to the U. S. postal inspectors for many years, by the Protective Union of Prairie Farmer-WLS, an institution that has rendered such an invaluable service to the rural sections of the middle west.

NEW COUNTERFEITS

\$1 SILVER CERTIFICATE—Series of 1934; check letter "D"; face plate No. 438; back plate No. 2695; W. A. Julian, Treasurer of the United States; Henry Morgenthau, Jr., Secretary of the Treasury; portrait of Washington. This production, printed on one sheet of bond paper from photo-mechanical plates, is fairly deceptive. Seal and numbering are executed in lustreless blue and some of the numerals are slightly out of line.

\$20 FEDERAL RESERVE NOTE—On the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, Illinois; 1928 B series; check letter "L"; face plate No. 44; back plate No. 86; serial number G24437556A; W. O. Woods, Treasurer of the United States; A. W. Mellon, Secretary of the Treasury; portrait of Jackson; printed on one sheet of paper from photo-mechanical plates of good workmanship. This note has been sized with a solution which makes the paper curl when moistened and tiny bits of red and blue thread have been impressed on the surface to stimulate the silk fibre in the genuine. Care should be exercised in handling notes of this variety and denomination.

WANTED ESCAPES

On the morning of April 24, 1936, five men escaped from the County Jail at Carlinville, Ill. They overpowered the jailer and locked him in a cell. Obtaining his keys, they raided the jail armory, taking a sub-machine gun, sawed-off shotguns, rifles and revolvers.

One of these men has been apprehended but the four listed below are still at large and care should be exercised in approaching any cars containing men of this description, as they are heavily armed and will not hesitate to shoot.

No. 1. RAYMOND SAINER Illinois State Bureau No. 89507

of esteem and confidence, respect and admiration of local peace officers in every nook and corner of the United States. (Editor.)

My Fellow Citizens:

I have been deeply interested as chief postoffice inspector in the excellent work of rural crime prevention as it is carried on in the great state of Illinois. I congratulate the people on the excellent work being done. Post office inspectors know only too well that crime is just as serious and just as prevalent in rural communities, comparatively speaking, as it is in the larger cities.

Persons with criminal tendencies appear in any community. Though poverty, oppression, and environment may cause criminality to develop more rapidly in one section than in another, it will be found wherever we go.

When a United States Judge estimated some years ago that the annual cost of crime to the people of the United States was fifteen billion dollars the average citizen was astonished, especially those citizens in rural communities. Each thought how wicked the cities or some other place far removed from them was with its murders and thefts and gave little consideration to the crime that was flourishing in their own localities. The prevention of crime begins at home. Care for that before you worry about crime some where else.

I have always been interested in rural crime prevention. Many years ago such crime was kept at a minimum throughout the entire United States through the active interest and willingness of the separate communities to do their part in aiding law enforcement officials in bringing criminals in rural communities to justice. I recall many years ago when my father was a law enforcement officer that he had the active assistance and support of associations made up of farmers to

and hearty cooperation of every citizen.

I take it the purpose of these talks on rural crime prevention is to make the people of the state conscious of the fact that the cost of crime in rural communities is one of the heaviest burdens they have to bear.

I have kept in touch with the good work of Governor Horner and Mr. Ross Saunders, Inspector in Charge of Rural Crime Prevention in Illinois, through the able articles published by Mr. Al Dumlup in his excellent magazine THE DETECTIVE. I learned that poultry thieving alone in one state exceeds the losses from bank burglaries and kidnappings. Within a year there were 580,000 head of poultry stolen; 2,300 hogs, and 27,000 bushels of grain, which is but a small part of the losses which the farmers of the state had to bear. Only too often such thefts are committed by men starting out in crime. Later, they attack our post offices and our banks and too often become murderers. Such statistical records show the importance of rural crime prevention which your governor has stressed. It is to the interest of the Post Office Department that every effort be made to bring about a decrease in crime in rural communities. Criminals who steal your poultry are criminals who steal mail from your letter boxes. They rob the local store and post office. When they are taught at an early stage in their careers that crime does not pay much good has been accomplished.

While our experience is that people in cities are more gullible as a rule than people in rural districts, I do want to warn rural residents also against high-powered salesmen posing as stock brokers and doctors or retired business men who establish themselves in country towns and prey upon persons about whom they have learned have cash in the bank. It is surprising how willing some people are to trust strangers

about joining organizations which try to convince you that you are one of the heirs of some great estate.

There are very few families who do not have a story of money or property lost to the family long generations back and to which they have a legal right. Knowing this propensity on the part of the average person swindlers select some so-called ancestor and build up a fable about vast wealth and make their money through dues gathered from alleged heirs which are ostensibly paid for the purpose of looking up records and proving claims. The Sir Francis Drake estate is but one instance. The Buchanan and Anneke Jans Bogardus estates are other examples.

The post office inspection service was devised to assist the Postmaster General in seeing that the mails are handled with "certainty, security and celerity." A part of its work is to keep the mails free from the correspondence and the advertising of the swindler and the crook. Many of the people who endeavor to swindle you could not carry on their work without using the mails. Postmaster General Farley has been most zealous in keeping the mails sacred from the touch of vandal hands and the vicious advertisers.

Because any criminal who robs your farm is a potential post office burglar is one of the reasons post office inspectors are interested in rural crime prevention. I want you all to realize that an interested and an aroused public does more to keep law enforcement vigorous and active and on a high plane than anything else. The proper administration of justice requires that the high-minded and intelligent men and women of every community willingly assume their great responsibilities as citizens. Too often we find people who evade jury duty. Too often we find citizens who fail to apprise law officers of the knowledge they have concerning crimes. These persons only too often are the strongest critics of the administra-

Age, 22. Height, 5-11. Weight, 154. Hair, dark brown. Eyes, blue. Complexion, dark. Build, medium.

No. 2. ROBERT LIVINGSTON, with aliases of ADAM CHORZMPA, JOE LOMBARDO; Illinois State Bureau No. 104955.

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Age, 20. Height, 5-8. Weight, 150. Hair, black. Eyes, blue. Complexion, dark. Build, medium.

No. 3. WALTER LANGLEY, Illinois State Bureau No. 105113.

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Age, 17. Height, 5-11. Weight, 160. Hair, brown. Eyes, brown. Complexion, fair. Build, slender.

No. 4. CHARLES COLEMAN LANGLEY, Illinois State Bureau No. 105112.

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Age, 26. Height, 5-7. Weight, 138. Hair, light brown. Eyes, grey. Complexion, fair. Build, slender.

Notify Alva Henry, Sheriff Macoupin County, Carlinville, Ill., or T. P. Sullivan, Supt. State Bureau of Identification, Springfield, Ill.

WANTED FOR ROBBERY, ARMED, AND SHOOTING, INTENT TO KILL

The Chief of Police of Maywood, Ill., holds warrant charging Robbery, Armed and Shooting with Intent to Kill for the following described subjects:

No. 1. WALTER KANIA, Pontiac No. B-214, Illinois State Bureau No. 7082.

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Age, 20 (1931). Height, 5-6 1/4. Weight, 141. Hair, chestnut dark. Eyes, yellow azure, medium. Complexion, medium dark. Build, medium.

No. 2. FRANK KARCYKOWSKI, Pontiac No. A-7086, Illinois State Bureau No. 106642.

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Age, 17 (1928). Height, 5-7 1/4. Weight, 149. Hair, chestnut, dark. Eyes, yellow slate, medium. Complexion, medium dark sallow.

Notify R. H. Bailey, Chief of Police, Maywood, Ill., or T. P. Sullivan, Supt., State Bureau of Identification, Springfield, Ill.

CHICAGO, ILL. POLICE DEPARTMENT



1. Max Hoffman; age 31 (1931); ht. 5-1 $\frac{3}{4}$; wt. 126; bld. slim; hair dk.; eyes hazel; comp. sall.

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Record of Max Hoffman:

As Max Hoffman—Arr. Canton, O., May 10, 1916, suspect P.P.

As Max Hoffman—Arr. Cleveland, O., July 16, 1917, larceny P.P. Sept. 25, 1917, no bill larceny P.P.

As Meyer Levine—Arr. Detroit, Mich., Dec. 1, 1917, larceny P.P.

As Max Hoffman—Sentenced St. Cloud, Minn. Refr. No. 4934, larceny P.P. from Ramsey County, Minn.

As Max Hoffman—Arr. Chicago June 10, 1922, disorderly conduct. Fined \$100 and costs.

As Max Hoffman—Arr. Chicago April 19, 1923, larceny and disorderly conduct.

As John Davis—Arr. Calgary, Canada, Oct. 24, 1923, P.P. Forfeited bond.

As Max Hoffman—Arr. Dec. 25, 1914, at Toronto, Canada and sentenced to 30 days workhouse, P.P.

As Max Hoffman—Arr. Chicago Sept. 21, 1923, dis. conduct. Fined \$10 and costs.

As Max Hoffman—Arr. Montreal, Canada, Aug. 14, 1915, P.P. Sentenced 30 days prison.

As Abe Greenberg—Arr. Houston, Tex., Nov. 20, 1923, larceny P.P.

Sentenced to New York Reformatory.

As Stanley Miller—Arr. New York City, Apr. 16, 1926, poss. revolver. Sentenced May 4, 1926, New York Co. Pen., No. 45530; escaped from Hampton Farms July 30, 1926.

As James Stevenson—Arr. Oak Park, Ill., Nov. 23, 1926; burg. tools. Sentenced Feb. 7, 1929, Joliet, Ill., Pen. No. 1122, burglary. Discharged Nov. 14, 1930, and turned over to Orange County, N. Y.

As Stanley Miller—Arr. Mar. 16, 1932, New York City. Escaped prisoner.

As Raymond Harris—Arr. Detroit, Mich., May 18, 1932, Invest. C-46900 Marvin Hollis—Arr.

Mar. 9, 1933, Chicago, Ill. G.P., by Sergt. Golden & Co., 7th Dist. Mar. 13, 1933, turned over to U. S. Marshal, Chicago, Ill., robbery of postal station.



3. Paul Beaumont; age 43 (1929); ht. 5-9 $\frac{1}{4}$; wt. 205; bld. med.; hair dk. ches.; eyes grey-blue; comp. med.

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Record of Paul Herbert Schmidt alias Paul Beaumont:

72003, Paul Herbert Smith—Oct. 30, 1917, prob. 1 yr. robb. Judge Sullivan.

Paul Herbert Smith—Aug. 3, 1918, warrant issued viol. prob. Judge Crowe.

73415 Paul Schmidt—Feb. term 1918, No bill con. ram. Cfts. Mar.

As Lamar Cogdell—June 16, 1925, sent. U. S. Pen., Leavenworth, Kas., No. 23640, viol. Dyer Act, 1 yr. and 1 day, from Dallas, Tex.

As Lamar Cogdell—May 8, 1926, Arr. Detroit, Mich., gr. larc.

As Lamar Cogdell—June 19, 1926, sent. Ionia, Mich., Refr., No. 16247, false pret., 1-10 yrs., from Detroit.

As Lamar Cogdell—Mar. 3, 1927, reed. Jackson, Mich., Pen., No. 20412, 1-10 yrs. O.M.F.P., from Detroit, Mich.

As Lamar Cogdell—Mar. 21, 1932, arr. New Orleans, La., arr. asst., intent to rape.

As Louis Colgin—Apr. 19, 1933, arr. El Paso, Tex., vag., disch.

As Lamar Cogdell—Nov. 23, 1934, arr. Lake Charles, La., train riding.

As Lamar Cogdell—Sept. 26, 1925, arr. Columbus, O., larc. auto. Held.

As Clarence Cogdell—Feb. 19, 1936, arr. Ft. Worth, Tex., fugt. robb. armed. Turned over to Dallas, Tex.

As Clarence Cogdell—Feb. 24, 1936, Arr. Dallas, Tex., robb.

C-74770, Lamar Cogdell—Judge Green, July 10, 1936, 1 yr. H. of C., and \$1 and costs, larc. Sgts. Noonan and Harder, DB.



5. Carl Smith alias Carl Seaburg; age 49 (1926); ht. 5-8 $\frac{1}{8}$; wt. 145; bld. med.; hair lt. ches.; eyes yell.-green; comp. sall.

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bld. med.; occ. R.R. fireman; res. San Antonio, Texas; nat. Dallas, Tex.

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Dallas, Texas (PD) No. 6753.

8-20-27—Arr. by Plainclothes Officers Trammell-Goss; escaped convict from Texas State prison; returned.

4-23-12—State Pen., Huntsville, Tex., No. 33132 as Richard Charles Beall; from McLennan Co.; burg., 2 yrs.

6-7-15—State Pen., Huntsville, Tex., No. 37730 as Richard Beall; from Dallas Co., burg., 2 yrs.

6-30-16—State Pen., Huntsville, Tex., No. 39785 as Charlie Beall; from Dallas Co.; robbery, 10 yrs.

2-4-22—Houston, Tex. (PD) No. 2917 as Richard Charles Beall; burglary and felony theft at Jennings, La., and forgery and passing at Houston, Texas. M.O. burglary of depot at Jennings, La., and forgery of money orders.

5-3-22—State Pen., Huntsville, Tex., No. 47645 as Richard Charles Beall; forgery, 9 yrs.

4-10-23—Los Angeles, Calif. (PD) No. 21521 as George H. Wilson, burglary.

6-7-24—Ft. Worth, Texas (PD) No. 3012 as Richard Charles Beall; fugitive (escaped convict from State Pen., Huntsville, Tex.); returned.

11-2-25—Beaumont, Tex. (PD) No. 2089 as Richard Charles Beall; fugitive; returned to Texas State Pen.

8-24-31—Dallas, Tex. (PD) No. 6753 as Richard Charles Beall; inv., reld.

5-27-32—Denver, Colo. (PD) No. B-6900 as Richard Charles Beall; viol. state pro. law, 30 days.

7-3-32—Denver, Colo. (PD) No. 14774 as Richard Charles Beall; store burglary (yegg).

7-19-32—State Pen., Canon City, Colo., No. 16944 as Richard Charles

No. 3805 as Lucile Bowman; larceny (shoplift). Fined 12-31-19.

7-30-24—Kansas City, Mo. (PD) No. 3839 as Lucy Bowman; larceny; sentenced 1 yr. co. jail.

8-1-20—Kansas City, Mo. (PD) No. 3839 as Lucy Bowman alias Lucy Ledford; fugitive, escaped from Kans. State Pen., Woman's Refty., 7-3-20, to which she had been sentenced 1 to 5 yrs. 6-23-20 from Hutchinson, Kas., for forgery; returned 8-1-20.

3-8-26—Denver, Colo. (PD) No. 10448 as Lucy Ledford; larceny as prowler.

4-24-26—Kansas City, Kas. (PD) No. 1031 as Lucy Bowman; shoplifting susp.

5-9-26—Kansas State Industrial Farm for Women No. 2873 as Lucy E. Bowman; grand larceny, 1 to 5 yrs.

5-1-29—State Pen., Jefferson City, Mo. as Lucy Ledford; No. 34980, Cole Co.; grand larceny, 3 yrs.

4-12-32—Kansas City, Mo. (PD) No. 3839 as Evelyn White; shoplifting; fined \$500 and paroled.

12-8-32—Kansas City, Mo. (PD) No. 3839 as Lucy Bowman; inv. (pickpocket); fined \$15 and parole revoked on \$500 fine of 4-12-32.

3-5-35—Topeka, Kas. (PD) No. — as Mrs. Hartman; vag., inv.

6-2-35—Kansas City, Mo. (PD) No. 3839 as Elizabeth Ledford; burglary, vagged; fined \$500 6-6-35.



8. John Earnest Austin; age 33 (1936); ht. 5-11 $\frac{1}{2}$; s. wt. 155; hair ch.; eyes blue; com. sallow; bld.

84775, Max Hoffman—Chicago, Dec. 8, 1921, general principles.
As Dave Weinburg—Arr. Los Angeles, Cal., Nov. 6, 1923, larceny P.P.

As Max Hoffman—Arr. Cleveland, O., Dec. 2, 1931, investigation.

As Max Hoffman—Arr. Chicago June 1, 1932, dis. conduct. Fined \$100 and costs.

As John Friedman—Arr. Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 25, 1920, investigation P.P.

As Max Hoffman—Arr. Minneapolis, Minn., Sept. 10, 1921, vag. P.P. Sentenced 90 days workhouse and given hours.

As Max Hoffman—Arr. Decatur, Ill., June 7, 1934, dis. conduct. Fined \$13.15.

As Max Hoffman—Arr. Galesburg, Ill., June 16, 1934, P.P.

As Max Hoffman—Arr. Jefferson, Ia., larceny, P.P.

As Max Hoffman—Arr. Miami, Fla., Jan. 20, 1936, robbery and P.P. No disposition.

C34122 Max Hoffman—Chicago, Dec. 18, 1931, larceny by bailee. Discharged.

Wanted by Sergts. Wacholz & Hosna, D.B., Sept. 3, 1933.



2. Marvin Hollis; age 25 (1933); ht. 5-6½; wt. 125; bld. slim; hair med. dk.; eyes hazel; comp. sall.

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Record of Marvin Hollis:
As Ernest Morton—Arr. June 6, 1924, New Haven, Conn.; fugt. burg., from Lawrence, Mass.

As Carl Milton—Arr. New York City, Feb. 20, 1925; burg. tool.

No. 20491, manslaughter (auto), 3 to 5 yrs. from Hendersonville, N. C. Disch. June 23, 1929.

As Hayes Walker—July 28, 1922, sent. to Atlanta, Ga., Pen. No. 14848, 5 yrs. flat; white slavery from Washington, D. C.

As Ralph Courtney—June 16, 1920. Arr. Buffalo, N. Y., viol. Sec. 925 Penal Law.

As Paul Schmidt—Nov. 28, 1931, reced. Florence, Ariz., Pen. 8719-20. Bogus checks, from Manicopa, Co. 15 mos. to 5 yrs.

As Winslow Surrell—Mar. 1, 1918, 30 days Co. jail Peoria, Ill., defrauding innkeeper.

As Paul E. Schmidt—Mar. 1, 1919, to Leavenworth, Kan., Pen. Forgery; to serve 3 yrs.

As Paul Beaumont—Arr. Sept. 11, 1929, Cincinnati, O.; conversion of property.

C-18436 Paul Beaumont—Turned over to Sgt. Wm. Cleary, Cincinnati, O., larc. auto., fugt., Sept. 11, 1929. Off. Waller and squad, 30-A. D.



4. Lamar Cogdell; age 30; ht. 5-8¾; wt. 123; bld. slim; hair dk. ches.; eyes dark hazel; comp. fair.

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Record of Lamar Cogdell:
As Clarence L. Cogdell—Sent. May 1, 1923, La. Pen., Baron Rouge, La., shooting with intent to kill, from New Orleans, La., and asslt. to rob.

As Clarence L. Cogdell—Arr. Dallas, Tex., Mar. 27, 1925.

As Clarence L. Cogdell—Arr. Los Angeles, Cal., grand larc. and att. burg., and May 26, 1925, turned over to Dallas, Tex., viol. Dyer Act.

May 3, 1914, grand larc.

As Carl Seaberg—Sent. Oct. 9, 1915, Indiana State Pen., No. 6323, grand larceny from Marion county. Paroled Oct. 30, 1916.

As Carl Schiller—Arr. May 4, 1917, Memphis, Tenn., larceny. Sent. to Nashville, Tenn., Pen.

As Carl Seaburg—Arr. Birmingham, Ala., Jan. 5, 1919, larc. (2). Sent. 6 mos. Jefferson county jail (1) and Jefferson county jail 100 days (1).

C-716 Carl Smith—Apr. 19, 1926, 90 days H. of C. and \$1 and costs, larceny. Judge Immenhausen, Offs. McGrane, 19th.

As Carl Seiberg—Arr. Louisville, Ky., Oct. 18, 1929, grand larc.

As Carl Schiller—Jan. 12, 1924, sent. Nashville, Tenn., Pen., No. 12905, larceny, 1 to 2 yrs., from Memphis.

As Carl Seiberg—Sent. Feb. 11, 1930, Frankfort, Ky., Refr. No. 16350, larceny 2½ yrs., from Jefferson county.

As Arthur Hammond—June 21, 1932, \$100 and costs, dis. conduct. Judge Green.

As Carl Miller—June 10, 1933, \$200 and costs, dis. conduct. Judge McGarry, Sgt. Warren, DB. Escaped July 3, 1933. Cancelled 10-10-33.

C-43850 Carl Miller—Nov. 12, 1932, 6 mos. H. of C. and \$1 and costs. P. larceny. Judge McKinley. Offs. Maloney and Dessent, 2nd Dist.

DALLAS, TEXAS POLICE DEPARTMENT



6. Richard Charles Beall; age 39 (1927); ht. 5-5½; s. wt. 123; hair d. ch.; eyes brn.; com. dk.

No. 23614 as Richard Charles Beall; inv. (theft).

7-3-36—Dallas, Tex. (PD) No. 6753 as Richard Charles Beall; inv. (safe burg.). Reld. on writ of habeas corpus.

"This man is a fast safe burglar."



7. Elizabeth Lucy Ledford alias Lucy Bowman, Elizabeth Bowman, Mrs. Frank Bowman, Lucile Bowman, Lucy Ledford, Lucy E. Bowman, Mrs. Hartman, Evelyn White. Age 40 (1936); ht. 5-3; s. wt. 142; hair d. ch.; eyes blue; com. dk.; bld. med.; occ. housewife; res. 2842 Brighton Ave., Kansas City, Mo.; nat. Stanton, W. Va. (Clear.)

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Dallas, Texas (PD) No. 14673. 3-12-36—Arr. by Ptn. Board; burglary (PRDT) 3 es., filed and trans. to Co. Auth.

3-11-10—Kansas City, Mo. (PD) No. 3839 as Lucy Bowman; arson; dism. for lack of pros.

12-23-10—Kansas City, Mo. (PD) No. 3839 as Lucy Bowman; shoplifting; plea of guilty, 1 yr. co. jail.

4-20-12—Kansas City, Mo. (PD) No. 3839 as Lucy Bowman; shoplifting; fined \$50.

9-5-14—State Pen., Lansing, Kas., No. 4981 as Lucy Bowman; grand larceny; 1 to 5 yrs. Paroled 10-6-16. Violated parole 11-1-16.

5-10-16—Kansas City, Kas. (PD) No. 1031 as Lucy Bowman; viol. parole; returned to State Pen., Lansing, Kas., 5-13-16.

8-4-19—Kansas City, Mo. (PD) No. 3839 as Lucy Bowman; shoplifting.

12-30-19—St. Joseph, Mo. (PD)

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Dallas, Texas (PD) No. 14939. 5-26-36—Arr. by Dets. Bell-Preston; swindling over \$50 (fake sales) at Canton, Texas; returned.

5-23-30—San Antonio, Tex. (PD) No. 6021 as John Earnest Austin; swindling under \$50; trans. to Co.

10-27-30—State Pen., Huntsville, Tex., No. 65100 as J. E. Austin; embez. and theft by conversion, 2 yrs. (2-2-2-2 con.).

12-10-31—Corpus Christi, Tex. (PD) No. A-193 as John Austin; vag. and inv.; reld.

6-21-32—Ft. Worth, Tex. (PD) No. 6180 as John Earnest Austin; forgery and attempting to pass; reld. to co.

10-16-32—State Pen., Huntsville, Tex., No. 71422 as John Earnest Austin; forg. and passing, 2 yrs.

5-16-34—Houston, Tex. (PD) No. 13964 as John Earnest Austin; fugitive Bandera Co.; returned.

11-23-30—State Pen., Huntsville, Tex., No. 77687 as John Austin; theft, 2 yrs.



9. William Walter Miller alias Billie Miller, Bill Miller. Age 24 (1936); ht. 5-6½; s. wt. 141; hair d. ch.; eyes blue; com. dk.; bld. med.; occ. showman; res. Paris, Texas; nat. Paris, Texas. I. Vac. Tat "MYLES" up arm out. 11. Tat "GEORGIA LEE" up arm out.

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Dallas, Texas (PD) No. 14866. 5-5-36—Arr. by Ptn. Hicks-Clinkenbeard; inv. (short change); reld.

4-14-33—Austin, Tex. (PD) No. BE-942 as William W. Miller; short change; filed.

5-11-33—Jennings, La. (SO) No. 26-E as Billie Miller; enroute to Lake Charles, La.

5-11-33—Lake Charles, La. (SO) No. 2078 as Billie Miller; false pret.

10-25-33—Abilene, Tex. (PD) No. 1807 as Bill Miller; inv. (burg.); reld.

2-24-34—Laredo, Tex. (SO) as William Miller; asslt to murder.

12-27-34—Houston, Tex. (PD) No. 14838 as William Walter Miller; inv. and vag.

8-12-35—Kansas City, Mo. (PD) No. 23740 as William Walter Miller; inv. (con-game and vag.) 8-13-35 \$500.

5-13-36—Ft. Worth, Tex. (PD) No. 8061 as William Walter Miller; inv. G. P.; reld.



10. Ralston Neville Kirtley alias Edward Pullman, Ed Phelan, Edward L. Phelan, Edward Van-Buren Knickerbocker, W. B. Blair, Travis Lawton Jerome. Age 38 (1936); ht. 5-10; s. wt. 158; hair blonde; eyes blue; com. med.; bld. med.; occ. physician; res. Sacramento, Calif.; nat. Louisville, Ky. III. Sm. cut, sc. rt. eyebrow.

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Dallas, Texas (PD) No. 14847.

4-29-36—Arr. by Dets. Register-Smith; fugitive Sacramento, Calif., for forgery (checks); returned.

12-4-11—State Pen., McAlister,

ery and worthless checks, 16 to 28 yrs. pen.

6-18-29—Marietta, Ga. (SO) as J. H. Brady; forgery, 12 to 28 yrs.

4-14-32—Richmond, Ind. (PD) No. 1390 as James Brady; fugitive from justice; ret. to Gainesville, Ga., 4-18-32.

6-16-32—Wanted Rahway, N. Y. (PD) as J. H. Baker; fraud (checks).

3-29-33—Charleston, W. Va. (PD) No. 2879 as James Bratton; fugitive from justice.

2-19-34—Wanted Spokane, Wash. (SO) as John Henry Baker; fel. warrant (check).

3-13-34—Ft. Wayne, Ind. (PD) No. 7052 as James Henry Palmer; fugitive (checks). Reld. to Meriden, Conn.

4-2-34—Meriden, Conn. (PD) as James H. Palmer; pass. fraud. check; 18 mos. co. jail.

6-23-34—Wanted Wheeling, W. Va. (PD); bad checks.

8-21-35—Wanted New Haven, Conn. (SO) as John Henry Baker; escape.

9-3-35—Wanted Quincy, Mass. (PD) as John Henry Baker; chg. not stated.

9-19-35—Wanted Parkersburg, W. Va. (PD) as J. H. Miller; bad checks.

10-19-33—Wanted for escaping from convict camp, Gainesville, Ga. Notify Hall Co. Chan Gang, Gainesville, Ga. as J. H. Baker (prob. ident.).

6-9-36—Waco, Texas (PD) No. 2012 as R. L. Johnson; forgery and passing (6 cs.); trans. to Co.

6-8-36—Ft. Worth, Tex. (PD) No. Ex-24215 as Robert Lee Johnson; forgery; reld. to Waco, Texas.



7 — 30—Deported from U. S. at New Orleans, La.

2 — 31—Unlawfully reentry to U. S. through Canada.

8-24-31—Louisville, Ky. (PD) No. 30756 as Dell Mayon; vag.

11-19-31 — Milwaukee, Wis. (PD) No. 21909 as Sint Stanish Millard; imm. laws; turned over to imm. officers.

5-7-32—Milwaukee, Wis. (USI & NS) as Stanish Millard; under deportation proceedings, also under criminal pros. for unlawfully returning to U. S. after being deported in Sept., 1930.

6-17-23—Chicago, Ill. (PD) No. C-49533 as Sint Millard; G.P.

7-5-33—Chicago, Ill. (U. S. Marshal) No. 11631 as Stanch Milorad; immigration.

7-10-35 — San Francisco, Calif. (PD) No. 52764 as Sam S. Millard; enroute to San Diego, Calif.

9-18-35—San Diego, Calif. as M. J. Millard; forgery and prior convictions of encumbering morg. prop. in Los Angeles County, Calif. P.G. to forgery charge—prior conviction dismissed in view of fact that defendant had received full pardon from governor; fined \$500, \$400 suspended on condition that defendant make full restitution of \$170 within 30 days.



13. Eugene Hendrix Smith. Age 44 (1936); ht. 6-1; s. wt. 204; hair ch.-grey; eyes grey; com. fair; bld. med.; occ. salesman; res. 3016 Pennsylvania Ave., Dallas, Texas.

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City, Mo., No. 16134 as Ed Phelan; burg. and larceny, 7 yrs.

4-16-14—Kansas City, Mo. (PD) No. 6424 as Edward L. Pheland; inv. C.C.W.

7-19-19—St. Louis, Mo. (PD) No. 15304 as Edward VanBuren Knickerbocker; G.P.

10-3-19—State Pen., Menard, Ill., No. 4593 as W. B. Blair; forgery, 1 to 14 yrs.

2-28-35—San Diego, Calif. (PD) No. 10595-B as Travis Lawton Jerome; def. innkeeper; 90 days Co. jail; suspended.

5-11-36—Sacramento, Calif. (PD) No. 18218 as Ralston Kirtley; fict. checks. "X Sing Sing, N. Y. as Ed Pullman."



11. Robert Lee Johnson alias James R. Bratton, John Henry Baker, John H. Brady, James Brady, James Bratton, James Henry Palmer, R. I. Johnson, J. H. Miller. Age 37 (1936); ht. 5-10; s. wt. 168; hair ch. (thin); eyes blue; com. med.; bld. med.; occ. salesman; res. Cleveland, Ohio; nat. Cleveland, O. (Clear.)

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Dallas, Texas.

6-8-36—Arr. by F. V. Sorrels (U.S. S.S. Div.) forgery at Waco, Texas; returned.

3-25-22—Philadelphia, Pa. (PD) No. 52683 as James R. Bratton; uttering and publishing a bad check.

5-29-26—St. Joseph, Mo. (PD) No. 5411 as John Henry Baker; poss. of forged inst.

2-24-26—Stockton, Calif. (SO) No. 7010 as James Henry Baker; fict. check; escaped.

7-19-27—Columbus, Ga. (PD) No. 1365 as John H. Brady; forg-

12. Dan Miller alias Stanich S. Millard, Eliot Stanich, Deil Mayon, Elid Stanich, Sint Stanish Millard, Stanish Milorad, Sam S. Millard, M. J. Millard. Age 41 (1936); ht. 5-9; s. wt. 157; hair d. ch.; eyes brn.; com. dk.; bld. med.; occ. cafe oper.; res. 345 Oakenwall St., Dallas, Tex.; nat. Yugoslavia. (Clear.)

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Dallas, Texas (PD) No. 14995.

6-9-36—Arr. by Dets. Register-Smith; inv. G.P.; reld. on writ of habeas corpus.

4-18-23—Los Angeles, Calif. (county) No. 33863 as Saint S. Miller; checks.

8-29-23—Long Beach, Calif. No. 2607; embez.; dism.

10-3-23—Wanted Orange Co., Calif. (Circular B-248) fict. checks.

10-23-23—Los Angeles, Calif. No. 21995, fugitive (checks) enroute to Long Beach, Calif.

2-15-24—Wanted Los Angeles, Calif. (divisional record report No. 14267), passing checks.

3-12-24—Wanted Los Angeles, Calif. (divisional record report No. 19397), passing checks.

3-14-24—Los Angeles, Calif. (county) No. 41341, encumbering morg. prop.

7-8-24—Los Angeles, Calif. (county) No. 44330, encumbering morg. prop.

7-9-24—State Prison, San Quentin, Calif. No. 39649 as Eliot Stanich; Sec. 538 PC; 1 to 10 yrs; paroled 8-4-25; disch. 7-9-27.

11-20-25—San Jose, Calif. (PD) No. 2240 as Stanich S. Millard; inv. OMUF; and parole vio. from San Quentin.

3-8-26—San Francisco, Calif.; 640-A PC; \$50 fine.

8-23-25—San Francisco, Calif.; 476-A PC; dism.

12-15-26—San Francisco, Calif.; 2 chg. non-payment of wages.

4-13-28—Los Angeles, Calif.; (SO) No. 94235 as Elid Stanich; OMUF.

6-25-29—Los Angeles, Calif.; 2 traffic warrants and 1 lab. warrant.

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Dallas, Texas (PD) No. 14855.

5-2-36—Arr. by Dets. Abbott-Goss; fugitive Los Angeles, Calif.; forgery warrant—extradition refused; reld.

4-10-28—Los Angeles, Calif. (SO) No. 94060 as Eugene H. Smith; susp. burglary and grand theft; reld. to San Quentin.

5-23-28—State Prison, San Quentin, Calif., No. 11735 as Eugene H. Smith; grand theft; 1 to 10 yrs.

3-19-32—Riverdale, Calif. (SO) No. 11735 as Eugene H. Smith; susp. grand theft.

6-10-32—Los Angeles, Calif. (U. S. Marshal) No. 1259 as Eugene H. Smith; Dyer Act; 3 yrs. McNeill Island, Wash.

6-12-32—U. S. Pen., McNeil Island, Wash., No. 9751 as Eugene Hendrick Smith; Dyer Act; 3 yrs. 9-30-34 exp. all reg. good time.

3-8-35—Glendale, Calif. (PD) No. 4183 as Eugene H. Smith; grand theft; held.

3-27-36—Wanted Los Angeles, Calif. (PD) as Eugene H. Smith; felony warrant No. 34951 issued by Div. 4, Municipal Court; forgery (L. A. Bulletin).

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14. A. B. Cannon alias Albert Jackson, Charles Johnson; crime P.P., con man; age 40; ht. 5-9 1/4; wt. 133; bld. slender; hair b&k; eyes maroon; born Ala.; comp. dk. bro.; occup. laborer; arr. 7-1-36; Officers Shelton et al.

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15. Mary Kane alias Bishop, Kelley, Pearl Jordan, Edna Wolf, Mary Baker; crime shop lifter; age 37; ht. 5-7 1/4; wt. 127; bld. slender; hair blk., grey str.; eyes gr. sl. blue; born St. Louis; comp. fair; arr. 6-10-36; Officers Schenk et al.

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16. Benjamin William Bechrer alias Ben Becherer; crime invest.; ex con.; burg.; age 32 (1932); ht. 6-1 1/2; wt. 179; bld. slender; hair lt. ches.; eyes blue; born Belleville, Ill.; comp. med. fair.; arr. 6-23-36; Officers Remekamp et al.

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17. Myrtle McManus alias Brady C. Wilson et al.; crime ex con.

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dope field, shop lifter; age 40; ht. 5-5; wt. 172; bld. stout; hair m. ches.; eyes dk. ches.; born Ky.; comp. sall.; occup. prostitute; arr. 6-15-36; Officer Lieut. Kelting.

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18. Robert J. Akins; crime robbery armed; age 22; ht. 5-10; wt. 142; bld. slim; comp. med.; hair lt. ches.; eyes blue; born Cambridge, Mass.; arr. 6-18-36; Officers Lt. Wilson and Pt. Stanfield.

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19. Carl Peterson; crime larceny by worthless check; age 34; ht. 5-4; wt. 124; bld. med.; comp. lt.; hair lt. ches.; eyes blue; born Denmark; arr. 6-12-36; Officers Lt. Wilson and Donovan.

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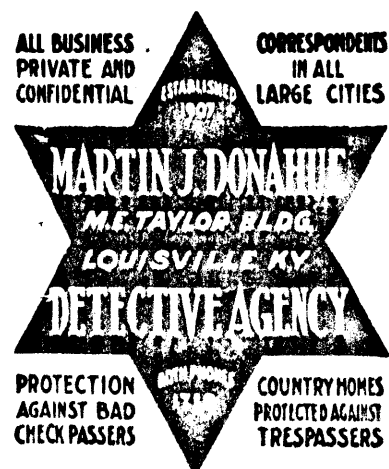
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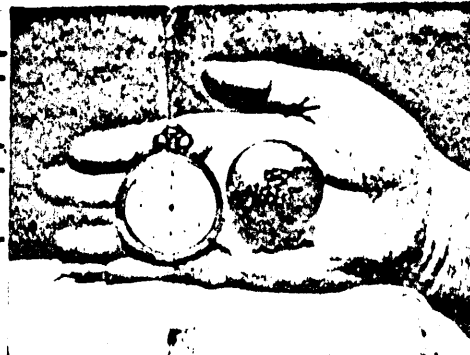
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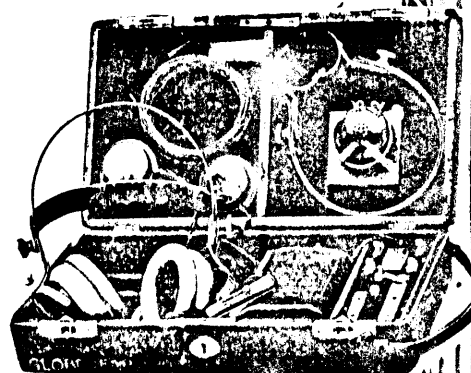
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The tremendous increase of automotive traffic, with its greater speed, and, consequently, greatly increased potentialities for serious accidents, has thrown on the physician many more problems and greatly increased responsibilities in connection with the diagnosis of acute alcoholic intoxication and the determination of the relationship between the degree of intoxication and the actions of the individual. The diverse opinion of the investigators of the problem of alcoholism as to what constitutes drunkenness seems to center about the lack of a clearcut definition of the term. Carlson (1) suggests that "alcoholic intoxication" should be defined as that degree of intoxication at which the individual becomes a nuisance or a danger to his fellow-men.

The police courts have repeatedly maintained that the recognition of drunkenness is a simple matter because of the readily discernible symptoms, such as the odor of alcohol, dilated pupils, flushed face, staggering gait, confused, thick speech, tachycardia, and boisterous, euphoric or abusive behavior. A person, however, may be under the influence of alcohol to an extent that seriously affects his faculties and behavior, especially in such a responsible position as driving an automobile, without exhibiting these commonly recognized symptoms of drunkenness and, conversely, an individual may exhibit any or all of these symptoms without being under the influence of alcohol, particularly after a severe shock as would occur in an automobile acci-

dent, may be sufficient to overcome to a certain extent the depressing effect of the alcohol, and the individual may appear fairly normal. It is a recognized fact that any strong stimulus tends to overcome depression.

During the past year, many specimens of stomach contents or vomitus have been submitted to this laboratory for examination, from individuals involved in serious automobile accidents or from persons dying suddenly, in which alcohol was suspected of being the cause of death. While the establishment of the presence or absence of alcohol in such materials is of value in demonstrating that alcohol has or has not been taken, nevertheless the data obtained are worthless in estimating the degree of intoxication, since the alcohol present in the stomach must still be considered as being outside of the body. An accurate determination of the concentration of alcohol in the tissues or body fluids is the only satisfactory means of ascertaining the degree of alcoholic intoxication. Numerous experiments and clinical observations are on record which indicate that alcohol, like most other drugs, produces toxic effects in direct proportion to the quantity of the substance in the tissues and body fluids.

It has been demonstrated that alcohol taken by the mouth is rapidly absorbed; reaches its highest concentration in the blood within an hour after ingestion, the concentration then gradually diminishing as the alcohol is oxidized and excreted. The rate of oxidation is approximately 10 cubic centimeters per hour for the average individual, and less than 10 per cent is excreted by way of the lungs

and kidneys. Numerous experiments have shown that the intervals between the last imbibitions of alcohol and the determinations were not known, and evidently the wide variation found was due to the stage of absorption at which death occurred. The relationship of the alcoholic concentration of the spinal fluid (obtained by lumbar puncture) and the blood, was determined by Schumm and Fleischmann (4), Abramson and Linde (5), and Gettler and Freireich (3). They demonstrated that the alcoholic content of the lumbar fluid rises more slowly than that of the blood, and, during the period of decline, the alcohol in the spinal fluid remains higher than that in the blood.

Mehrtens and Newman (6) corroborated these findings by single intravenous injections of alcohol. They observed that the curve of the alcohol level of the spinal fluid obtained by lumbar puncture attains the height of the diminishing alcohol level of the blood in about 80 minutes, reaches a maximum less than that of the blood, and during the period of decline remains higher than that of the blood. In the series of seven subjects investigated, the curve for the alcohol levels of the blood and lumbar fluid crossed between 80 and 120 minutes after injection. The signs of drunkenness in no way showed the lag that one might expect from the slow rise in the alcohol level of the lumbar fluid. The subject was invariably more intoxicated, judging from the actions and subjective symptoms, at the end of the injection when the alcohol of the blood was at its maximum than when the lumbar fluid reached its maximum. On the other hand, they found that the alcohol in the cisternal fluid rises promptly and closely approximates that in the blood. From their observations they concluded that alcoholic content of the cisternal fluid is a better index of intoxication than that of the lumbar fluid, while that of the blood is probably the best.

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or congenital defect, or pathological condition, who continually exhibit some of the characteristics of alcoholic intoxication. As examples, one may cite individuals afflicted with neurological conditions which may cause ataxia, stuttering or stammering, or cases of vasomotor instability or acute febrile disturbances, which may cause dilated pupils, flushed face, tachycardia, or tremors.

To be sure, the differentiation between all of these conditions and acute alcoholic intoxication may be made readily by the trained clinician in the majority of instances, but it is not always so easy for the medically untrained peace officer, especially in the borderline cases in which the symptoms exhibited are doubtful. In such instances, the alcoholic odor of the breath cannot be used as a criterion of the degree of intoxication because the intensity of the odor does not increase with the amount of alcohol ingested.

A chemical examination of the urine or blood will, however, definitely establish whether alcohol has or has not been taken and approximately how much has been ingested. This test is of special value in cases where the individual continually exhibits some of these symptoms, because of some congenital or acquired defect, and has imbibed enough alcohol to give the characteristic alcoholic odor to the breath but not a sufficient amount to affect his faculties. Under the present methods of diagnosis, such an individual might be adjudged intoxicated. On the other hand, an individual imbibing a sufficient amount of alcohol to materially affect his reflex actions, but not enough to produce the more obvious symptoms of intoxication, might be declared sober. Such occurrences may be encountered frequently among automobile drivers. A drunken driver may exhibit marked signs of depression if left alone; however, a sudden stimulus, such as may occur in an automa-

0.167 cc. and 0.179 cc. per kilogram per hour, respectively, and that the rate of metabolism proceeded at a constant rate regardless of the concentration in the blood stream. The highest concentration attained is approximately the total amount of alcohol ingested, divided by the total weight, and if given in sufficient amount, will soon produce the characteristic subjective and objective effects.

The reliability of using the results obtained from an analysis of the various body fluids, as an index of inebriety, has been the subject of a considerable amount of research. Those most commonly used are the blood and urine. Most investigators believe that the spinal fluid should yield a more reliable index because the concentration of alcohol in the spinal fluid should closely approximate that of the brain, and consequently reflect the degree of inebriety. In support of this contention, Gettler and Freireich (3) showed, in a series of cases coming to autopsy, that there was a more constant relationship between the alcohol content of the brain and spinal fluid than between the brain and the blood, and suggest the use of a series of spinal fluid-brain ratios, ranging from 2.5 to 1.1 for estimating the amount of alcohol in the brain of living individuals, depending upon the concentration of alcohol found in the spinal fluid. If the concentration of alcohol in the spinal fluid is 0.03 to 0.1%, the result is divided by 2.5 to estimate the amount of alcohol in the brain. If the concentration in the spinal fluid is 0.05 to 0.7 per cent, the result is divided by 1.1. They determined that the spinal fluid values more nearly approach those for the brain as the quantity in the latter organ increases. They also found that the alcoholic content of the blood cannot be correlated with that of the brain, being higher in some cases and lower in others. These data, however, throw little light on the problem, because the time in-

advantage over the analysis of the blood.

Urine Analysis

Blood samples are often difficult to procure and the question arises as to whether an analysis of urine gives as good an indication of intoxication as the alcoholic concentration in the blood. Miles (7) found that, during the first 20 or 30 minutes after ingestion, the urine alcohol is about the same, or a little higher, than in the blood; then for one hour or more it is 35 to 50 per cent higher. Southgate and Carter (8), working with human subjects, found that the ratio of alcoholic concentration in the blood to that in urine varied between 1.34 and 1.4 after one-half hour. The mean concentration ratio after one hour was 1.35. They also observed that this ratio is not changed if the alcohol is taken on an empty stomach or preceded by the ingestion of food. Subsequent diuresis also did not alter the ratio. These results indicate that, from a practical standpoint, the analysis of urine is almost as satisfactory as of blood in estimating the degree of intoxication.

(To be concluded in September issue.)

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Harry Brown; crime, arson, conspiracy; age, 53; weight, 202; height, 5-6½; hair, iron grey; eyes, blue; comp., fair; born, Poland.

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20. John Wendell alias J. H. Scott; crime invest. with minor child; age 28; ht. 5-8 $\frac{3}{4}$; wt. 177; hair dk. bro.; eyes hazel; bld. med.; comp. dk.; born Ohio; arr. 6-4-36; Officers Ellison and Schemanski.

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21. Gladys Quinn alias Helen Bowers; crime larceny from store; age 40; ht. 5-3; wt. 142; hair bro.; eyes bro.; bld. med.; comp. med.; arr. 4-4-36.



22. Rudolph Brandt; crime viol. U. S. Code; age 42; ht. 5-8; wt.

157; hair bro.-grey; eyes blue; bld. med.; comp. ruddy; born Russia; arr. 5-23-36; Officers Zimm and Jaskolski.

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23. Louis Levy alias Louis Rose; crime invest.; age 34; ht. 5-8; wt. 165; hair bro.; eyes bro.; bld. med.; comp. med.; arr. 5-14-36; Officers Martin & Hewitt.

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24. Ulva Morris; crime fugitive Denver, Colo.; age 23; ht. 5-1 $\frac{1}{2}$; wt. 98; hair auburn; eyes hazel; bld. slim; comp. fair; arr. 4-24-36; Officers Busse & Dardy.

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25. Harry Meyers, etc.; crime larceny from person; age 48; ht. 5-5; wt. 152; hair blk.; eyes white; bld. med.; comp. med.; arr. 5-23-36; Officers Dresden, Nee, Dwyer.

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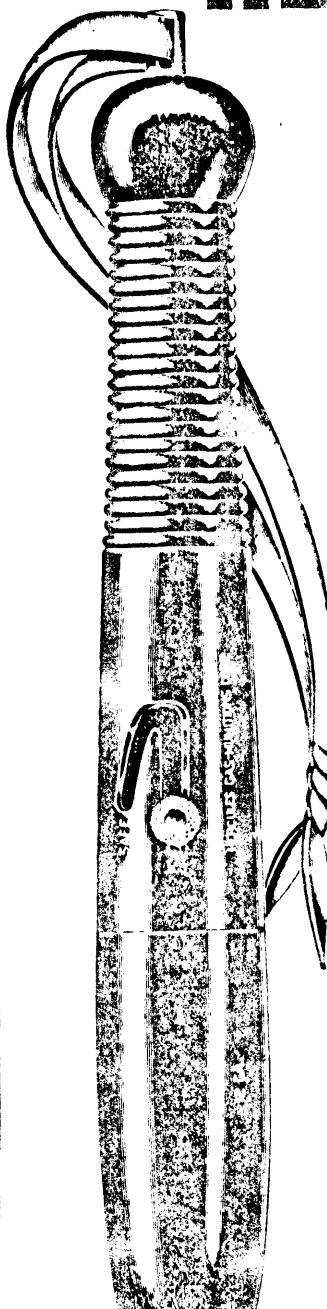

26. Wm. Belear Corliss; crime wanted worthless checks; age 27 (1927); wt. 140; ht. 5-8 $\frac{1}{2}$; eyes blue; hair bro.

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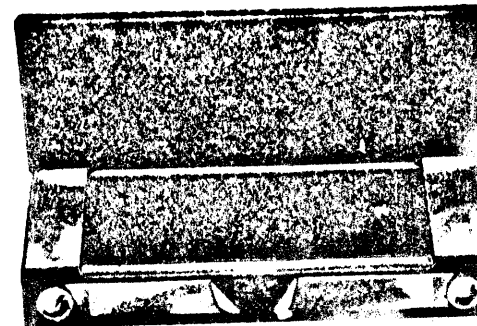
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REPORT MADE AT Cleveland, Ohio	DATE WHEN MADE 9/12/36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 9/3 to 9/10/36	REPORT MADE BY J. V. MURPHY EJB
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. #1232; ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Detective Frank DeLora, Toledo Police Department, denied ever having made investigation at Casino Club regarding members of Barker-Karpis gang. Eugene Goslyn admits knowing Gertrude Billeter Miller, wife of Harry Campbell, but denies knowledge of Harry Campbell. Pertinent conversations set out from logs of telephone taps on Casino Club during 1934; Ed and Clara McGraw, in early part of 1936, and present taps maintained on telephones of Fretti brothers, Maxine Belmont Thomas and Sadie Dann. Charles Mills admits visiting Casino Club and observing Captain George Timiney and Detectives Brennan and McCarthy, Toledo Police Department, and State Prohibition Agent Ludy Fleming drinking there, but denies seeing members of Barker-Karpis gang. James E. Coleman, Granada Gardens, relates having had conversation with Harry Campbell, as Bob Miller, regarding slot machines in Harvard Club, Cleveland, which Campbell claimed he owned. Persons residing vicinity "Dugout" night club, Lucas County, Ohio, interviewed regarding knowledge Harry Campbell. Signed statement obtained from Gertrude Billeter Miller, wife of Harry Campbell, outlining information regarding automobiles operated by Harry Campbell; that Alvin Karpis and Milton Lett visited Campbell during latter part of 1935 at Ed and Clara McGraws, and stayed overnight on 11/6/35, the day before Garrettsville mail train robbery; that Ed and Clara McGraw appeared to be acquainted with them. Gertrude does not admit knowing true identity of Karpis and Lett. Glenn Kneisel, automobile dealer, Toledo, interviewed regarding cars purchased by Harry Campbell. John Brock identified as purchasing a 1935</p>			
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Ford coupe for Harry Campbell under name Charles Miller, from Lyman E. Arnold, Inc., Toledo, Ohio, trading in Campbell's 1933 Ford coupe, which had previously been purchased in Cleveland. George Green, 1770 Superior St., Toledo, is not George Green of Canton, O. Mrs. Elsie Sweet, wife of Charles Sweet, former employee 42nd Street Cafe, Toledo, denied visiting Casino Club or having seen members of Barker-Karpis gang in summer of 1934. William T. "Bill" Erwin, crap dealer, Toledo, Ohio, denies having been in Cleveland since 1922, or having worked in Harvard Club, Cleveland; claims does not know members of Barker-Karpis gang.

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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, Cleveland, Ohio, dated 9/5/36.

DETAILS: AT TOLEDO, OHIO

This report covers the investigative activities of Special Agents V. E. Criss, J. L. Madala, E. J. Wynn, R. C. Suran, D. P. Sullivan, and J. V. Murphy, who have been engaged on the harboring investigation at Toledo, Ohio.

Special Agent E. J. Dowd has been maintaining a telephone tap on the telephone of the Amusement Games and Novelty Company (Star Vending Company), 514 Monroe Street, Toledo, Ohio which is the business address of Joe and Ben Fretti, who are prominent in the gambling activities in Toledo, Ohio.

Special Agents R. A. Guerin and M. J. Kavanagh have been maintaining the telephone tap on the telephone of Maxine Belmont Thomas, who is prominently engaged in the vice racket in Toledo, Ohio. Special Agent Kavanagh was relieved from this assignment by Special Agent N. S. Harzenstein.

Special Agents H. B. Dill and N. S. Harzenstein were maintaining the tap on the telephone of Sadie Dann, Oxford Hotel, 825 Summit Street, Toledo, Ohio, which tap was discontinued the night of September 8, 1936, on instructions of Inspector E. J. Connelley.

Special Agent R. C. Suran departed from Toledo, Ohio, September 6, 1936; Special Agents D. P. Sullivan and E. J. Wynn, departed from Toledo, Ohio, September 8, 1936.

Some of the conversations overheard over the above mentioned telephone taps, as appear to be significant to this investigation, are being included in this report.

The following investigation was conducted at Toledo, Ohio, on September 4, 1936, by Special Agents D. P. Sullivan and E. J. Wynn:

Detective Frank DeLora was interviewed at his home. It is to be recalled that Captain of Detectives Rydman, Toledo, Ohio, Police Department, when recently interviewed, stated that on the day Campbell was apprehended in Toledo (May 7, 1936), prior to the publicity appearing in the newspapers, Frank DeLora had information that Campbell was either at, or frequenting the New Casino Club located near the Dura Plant, and Captain Rydman with another officer and Detective DeLora went to the Casino Club to investigate the report, and while they were there someone entered the club with a newspaper bearing headlines that Campbell had been captured; that on this occasion Detective DeLora had a photograph of Campbell in his possession.

Detective DeLora, upon interview, denied ever having made any investigation at the Casino Club, or anywhere else, as to Campbell or any other member of the Barker-Karpis gang.

In referring to the year 1934, DeLora stated that at that time he was attached to the holdup squad; that about the time that Deputy Sheriffs and some members of the police department raided two houses in Point Place on a report that Karpis was living there (this raid took place in the latter part of January, 1935), he heard rumors that there was a gang frequenting the Casino Club; that it was probable that these rumors came from members of the hoodlum squad or other detectives; that he could not recall personally reporting this information to the inspector for investigation by the hoodlum squad, although he stated that he might have possibly done so, inasmuch as this was the general practice to refer information concerning crimes handled by another detail to the Inspector of Police for assignment to the proper detail for investigation.

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The following investigation was performed at Toledo, Ohio, on September 5, 1936, by Special Agents D. P. Sullivan and E. J. Wynn:

Reference is made to the letter from the Bureau (7-576) dated July 31, 1936, advising that Mr. Horace Kern, Point Place, a former deputy sheriff, and an uncle of Mr. Arthur Sweeney of the files section of the Bureau, might possibly have information as to the presence of the Barker-Karpis gang in Toledo and Point Place in the past.

Mr. Horace Kern, 3302 - 137th Street, Point Place, called at the temporary office in Toledo, and was interviewed. He stated that from August, 1920, to January, 1931, he was a deputy sheriff of Lucas County, Ohio; that since 1931 he has not been active in law enforcement work.

When questioned concerning any information he may have obtained relative to the Barker-Karpis gang, Mr. Kern stated that during the summer of 1934, he heard that there was a gang of men, who he understood were on the "lam", hanging around the Casino Club; that someone told him at that time that the gang met in a small shack located on the south side of the first road to the left as one passes the Casino Club going toward Point Place; that this shack was located about one-quarter of a mile from Summit Street, and near a junk yard; that Mr. Harold Herder lives in the second house on the south side of the above-mentioned street, off of Summit Street, and would, no doubt, know the location of the above-mentioned shack; that Mr. Lutz, the owner of a small apartment house located on the corner of Summit Street, and the above-mentioned road might be able to provide information concerning the Barker-Karpis gang, inasmuch as Mr. Kern understood that at one time Mr. Lutz rented a place to Ted Angus; that Lutz has an interest in the Willow Beach Amusement Park, where members of the gang are known to have spent some time during the summer of 1934.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents V. L. Criss and John L. Madala:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, Cleveland, Ohio, dated May 19, 1936, wherein it is noted on page 19 that a calling card bearing the name, Eugene Goslyn, 815 Utica Street, Toledo, Ohio, was found in the apartment of Harry Campbell, 2132 $\frac{1}{2}$ Monroe Street, Toledo, at the time of his arrest by Bureau Agents.

At the above address Agents learned that Goslyn moved from there about six months ago, and a subsequent further check revealed that this family is now residing in apartment 30R, 1515 Cherry Street, Toledo.

Agents located Eugene Goslyn at the latter address and brought him to the temporary office of the Bureau at Toledo, where he was interviewed by Agents Criss and Madala. During the course of the interview Goslyn indicated that he had previously been arrested on at least six different occasions for various crimes by the Toledo Police Department, and in view of this it was deemed advisable to fingerprint him, and obtain his complete criminal record from the Bureau for possible future reference. This individual's fingerprints were forwarded to the Bureau under date of September 3, 1936.

Agents contacted the Bureau of Identification, Toledo Police Department relative to this subject, and they advised that he is not presently wanted by their department.

Eugene Goslyn was shown photographs of Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, Milton Lett, John Brock, Fred Hunter, and others, and he advised that they were all strangers to him. A snapshot of Harry Campbell and Gertie Billeter Miller was thereafter displayed to him, and he readily identified the girl. He stated that he has been acquainted with Gertie Billeter Miller for possibly six or seven years; that he met her through one Harold Johnson, a Toledo boy, at a skating rink, and thereafter he kept steady company with her for the following two or three years. He stated that the next time he went out with her was about two to two and one-half years ago, at which time he was living with Katherine Kruger and her husband on Miller Street, Toledo. He indicated that she then had the neighborhood reputation of being a girl of loose morals, and that it was generally known that she was having sexual relations with various boys, among those being Lyle Foster and one Charles, a Polish boy. Eugene would not admit that he ever had relations with Gertie Billeter, stating however, that he had frequent opportunities.

Goslyn was questioned relative to calling cards bearing his name and address, one of which was found in the apartment of Harry Campbell and his wife. He advised that he had a quantity of these cards printed about three years ago by Calvin McNutt, who at that time was working in the printing office of the South End Printing Company, Toledo; that McNutt is a good friend of his, and he printed these cards for him, Goslyn, free of charge. Eugene further stated that he distributed these cards to his various friends, and he thinks he gave Katherine Kruger one or two of them about two years ago; that he does not believe he gave Gertie Billeter one, but is of the opinion that the Kruger girl possibly gave her one of the cards. Goslyn was emphatic that he did not see Gertie Billeter from the time she lived with the Krugers on Miller Street, up until two months ago.

Goslyn further advised that he lost track of Gertie, as stated above, up until on or about July 2, 1936; that on this occasion he was coming home from work, and observed Gertie sitting in a Ford automobile at the intersection of Walnut and Bancroft Streets. He stated that he stopped to talk with her, and indicated to him that she was waiting for friends of hers, but did not mention their names. He stated that he talked with Gertie for about forty-five minutes on this occasion, discussing, of course, the recent publicity accorded her in connection with her marriage to and experience with Harry Campbell. He could advise nothing which already has not been reported.

Goslyn advised that he again saw Gertie Billeter on July 4, 1936, at the same intersection. Bancroft and Walnut Streets; that they went across the street to a beer parlor where they had some beer, after which they, with Harry and Jeanette Dull, spent the evening together.

Jeanette and Harry Dull have already been interviewed by Agents at their home without obtaining any information of value from them. However, it was felt that they were not telling the truth, and they will again be interviewed at the Bureau office in Toledo.

During the course of the interview with Eugene Goslyn particular stress was given to the point that he might have possibly been associated with Harry Campbell, but no admissions in this regard were obtained from him.

It should be noted that Goslyn is a boy of 20 years of age, is illiterate, and presents an appearance of a typical young street bum. He resides with his sister at 1515 Cherry Street, and he is presently employed as an extra with the Liberty Biscuit Company, Toledo. Goslyn admitted that he had previously been a marijuana addict.

A review of the telephone tap which was maintained on the telephone of the Casino Club from September 20, 1934 to October 26, 1934, was made by Special Agent J. V. Murphy and the conversations set out as of value to illustrate the connections of Ted Angus at that time:

Sept. 30, 1934 Outgoing Forest 4141 (police dept.)

Woman calling Give me the record division. James ~~Armstrong~~.
Armstrong Hello
Woman Jack, I'm with George, Ann and Elsie and _____.
I'm at the Casino. We want you to come out. Take
a Broadway car and we will meet you in front of Kelly's
place at the end of the car line.
Jack I have no dough. Have you got the car?
Woman Yes.
Jack Are you on speaking terms with Elsie again?
Woman Yes.
Jack Don't start before 12 o'clock. Meet me at the loop
there.

This James (Jack) ~~Armstrong~~ is evidently the same man as mentioned over the telephone tap which was maintained on the telephone of Ed and Clara McGraw.

Oct. 2, 1934 Outgoing (by woman) Called police department at 3:10 PM

Woman Is Mr. Langendorf there?
Man He is on the street now.
Woman Harold St. Albert? (Detective Dept.) I'm a friend of
his (Langendorf), just got in town and won't be here to
leave number to call back.

Art ~~Langendorf~~ is a detective on the Toledo Police Department.

Oct. 3, 1934 Outgoing. Called Adams 4141 (police dept.) 12:15 PM

Woman Is Frank ~~Armstrong~~ there?
Man No, he will not be on duty until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

Oct. 4, 1934 Incoming at 12:15 A. M.

Man Is George there?
Bert Angus Yes.
Man This is Tom. How is everything?
Bert Everything is fine.
Man I've got a cold, you know what I need.
Bert I'll send it right up. (Talked about prices of baseball
tickets.) There was a D.J. here tonight.

October 4, 1934 Outgoing call by Bert Angus. Calls Lawndale 7038.
11:25 P. M.

Bert Is Ted home yet?
Woman Yes.
Bert Call Abie, he is leaving at 4 o'clock tomorrow morning.
Ted How can I call him?
Bert You have his phone number.
Ted Oh, yes.
Bert I told him you were in Detroit on business.
Ted What about the Cheateau matter?
Bert Frankie is on the Cheateau matter. He is to get 2 C's.
 Georgie is up here tonight. What time will you be down
 tomorrow morning?
Ted Between 9 and 9:30.

The above conversation has reference to the Prohibition Agents making a buy of liquor at the Chateau, and it is indicated from this conversation that Ted and Bert Angus have "fixed" the matter.

October 7, 1934 Outgoing Long distance call at 2:10 PM

Abie called Clem Kerr at Dasher-Wallick Hotel, Columbus, Ohio, and advised Kerr that Yonnie Licovoli was going on trial Tuesday and for Kerr to be sure and see the Governor Monday A. M. and explain the whole case to him, and then to come to Toledo, Monday and see Ted Angus and Ted would give him some money; that Ted was on their side and Kerr could talk to him just like he would talk to Abie; that Abie wanted Kerr here all during Yonnie's trial and then to go back and see the Governor again after the trial; that Abie had seen Tommy and he expected to go to Detroit today or tomorrow. Kerr promised to see the Governor and also to come to Toledo, Monday.

From this conversation it indicates that Ted Angus is acting as a "fixer" for Yonnie Licovoli, a notorious hoodlum, who was tried and convicted in Toledo for murder.

October 10, 1934 Incoming call at 2:25 P. M.

Man Ted, this is Carl talking. Do you know Inspector
 Broadley under the State Liquor Control?
Ted Angus No.
Carl Who is the boss here?
Ted Davis, why?

Carl A friend of the wife had his beer license taken away.
 Ted Too bad you did not let me know Saturday, it would have
 been easy to fix up - the report has gone in by now.
 Carl Is there nothing that can be done now?
 Ted I'll call you tonight, Carl.

This conversation indicates that Ted Angus is a "fixer" for violations of state liquor laws, and is able to "handle" officers of the State Liquor Control if they have not sent in their report of a violation.

October 12, 1934 Incoming at 1:05 P. M.

Man How about the liquor inspectors to get out of my place?
 Bert Angus We'll fix liquor inspectors tomorrow and have them clear
 out of there. Will also try to lift suspension and get
 you by with a fine only.
 Man OK.

October 13, 1934 Incoming at 10:10 P. M.

Man Is Ted there?
 Ted Angus Speaking.
 Man This is the party you talked to this afternoon. What time
 can I see you tomorrow. I'm going to be tied up in the
 morning.
 Ted Any time in the afternoon.
 Man Alright then about 6 o'clock. I'll be out there. Say
 what's George's last name?
 Ted Sargent, S-A-R-G-E-N-T.
 Man OK, I'll see you. I wanted to call George.

The George Sargent is evidently the George Sargent who was convicted in Federal Court for robbery of the mails at Warren, Ohio, in April, 1935.

October 18, 1934 Incoming call at 11:50 P. M.

Art Hand Say, there is a Jane opening up a joint at 13th and
 Jefferson and she would like to get in touch with you.
 Ted Angus OK, I'll see her.
 Art Did that other one see you?
 Ted No, not yet.
 Art Well, she was a little short on cash I suppose that is the
 reason. This one should have some dough though. I'll
 make a meet for you some time tomorrow and let you know.
 Ted OK, bring her out.
 Art Is Joe there?
 Ted No, he is out on Middle Island shooting pheasants.
 Art Have you seen Porky?
 Ted No, he is out there too. They ought to be in this week though.

Art Are they closing the place up?
 Ted Yeah. I think some time this week.
 Art Well, I'll see you tomorrow.
 Ted OK, kid.

It is indicated by the above conversation that before anyone could open in the "racket" in Toledo it was necessary to see Ted Angus, who was reported to be the "fixer."

October 19, 1934 Incoming call at 7:11 P. M.

Man Bert, did you get the name of that stuff?
 Bert Angus The stuff is Tanalac, get from Walter (for sore feet).
 Man What do you know about the new shakeup?
 Bert It won't last long. Probably be a new head all the way through. The editor of the News-Bee is the cause of all this - he and a couple other guys.
 Man How long will it last?
 Bert I supposed two or three weeks unless papers keep it up. The City Manager plan has a lot to do with it too.
 Man Well, it is really hot.
 Bert It sure is bad for a while. I think Wolf will be put out.
 Man I don't blame him, I think he wants to get out.

This conversation likely refers to a shakeup in the Toledo Police Department, as result of publicity to graft, etc. given by the News-Bee newspaper. The Wolf referred to above is likely Chief of Police Daniel Wolf, who was in that position at the time.

October 20, 1934 Incoming call at 11:50 P. M.

Woman How long are you open tonight?
 Ted Angus One o'clock. Who is this?
 Woman This is Florence, Mildred's friend.
 Ted Oh, we will be open all night.
 Florence Good, we will be out.

October 22, 1934 Incoming call at 12:30 P. M.

Man Bert? Ted in? Well, this is Art Hand. I got my 15 days suspension (refers to suspension of beer license for violation of State Liquor laws) and wanted to talk to him about it.
 Bert Ted will be here toward evening. We'll see this guy about it.

The Art Hand in the above conversation operates the Dutch Village, a night club in Toledo, and in previous interviews with him he denied that he was personally acquainted with Ted and Bert Angus.

October 25, 1934 Incoming long distance call at 5:50 P. M.

Abie Ross Say, Bert, is my man there?
Bert Angus Who do you mean, O. P.? (O. P. Davis)
Abie Yes.
Bert No, he is out of town.
Abie Are you doing any business?
Bert No, we can't with all these men in town. It's as hot as a firecracker. (Likely meaning State Prohibition Agents.)
Abie Well, I'm going to get a new boss for you in Toledo.
Bert Well, be sure he is right.
Abie Oh, I'll make him right. I'll get Bob Seward (or Stewart) I guarantee it. I'll have a change within 24 hours.
Bert OK, kid, and have some of these men pulled out of here.
Abie I will. I guarantee it.

October 24, 1934 Incoming call at 10:45 P. M.

Man This is Frankie at 13th Street. They just closed up the place.
Ted Angus Who did?
Frankie The city, Fielding and Belding (city detectives).
Ted Well, call me and let me know what they closed it up for. They can't do anything.

October 24, 1934 Incoming call at 10:55 P. M.

Man This is Wige, Frankie's partner, Ted. They have been upstairs and taken some stuff and downstairs they took the license off the wall.
Ted Did they have a search warrant?
Man No, they were the city detectives, Belding, Brennan and Rafalski.
Ted Well, I know it wasn't the state men because he is here now. Call me back and let me know what charge they book. They have no right to take licenses off the wall.

The Frankie mentioned in the above conversations is Frankie Andrews, who operated a notorious bootleg joint on Adams Street and 13th, called Frankie's Place. It is indicated that Ted Angus, who bore the reputation of being a "fixer" in Toledo was able to dictate to the Toledo Police Department.

The following pertinent information was secured in reviewing the conversation heard while maintaining a tap on the telephone of Clara McGraw, 2011½ Adams Street, Toledo, Ohio.

April 28, 1936

6:20 P. M.

Woman called Is my friend there?
Mrs. McGraw No, he isn't?
Woman I guess he's with Bob and Gertie.
Mrs. McGraw Yeah, they go out to eat or drink beer or one thing or another;
Woman I'm going to work a bit on another case.
Mrs. McGraw What kind?
Woman A confinement case.

In the above conversation the woman calling is probably Bobbie Robletto, a nurse, and the friend referred to is probably Sam Coker, inasmuch as subsequent investigation reflects that Bobbie Robletto nursed Sam Coker, while he was in the hospital at Toledo, Ohio, and after he was discharged from the hospital contacted Sam Coker and went out with him. Bob and Gertie mentioned in the conversation is Harry Campbell, who went under the name of Bob Miller, and Gertie is his wife, Gertrude Billeter.

April 29, 1936

Outgoing call to Adams 3151 at 4:55 P. M.

Woman Greyhound Bus
Woman What time does the bus leave for St. Louis?
Woman One leaves at 5:20 P. M. via Chicago and arrives at St. Louis at 9:55 A. M., another one leaves at 11:55 A. M. by way of Indianapolis and arrives at St. Louis at 3:25 P. M.

In a statement recently obtained from Gertrude Billeter Miller, wife of Harry Campbell, she indicates that Sam Coker, known to her as Tommy, and Milton Lett, known to her as Bill, had been at McGraw's, the latter part of April, 1936, that Coker brought his baggage to her apartment at 2132½ Monroe Street, Toledo, and left town and was gone about a week. It is likely that the above inquiry for bus schedules was made for Sam Coker and Milton Lett at the time of their contemplated conversation.

April 30, 1936

Outgoing call to Adams 4141 at 9:58 P. M.

Man Police Department
Woman Record Bureau
Man Hello
Woman Jack, I'll pick you up about a quarter after ten
Man Alright
Woman What time is it now
Man It's eight minutes to ten
Woman I'll see you later.

The man Jack, referred to in this conversation, is probably Jack Armstrong, a police officer, in the Identification Bureau of the Toledo Police Department, and the same person mentioned over the telephone tap maintained on the Casino Club in September and October, 1934.

May 2, 1936 Outgoing call to Adams 4141 at 10:08 P. M.

Man	Police Department.
Woman	Record Bureau.
Man	Record Bureau.
Woman	Jack?
Man	Yes.
Woman	I'll pick you up.
Man	Where are you at?
Woman	Adams Street.
Man	Who you with?
Woman	Johnny.
Man	Who else?
Woman	That's all.
Man	Ok, in about fifteen minutes.

Jack referred to in the above conversation is evidently Jack Armstrong of the Toledo Police Department, already mentioned.

May 4, 1936 Outgoing call to Main 0470 at 9:45 A. M.

Woman	May I speak to Mr. Goulet?
Man	Just a minute.
Clara McGraw	Hello Fred, when you see Bob be sure and tell him to come over today.

Goulet and Fred mentioned in this conversation is Fred Goulet, who operates Goulet's Grill and drink parlor in the 2100 block Monroe Street, Toledo, located on the ground floor of the same building in which Harry Campbell lived, Goulet's phone being used by Harry Campbell. Bob mentioned in the conversation is evidently Harry Campbell, who used the name of Bob Miller.

The following are telephone calls which have been overheard on the telephone tap being maintained on the telephone of the place of business of Joe and Ben Fretti, 514 Monroe Street, Toledo, Ohio, which calls appear to have some significance to the present investigation:

September 3, 1936 Incoming call at 11:58 A. M.

Man calling: Joe have you got a spot at 516 Front? Two coppers were in there a little while ago making inquiries. Looks like they might want to grab the machines.
Joe Fretti Yeah, we got machines there. Thanks for calling. Thanks for calling. I'll look it up and have them put away.

The above conversation was overheard by Special Agent E. J. Dowd.

September 4, 1936 Incoming call at 9:16 A. M.

Man calling: Is Joe there?
Girl He didn't come down yet.
Man Have him call Lucas at the Radio Barn (Police).

This conversation was overheard by Special Agent E. J. Dowd. The Lucas mentioned above is a Toledo police officer at the Police Radio Building.

September 4, 1936 Incoming call at 1:08 P. M.

Man calling: This is Shearer, say Joe there are three plain clothes men making rounds of the places and playing the tables. I got this from Verbeck, a customer of mine at Detroit and Delaware Avenue.
Joe Fretti Who are they? Did you get a description of them?
Man No, I didn't, but I'll call back Verbeck.
Joe I hadn't anything on this, find out who they are and I'll manage to take care of it.

This conversation was overheard by Special Agent E. J. Dowd. The Shearer talking to Fretti, as mentioned above, is likely Guy Shearer, who is in business as agent for the pin ball machines operating the Coin Amusement Supply Co., 1353 Sylvania Avenue, Toledo, Ohio.

September 4, 1936 Incoming call at 3:09 P. M.

Man calling Is Frank there?
Joe Fretti No, he isn't, he is on his route. This is Joe.
Man This is Cooner (phonetic) at Bay Shore (repeats name four or five times.) I got knocked off and I'm being held on \$500.00 bond.

Joe Well, you want to get a hold of Frank Kuczinski. I'm not in the beer end of it; I handle the pin ball machines.
 Cooner Well, if you don't want to do anything for me alright.
 Joe Fretti No, I want to help you but I will have to reach Frank.
 Turnkey Joe, this is Biz, the turnkey at the Safety Building. This guy is here under the name of John Brown, 5 Bay Shore Road. He is being held under 60, 64 and 54, which is the sale and possession and calls for \$500.00 bond.
 Joe I'll try to get a hold of Frank Kuczinski and call you back in ten minutes. How'll that be?
 Biz OK, I'll be here.

This conversation was overheard by Special Agent R. A. Guerin.

September 5, 1936 Incoming call at 10:30 A. M.

Man calling Vena, let me talk to Joe
 Joe Fretti Hello, how are you?
 Man How did you make out last night?
 Joe Not so good, we were at Single's place (phonetic) City Park. Freddie Marks and Houser were there until six o'clock this morning. I was the only white man there, except Bernstein, he's half and half. I don't think Freddie will show up today, Houser is OK, I think.
 Man Who else was there?
 Joe Shabin/Sky (phonetic)
 Man Oh, yes, he works on that crew too, but they don't go to work until three. Leave it until one o'clock today and I'll see what I can do. Let me talk to Tony Paul.
 Tony Paul Answers phone
 Man What kind of crowd was there last night?
 Tony Pretty good crowd until three o'clock. Freddie and Houser were pretty tight. I don't think Freddie will show up today, but you can rely on Houser.
 Man Tell Joe I'll call him later.

This conversation was overheard by Special Agent E. J. Dowd.

September 5, 1936 Incoming call at 12:30 P. M.

Woman Is Jim O'Reilly there?
 Man He left already

This conversation was overheard by Special Agent E. J. Dowd. Jim O'Reilly mentioned above is evidently James O'Reilly, Sheriff of Lucas County, Ohio.

September 5, 1936

Incoming call at 1:20 P. M.

Man calling 702 Sylvania Avenue. Charlie talked to me about buying 32 slot machines
Ben Fretti How much do you want for them?
Man \$12.00. I'll take half cash and half in beer.
Ben Fretti When I get hold of Charlie I'll send him out to see you.

This conversation was overheard by Special Agent E. J. Dowd

September 5, 1936

Incoming call at 1:25 P. M.

Man This is Bill (Lucas) over at the radio barn (police.)
Did you see Whaley?
Joe Fretti I've been trying to locate him all day. What time do you leave?
Man 3:30 or 3:45
Joe I'll see you before then.

This conversation was overheard by Special Agent E. J. Dowd. Bill Lucas, mentioned above, is a Toledo police officer located in the police radio building.

September 5, 1936

Incoming call at 1:50 P. M.

Pop called and said that the double doesn't pay off on a machine and that the penny gum machine doesn't give out any gum. Was told by man answering the phone that it was not supposed to give gum and that he would send someone to fix the other machine.

This conversation was overheard by M. J. Kavanagh, Special Agent.

September 5, 1936

Incoming call at 4:20 P. M.

Man calling This is Shearer. I thought we had an agreement on the racers.
Joe What the hell, do you think we are cheating you?
I'll get it all arranged for you by Tuesday. If you want you can handle the service end. I have enough grief as it is, without worrying about the service.
Shearer Alright, Joe.

This conversation was overheard by Special Agent E. J. Dowd. From the above conversation it is evident that Shearer, who is likely the Coin Amusement Supply Company has business connections with the Fretti brothers on pin ball machines, although in previous interviews he denies any affiliation with the Frettis.

September 8, 1936 Incoming call at 10:10 A. M.

Man calling: Joe there?
Ben Fretti Hold the wire.
Joe Fretti Answers the phone.
Man This is Lucas over at the radio barn. Can you come
over right away? I got to go out. (Radio barn, Toledo
Police)
Joe I was looking for you Saturday. I guess you went home
a little early.
Lucas I was here until 3:45.
Joe I'm coming right over Bill. Wait for me.

This conversation was overheard by Special Agent E. J. Dowd.

September 8, 1936 Incoming call at 10:47 A. M.

Woman This is Saratoga. Send somebody over to take out
this machine because it is within 400 feet of the
school.
Ben Did Lucas tell you to take it out?
Woman No, the police were just here and told me to take it
out right away.
Ben Alright, we'll attend to it at once.

This conversation was overheard by Special Agent E. J. Dowd. The city ordinance prohibits slot machines and other games of chance within 400 feet of a school. The Saratoga Buffet is across the street from a public school and it is operated by a man called "Babe" Johnson.

September 8, 1936 Incoming call at 11:08 A. M.

Man calling Is Ben Fretti there? This is Joe ~~Wernert~~ speaking.
Ben Fretti Speaking.
Man Say, Ben, the police were just here and said I would
have to take the machines out.
Ben Just hold it there until we get out there.
Man But they told me to take it out right away.
Ben You just keep on playing it until we get out there.
Man OK

This conversation was overheard by Special Agent E. J. Dowd.

September 8, 1936 Incoming call at 11:27 A. M.

Man calling This is Al ~~Shearer~~. Is Joe there?
Joe Fretti Answers the phone.
Al Joe, I just had a call from 916 Adams telling me that
the police were in there and told him to remove the
two machines. What's the trouble?

Joe Lucas called me over this morning and told me about the police going to tighten up on all the pin ball machines within 400 feet of the school. This is the city ordinance. He is going to give me a list of all such machines this evening. I will then check with them and see what I can do with him. It won't be necessary to take the machines out today, if we have to we can replace them with slots. Babe Johnson at the Medical Arts Building was notified to take the machines out right away. They are our customers but I'm not doing anything until I get the list from Lucas and see what machines he refers to.

Al Shearer Will the police grab them today?
Joe No, go ahead as usual and have the customers play them. I'll let you know after I talk to Lucas.

This conversation was overheard by Special Agent E. J. Dowd. From the above conversation it would indicate that the Fretti brothers are able to "handle" the Toledo police/connection with the operation of illegal pin ball machines; and that Bill Lucas, Toledo police officer, at the police radio building, is keeping the Frettis informed of any police activities in connection with such machines. It will be noted that Joe Fretti threatens to replace any seized pin ball machines with slot machines.

September 8, 1936 Incoming call at 12:03 P. M.

Man calling Is Fike there?
Fike Answers the phone.
Lucas calling Say, I have a few more spots for you. Stop over and see me at the Radio Building after one o'clock.
Fike OK, and say there is a package there for you. Pick it up on your way home.
Lucas Alright.

This conversation was overheard by Special Agent E. J. Dowd. *Fike, referred to above, is a pin ball operator in Toledo, who is associated with the Fretti brothers and he uses their phone to transact his business.

September 8, 1936 Outgoing call at 12:17 P. M., Jefferson 4552

Man calling Is Art Langendorf there?
Man No, he is not
Man When he comes in tell him to call Taylor 1200 and ask for Mr. Fike.
Woman Alright

This conversation was overheard by Special Agent E. J. Dowd.

September 8, 1936 Outgoing call at 12:21 P. M., Jefferson 0190

Man calling: Let me talk to Lonnie.
Lonnie Answers the telephone.
Man This is Murrell, did you get the boat and get in
 touch with the fellows?
Lonnie: Yes, I did not hear from Art.
Man I'll hear from Art a little later, besides him there will
 be Tibbits and the other two, and we are to meet at the
 Algeo Hotel at 4:30 sharp.

This conversation was overheard by Special Agent E. J. Dowd. The Art referred to in the above conversation is evidently Art Langendorf, who is a Toledo detective in charge of the special investigation squad, whose duties are, more or less, the same as the duties of the old hoodlum squad. Art Langendorf recently was fishing over at Middle Island and brought back a fish for Maxine Belmont Thomas, a well known landlady of a house of prostitution in the city of Toledo. It is likely, from the above conversation, that Art Langendorf and the others are again going to Middle Island. Special Agent J. L. Madala maintained surveillance of the Algeo Hotel from four P. M. to five P. M., September 8, 1936, and no party of men was noticed meeting or leaving the Algeo Hotel. It is possible that the 4:30 mentioned as a meeting time is 4:30 A. M., September 9, 1936, instead of the afternoon of September 8, 1936.

September 8, 1936 Incoming call at 12:49 P. M.

Man calling Let me talk to Joe Fretti.
Joe Joe Fretti talking.
Man This is George. Are you going through with the case
 tomorrow.
Joe You bet we are..
Man Does your lawyer know all the technical points?
Joe Well, he should. It's Norman Cohen, the same lawyer
 we had last time, and he said we would get the breaks,
 so we're going right ahead tomorrow, on the same
 testimony, we beat them last.
Man I want to see you beat them, and probably in the
 absence of Carl Cooper can offer you some good stuff
 in evidence.
Joe George, meet me here at nine o'clock in the morning
 and I'll take you over and introduce you to Norman
 Cohen.
Man OK, I'll be there in the morning.

This conversation was overheard by Special Agent E. J. Dowd. The conversation evidently refers to the case wherein the pin ball machines of the Fretti brothers were seized recently, which did not have the automatic payoff removed, in accordance with the city ordinance. Norman Cohen is an attorney with an office in the Security Bank Building, Toledo, Ohio.

September 8, 1936 Incoming call at 3:23 P. M.

Long distance call from Detroit, Michigan. Izzy of the Regal Brewing Company talks to Ben Fretti about the beer business and tells him that they did find during the last month having sold 8,000 cases in the Toledo territory. Ben replied that if they had the 3.2 beer it probably would have been about 15,000 cases. Ben said they were now concentrating at Toledo to put in half barrels of Regal beer in 25 or 30 choice spots, each one of which would take 25 or 30 barrels a week. Ben said he had three buildings of his own in which they guaranteed 30 half barrels a week. Ben also talked about opening a special spot where only Regal beer is to be sold, and a large electric (special) sign placed over the place. Izzy agreed. Ben said Herman and Frank would be over tomorrow night for 500 cases and then talked to Izzy about the half barrel business. Conversation was overheard by Special Agent E. J. Dowd.

September 8, 1936 Incoming call at 3:35 P. M.

Bill Lucas of the Radio Barn (Police) Joe, I got that list for you.
Joe Fretti: When are you going home, Bill?
Bill Right away.
Joe Fretti I'll be over in five minutes.

This conversation was overheard by Special Agent E. J. Dowd. The list referred to in the above conversation by Bill Lucas, police officer, radio building, is likely the list of machines near schools that the police are going to take out, which are referred to by Fretti in previous conversations set out in this report.

The following conversations were overheard over the telephone tap on the telephone, Adams 1556, of Maxine Belmont Thomas, 2105 Warren Street, Toledo, Ohio, which conversations appear of interest:

Sept. 5, 1936 Outgoing call at 7:05 P. M., Adams 0655

Maxine calling: Jenny did you call?
Jenny Yes, Hartung and Manson wanted to see you; they said it was important.
Maxine Where do they want to see me?
Jenny They didn't say. I suppose you should call them.
Maxine I'm not crazy about calling them. Were they up there?
Jenny Yes
 (Hartung and Manson are two city detectives)

This conversation was overheard by Special Agent R. A. Guerin.

September 5, 1936 Outgoing call at 7:07 P. M., Adams 4141

Maxine calling: Detective Bureau please. (Connected). May I speak to Detective Hartung or Manson please?
Man They both went off at six o'clock.

This conversation was overheard by Special Agent R. A. Guerin

Sept. 5, 1936 Outgoing call at 7:09 P. M., Lawndale 2787 (to Harry K. Manson)

Maxine: Detective Manson? This is Mrs. Thomas.
Manson: Oh, yes, Maxine
Maxine Did you want to see me?
Manson We stopped in today. I'll stop in tomorrow and see you over there.
Maxine I'm not there very much; could I make an appointment?
Manson You got that place at 900 Monroe?
Maxine You mean 900 1/2 Monroe Street. Rosie?
Manson Well, Rosie is riding for an awful fall. We went in there and she wouldn't do us any good; just gave us a lot of lies. We want a little information about somebody.
Maxine I can vouch for her. She has nothing to do with any mob and she has no use for them.
Manson We figure on clipping her.
Maxine She's absolutely harmless.
Manson One fellow we were talking to clipped her for some dough. She's just telling us a lot of lies.
Maxine What time do you work tomorrow?
Manson I'm on from ten to six.
Maxine I live at 2105 Warren. Can you see me over here?
Manson If I get a break I'll stop in about two in the afternoon.

Maxine I want to see you about that because she's not wrong.
 You've known me for quite a while and I've always played square.
 Manson I'll try to stop around at your place at two then.
 Maxine Alright, I'll be expecting you.

(This conversation probably refers to an incident recorded in previous calls describing the holdup of Rosie Bush in which \$35.00 was taken from her, and wherein it was agreed that no report would be made concerning it to the police.) This conversation was overheard by Special Agent R. A. Guerin. Hartung and Manson are two city detectives.

Sept. 6, 1936 Outgoing call at 5:22 P. M., Main 8040

Maxine called Kitty Diamond and told her that a man called up her house and asked for her and that she told him that she did not know of any such person. Then he inquired if Maxine knew Kitty's West Toledo address and she told him no, that she was the maid. Kitty said that she did not know who it could be. Maxine told her that the landlady of the apartment also asked her and that she told her that Kitty had left town for Chicago. Kitty and Maxine talked about their health for about ten minutes and Kitty said she would call the landlady and then call Maxine back. (This conversation was overheard by Special Agent M. J. Kavanagh.)

Sept. 6, 1936 Outgoing call at 6:22 P. M., Adams 0719

Maxine calling: The reason I called is I wanted to talk to you about that before the shamuses (police) come.
 Rosie Well, we don't know anything.
 Maxine I guess it's about Louise's man.
 Rosie They must know Louise.
 Maxine What shall I say to them?
 Rosie Just that we don't know anything about it.
 Maxine Stella called and said she was coming here. Shall I tell her that you can use her?
 Rosie Yes, she's alright, I guess. What'll I give her?
 Maxine Ask her what she wants first. I didn't tell her anything. I'll send her to see you.
 Rosie Yes, I'd like to take a little rest. Tell the shamuses I haven't anything belonging to them. She's supposed to be a blonde, isn't she?
 Maxine You don't have anybody like that. I'll call you later.

This conversation was overheard by Special Agent R. A. Guerin.

Sept. 7, 1936 Incoming call at 11:41 A. M.

Sadie (Woman calling believed to be Sadie Dann) Are you going up there?
 Maxine Yes, but I'm not crazy about it. Are you going?

Sadie No, I don't think I'll go. Will you be back tonight?
Maxine Yes
Sadie I'm selling out tomorrow. If Lena wants it you had better tell her, as the other Lena wants it.
Maxine How much?
Sadie Well, I'll see you on that. I want to come in here. If you come back tonight call me over there and Mickey will tell you where you can reach me.
Maxine You won't be there?
Sadie No, I don't think so. I can stay in the drug store and you can call me there.
Maxine Suppose I call you from over there at nine?
Sadie If you call me at nine I'll be at the hotel, but I don't want you to call me long distance.
Maxine If we come in we'll pass by.
Sadie I'm at the drug store now and I could be here at between nine and ten. The number here is Main 0501 and you can call me as I will be here waiting.
Maxine I'll call you at nine.

This conversation was overheard by Special Agent R. A. Guerin. It appears from the above conversation that Sadie Dann, who operates the Oxford Hotel, a house of prostitution, is trying to sell her house, the Oxford Hotel. Information has been obtained from James Ford, Toledo detective, that Sadie Dann is opening a house of prostitution on Cherry Street in the same location where such a place was operated some months ago by Maude Adams, a notorious landlady, who is now serving time in the Toledo Work-house.

The following conversations were overheard over the telephone tap on the telephone of Joe and Ben Fretti, which conversations appear of interest:

Sept. 9, 1936 Incoming call at 9:46 A. M.

Man calling Is Joe there?
Man No, but he'll be back in five or ten minutes. Any message for him?
Man Tell him Sergeant Knudel (police) called.

This conversation was overheard by Special Agent E. J. Dowd.

Sept. 9, 1936 Incoming call at 10:31 A. M.

Man calling This is 570 Detroit, the officer was here this morning and told us to take out two pin ball machines, which he said were in the school zone. He said if I did not take them out immediately he would take them out for me, so I just thought that I would let you know. I have them covered up in the back room now.
Ben Fretti We know all about this, and the officers were going to call and we are going to see about it this morning.
You didn't have to take the machines down. Go ahead and play them until you hear from me.

This conversation was overheard by Special Agent E. J. Dowd.

September 9, 1936 Incoming call at 12:05 P. M.

Man calling This is Zetger (phonetic). Well, I got \$25.00 fine and the digger machines were continued until 2:30 P. M. next Tuesday.
Joe Fretti I don't know why you didn't go to bat. Judge Murlin told Cohen that if we fought the case he was going to find us not guilty.
Man Well, Joe, I thought it was the best thing to do in order to keep things down, and thought there was every-thing against me so I plead guilty.
Joe Fretti Well it can't be helped now.

This conversation was overheard by Special Agent E. J. Dowd. This conversation refers to a case that is pending regarding the operation of the digger machines. It appears that Municipal Judge Murlin had already agreed with the defendant's attorney, Norman Cohen, that he would not find the defendant guilty if he put up a fight.

September 9, 1936

Incoming call at 3:26 P. M.

Man calling
Joe Fretti

How does it look on the machines, Joe?
Leave them rest until tomorrow, Sergeant Knudel and Lucas are going in to see the Chief this afternoon and try to persuade him not to bother machines that are in saloons, regardless of whether they are within the 400 feet of a school as children are not allowed in these places. I think we'll come out alright.

Man

Alright, we won't remove the machines until we hear from you. (This conversation was overheard by Special Agent E. J. Dowd. From the above it will be noted that Sergeant Knudel and Bill Lucas of the Toledo police, Police Radio Building, from whom the Fretti brothers receive advanced information regarding activities of the police concerning pin ball machines, are attempting to persuade the chief of police not to pick up pin ball machines in saloons within 400 feet of a school, in violation of the city ordinance, thereby favoring the Fretti brothers, who operate most of the pin ball machines.)

September 9, 1936

Incoming call at 3:45 P. M.

Man calling

This is Shearer. Say, Joe, I understand the motorcycle cops are calling on places and telling them that machines must come out or they'll grab them. Yes, we've got that information in advance. I have a list here, and there are quite a number of places. It is in the city ordinance. No machines are allowed within 400 feet of any school.

Joe

They're not going to pick up the machines?

Man

Not yet - I'll let you know when to take them out.

Joe

Did Ben speak to you about a Ballywise Multiple?

Man

I can use it. They're no good - causing too much trouble.

Joe

Man

The reason I called, a fellow wanted to exchange one - price \$95.00

Joe

I'll get you all you want, new, at \$102.00, but I don't want any.

The above conversation was overheard by Special Agent E. J. Dowd.

September 9, 1936

Incoming call at 4:04 P. M.

Man calling

Joe, this is Cooper. I thought you were going to be over at court this morning.

Joe

No need of me being there when we had the attorney to represent us. How did your case come out, Carl?

Cooper

We had it postponed until the 15th. I see Fetzner got off alright.

Joe

Yeah, I had that taken care of. I was over this morning and saw Lucas.

Cooper

Say, Joe, I have about 25 used tables on the floor, I would like you to look at.

Joe

I'll stop over about nine o'clock in the morning and look at them on my way down here.

The above conversation was overheard by Special Agent E. J. Dowd.

(Cooper is a pin ball machine operator in Toledo. It appears that Joe Fretti caused Bill Lucas, Toledo police officer, to fix a case pending against Al Fetzner, pin ball operator.)

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents V. E. Criss and John L. Madala:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, Cleveland, Ohio, dated May 5, 1936, wherein it is noted on page 19, that Bert Angus advised Agents that one Charley Mills, a railroad man, had remarked to him that a deputy sheriff had told him that Ted Angus was going to take a rap for harboring Karpis; also, that this same individual, Mills, at one time asked Helen Ferguson, informant, whether she was a Federal "stool pigeon", and that if she were, he would have nothing further to do with her.

Believing that Charles Mills, mentioned above, might possibly have some information which would involve Joe Roscoe with members of the Barker-Karpis mob, Agents located him at his home, 510 Woodville Avenue, Toledo, Ohio, and brought him to the temporary offices of the Bureau at Toledo where he was interviewed in detail by Agents Criss and Madala. He furnished the following signed statement, the original of which is being retained in the Cleveland Bureau office file:

"Toledo, Ohio
"September 4, 1936.

"I, CHARLES A. MILLS, do hereby make the following signed statement to Special Agents V. E. Criss and John L. Madala, who are with the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice. No threats or promises have been made to me.

"I am single and reside with my sister, Mrs. J. E. Philes, at 510 Woodville Street. I am employed as a brakeman with the Terminal Railroad, having had this job for the past 14 years. Prior to that time I was employed with the Pennsylvania Railroad.

"I began frequenting the Casino Club, when it was located on Summit Street, around October or November, 1934, and it was at this time that I first became acquainted with Bert and Ted Angus. These brothers were the owners of the club. Thereafter I frequented the Casino Club on an average of once or twice a week up until they moved to the New Casino Club, which was in May, 1935. I believe I started going out there, because I had heard that 'Babe', who is now deceased, was working there as a bartender. I knew 'Babe' previously when he was working for a saloon on LaGrange Street near Central Avenue.

"During the time I was frequenting the Old Casino Club, I occasionally saw a girl there whom I only know as Helen. She would usually be in the company of one Evelyn Crowe, who at that time resided at the Plaza Hotel. The girls usually would be at the club by themselves, and on some occasions I saw the

Crowe girl in the company of Tommy Cochran, who is a collector for one of the number houses in Toledo, Ohio. I became acquainted with Helen at the club and on few occasions I would dance and drink with her.

"The Angus brothers moved from the Old Casino Club to the New Casino Club in the spring of 1935, and I continued to frequent the club on an average of once or twice a week. I recall that Helen, mentioned above, also frequently hung around the New Club after it was opened. On one occasion I was sitting at a table with Helen and two of her friends, whom I do not know, drinking beer and generally having a good time. During the course of the evening Bert Angus privately told me that the girl I was with, meaning Helen, was a 'G-Woman', stating that he would tell Cochran about it too. I presume the reason Bert Angus mentioned Cochran's name was because he had also been in Helen's company around that time. I am positive that Bert Angus made no further comment as to this girl, and I am unable to explain why he disclosed this information to me.

"I recall that about several weeks thereafter, while I was in the company of this girl, Helen, I asked her whether she was a 'G-Woman' or a Federal stool pigeon, I don't remember which, and she said that she wasn't. I was partially drunk at the time, and I had no ulterior motive in asking her this question. I am unable to explain why I did it, unless it was out of idle curiosity.

"I am acquainted with James O'Leary, having known him for approximately twelve years. He is presently a deputy sheriff of Lucas County, Ohio, and is also employed with the Toledo Terminal Railroad, which is the same company with whom I am employed. At times he and I work together, and I recall that on one of these occasions, around April, 1936, he told me that the Sheriff's office was going to close up the New Casino Club, because they apparently were putting on indecent floor shows. He was referring to the female impersonators who were showing there at that time. O'Leary also told me on this occasion that the G-Men were going to get after the Angus brothers for harboring the Barker-Karpis gang. O'Leary did not indicate the source of his information.

"The next time I went to the Casino Club, possibly a week later, I saw Bert Angus, and told him that a deputy sheriff informed me that the Government was going to get after him for harboring the Karpis gang, and I asked him whether the same was true. He told me that there wasn't anything to it. We had no further conversation relative to this matter. I am unable to explain as to why I gave him the above information. I have never talked to him about this anymore thereafter.

"The first indication I had that the Barker-Karpis mob was hanging out at the Old Casino Club was when this information came out in the newspapers, which I believe was possibly in May or June, 1935.

"I have been shown all of the photographs of the Barker-Karpis mob, and I am certain that I never saw any of these individuals at either the old or new Casino Club.

"I have read the foregoing statement which consists of two typewritten pages and I swear that the same is true to the best of my knowledge and recollection.

WITNESSES:

/s/ CHARLES A. MILLS

John L. Madala,
V. E. Criss
Special Agents,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
1448 Standard Building,
Cleveland, Ohio."

It should be noted that the girl referred to as Helen in the above signed statement of Charles Mills is undoubtedly identical with Helen Ferguson, who, it will be recalled, was placed in the Casino Club by the Bureau during the latter part of 1934 and early part of 1935, to endeavor to secure information from the Angus' brothers and through her own observations which might have led to location of the various members of the mob at that time.

Charles Mills was interviewed at great length relative to conversations he had with Bert Angus concerning the latter's knowledge of the Barker-Karpis gang, and he steadfastly averred that the information set out in this statement is all that was told to him.

Mr. Mills was also questioned at great length concerning Joe Roscoe, and his visits to the Casino Club during 1934. He stated that he knows Joe Roscoe by reputation only, and that he would not know him by sight, and for this reason he is unable to state whether Roscoe was ever present at the Casino Club while he was there.

Although Mills stated that he was not a frequenter of the Casino Club until September, 1934, at which time it is to be recalled members of the Barker-Karpis gang had left Toledo, Ohio, he was interrogated by Special Agent E. J. Wynn with reference to the presence and activities of the hoodlum squad and Ludy Fleming at the Casino Club at such time as they were observed by him. He stated that he would

very often observe members of the hoodlum squad visit the Casino Club, and that while he did not know all of the members of this squad, he recalled that Captain George Timiney, Chris Brennan, and McCarthy were observed by him, and that generally speaking the members of the hoodlum squad would stand at the bar and drink; that he personally knows that Chris Brennan paid for his drinks. He further recalled that Bert and Ted Angus appeared to be very friendly toward Captain Timiney, and called him by his first name, George, and Timiney referred to the Angus boys as Bert and Ted.

Mills stated that Ludy Fleming was a constant frequenter at the Casino Club, and was "sweet" on Rene Holst, later setting her up in business in a liquor joint at point place; that Ludy Fleming, although a prohibition officer, apparently paid no attention to the Casino Club operating and serving liquor long after the legal closing hour; that from his observations of members of the hoodlum squad and Ludy Fleming being present in the club at such times as the State Liquor Laws were being violated, he formed the opinion that they were all closely allied with Bert and Ted Angus, particularly since other night clubs in Toledo were not permitted to operate in violation of the closing laws.

Mills further stated that during the period he visited the Old Casino Club from September, 1934 to possibly May, 1935, which was on an average of twice a week, he would nearly always observe Captain Timiney's squad there, drinking liquor and beer.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents V. E. Criss and John L. Madala:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, Cleveland, Ohio, dated September 5, 1936, wherein it is noted that Deputy Sheriff Donald Cochran advised Agents Wynn and Sullivan that he had recently had a conversation with Jim Coleman of the Granada Gardens, in which Coleman stated that Campbell indicated to him that he had several slot machines in the Harvard Club, and that he was acquainted with some of the employees there.

In view of the above, Agents had Jim Coleman come to the temporary Bureau office at Toledo, where he was interviewed, and a supplementary signed statement obtained from him. The original copy of this statement is being retained in the files of the Cleveland Bureau office, and it reads as follows:

"Toledo, Ohio
"September 4, 1936.

"I, JAMES E. COLEMAN, make this statement of my own free will to Special Agents V. E. Criss and John L. Madala, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, without any threats or promises having been made to me. I wish to amend in some respects my previous statement, as since I was last interviewed certain conversations and observations came to my mind, which I am now willing to furnish.

"I recall that I first met the man whom I now know as Harry Campbell on the same date he married Gertie Billeter, which date Agents Madala and Criss informed me is May 29, 1935. On this occasion Campbell and his wife came into my place, the Granada Gardens, in the afternoon, and were accompanied by Clara McGraw. I recall that Clara McGraw introduced Campbell to me as her cousin, and the name was given as Bob Miller. Neither she nor Campbell at this time indicated to me the latter's business.

"After this meeting Harry Campbell and his wife would come to Granada Gardens on frequent occasions, and a few months prior to his arrest they would be there on an average of three or four times a week. I recall that Ed McGraw came there with this couple on only one occasion, and at that time he was so drunk I would not permit him to sit at a table. As to Clara McGraw, I believe she accompanied Campbell and his wife to my place on at least three or four occasions. She never was in company with another man to my knowledge.

"Another individual who frequently came to the Granada Gardens with Campbell and his wife is a man known to me as Tommy, and whom I now know is identical with Sam Coker. I believe that Coker frequented my place approximately twenty times, and on some occasions he was accompanied by a young lady, whom I do

not know. Tommy or Coker began frequenting my place after he left the hospital.

"I recall that Coker on one occasion came to the Granada Gardens in company of Mrs. and Mr. Fred Goulet, Esthey Goulet, and two other men, whose names I do not know, but believe they are Toledo people, as I have previously seen them in Goulet's Grill.

"Other than the above named individuals, I am certain that Harry Campbell and his wife, Gertie, were never accompanied by anyone else. I do not recall them coming to my place with a young couple. When Gertie and Campbell came to my place, they usually came there in the afternoons around 4 o'clock, ate dinner, and then leave before the evening crowd appeared.

"I am well acquainted with James 'Shimmy' Patton, as I went to school with him in Cleveland, Ohio. I have heard that he is connected with the Harvard Club, a gambling place in Cleveland. He used to operate a saloon at 28th and Detroit Avenue, this being prior to the repeal of prohibition. I do not think he is running the place now. I believe he owns the building at that address.

"I wish to state that on one occasion about three or four months prior to Campbell's arrest, I was sitting at the table with him and his wife at the Granada Gardens. In conversation with him I asked him what he did, and how he was able to make any money without working, remarking that he was leading a soft life. He thereupon asked me whether I knew where the Harvard Club was in Cleveland. I replied that I did. He then asked if I saw the slot machines at the Harvard Club, and when I answered in the affirmative, he stated that they were his machines. Campbell then asked me if I knew that the Harvard Club was closed, and I told him that I had heard same, whereupon he indicated that slot machines was his racket, and that he was waiting for them to open up again, meaning the Harvard Club.

"This conversation led me to believe that he really was in the slot machine racket, and that he was more or less on a vacation while they were not in operation.

"I recall asking Campbell whether he knew 'Shimmy' Patton, and he said that he did. I don't remember any other conversation with Campbell which we might have had relative to Patton.

"The only other person whom I know that works at the Harvard Club is a man called 'Pretty Charlie.' I saw him at the club about one year ago, at which time he was working on a crap table. This man is originally from Toledo, Ohio and I knew him when he was working in a bookmaking establishment at Superior and Jefferson Streets. 'Pretty Charlie's' name was not mentioned in my conversation with Campbell, as above related.

"I wish to amend my previous statement in that I never knew Campbell's wife's last name to be Billeter, and also that when Ed McGraw came into my place of business on the occasion he was very drunk, as above related, I ordered him out of the place.

"I have read the foregoing statement which consists of two typewritten pages, and swear the same is true to best of my knowledge and recollection.

WITNESSES:

/s/ JAMES E. COLEMAN

John L. Madala
V. E. Criss,
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Cleveland, Ohio."

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In addition to the above statement, Mr. Coleman advised that the slot machines referred to in his statement, were at the time he last saw them standing against the wall to the left as one enters the club; that he believes there were about twenty machines in this row.

Agents questioned Coleman in great detail as to any conversations which he might have had with Campbell concerning the Harvard Club, and the information that he had slot machines located therein, and he advised that the information contained in his signed statement as to this is his entire knowledge of the matter.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents John L. Madala and V. E. Criss:

It is to be recalled that Gertrude Billeter Miller advised that she and Harry Campbell lived in their house trailer next door to her mother's home on Hill Avenue for a period of several months during the summer of 1935; that this spot is also adjacent to the "Dugout" night club, which is reported to be owned by Tom Worland, slot machine king of Lucas County, Ohio, and in view of this it was thought possible that Harry Campbell was a frequenter of the said night club, and possibly associated with Worland in the slot machine business in the county.

On September 5, 1936, Agents located the home in which Gertrude Billeter Miller's mother resided during the year 1935, and it is situated as described above; that is, on Hill Avenue and next door to the "Dugout" night club. Agents interviewed Mr. and Mrs. Nick Haupricht, RR #4, Box 624, who at present reside in the house previously occupied by the Billeters. It was learned that this family resided across the road from the Billeters in 1935. Mrs. Haupricht advised that she first observed the house trailer, which she later learned belonged to the Billeter girl, around June or July, 1935; that she heard that the girl had married a contractor, and that the couple was living in this trailer. Mrs. Haupricht further stated that she observed the trailer on the Billeter's property up until the time the Billeters moved in December, 1935, with the exception of about three different times when she saw the young couple leave, and thereafter learned that they had gone on a fishing trip; that on these occasions when they would leave they would be gone for a period of a week or more.

She went on to state that when the weather got cold the young couple apparently moved into town, and stored the trailer; that none of the neighbors visited the Billeters and they seemed to keep to themselves, though about once a week a young man known as Butch came to their place and purchased a bushel of corn to feed to the chickens and he talked to Mr. Haupricht on these occasions, and this was the only source of information they had as to the doings of the Billeters. Mr. and Mrs. Haupricht who were quite observant of the Billeters both stated that none of the Billeter family, with the exception of Butch, went to the "Dugout" referred to above. Mr. Haupricht stated that on one occasion when he first observed the young married couple at the Billeter home he mentioned this to Butch, who stated that they had been married that day and they were going to tell them; that the young man's name was Miller and his father was a big contractor and that he was making lots of money and that Miller was a fine fellow; that on another occasion he noticed that the young couple were away for about ten days in their automobile and had not taken their trailer which fact he mentioned to Butch, who stated that they were visiting with his, Miller's, parents.

In an attempt to get Gertrude Billeter Miller to reinterview her, Mrs. Billeter, her mother, was contacted and stated Gertrude was away on a weekend party with Harry Dull, his wife, and another couple. In a conversation with Mrs. Billeter she advised that she was first introduced to Campbell by Gertrude about a week before their marriage as a Mr. Brown, a contractor, and she was told that they were going to get married, whereupon she took Gertrude to one side and tried to talk with her about marrying someone she only had known such a short while, but she found Gertrude had made up her mind so she told her at the time that if she went ahead it was her own bed that she was making and that she would have to sleep in it. Gertrude also stated that he had parents in Custer, Ohio, and that they intended to visit them, this, Mrs. Billeter stated Gertrude later denied having said to her. Gertrude further told her mother that Campbell had a large number of men working for him and that his foreman and manager handled all the business and thus he didn't have to be present; that after they were married they lived with the McGraws for several weeks, then bought a house trailer and came out to live with her; that is, they parked the house trailer near her house on Hill Avenue just out of Toledo and lived in it; that they did not pay any of the rent or pay for any of the electricity, which made her son Joseph angry. Mrs. Billeter claimed that Campbell and Gertrude never went to visit Campbell's parents, but Gertrude had talked about it and thus Elmer Blein, referred to as Butch by the Hauptrichts, must have mentioned something about this intention which led Mr. Hauptricht to think they had visited his parents. Mrs. Billeter also stated that Campbell and Gertrude went up to Silver Lake, Michigan, and spent about six weeks or more; that during this period they came home about three times with the trailer; that she visited them at the lake one weekend and Joseph spent the first week with them.

Mrs. Billeter advised that Gertrude first denied having met Coker which placed her in an embarrassing position as Campbell and Gertrude brought him out for dinner on quite a few occasions and introduced him as Tommy; further she has observed that Gertrude always tries to keep all magazines and papers with information concerning Campbell away from her and also tries to keep the Agents from talking to her. Mrs. Billeter is afraid that Gertrude will leave and thus she is afraid to do or say anything that will offend her; that on their recent visit to Oklahoma to visit Campbell's parents they tried to get Gertrude to come and live with them telling her that in a couple of years they were going to endeavor to get him paroled and expected to be successful in their attempt and fully expected to have him out in three or four years.

Mrs. Billeter stated that since Gertrude has returned home to live, she and Joseph had a quarrel due to the fact that Gertrude refused to pay any of the expenses and Joseph stated that either he or Gertrude would have to leave; that she wanted to keep close to Gertrude and thus would not side in with Joseph even though he was one of her main means of support, whereupon Joseph left home.

Mrs. Billeter advised she would do all she could to get Gertrude to tell all she knew, though she has to be very careful; that she is trying to get Gertrude to forget Campbell and Gertrude had agreed to have her marriage to him annulled, but when it came time to do so she refused.

Joseph Billeter, 515 City Park Avenue, Toledo, was interviewed but gave no additional information to that given by his mother. He maintained that he only saw two automobiles in Campbell's possession, a black Ford coupe which he had at first, believed to be a 1935 model, and the new Ford sedan which they purchased about November, 1935. He also maintained that he did not suspect Campbell of being anything other than a contractor and had hoped that Campbell would offer him a job; that when Campbell was arrested he was positive for a while that they had the wrong man. He denied that he had told a reporter that Campbell was a cheap-skate, and stated that he had gone to the newspaper office on three occasions in an effort to get them to correct this statement. He also maintained that as far as he knew, Gertrude and Campbell never went to visit Campbell's parents. He admitted he saw an automatic pistol which belonged to Campbell, but this was either in the trailer or in the automobile, and thus he did not think anything about it as he never saw Campbell carry a gun on his person. He also maintained he never saw a bird dog in the possession of Gertrude or Campbell and did not see a Ford coupe with yellow wheels or a Hudson coupe in Campbell's possession. He admitted he spent much time with Campbell fishing and helping him on his car, but did not at anytime question Campbell about his supposed contracting business and Campbell did not talk about anything about what he used to do or about his relatives; that the only person whom he met as a friend or acquaintance of Campbell's was Tommy, who is Sam Coker.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents
W. E. Criss and John L. Madala:

Inasmuch as recent investigation developed the fact that Harry Campbell had at least five different automobiles in his possession during period he resided in Toledo, Ohio, after he and Karpis escaped from Atlantic City on January 22, 1935, and since Gertrude Billeter Miller, Campbell's wife, previously furnished information as to only two automobiles, namely a 1935 Ford coupe and a 1936 Ford sedan, it was deemed advisable to reinterview her and get from her what information she has relative to the other cars, two of which Campbell apparently had around the period of the Garrettsville train robbery on November 7, 1935. Other information developed since this girl was last interviewed, definitely showed other inconsistencies in her previous statements, particularly her knowing what Harry Campbell actually did for a living during the time she was married to him.

On September 9, 1936, Agents again brought Gertrude Billeter Miller to the temporary offices of the Bureau in Toledo, where she was interviewed by Agents Criss and Madala. Although she repeatedly expressed her willingness to cooperate in the way of furnishing information relative to this case, Agents, however, had to elicit most of the information contained in her statement from her, and at no time would she show any signs or indication of wholly volunteering information on her part. She would continue to assert that she had previously told the entire truth, and notwithstanding this, she did from time to time during the course of this interview with her, admit certain facts and allegations with which Agents confronted her, and in explanation as to why she had previously denied same, she would state that she was afraid to tell it. From her statement and observations of her attitude during the entire interview, it was apparent to Agents that she is undoubtedly still withholding certain information, particularly her knowledge of the true identities of the men whom she mentions in her signed statement hereinafter set out. Agents at this time interviewed Gertrude Miller in more detail, with particular reference to the activities of Harry Campbell around the period of the Garrettsville train robbery, and the following signed statement was obtained from her, the original of which is being retained in the Cleveland Bureau office file:

"Toledo, Ohio
"September 9, 1936

"I, GERTRUDE BILLETER MILLER, do hereby make the following signed statement to V. E. Criss and John L. Madala, whom I know to be Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice. I am making this statement of my own free will, and no threats, promises, or inducements have been offered or accorded me.

"I am 20 years of age, having been born at Toledo, Ohio, on January 29, 1917. My maiden name is Gertrude Billeter, and I am presently residing with my mother on Kopernik Avenue, Toledo, Ohio.

"I have known Esther Goulet for four or five years, having met her at a dance. Some time after I became acquainted with her, I went to work for her father, Fred Goulet, who at that time operated the Delmar Lunch Room on Monroe Street. I worked as a waitress for my room and board. I believe this was during the year 1933. While working for the Goulets, I also lived with them at 2017 1/2 Adams Street, Toledo, and it was while living at this address that I first became acquainted with Ed and Clara McGraw. I recall that Esther Goulet took me to their place, and introduced me to them. Thereafter I occasionally went to their apartment to use the telephone.

"I first met my husband, Clarence Charles Miller, and whom I now know is identical with Harry Campbell on May 9, 1935. I recall that on this occasion I went to the McGraw's apartment at 2011 1/2 Adams Street to use the telephone. As I was going up the front steps I met Clara McGraw, and she and I entered her apartment together. When I stepped inside I observed a young man sitting in the living room, drinking beer and talking with Ed McGraw. No other persons were in the apartment at the time. I started to leave after seeing this man, as I did not want to intrude, but Clara McGraw told me to stay, stating that the man was her cousin Bob, and she thereafter introduced him to me as Bob Brown. This man, whom I will refer to hereinafter as Harry Campbell, ordered a bottle of beer for me, but I did not stay to drink it. When I left Clara McGraw told me to return Saturday afternoon, if I could, this being on a Thursday. She stated that Campbell would be at the apartment at that time.

"I returned to the McGraw apartment that Saturday, May 11, 1935, and again met Campbell there. He was talking and drinking with Ed McGraw in the living room, and Clara McGraw was in the kitchen doing some kind of work. I had some drinks with Campbell and McGraw, and later that same day I asked Clara whether Campbell was a married man, and also what he did for a living. Clara stated he was a road contractor, and that he was not married as far as she knew. I spent that entire afternoon and evening with Campbell at McGraw's apartment and thereafter I lived with him at the McGraw's for a period of two weeks. After I began to live with Campbell, I quit my job at the Goulet's, who at that time were operating the LaVardo Cafe on Monroe Street.

"About a week after I met Harry Campbell, he and I talked about getting married, but we never set a definite date for the wedding. I discussed my proposed marriage with Clara McGraw,

and she advised me that I should not go into it blindly, but to think it over; that he, meaning Harry Campbell, was a fine fellow, and that I would never be sorry that I married him. In general both Ed and Clara McGraw seemed to encourage our marriage. During the course of one of the occasions when we were with the McGraws discussing our proposed marriage, Harry Campbell mentioned in the presence of the McGraws that his name was Charles Miller and not Bob Brown, as I had met him. No explanation was offered by either the McGraws or Campbell as to the difference in name, and I did not ask any questions about it.

"After living with Campbell for several weeks without being married to him, I told him that I wouldn't continue to live this way, and made it plain to him that I wanted to get married right away. Ed McGraw stated that he knew a Mr. Livingston at Weston, Ohio, who could 'fix' it so we could get married right away, and not wait five days which is required by law in Ohio. We then agreed to go to Bowling Green, Ohio, to get married, and on May 29, 1935 Ed and Clara McGraw accompanied Campbell and I to Weston, Ohio, where McGraw contacted Mr. Livingston. In my presence Ed McGraw told Mr. Livingston, after we were introduced to him, that he had a couple, meaning us, who wanted to get married right away, and asked whether he couldn't 'fix' it to make this possible. Mr. Livingston replied that he thought he could 'fix' it, and thereafter the four of us accompanied him in his car to the court house at Bowling Green, Ohio. At the court house the clerk of the court made out our applications, and I recall that Campbell gave his occupation as contractor. Mr. Livingston, as prearranged, told the clerk that I was his niece and was a resident of Weston, Ohio. The wedding was performed by Justice of the Peace Frank E. Smith, and was witnessed by Ed and Clara McGraw and Mr. Livingston.

"After the marriage the four of us returned to Toledo, Ohio, and thereafter Clara McGraw, Campbell and I went to the Granada Gardens, O'Brien's Place, and the LaVarda Cafe. At O'Brien's Place, Clara McGraw introduced us to Mrs. O'Brien as her cousin and his wife. I introduced Campbell to Jim Coleman of the Granada Gardens as my husband, and at the LaVarda Cafe I likewise introduced Campbell as my husband to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Goulet, and Esther Goulet.

"We continued to live at McGraw's apartment for the next two months, leaving there some time in the latter part of July, 1935. During this period Campbell and I made frequent visits to the LaVarda Cafe and the Granada Gardens. I was at this

time that I first learned that Campbell might have been in the slot machine racket. I recall the occasion well - we were at the Granada Gardens playing the slot machines, and he was winning while I was not. He thereupon remarked that it was all in the matter of knowing how to play them, further stating that he in fact was in that kind of business, and that he had his machines in Cuyahoga County, Ohio. This was my first intimation that my husband might have been in the slot machine business. I, also, later heard Campbell tell Jim Coleman that he had machines in Cuyahoga County, and on this occasion I also heard them discussing a man named 'Shimmy', who is supposed to be from Cleveland, Ohio. From their conversation I gathered that both Coleman and my husband knew him well, although I do not recall any definite statements at this time, which they might have made.

"On or about July 17, 1935 we purchased a house trailer, and after Campbell and I left the McGraws, we went to live in this trailer at my mother's home on Hill Avenue. We stayed here for a few days, and then went to Silver Lake, Michigan, where we camped in our trailer for about a week. We returned to my mother's place, and about a week later we again went to Silver Lake, Michigan, this time staying there for almost a month, and returning around August 20, 1935.

"I have been shown a photograph of Alvin Karpis, full length, in which he is wearing glasses and a dark sweater, and I positively identify it as the likeness of a man known to me as 'Sonny.' I recall that I first met him at McGraw's apartment about a week after I met Harry Campbell, which was on May 9, 1935. I was introduced to him by my husband, and as I recall this occasion, Karpis came to the apartment in the evening. He rang the front door bell, and Ed McGraw answered the door, and apparently invited him into the living room, which is located in the front part of the house. McGraw then came into the kitchen and told Bob, meaning Harry Campbell, that there was someone to see him. Campbell went into the living room, and about fifteen minutes later he told me to come in. I at this time was introduced to him as Bertie and as his future wife by Campbell. My husband then ordered a round of drinks for us, and Ed and Clara McGraw drank with us. It appeared that both Ed and Clara McGraw had previously met Karpis, as they seemed to know him, and this was later substantiated when Clara McGraw told me that Sonny, meaning Karpis, had given her money to buy the table lamp which she had in the sitting room on a small library table. I recall seeing this lamp in their apartment approximately two months before I met Campbell, this being some time possibly in the month of March, 1935.

While Karpis was there on the above occasion, Ed and Clara McGraw and ourselves engaged in a general conversation, and Karpis remained for about an hour and half, after which he departed. My husband did not say anything about this man, Karpis, after he left.

"After the time I met Harry Campbell he was driving a 1935 model Ford v8 coupe, black in color, and bearing 1935 Ohio license plates EM-54. He had this car continuously up until on or about September 18, 1935. On this date he left in this car, stating that he would be gone for a couple of days, not indicating where he was going. At this time we had returned to live at the McGraws, arriving there about September 15, 1935. On or about September 20, 1935 my husband returned, and was driving a new dark colored large coupe with a fingertip control gear shift located directly and attached under neath the steering wheel. I believe that this car was a Hudson coupe.

"About five days later, on or about September 25, 1935, Campbell left in the Hudson coupe, and returned in about two hours. He had with him a man whom he introduced to me as Tommy. We went to Coulet's Grill that evening for dinner, and during the course of the evening Tommy mentioned that he had attended the Joe Louis-Max Baer fight, which Agents Crias and Madala told me took place at New York City on September 24, 1935. Tommy stayed at the McGraws that night, and on the following day at about 5:00 A. M. my husband and Tommy left in the Hudson coupe, stating that he, Campbell, would be gone for about a week.

"My husband returned home on or about October 5, 1935, and Tommy was not with him. He still had the Hudson car in his possession. Around October 8, 1935, or about three days later, Alvin Karpis paid us another visit at McGraw's apartment. I recall this was a day or so after the World Series, as Karpis paid Campbell on this occasion a \$100 or \$50 bet which Campbell won on the outcome of the Series. Karpis remained for approximately one hour on this visit, during which Ed and Clara McGraw and ourselves had a general conversation, most of which was about the World Series.

"Around this time, either shortly or after Karpis' above mentioned visit, I recall that the doorbell rang, and apparently Ed McGraw ushered someone into the living room, and then came into the kitchen where my husband and I were, and told my husband that Bill was in the front and wanted to see him. He left the kitchen with McGraw, and about fifteen minutes later this person named Bill left the apartment without my seeing him. A few days later Bill, above referred to, again came to McGraw's apartment, and asked to talk to my husband. On this occasion I was introduced to him as Bob's wife, Gertie, and he was introduced to me as Bill. I identify the photograph of Milton Lett, taken at Akron, Ohio, 10-20-35, #26337, as being the man I was introduced to. I will refer

to him as Milton Lett hereinafter in my statement. On the occasion of this visit, Lett remained for about 30 to 45 minutes, during which time he talked with Campbell privately in the living room.

"On or about October 14, 1935 at about 8:30 in the evening, Milton Lett again came to McGraw's apartment. He and my husband talked privately in the living room for about 30 minutes, after which they came into the kitchen where we all engaged in a general conversation. I recall that Lett did not drink or smoke. He remained overnight, and slept in the front bedroom, and on the next day both Lett and my husband remained in the apartment until about the middle of the afternoon, when they left in the Hudson car. Campbell stated that he would be gone for about two or three days.

"On or about October 18, 1935 my husband returned in a 1934 model Ford coupe, and I did not see the Hudson car anymore after this time. He told me that he traded in the Hudson car because the electric gear shift control went on the 'bum', and also stated that he made \$150 on the sale of it. My husband had this latter car in his possession for about two weeks when he decided to trade it in on a new Ford coupe. We were referred to Glen Kneisel, a used car dealer in Toledo, by the McGraws, and around November 1, 1935 Campbell and I drove the 1934 Ford car to Kneisel's lot on Phillips Avenue where my husband talked with Mr. Kneisel about trading it in on a 1936 coupe. My husband agreed to the terms offered, and placed an order for a 1936 Ford coupe, which was to be delivered in about two weeks.

"As I recall that about five days later, on or about November 5, 1935, Milton Lett again came to McGraw's apartment, stayed for about one half hour, and left alone in our 1934 Ford coupe. This was the last time I saw the above mentioned car. That same evening Alvin Karpis came to McGraw's apartment, and talked privately with my husband for a short while, after which we all indulged in some drinks in the kitchen. Ed and Clara McGraw drank with us. We went to bed about midnight, Karpis sleeping in the front bedroom. I recall that both Karpis and my husband told Clara McGraw to awaken them at five o'clock in the morning, which she did as I recall waking up when she knocked on our door. This was on the morning of November 6, 1935, and when my husband left, I believe that he said he would be gone a day or two. Clara McGraw prepared breakfast for Karpis and Campbell that morning.

"I did not see my husband again until about seven or eight o'clock on the night of November 7, 1935, on which date, I recall, I signed the lease for an apartment at 2132 Monroe Street. This was in the afternoon, and I recall that when Campbell returned home that evening I told him about signing this lease. I believe that that same evening Karpis came to the apartment at the McGraws, and thereafter he and my husband left, my husband stating that he would

be gone for two or three weeks. I recall that he took some baggage with him which I packed. After they were gone, I went over to Goulet's Grill later that evening, and at around eleven or twelve o'clock that same night, Campbell walked into Goulet's and said that he had changed his mind about going away.

"I wish to state that on the occasion above referred to, when Karpis and my husband left, it was the last time I ever saw him again, meaning Karpis.

"During the week prior to the arrest of Alvin Karpis on May 1, 1936, while Harry Campbell and I were at McGraw's place, Milton Lett visited there. He was alone, and stayed for only a few minutes. While at the apartment he talked privately with my husband, I recall that when he came up Ed McGraw apparently let him in, as he, McGraw, came into the kitchen where Clara and I were with Campbell, and told him that Bill was waiting to see him in the front. Neither I nor Clara McGraw got to see Lett on this occasion.

"With reference to Tommy, whom I now know as Sam Coker, I believe that after he was released from the hospital, he went to live at McGraw's place. He stayed there off and on up until the latter part of April, 1936, when he moved his baggage to our apartment at 2132 Monroe Street. He left town, and returned on or about May 5, 1936. He lived at the home of his girl friend, Bobbie Robletto at 439 Arcadia Street up until the time of his arrest on May 7, 1936.

"I have read the foregoing statement which consists of five typewritten pages, and swear that the same is true to the best of my knowledge and recollection. I have affixed my signature to each page of this statement after I read same.

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/s/ GERTRUDE BILLETTER MILLER

In addition to the above signed statement, Mrs. Miller advised that she recalls seeing Frank P. Greenwald, owner of the Private Cab Service Company, at the McGraw's apartment on at least two or three different occasions; that she believes her husband, Harry Campbell, was also in the apartment at those times, although she does not recall seeing either of the two talking or drinking together, or making any signs of recognition upon seeing each other. She stated that during the time she and Campbell were without an automobile after Milton Lett took away their 1934 Ford coupe, they usually walked to places visited, and did not hire the services of any cab, as far as she knows.

With reference to the table lamp which Mrs. McGraw told Gertie was purchased by her with money furnished by Alvin Karpis prior to May, 1935, Gertie advised that this lamp undoubtedly was purchased from the Toledo Edison Company, as Mrs. McGraw buys all of her electrical equipment and appliances from that concern.

It will be noted in Mrs. Miller's statement that she frequently mentions private conversations between Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, and Milton Lett and Harry Campbell in the front room of the McGraw apartment, and in no instance would she state that either of the McGraws or herself, was a party in these conversations. She also stated that at no time did Harry Campbell indicate to her, or, as far as she knows, to the McGraws, what business he had with these men, namely, Alvin Karpis and Milton Lett. She would continue to assert that she never saw any of the automobiles which Karpis and Lett might have had when they visited the McGraw apartment.

Agents particularly asked Gertie as to how Campbell came to the apartment on the evening of November 6, 1935, it being recalled that he had no car at that time, and she replied that she did not know. It might be well to mention that previous information secured indirectly from John Brock indicated that Joe Roscoe drove Campbell and Sam, not identified, to Toledo, Ohio, several hours after the robbery on that date. Mrs. Miller stated that she knows no one by the name of Joe Roscoe or Sam, an elderly man, and that to the best of her recollection these names were never mentioned to her or in her presence.

It will be recalled that according to John Brock's statement, he visited Alvin Karpis and Campbell on November 6, 1935, at a rooming house on Adams Street, possibly in the 1700 or 1800 block; that Fred Hunter was with him and later Sam came to the apartment, at which time the five of them discussed the preliminaries of the robbery. It is entirely possible that the apartment referred to above is the McGraw

apartment, as Gertrude Miller advised in her statement that Clara McGraw awakened both Karpis and Campbell at 5:00 A. M. on the morning of November 6, 1935, and she does not know at what time they left the apartment, as she remained in bed until late that morning, and it could be possible for Hunter, Brock, and Sam to have visited Karpis and Campbell at McGraw's apartment that morning without her knowing it.

With reference to that portion of her statement which relates to the evening of November 7, 1935, when Campbell was going to leave with Karpis on a two weeks' trip, and thereafter changed his mind and returned home, it is to be noted that Gertrude Miller was somewhat hazy in her recollection as to the exact time of this occasion, but was positive that this took place shortly after Karpis stayed at McGraw's apartment all night and left early the next morning, and was also positive in her statement in that this occasion was the last time she ever saw Karpis. It will be recalled that previous information received indicates that Karpis and Campbell had a "falling out" over the latter's wife, shortly after the Garrettsville train robbery, as a result of which Campbell did not go along with the others to Hot Springs, Arkansas, as was originally planned.

Relative to the 1934 Ford coupe mentioned in Gertrude Billeter Miller's signed statement which she claims was taken away by Milton Lett on or about November 5, 1936, this being the last time she saw the car, it is pointed out that the same is undoubtedly the car which was left on Clyde Rochat's farm near Newton Falls, Ohio, on November 7, 1935, and which investigation disclosed was purchased in the name of Carl Atkins at Akron, Ohio, on October 17, 1935.

In connection with the Hudson coupe which Campbell apparently had in his possession for a period of approximately a month, it is to be recalled that Mrs. Miller is of the belief that this car was purchased on or about September 20, 1935, and that possibly the 1935 model Ford coupe, which later investigation showed bore motor #1615253, was traded in on the Hudson by her husband. Agents have heretofore checked the Lucas County, Ohio automobile registration records without finding any record indicating that the Hudson coupe might have been registered in Toledo or in the county. It is pointed out that Mrs. Miller was positive that the Hudson coupe in question did not contain the license EM-54, which plates were on the 1935 Ford coupe, the car Campbell had previous to the Hudson. It is entirely possible that the latter car was purchased at Youngstown, Ohio, where it is known Karpis had previously purchased a Hudson and a Terraplane from the Manning-Marino Company.

Attention is also directed to that portion of her statement in which she relates that a day or so after the Joe Louis-Max Baer fight, which took place at New York City, September 24, 1935, Campbell and Sam Coker left together in the Hudson coupe, the former stating that he would be gone for possibly a week. It is recalled that Clayton Hall previously advised that Coker and Fred Hunter attended this fight, and that two days afterward, he drove Hunter, at the latter's request, to a point on the road outside of Youngstown, Ohio, where Hunter got into a Hudson coupe which contained two men whom he identifies as Harry Campbell and Sam Coker. He also stated that on this occasion the above three individuals proceeded to Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Agents again questioned Gertie Miller relative to Sheriff O'Reilly, particularly with reference as to whom he thought Campbell was and what he did, and she still maintains that O'Reilly knew Campbell only as Charles or Bob Miller, and as a road contractor. She stated that at no time did she ever overhear Campbell talk with O'Reilly, or with anyone else in O'Reilly's presence, which led her to believe, or even think that O'Reilly knew anything about Campbell other than that he was a contractor. She stated that she is reasonably certain that Fred Goulet was told by Campbell that he was in the slot machine racket in Cuyahoga County, Ohio.

With reference to that portion of her signed statement which relates to the appearance of Milton Lett at the McGraw apartment in the latter part of April, 1935, and that portion which mentions that Sam Coker was away from Toledo around this period, it is to be recalled that information developed by the Oklahoma City office indicates that Sam Coker and Milton Lett were at Tulsa, Oklahoma some time in April, 1936, and thereafter they proceeded to St. Louis, Missouri.

Agents questioned Gertrude Miller as to whether she ever saw a gun in Campbell's possession or on his person during the time she lived with him, and she stated that he usually carried an automatic pistol in a shoulder holster which he had strapped under his right arm. In explanation as to what she thought when she saw this pistol, Gertrude advised that it was her belief that Campbell carried a pistol to protect himself, as he always had a large amount of money on his person; that when at home, he usually placed the pistol in a drawer, and other times he concealed it under the cushions of the davenport.

There has been some indication that Harry Campbell purchased a bird dog from Clyde Rochet around the time of the Garrettsville train robbery, and when Agents questioned Mrs. Miller about the same, she replied that she never saw such type of dog in her husband's possession. She declared that she doubts very much that he ever bought one, as she never heard him talk about a particular bird dog, or indicate that he ever owned one.

In the report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, Cleveland, Ohio, dated July 25, 1936, there is contained a statement secured from Frank Pedel, in which he mentions that on one occasion Bob Miller and his wife, Gertie, were introduced to him by Esther Goulet as Mr. and Mrs. Campbell. Gertie Miller was discreetly questioned as to this, and she denied that Esther Goulet, or anyone else, ever introduced them under any other name but Miller.

It is to be recalled that at the time Gertie Miller signed a lease for the rental of their apartment at 2132 Monroe Street, she represented her husband to be from Chicago and a tavern owner; she also informed Mrs. Wilmoth, a friend of hers, whom she met at Silver Lake, Michigan, that her husband was a bartender. When questioned as to these misrepresentations, Gertie Miller explained that at that time she conclusively believed that Campbell was in the slot machine racket, and she did not want anyone to know that her husband was engaged in an illegal enterprise.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, Cleveland, Ohio, dated June 20, 1936, wherein Mrs. Ruth King, a one-day-a-week maid for Clara McGraw, advised that during the time Tommy (Sam Coker) resided at the McGraws, Campbell and his wife frequently visited him. Gertie denied this information, stating that she never entered Coker's room to talk with him or for any other reason.

After a reasonable period of time Agents intend to again question Gertrude Billeter Miller for information relative to this case, as it is believed that for some reason she is not telling everything she knows.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents John L. Madala and V. E. Criss:

During the course of the investigation at Toledo, Ohio, certain information has been developed which indicates that Harry Campbell had a Hudson coupe in his possession for a short while during the fall of 1935, and also that he had other automobiles which to date have not been accounted for. For this reason Agents deemed it advisable to reinterview Glenn Kneisel, from whom Harry Campbell purchased a 1936 model Ford sedan, and obtain from him, if possible, any or all information in his possession relative to these alleged automobiles.

Mr. Kneisel appeared at the temporary offices of the Bureau at Toledo, Ohio, on September 5, 1936, and the following signed statement was obtained from him, the original being retained in the Cleveland Bureau office files:

"Toledo, Ohio
"September 5, 1936

"I, GLENN KNEISEL, make the following signed statement to V. E. Criss and John L. Madala, whom I know to be Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice.

"I have known Ed McGraw for approximately 18 to 20 years, and have known Clara McGraw as long as I can remember. I used to drive a cab for Steve McGraw when he was in the taxi-cab business in 1917 and 1918. I was away from Toledo, Ohio, from 1925 to May, 1935, during which period I was working in San Francisco, California.

"A photograph of Harry Campbell was shown to me, and I identify the same as the likeness of a man known to me as Bob Miller. I recall that I first met this individual around the first part of August, 1935 at Ed McGraw's place at 2011½ Adams Street, Toledo. On this occasion Campbell came into McGraw's with two women, and Clara or Ed McGraw introduced them to me as Bob and Gertie Miller, and Esther Coulet. Neither Ed nor Clara McGraw indicated to me that either of these persons was a relation to them.

"I thereafter would see Bob and Gertie Miller on various occasions at McGraw's place, and I was made to understand that they were living there. I was also led to believe by the McGraws that Miller was a road contractor, and that he was working on a project around Akron, Ohio.

"I recall that some time in August shortly after I met Miller, he talked with me about buying a Hudson coupe, and wanted to know how much I would allow him on his 1935 model Ford coupe. I asked to see this latter car, and he took me out on the back porch of McGraw's place, and pointed out to me on the lot a 1935 model Ford coupe, dark green in color,

with possibly Ohio license tags. As I recall there was a house trailer parked near the automobile in question, although there was no discussion concerning it. I asked him what condition the car was in, and he said it was in perfect shape. As I recall some mention was made to the effect that he, Miller, wanted a heavier car to pull his house trailer. I recall Miller telling me that there was a radio in the said Ford coupe.

"After looking at the car I told Miller that I would allow him \$100 less than what he originally paid for the car, whereupon he shrugged his shoulders and said that he could do better than that out of town.

"About a month later while I was at McGraw's place, Mrs. McGraw stated that it looked as if I had lost a deal, and indicated that Bob Miller was then driving a new Hudson coupe. I, personally, never saw this Hudson car.

"Around the latter part of October or first part of November, 1935, while I was on my own used car lot, 927 Phillips Avenue, I received a telephone call from Clara McGraw in the middle of the afternoon, in which she asked if I would remain on the lot that afternoon, and when I told her that I would, she said that Bob and Gertie Miller would drive out there in a little while to talk to me about buying a new car. Approximately 30 minutes later Gertie and Bob came to the lot in a 1934 model Ford coupe. Bob asked me how much I could allow him on the above car for a new Ford coupe. He told me that he had purchased the said car at Akron, Ohio, about two weeks before for \$425.00, and that it was in good shape. I asked him whether he didn't like the car, and he replied that he might as well put a little more money to it, and get a new Ford; that he liked the new Ford cars. I appraised the car at \$400.00, and noted that it was a 1934 model Ford coupe, DeLuxe model, black body, cream wheels, and at least two white sidewall Lee tires. I also noted while examining the car, a sticker of some Akron, Ohio Ford dealer, stuck on the upper left hand corner of the windshield. I do not recall the name of the dealer advertised.

"Miller apparently was satisfied with the \$400 allowance which I quoted him, and we entered into an oral agreement whereby he would take delivery on a new Ford coupe as soon as one would be available, which I told him would be in approximately two weeks. He told me to leave word at the McGraw's as soon as I could make delivery.

"I might state that Gertie Miller was present when all of the above conversation was had between Bob Miller and myself. Immediately after the Millers left the lot, I placed an order for a new Ford coupe with the Whitehouse Motor Sales Company, at Whitehouse, Ohio.

"About two and a half weeks later I received a telephone call from Bob Miller, wanting to know when I would be able to deliver the car previously mentioned. I told him that it ought to be in most any day now, and he said that I should leave word at the McGraw's as soon as I received anything definite on it.

"The next time I heard from Bob Miller was a couple of days before Thanksgiving Day, at which time he called me up at the used car lot. He again asked about delivery on the coupe, and I told him that I couldn't get delivery. He then asked me whether I could arrange to get immediate delivery on a new Ford four door black sedan, with a trunk, stating that he had to have it for Thanksgiving Day. I informed him that this was a new setup, and that I would have to make some calls to see if I could locate one. Miller stated that if I couldn't make immediate delivery on this car to call the deal off, as he knew where he could get immediate delivery on one, indicating that he could get it at Lyman D. Arnold's Agency on Adams Street.

"I thereafter endeavored to locate a car desired by Miller, and found that Carl Steinman had one on stock. I called Bob Miller at McGraw's place, and told him that I had located a car for him; that he should drive the old Ford coupe over to my lot, and that I would take them over to East Toledo, and deliver the new Ford to him. He stated to forget the coupe, meaning his 1934 Ford coupe; that he was going to keep it. I thereupon told him that I would drive over to McGraw's and pick him up, which I did. I drove over in my 1935 model Plymouth sedan, black in color, and picked up Gertie and Bob. On the way over to Steinman's salesroom, which is located at Star and East Broadway Streets, I asked him what made him change his mind about trading in his Ford coupe, and he replied that he had sent it to Florida with a load of slot machines. This was my first indication that Miller might have been in the slot machine racket.

"I drove Gertie and Bob Miller to Carl Steinman's agency, where we picked Mr. Steinman up, and then drove to Jess Ottgen's Agency on Main and Fourth Street. Mr. Steinman and I showed the Millers the new Ford car in question, after which we returned to Steinman's place of business where Steinman made out the bill of sale for the car. I recall that Bob Miller made mention of the fact that the bill of sale be made out in his wife's name, and I believe that he gave an address on Monroe Street. After the bill of sale was prepared, Gertie Miller signed it as the owner of the car.

"After the sale was consummated I drove Gertie and Bob Miller to Jess Ottgen's agency, where I took the dealer's plates from my own car, and placed them on the car which Miller had purchased. I thereafter drove them to McGraw's place in the new car, and at this time Miller paid me \$775.00 including the sales tax, for the automobile. I recall that he paid me in \$50, \$20, \$10, and \$5 denominations, which money he pulled from his back pocket. After Miller paid me, I went to the county court house and filed the new car bill of sale, and purchased license plates for the car. I then returned to McGraw's place, took my dealer's plates off, and put on the new plates. I then went upstairs to McGraw's apartment and gave him, meaning Miller, the keys for the car.

"I have been shown a photograph of Sam Coker, and I recall this individual as a man whom I met as Tommy. I first saw him at McGraw's apartment in December, 1935 or January, 1936, and I was introduced to him by one of the McGraws as a room there under the name of Tommy. On this occasion Tommy was alone with the McGraws; that is, neither Gertie nor Bob Miller were there. The next time I saw Tommy or Sam Coker was at Fred Goulet's Grill, at which time he was in the company of Gertie and Bob Miller, and Esther Goulet.

"I thereafter saw Tommy on three or four other occasions, usually at Goulet's Grill, and on one occasion at McGraw's apartment. He would always be in the company of Gertie and Bob Miller.

"I have read the foregoing statement which consists of three typewritten pages, and swear the same is true to the best of my knowledge and recollection.

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/s/ GLENN G. KNEISEL

In addition to this above signed statement Mr. Kneisel informed Agents that on one occasion Ed McGraw told him that Bob Miller drove him to Springfield, Ohio, to visit with some of his, McGraw's, friends.

Kneisel also advised that other persons whom he saw at various times at McGraw's place are Don Geisel, Bert Ford, Frank Greenwald, "Old Louie", and "Slim Francis", a driver for the Private Cab Company. It should be noted that Bert Ford, Greenwald, and "Old Louie", already have been interviewed. As to Don Geisel, Mr. Kneisel stated that he does not know where this individual lives or works, but that recently he saw him in the offices of the Associated Investment Company, making payment on an automobile. He will be located through this agency.

During the course of the interview with Mr. Kneisel, Agents endeavored to secure further information from him relative to conversations he had with Ed and Clara McGraw concerning the character and background of Harry Campbell, but he advised that what is contained in his statement is his entire knowledge of this matter.

It should be noted that, according to Mr. Kneisel's statement, Harry Campbell had at least four different automobiles in his possession at various times during the period from when he first met him in August, 1935, to the time of his arrest, on May 7, 1936. This does not include the 1933 model Ford coupe, which, according to the report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, Cleveland, Ohio, dated June 13, 1936, Campbell, as Clarence Charles Miller, purchased on February 4, 1935, at Cleveland, Ohio. This record was located after Gertrude Billeter Miller furnished Agents with the information that Campbell's car contained 1935 license HM-54.

To date no information has been obtained as to where Campbell disposed of the above car, although a circular letter has been sent to all state bureaus of vehicle registrations without locating a subsequent record of this car. There is also no information in the file which shows where Campbell purchased the 1935 model Ford coupe, green in color, or where he disposed of it, nor is there any information disclosing where Campbell purchased the Hudson coupe heretofore mentioned. It is believed that the 1934 model Ford coupe which Mr. Kneisel appraised, as mentioned in his signed statement, is the same automobile which Campbell left with Mr. Rochat on his farm at New on Falls, Ohio, and which car Campbell apparently purchased at Akron, Ohio, under the name of Carl Atkins.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents
John L. Meehan and V.L. Griss:

It is to be recalled that Glenn Kneisel, a used car dealer, informed agents that sometime in September, 1935, Harry Campbell pointed out to him a 1935 Model Ford coupe at Ed McGraw's place, and asked him what allowance Kneisel would give him on it on the purchase of a new Hudson coupe. Inasmuch as the files in this case reveal no previous information, description, etc., as to the 1935 model Ford coupe, mentioned above, and believing that Campbell might have purchased this car under the same name, Charles Miller, which he used when he purchased the 1933 Model Ford coupe at Cleveland, Ohio, on February 5, 1935, mentioned in the report of Special Agent E.J. Wynn, Cleveland, Ohio, dated 6/13/36, agents deemed it advisable to check the Lucas County, Ohio, automobile registration records against the name of Charles Miller, with the view to determining whether he registered any other cars in this County under the above name.

By reason of this check on September 8, 1936, agents located an entry which reflects that one Charles Miller purchased a 1935 model Ford coupe on March 26, 1935 from the Lyman E. Arnold, Inc., Toledo, Ohio. Agents examined the bill of sale relative to this entry, and the same disclosed that on March 26, 1935, Charles Miller of 6604 Pearl Road, Cleveland, purchased (no consideration stated) a 1935 model Ford de luxe coupe, motor #18-1615253. The names of witnesses appearing on said bill of sale are Belle Miller and L.W. Citrus; C.W. Richter is shown as the grantor and Raylis Woodbridge as the notary public.

It is to be noted that the address, 6604 Pearl Road, Cleveland, Ohio, mentioned above, is the same address Harry Campbell gave at the time he purchased and registered a 1933 model Ford coupe in Cuyahoga County, Ohio, on February 5, 1935. Investigation revealed that this address is fictitious.

At Lyman E. Arnold, Inc., Tenth and Adams Street, Toledo, Ohio, agents interviewed Mr. Lyman Arnold, who advised from his records that on March 26, 1935, Charles Miller, who gave his address as 6604 Pearl Road, Cleveland, purchased from them a new 1935 model Ford de luxe coupe, motor #18-1615253, black in color, for a consideration of \$648.00, plus \$19.47 Sales Tax; that Miller paid \$383.47 in cash on the date of delivery, and that \$285.00 was allowed on a 1933 model Ford coupe which was traded in on the purchase; that the sale was made by Richard Cary, a regular salesman. The records further disclose that on March 26, 1935, the above described automobile was returned to the garage, and a hot water heater was installed in it. At that time the speedometer reading was eight miles, and the license number on the car was HL-54. On March 27, 1935, the car was again brought to the garage, and an order was placed to

straighten and replace the left rear wheel, same having apparently been involved in an accident. The records disclose that a request was made to have the car ready by noon the following day, March 28, 1935, and that the speedometer reading on this occasion was 41 miles. The repair order covering the above work contains the signature of Charles Miller, and this paper, together with the sales record of the car in question, which also bears the signature of Charles Miller, were obtained from Mr. Arnold, and are being retained in the Cleveland Bureau Office files.

With further reference to the 1933 model Ford coupe turned in by Miller, as above indicated, Mr. Arnold traced his records and ascertained that this automobile had motor #18-429014, and that it was later sold on April 18, 1935 to George L. Van Houten, 923 Lincoln Avenue, Toledo, Ohio. It is pointed out that this latter car is the same one mentioned in the report of Special Agent E.J. Wynn, Cleveland, Ohio, dated June 13, 1936, and against which a request was made for all Bureau field offices to place a stop order at the State bureaus of motor vehicle registrations located in their respective districts.

On September 10, 1936 agents had Richard Cary come to the temporary offices of the Bureau at Toledo, Ohio, at which time he was interviewed in detail relative to the circumstances surrounding the sale of instant 1935 model Ford coupe, motor #18-1615253, to Charles Miller. Mr. Cary submitted the following signed statement, the original of which is being retained in the Cleveland Bureau Office files:

"Toledo, Ohio
September 10, 1936

"I, RICHARD CARY, do hereby make the following signed statement to V.E. Criss and John L. Madala, whom I know to be Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice.

"I have been employed with Lyman E. Arnold, Inc. Toledo as a salesman for seven years. My residence address is 2129 Fulton Street, Toledo, Ohio.

"After refreshing my recollection from the records of the Lyman E. Arnold, Inc., I wish to state that on or about March 25, 1935, in the morning, one of the employees in the service department informed me that a 1933 Model Ford Coupe had been brought into the shop the night previous in a damaged condition, the car apparently having been involved in a wreck. I went up to the shop on the third floor to examine this damaged car, and noted that the front end of

it had been damaged to the extent of approximately \$100.00. I did not look at the inside of the car. When I left the shop I told one of the service men to let me know when the owner of the car came in, as this would be a good prospect for the sale of a new car.

"Around noon that same day, which would be on March 25, 1936, a mechanic called me at the salesroom and told me that the owner of the damaged car in question was then in the shop looking over her car. I immediately went up to the shop and talked with her in an effort to interest her in buying a new automobile. The impression I got from talking with her is that she was driving the car at the time it was wrecked, and that the car might have possibly been run into a culvert. I also got the impression that this woman's husband was out of town, in Cleveland, and that he was expected in Toledo, Ohio, within a day.

"It appeared that this woman's mind was made up to purchase a new car before I talked with her, and therefore I did not have to exercise much salesmanship on her. She stated that she and her husband wanted a new three-window black coupe, and that they wanted it right away.

"It seems to me that when I first talked with this woman, I asked her whether I could do anything for her in the way of supplying transportation which she might need. She at this time stated that she calls on beauty parlors, indicating that she sold cosmetics and other beautician supplies, and asked whether I would drive her to the beauty parlor at the corner of Canton and Cherry Streets. I recall that I mentioned some beauty parlors in Toledo to her, and she seemed to be familiar with them, knowing where they were located and who operated them. I have particular reference to a beauty culture school in Toledo, which is operated by Doris Ann at 323 Huron Street. It seems to me that she carried some sort of kit or sample case at the time I talked with her.

"After my first conversation with this woman, I drove her to the intersection of Canton and Cherry Streets, but do not recall seeing her walk into the beauty parlor located on that corner.

"On the next day, March 26, 1935, I recall that this same woman came to the salesroom around 10:00 A.M. in company of a man whom she introduced as her husband. At that time we did not have a Ford Coupe, the type they desired, on the floor, and I told them that I would take them out and endeavor to locate one. I drove them in my car to the Perry Motor Sales Company, Monroe and Bancroft Streets,

where they selected a three-window black coupe, De Luxe Model. They drove this car back to Lyman E. Arnold, Inc., and I followed them in my car.

"I had previously had their 1933 Model Ford Coupe appraised by the appraiser, and he estimated the value of the car at \$285.00. I took this car in on a trade-in.. The bill of sale for the new car was prepared by one of the clerical employees, and I recall that the man signed it as Charles Miller. The list price of the car was \$649.00, and allowing \$285.00 on the 1933 Ford Coupe, they paid me \$383.47 cash, plus \$19.47 Sales Tax. I recall that Mr. Miller paid for this car, and that the currency was in small denominations.

"After the new car was purchased I assisted the woman and the man in transferring some of the articles from the damaged old car to the new one, and as I recall there were some feminine articles in the former car, giving me the impression that some woman had been driving it previous to the wreck of it.

"From the records it appears that the 1933 Model Ford Car which was taken on a tradein, contained 1935 Ohio license HM-54, and that these plates were placed on the new car purchased. As I recall some discussion was had about transferring the registration of the old car to the new one, and it seems that they said they would take care of it when they got back to Cleveland.

"From a group of photographs shown me I have selected the photograph of John Brock, #24696, as the best likeness of the man who purchased the instant 1935 Ford Coupe, and who signed his name as Charles Miller. I recall that this man did not have very much to say, and that he presented an appearance of being a 'hick'; that he was tall and slender, and gangling. His speech was slow, and had somewhat of a western or southern accent.

"As to the girl mentioned in this deal, I recall that she was about 30 years of age, around five feet six inches tall, well-built, weighed about 130 lbs., blonde hair, blue eyes, and a neat and conservative dresser. She gave the appearance of being well cultured and educated. I believe that I will be able to recognize her, if I ever saw her again.

"I have read the foregoing statement which consists of two and one half pages, and swear that the same is true to the best of my knowledge and recollection.

Witnesses: /s/ Richard G. Cary,
John L. Madala, V.E. Criss,
Special Agents, Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice, 1443 Standard Building, Cleveland, Ohio"

With further reference to the girl mentioned in his signed statement, Mr. Cary advised that he gathered through conversation with her that she is some kind of a beauty parlor inspector, or saleslady; that she was very attractive, and showed some signs of experience in the business world. He stated that he never saw this girl anytime after March 27, 1935, the date of the purchase of instant car.

Mr. Cary was positive in his identification of John Brock, as the Charles Miller who signed the bill of sale covering the car. He, at first, selected the photograph of Fred Hunter as the likeness of the man involved in the deal, but after further examining the picture of John Brock, he definitely stated that was the man. It might be mentioned that Mr. Cary was unable to identify the more recent photograph of John Brock.

In connection with Mr. Cary's identification, it is to be recalled that investigation at the Lorraine Hotel, Toledo, revealed that John Brock, as T.F. Evans, was registered there from March 26, 1935 to March 27, 1935; that thereafter, according to his own statement, he resided at the house of Edith Barry for the next few days. This was around the time Karpis, Campbell, Hunter and Brock were "casing" the Warren mail job.

At the Lucas County Bureau of Motor Vehicle Registration, agents examined the records and noted that George L. Van Houten did on April 30, 1935 register a 1933 Model Ford Coupe, motor #18-429014. Agents endeavored to locate Mr. Van Houten at his home, 923 Lincoln Avenue, to ascertain whether he still has this car in his possession, but were advised by the neighbors that he moved from there approximately eight months ago. This will not be followed up any further for the reason that the records at Lucas County definitely indicate that the car in question was re-registered by Van Houten on April 30, 1935. Inasmuch as this appears to be a legitimate purchase by Mr. Van Houten from Lyman D. Arnold. All field offices are being requested by letter to remove the stop order against this car from the files of the State Bureaus of Motor Vehicle Registration.

It appears that the State Bureau of Motor Vehicle Registration at Columbus, Ohio, failed to advise the Cincinnati Bureau Office of the re-registration of this car.

On September 10, 1936 agents again called at the Lyman D. Arnold, Inc., for the purpose of interviewing Zelda Ellerman, Z.J. Zytus, O.M. Ristler, and Phyllis Woolridge, whose names appear on the bill of sale covering the sale of 1935 Model Ford Coupe to Charles Miller on March 26, 1935. Mr. Arnold advised agents that these individuals are no longer connected with his company, and he doubts very much whether they will be able to furnish any information or identify any photographs of persons involved in instant deal.

He stated that the salesman is about the only person who has actual contact with purchasers of cars, and that the preparation of the bill of sale and the notarization of it is usually done outside of the presence of the persons buying cars. It might be stated that Richard Cary likewise advised that it is very doubtful whether anyone else in the employ of Arnold Inc., will be able to identify the photo of Brock, as to the best of his recollection no one other than he had any contact with him at that time.

Inasmuch as Mr. Cary advised that he drove the woman who assisted in the purchase of instant 1935 Ford car, to the intersection of Canton and Cherry Streets, where she was to visit a beauty shop in that locality, agents checked the vicinity of this intersection and observed that the Ann Arbor Beauty Shop, located at 1523 Cherry Street, is undoubtedly the place referred to. Inquiry at this place disclosed that Mr. T. Andre is the proprietor of the beauty shop. He was interviewed by agents and he was unable to recall a blonde saleslady or inspector ever calling at his place of business. He recalled, however, that a young attractive girl with dark hair inspected his beauty parlor sometime in March, 1935, and the reason he distinctly recalls her is because she found considerable fault with the condition of his business. He advised that he has not seen this girl for over six months, and that the last time his place was inspected which was on June 30, 1936, the lady inspector mentioned that the girl in question is now in a beauty parlor business for herself. Every effort will be made to locate this woman, at which time arrangements will be made for Mr. Cary to observe her to determine whether she was the person who assisted in the purchase of the car by John Brock for Harry Campbell. A letter is being addressed to the Cincinnati Office, requesting that they ascertain at the offices of the Board of Cosmetology, 21 W. Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio, the name and address of the woman who inspected the Ann Arbor Beauty Shop, 1523 Cherry Street, Toledo, Ohio, in March 1935, in order that she may be interviewed in this connection.

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Reference is made to report of Special Agent K. C. Suran, dated at Cleveland, Ohio, August 29, 1936, setting out interview with [redacted] who informed that he ascertained through a friend of his that one George Green is now residing at 1770 Superior Street. It was desired to locate George Green for the purpose of ascertaining the whereabouts of Eddie Seaman and Jake Gilmore to interview them regarding the activities and connections of Joe Rich at Canton, Ohio.

On September 5, 1936, Special Agents K. C. Suran and J. V. Murphy interviewed George Green at his residence - 1770 Superior Street, Toledo. This man is of very small stature, and about fifty years of age. He stated he has resided at his present address for the past two years, and prior thereto resided at 1787 Summit Street for about one year, and before moving to the latter address he resided at 121 Stratton Street, for a period of about three years; that he formerly was employed by the Hart Furniture Company in Toledo for a period of about six years, then last worked operating a restaurant and beer parlor known as the Summit Cafe at 1791 Summit Street, Toledo, and while operating that cafe he fell and broke his leg, about a year and a half ago, and as a result of this injury it was necessary that he discontinue the operation of the cafe. He stated he has never been in Canton, Ohio. He stated he knew another George Green about twenty years ago, who was from Canton, Ohio, and this man should be about sixty years of age now. Photographs of Eddie Seaman and Jake Gilmore were exhibited to Mr. Green, who stated he is unable to identify either of them as persons known to him.

In an interview with [redacted] on September 10, 1936, Agent J. V. Murphy checked the above story of Mr. Green, and [redacted] stated that he knows a Mr. Green, of small stature, who formerly worked for the Hart Furniture Company; that the George Green, whom he knows who formerly operated a beer parlor in Canton, Ohio, is about fifty-five to sixty years of age, about five feet nine or ten inches in height, and weighs about 190 to 210 pounds. He stated that this George Green got in some kind of trouble in Canton and had to leave town; that his saloon in Canton was a hangout for all kinds of crooks, and Green is alleged to have furnished burglary tools and such to persons to do jobs. [redacted] stated he would endeavor to secure further information regarding the location of this George Green.

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Reference is made to report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, Cleveland, Ohio, dated September 5, 1936, wherein is set out an interview with [redacted] in which he states that Mrs. Elsie Sweet, wife of Charley Sweet, 628 Lotus Street, Toledo, informed him she was at Middle Island about two years ago, and while there acted for a short time as a waitress, and recalls that George Timiney was at the island with a woman, whose name she could not recall, but was informed by her twelve year old daughter, Dot, that the woman with Timiney was named Cora.

Mrs. Elsie Sweet, 628 Lotus Street, Toledo, accompanied Agents R. C. Suran and J. V. Murphy to the temporary office at Toledo, Ohio, with her young daughter, Dot, where she was interviewed. She stated her husband, Charles Sweet, is now employed by Joe Roscoe at Middle Island hotel as a chef; that she has been married to her husband fifteen years and they have two children, Dorothy Jane, age 12 years, and Robert Charles, age 10 years. She stated her husband began working at the 42nd Street Cafe on Broadway, Toledo, Ohio, about one and one-half or two years ago as a chef and left there to go to Middle Island in May, 1936, to work. She stated that while her husband worked at the 42nd Street Cafe in Toledo, she visited that cafe on one or two occasions, and through conversations with her husband she learned the following persons were employed at that cafe, while he was working there:

Emmet Dwyer - bartender;
Ruth and Ethel - two waitresses whose last names she does not know;
"Baldy" - the piano player.

She stated she never talked to any of the above employees, and does not know the names of any former employees. She stated there was an employee by the nickname "Red", who was killed in an automobile accident, but she never knew his true name.

Mrs. Sweet stated she went over to Middle Island on June 5, 1936, in Joe Roscoe's boat the "Jo-Jo" at which time she first met Joe Roscoe; that after arriving at Middle Island, where her husband is employed as chef at the Middle Island hotel, she was requested to work as a waitress, and she did work as waitress for about six weeks from June 5, 1936, but was very dissatisfied as she had to assist in washing dishes as well as doing waitress work, that she returned to Toledo, Ohio. She stated that while she was at Middle Island, the following employees were working there: Cooley Murrece, Walter Belpash, and a man known as "Tex", employed as a cook. She also stated she met an old man called "Dutch" at Middle Island and he was doing labor work for Joe Roscoe on the island. However, she denied she had seen "Dutch" in Toledo recently, as [redacted] stated she had informed him.

All photographs of members of the Barker-Karpis gang were exhibited to Mrs. Sweet, and the only one she stated she could identify was that of Alvin Karpis. She stated she never met this man, but recalls reading in detective magazines she obtained from her brother, some time before Karpis was apprehended, a story about Alvin Karpis, in which story there was a photograph of Karpis and also a photograph of Karpis dressed in woman's attire. (This photograph appeared in Startling Detective Magazine, September, 1935 issue.)

Mrs. Sweet appeared to be very nervous, and when first contacted at her residence by Special Agent Suran, she immediately stated, "I do not know anything about that." When interviewed at the temporary office, she was requested to advise why she made such a statement, and she denied ever making such a remark. She stated that she expected her husband, Charles Sweet, to return to Toledo, Ohio, from Middle Island some time in October, when the hotel at Middle Island would be closed, and that possibly he could furnish information of value concerning this matter.

Mrs. Sweet denied that she ever visited the Casino Club, either with her husband or anyone else during the summer of 1934, or any other time. Also denied ever visiting the New Casino Club.

Reference is made to report of Special Agent S. K. McKee, Cleveland, Ohio, dated September 1, 1936, quoting statement of George Charles Sellers, in which Sellers states that a crap dealer called "Bill", of Toledo, Ohio, brought to his, Sellers, beer parlor at 3113 Harvard Avenue, Cleveland, during the late summer of 1934, three men called "Slim", "Red", and "Harry", whom Sellers has identified from photographs as being Alvin Karpis, William Harrison and Harry Campbell, and "Bill" informed Sellers the men were alright and to give them anything they wanted.

As set out in report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, Cleveland, Ohio, dated August 29, 1936, [redacted] stated that one Bill Erwin, a crap dealer, now working at 513 1/2 Jefferson Avenue, formerly worked in Cleveland, and from description is likely the crap dealer named "Bill" referred to by George Charles Sellers. b7d

On September 8, 1936, William T. Erwin was located at a gambling house at 513 1/2 Jefferson Avenue, Toledo. He was interviewed at the temporary office in the Edison Building, Toledo, by Special Agents E. J. Dowd and J. V. Murphy. He stated he is often called "Bill" Erwin and "Smokey" Erwin; that he is employed as a crap dealer at a gambling house operated by Herb Land and Harry Levine at 513 1/2 Jefferson Street, Toledo; that he is 44 years of age, five feet eleven inches in height, was born in East St. Louis, Illinois, and is married and has no children. He stated he resides with his wife at apartment 205, 558 Lincoln Avenue, Toledo.

Erwin stated he came to Toledo, Ohio, in 1920, and in 1921 or 1922 he went to Cleveland, Ohio, where he worked for about four or five weeks in a gambling house operated on West Lorain Street by Jimmie Hayes (now deceased) and Tom McGinty; that after working at this place for that period, the place closed and he returned to Toledo and has been in Toledo since that time. He stated that after he returned to Toledo in 1922 he went to work for Jimmie Hayes at 631 St. Clair Street, The Jovial Club, then worked at 509 Summit Street for Tom Worland, dealing craps, then went to work for Harry Levine at 220 St. Clair Street, and this gambling house moved to 513 1/2 Jefferson Avenue, where he is now employed as a crap dealer. Erwin stated he has never worked at the Harvard Club in Cleveland and does not know where it is located. He stated he knows the following men who were at one time in Toledo, and are now supposed to be working at the Harvard Club in Cleveland: Earl Brazil, alias Stubby; Charlie Crowell, alias Pretty Charlie; Pollock Whitey (he states this may be Whitey Warner); Charlie Champaign, alias Sham; "Toots" Talbot.

Erwin stated he does not know Bill Schwartz; that he knows Frankie Merrit, and Merrit was in Cleveland dealing dice, but he heard that Merrit went to Florida, the exact location he does not know, but

presumes it may be Miami, Florida. Erwin stated he knows Connie Desmond, and he last worked in Toledo at the Chateau before it burned during the winter of 1934-35; that the last time he saw Desmond was about two months ago standing in front of the Secor Hotel in Toledo; that he believes Desmond is not working in Toledo in any of the gambling houses.

Erwin further stated he does not know Tony Amersbach, Smokey Sharkey, Rube McNulty, Jerry Cannon and "Dutch." He stated he heard of Shimmy Patton, who was a friend of Jimmie Hayes, but does not know Patton personally, neither does he know Art Hebebrand, Dan Gallagher and a man named Mitchell of Cleveland. He stated he has seen Tip O'Neill in Toledo, as O'Neill was a friend of Jimmie Hayes. Erwin stated that "Pretty Charlie" is supposed to have married an Indian girl from Oklahoma, but the girl does not look like an Indian.

Erwin emphatically denied that he has ever been in Cleveland, Ohio, since the year 1922, also denies having worked at the Harvard Club. He denies knowing anyone in Cleveland by the name of George Charles Sellers, who operated a drink parlor and bootleg joint opposite the Harvard Club; he also denied that he is acquainted with Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, or Willie Harrison. He stated he does not know of any other crap dealer by the first name of "Bill", who ever worked at the Harvard Club, and who is now or has ever worked in Toledo.

All photographs of members of the Barker-Karpis gang were exhibited to Erwin, but he stated he is unable to identify any of them, with the exception of photographs of Harry Campbell, Alvin Karpis, and Dr. Moran, which photographs, he stated, he has seen in various detective story magazines, which he reads.

Erwin stated that during the summer of 1934 he was working for Harry Levine as a crap dealer in his gambling house at 513¹/₂ Jefferson Street, Toledo, and after closing hours, about 2:30 A. M. or 3 A. M., he and some of the other gamblers would drive out to the Casino Club to drink beer, as that was the only "spot" open at that time of the morning; that he always drank beer as he does not drink whiskey; that he and the boys he accompanied never mixed with any of the crowd which might be in the Casino Club, and he does not recall ever seeing any of the Barker-Karpis gang or their women associates in the Casino Club. He stated he recalls that on several occasions Joe Roscoe was at the Casino Club, but he did not notice who he was with, and he also recalls at the club seeing police officers James Tafelski and Johnnie Mahalek, who would come in and get a drink and go out. He stated he never saw Art Landendorf or George Timiney at the Casino Club. Erwin stated that on several occasions when he visited the Casino Club he drank beer with "Nig" Cousins, who at that time was operating a race track book shop; that "Nig" Cousins often took bets on horses from persons attending the Casino Club, but he was unable to state who placed any bets with Cousins. Erwin stated that Ted and Bert Angus were operat-

ing the Casino Club when he visited same during summer of 1934.

Erwin denied that he has ever visited Middle Island, but is acquainted with Joe Roscoe, who was interested with Jimmie Hayes in gambling houses operated at 631 St. Clair Street, and at 220 St. Clair Street, since moved to 513 $\frac{1}{2}$ Jefferson Street; that the latter place is now operated by Herb Land and Harry Levine, and he does not know if Roscoe still has an interest in same; that he believes that Mrs. Jimmie Hayes has no further interest in this gambling house. He stated that Joe Roscoe occasionally calls at 513 $\frac{1}{2}$ Jefferson Street, but the last time he saw him was about two months ago; that he has never talked about Karpis or Campbell to Joe Roscoe, George Timiney, or Ted and Bert Angus, as he has no knowledge concerning Karpis or Campbell. Erwin stated he never heard that Ted Angus was the "fixer" in Toledo, and has no knowledge concerning any pay off being made by the gambling houses to operate unmolested in Toledo; that if there is such a pay off it is handled by the heads of the gambling houses and he, therefore, has no knowledge concerning same. He stated he has no knowledge that the Fretti brothers are interested in gambling in Toledo, other than pin ball machines. Erwin denied knowing Ludy Fleming.

The following is a description of William T. Erwin as obtained by interrogation and observations:

Age	-	44 years
Height	-	5'11"
Weight	-	196 pounds
Build	-	Medium
Hair	-	Black, wavy, parted on left side.
Complexion	-	Medium
Eyes	-	Brown
Beard	-	Clean shaven
Occupation	-	Gambler - crap dealer
Marital Status	-	Married - no children
Nativity	-	East St. Louis, Ill.
Residence	-	Apt. 206, 558 Lincoln Ave., Toledo, O.
Marks & Scars	-	Cut scar below left eye and along side of bridge of nose. Nose looks like it has been broken at one time.
Peculiarities	-	Says he smokes cigarettes, does not drink whiskey, but does drink beer.
Criminal Record	-	Claims none.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS

The CLEVELAND OFFICE at Toledo, Ohio, will continue the investigation in accordance with previous leads set out, and as other leads are being set forth by memorandum to the investigating Agents, these leads are not being set out in this report.

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AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent V. W. Gillen, dated August 18, 1936, at Kansas City, Missouri, in the above case.

Chief of Police Ade Tow, Nevada, Missouri, has recently advised that Vern Griffith, shiller at the tavern operated by Ted Thornton and Roy Rizer, has approached a member of the Nevada Police Department and offered to furnish information concerning Milton Lett for half of the reward offered by the Post Office Department. Griffith stated that Lett is contacting Thornton about every three weeks and that he may contact him again soon.

Special Agent G. H. Franklin, now on special assignment at Detroit, Michigan, has stated that he believes his informant would be able to locate Lett if he was offered money.

Please advise immediately whether or not the Bureau will authorize the payment of any money for information concerning the whereabouts of Milton Lett.

Very truly yours,

W. A. SMITH
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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Dear Sir: Re: BREXID

Reference is made to letter from this office dated September 1, 1936, relative to recent litigation between Robert G. Lindsey and Joseph H. Adams at Miami.

You are advised that on September 10, 1936, Mr. John E. Ott, Jr., 1419 Congress Building, Miami, who is a friend of Lindsey's, communicated with Special Agent E. J. Untreiner and requested that Agent Untreiner confer with him. Agent Untreiner interviewed Ott who informed him regarding the suit brought by Lindsey against Adams and others. Ott stated that after the newspapers in Miami had given this suit publicity Adams and his associates were greatly aroused and are alleged to have threatened Lindsey and his wife. In addition several suits were filed against Lindsey, some of which were of a criminal nature and others were damage suits claiming amounts totaling \$2,000,000. Ott had no information of interest in connection with the charges pending against Adams and was advised by Special Agent Untreiner that it did not appear that litigation between Lindsey and Adams had any angles which could be given investigative attention by the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

E. E. Nathan
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write you for some
time but was afraid as
this man will know
you killed if you cross
him. I worked at his
dog race track and hung
around the Hotel and
the Bell boy gossiped
Carpio paid Madame one
thousand bucks to
keep him. C went out
away at night with black
specks on. cc Chicago
10/8/36

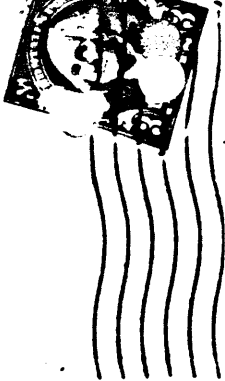
A had one light boy.
John D. who had a
Car and he drove C.
from that Hotel - of A.
were to tell him to
shoot the President he
would do it, if you
could ever get him to
talk. If ever two men
ought to be behind the
board it is Adams & Wright.
They have cheated, killed
they are scared now,
and get all the big
Dough to fight the
Case. They let all that
fish as who was there
then. But this light negro
A man was killed at
the base block and Adams
paid all the money back.

money. He kept a machine
gun at the back
all the time.

Knight broke a bank. stole
the money and built
that Hotel. go after
Adams - he's sure guilty
X Dog trainer

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Wish of

J. Edgar Hoover,
New York,
New York.

7-376-12716 October 8, 1936.

RCS:MK

Special Agent in Charge,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with
aliases; FUGITIVE, I. O. 1232;
ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER,
Victim, KIDNAPING. OBSTRUCTION
OF JUSTICE. HARBORING OF
FUGITIVES. NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

There are transmitted herewith
for your information photostatic copies of an
anonymous communication received at the Bureau
on September 20, 1936, concerning Joe Adams.

It is noted therein that the
bellboys, presumably at the El Comodoro Hotel,
have information that Karpis paid \$1000 to Adams
for protection.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc Cincinnati
Chicago

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Laboratory Report

Case: Re: BREKID

Number: 7-576-12917

Specimens:
7-576-12917 Q6. Photostatic copy of original bill of sale No. 390144, signed
"Chas. Miller".
Q7. One new car order dated Sept. 13, 1935, signed "Chas. Miller".

Examination requested by: Cleveland

Date received: 9-29-36 Jwp 4:00 PM
Recd 10/4/36.

Examination requested: Documents

Result of examination: Compared with writing of 10/3 WSP/V
Persons named below Examination by: Blackburn
+ on reverse side. No ident.
but with Fred Hunter - No Conclusion
RETURN ORIGINALS - INCLUDING PHOTOSTATIC COPY Q6. Get more
SEND PHOTOGRAPHIC COPY OF Q7 TO CLEVELAND OFFICE. Comparable specimens.

CC: Chicago
E. J. Connelley, Chicago
Cincinnati
St. Paul

Q6 Chas. Miller & Chas. Miller
Q7 Chas. Miller 6604 Pearl Rd

Elmer Farmer	no	Wearer	} signs only
Harry Campbell	no	Lo Donald	
		RA Nelson	
Jess Doyle	no	My. Eaton	" "
Valery Davis	no	Wm Elmer Merde	no
		Geo E Wearer	no basis for comp
		Joe P. Moran	yes

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E. J. Connelley, Chicago
Cincinnati
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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

September 26, 1936

Transmit the following message to:

SAC CLEVELAND

YOUR LETTER SEPTEMBER TWENTYFOUR FLOYD L. WILMOTH VICTIM
EXTORTION ENCLOSURES NOT RECEIVED. YOUR LETTER SEPTEMBER
TWENTY FOUR BREKID ENCLOSURES NOT RECEIVED. ADVISE IMMEDIATELY

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- Mr. Nathan
- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. Laughman
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Coffey
- Mr. Dowsey
- Mr. Egan
- Mr. Foxworth
- Mr. Glavin
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U. S. Department of Justice

1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

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ATTENTION: TECHNICAL LABORATORY

September 24, 1936.

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

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

On September 22, 1936, it was ascertained by Special Agents A. Paul Kitchin and R. T. Noonan, at Youngstown, Ohio, that the 1935 Ford V8 coupe, which was allegedly purchased by John Brock in Toledo, Ohio, for Harry O Campbell, was traded to the Manning-Marino Motor Company, Youngstown, Ohio, on September 16, 1935, for a 1935 Hudson coupe, motor #68021. The individual who signed the original order for this Hudson at the Manning-Marino Motor Company, and who signed that bill of sale transferring this Ford automobile to this company, used the name of CHARLES MILLER.

A photostatic copy of the original bill of sale, signed by Charles Miller, and the original new car order signed by Charles Miller, 6604 Pearl Road, were obtained from the Mahoning County Clerk's office and A. R. Marino, of the Manning-Marino Motor Company, respectively.

The above mentioned bill of sale and order are being forwarded to the laboratory with the request that the signature of Charles Miller be compared with the known specimens of the handwriting on file of the members and associates of the Barker-Karpis mob, in order to assist in identifying the individual who actually transacted the trade for the above-mentioned Hudson coupe for Campbell.

It is suggested that photostatic copies be made of the original new car order, retaining a copy for the file of this case in the Bureau, and returning the original, with one copy, to the Cleveland office, as it has been requested by the Manning-Marino Motor Company, that the original be returned to them when it has served its purpose. It is also respectfully requested that when the photostatic copy of the bill of sale executed by Charles Miller has

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served its purpose, that same be returned to the Cleveland office.

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CC - Chicago
- Cincinnati

Very truly yours,

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

CAA:EG

October 10, 1936.

7-575-12917 ✓

Mr. J. P. MacFarland,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
1448 Standard Building,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Re: Brekid.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Laboratory Report #12037, in connection with the above-entitled case.

In accordance with the statement contained therein, there are returned herewith the following specimens, together with a photographic copy of specimen Q7:

- 7-575-12917 Q6. Photostatic copy of original bill of sale #390144, signed "Chas. Miller".
Q7. One new car order dated September 18, 1935, signed "Chas. Miller".

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure #1023165

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cc - Chicago

Photos. made for our files.

Mr. Connelley, Chicago
Cincinnati
St. Paul
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E. J. Connelley
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SEPTEMBER 24, 1936.

To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to: SAC, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

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- Mr. Nathan
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- Mr. Baughman
- Mr. Clegg
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Post Office Box 812

Chicago, Illinois

September 24, 1936

Special Agent in Charge
Cleveland, Ohio

Re: BREXID

Dear Sir:

As requested in your letter of September 19,
1936, I desire to advise that a wanted notice
has been placed in the files of the Automobile
Protective and Information Bureau, Chicago,
for 1935 Ford Deluxe Coupe, Motor #18-1615253.

Very truly yours,

DML:LJM
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D. M. LADD
Special Agent in Charge

cc - Bureau
St. Paul
Cincinnati
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Post Office Box 2118
Detroit - Michigan
September 24, 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 four letters written by Wynona Burdette, an inmate of your institution, to her sisters Millie, Esther and Eunice and her brother, Art.

The receipt is also acknowledged of photostatic copy of letter written by Dolores Delaney to Mr. and Mrs. Karpis under date of September 9, 1936.

Thanking you for your cooperation in transmitting these to us, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Herold H. Reinecke
Special Agent in Charge

HHR:AM
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Letter of Wynona Burdette

NORTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY
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MINNEAPOLIS

September 21, 1936.

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Thank you for your letter of September 5th in which you expressed appreciation for my cooperation with your representatives assigned to the Hamm and Bremer kidnaping cases. If what I did was to some extent helpful, I feel that I was merely discharging my responsibility as a citizen.

Sincerely yours,

[Redacted signature]

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 812

Chicago, Illinois

September 24, 1936

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

There is presently in the supply room of the Chicago Bureau Office a dark blue overcoat belonging to Volney Davis, which overcoat was recovered following his escape from the airplane at Yorkville, Illinois, in February of 1935.

It is requested that the Bureau advise as to the disposition to be made of this overcoat.

Very truly yours,

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

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Davis should give us written info as to what disposition he makes of it
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7-576 -12922 October 2, 1936.

RCS:MK

Special Agent in Charge,
San Francisco, California.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with
aliases; FUGITIVE, I.O. 1232;
ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER,
Victim, KIDNAPING; OBSTRUCTION
OF JUSTICE; HARBORING OF
FUGITIVES; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

The Chicago office of the Bureau is in
possession of a dark blue overcoat belonging to Volney
Davis, which overcoat was recovered following his escape
at Yorkville, Illinois, in February, 1935.

It is requested that your office interview
Volney Davis and obtain from him a written order as to
what disposition he desires to be made of this overcoat.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

CC-Chicago

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 2118
Detroit - Michigan
September 24, 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 letter written by Dolores Delaney to Mr. and Mrs. Karpis, under date of September 9, 1936.

Also transmitted are copies of four letters written by Wynona Burdette, as follows: To her sister, Millie, dated September 3; to her sister, Esther, dated September 7; to her sister, Eunice, dated September 9; and to her brother, Art, dated September 9.

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

Very truly yours,

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

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ENCLOSURE

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111 West Water St.
Lewiston, Penn.

Milan, Mich.
Sept. 9, 1936
Box 1000

Darling Brother & Sis:

How are you getting along? Are you still working. I hope you are as we are more satisfied when we are doing some thing, don't you think?

I have been looking for a letter from you Kids every day, but I guess it's to early in the month, huh?

I had a letter from Esther Labor Day and Gwen was hurt, I guess she is in a pretty bad shape from the way Esther talked. Gwen and her boy friend was swinging and pumping as high as they could go, Gwen fell out & hit on her head & knees and the Dr. had to lance her head and keep opening it as it won't drain as it should and naturally poor little Esther is worried to death.

Mildred has been sick, that poor kid has more trouble, doesn't she? I heard from her a few days ago and she was telling me she didn't know what she would do this winter because the garden had burned up and there was nothing to can this year. As you know she only gets \$20.00 a month from Glispies and that sure don't go very far when you have 6 Kiddies to send to school and feed. I feel so sorry for her, she must get so lonesome. Mildred never was the kind to complaint but I can tell by her letters that she is all worked out.

I am feeling pretty good for a change, ha. I better knock on wood, hadn't I?

How is Helen & your self feeling these hot days? I shouldn't say these hot days because it's been rather cool up here. How is the weather down there.

Brother dear, are you writing any songs now? I have racked my brain trying to write the words to one and can only get 1 verse and no chorus, ha ha, if I ever get it finished I want you to put a tune to it because I wouldn't know how to start writing those notes. Will you please? And any way I can't read music, maybe someday I will tho!

Gee, I'm sitting here writing and so hungry I could fall out. I sure wish dinner would hurry and come up. I must have a tape worm, ha ha, no, but really I don't no more get up from the table until I am hungry again. We have had canteloup 3 or 4 times and that gives as bad an appetite as oranges does. I guess that is the reason I'm so skinny. I eat so much it keeps me thin carrying it around.

Well, Brother of mine, I'm not going to write much this month as

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I have told you all the news and have nothing else to write about.

So I will close for this time, maybe I will do something new to tell you about next time.

You Kids write & tell me all about yourselves, and be good.

Answer real soon. Oodles & oodles of love from

Your own baby sis,

Nona B.

-copy-

Eunice Hughes

Milan, Michigan
Sept. 9, 1938
Box 1000

My darling sister:

I am trying to get my letters out early this month, as I have an awfully lot of sewing to do and I must get it done and downstairs to sell.

How are you getting along? Is Jim & Ellen at your place? If so how are they?

When have you been out to Millies? I wish you kids would give her a little more of your time. Do you and Jimmie ever sit down and think? Just how you would feel if you were left with 6 little children, you know and I know that Mildred is working & worrying her self to death. Please honey give her a little more consideration won't you & Jim go out there once or twice a week and do her washing and ironing. Eunice, sweet, you must not know how she suffers, even though she suffers inwardly. I can see in her letters that she needs help, she's so alone honey girl. You know Eunice, Millie & Esther have been so good to we other Kids, I don't know what we are thinking about, sometimes I think I'm crazy I don't know what ever possessed me to do the things I have did, but I am oh so sorry, and I know this place has opened my eyes. I want to help Mildred so much. You kids help her with her work and you will be repaid some time.

What have you been doing for your self lately? Did you hear about Gwen getting hurt? Where is Ellen at now? At your place or Esther's?

I have been trying to get back on the sewing machine but I don't know, I like it and my time passes so much faster when I'm working all day. I hate to sit around, as you know. I got to sew a little yesterday. I made myself a pair of leather bedroom slippers, and they fit just like they were boughten ones, ha, ha, well they are kinda cute any way. Do you ever do any sewing? You should try it. It is real interesting. The girl I chum with just passed my door and was kidding me. They tell me I can get in some of the funniest positions when I go to write a letter that they ever saw. I'm sitting up here in the middle of the bed, looks as though I might be picking my toe nails instead of writing, ha ha.

I think I told you about going to get some new dresses didn't I? Well, we got them, and they are just as cute as can be. One of mine is

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Red and the other one is Brown, they are made sorta Princess style and I like a fitting dress and I like it to look neat.

Oh, gosh, I'll be glad when I can come home. I get so lonesome any more. I get the most longing feeling, do you ever get that way? There playing, smile darn you smile on the radio and it makes me think of the good old days when we were using that music for our theme song on the show. Don't you wish we Kids were all together like that again (huh?) oh, boy, I do.

I haven't heard from Art this month yet and I've got to write him tomorrow too.

Eunice dear, what are you & Jim doing now. Are you working together or are you and Chuck doing pretty good now? And Ruth, how is she, does she still get lonesome? Esther said Ruth & Whinnery were up to their place twice and stayed a week both times. I have often wondered about Rootie toot toot and the green beans, ha ha, how's she coming along with her garden?

Oh, honey girl, I am so tired, I feel like a grandma. I've set cramped up here so long my legs feel as though they were broken.

I have a picture of the prettiest German police dog sticking up here on my wall, he looks just like Link. Remember poor little Link. Art sure loved him didn't he? He was a smart thing.

Oh yes, how did you come out on your Mr. Perkins business?

Honey, have you ever got those songs wrote off. I think I told you I had permission to have them, I would love to have them, especially that one about the Bunk house tonight.

And my picture too, have you forgotten about it?

Well, honey girl, I must close as I have run out of anything to say, so be good dear and stop drinking. Answer soon. Loads & Loads of love,

Your Baby sis, Nona B.

P.S. Tell Jim & Ruth to drop a few lines in with you and our baby Ellen, too.

Nona.

-copy- (Esther)

Milan, Mich.
Sept. 7, 1936
Box 1000

My Darling Sister & Family:

Just got yours & Gwen's letters a few minutes ago and am going to try and answer right back.

Esther dear, how in the world did Gwen ever happen to fall out of that swing, poor little dear. I'm so sorry to hear of her being hurt, honestly my heart bleeds for her, she is such a sweet & loving child. Darling, don't worry so much. Gwen will be all right. Why don't you take her to a good Dr. or should I say one that has had more practice. Dr. Logan is all right but, well, I just don't like him. What is wrong with Dr. Walker? Esther, if she doesn't get any better right away, why don't you take her down to Tulsa? To the Medical Arts Building. There are two awfully good Doctors there that I know quite well. In fact, one of them saved my life (Remember? Dr. Johnson) and Dr. Flannigan is awfully good, too. I hope when this letter reaches you, you will all be feeling fine.

How is Blanche and her family getting along? I bet they are still strutting over their big boy.

So Jim & Eunice are still living in Tulsa. I think a little encouragement would straighten those kids up. Esther, dear, I wish you would give them a good talking to. They were going pretty good when I left Ponca. I can't imagine what in the world has come over everyone, they give the other fellow no consideration whatever. Look at poor little Millie, sits out there all alone & no one ever takes her & those babies out for a joy ride or anything. I guess Whinnery got a coupe so no one can go with her & Ruth. I think Jim & Eunice could go out there once or twice a week & do Millie's washing & ironing for her, and take a little of that work off of her, don't you? That is just too much work for Millie cause I remember what Dr. Humphry told Clyde & I the night Cecil was borned. Mildred is not strong enough to stand up under that strain and little Nonie knows it. Eunice & Jim might as well make up their minds that they help me (when I get out of here) help Millie, her babies & Ellen L. It will take all three of us to buy their clothes and help put them through school. Jim & Eunice are good to help if they have some one to stand by them. It may be 1938 when I get out of here but I'm sure coming out with my people on my mind. I have a lot to make up to them. You all have sure stuck by me & been real Pals and your little sis can not forget it.

Gee, I'm feeling good lately. I better knock on wood hadn't I? but really I feel better then I have felt in 2 years or more and that is saying a lot.

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How is your Hubby getting along? good? that's good, tell him, Hi, for me. Is he still as purt as ever, ha, ha. I can see him panting and hear him whistling his little tune, remember? I'm trying to think of something to write about and honestly dear I just can't seem to, oh, yes, you said you were going to write, so you would get a letter from me this month, didn't you get my letter last month? I wrote and ask you all about your vacation. I try to write all of your ever month, whether I hear or not, but I really love those letters, the more the merrier.

Esther, will you please give me the answers to these questions? first, Where was Papa & Mama borned, Second, When did they pass away. 3. How old were they when they passed away. 4. When is all of you Kids birthdays. 5. Where were all of you borned. 6. Where was I borned. 7. What is your ages. 8. What year was I married to Bill. 9. When did I marry Eldon and what year. I need these answers to make out my parole papers. I understand I have to have a job if I make parole, and what they call a first friend. The way I understand it, I have to have someone to kinda vouch for me. If you could see some one and find out just what I need to make parole I will certainly live up to it. Try to do this favor for me as it will mean so much to me & you both. Will you do this and let me know by the middle of next month and that is when I expect my parole papers and if you can't do it let me know as I will know what to do. You know, Esther, you are the one I can depend on, for a favor like this, and I know you and Richard are willing to do all you can for me.

Well, dear, I am going to ring off and write a line or two to Gwen. Esther, please answer this as early as possible because I'm not sure but what it might be the first of next month that I will get my parole papers. Please, sister of mine, do all you can. Loads & Loads of Love from your own baby sis, Nona B.

- MILAN -

Hello, My little sweet:-

How are you feeling? Is that pretty little head of ours well yet? Gee, I hope so. I hate to hear of you being ill.

So, Gwen got herself a dress. Im glad and I would love to see it on you, and your new shoes too. Have you had a nice vacation? What have you been doing? going to shows & what not, I guess. I made me a pair of leather house slippers to-day they are sorta cute. I love to make them. It's really interesting.

Say, Little dear, we have a swing up on the roof, and I am sure going to quit swinging so high, cause I might faw down and do boom, huh. What you say? Well, honey, dirl, Aunty hasn't much to write about but I thought a few words would kinda help cheer you up.

Aunty goes up for a try at parole in a few weeks and I sure hope I will be on my way back home before many more months. Oh, yes, we have some new dresses, they are real cute. We have two a piece, mine are Brown & Red, print - you know.

I have your picture sitting up on my stand and you look just as sweet as ever even if you have got black eyes, ha ha, my girl friend is sitting here playing the banjo and I can't even spell right, so must close and pick a little on it too.

Answer soon.

Goobs & Loads of love to my carling little Neice, from your old

Aunt Nonie

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(Millie)

Milan, Mich.
Sept. 3, 1936
Box 1000

My darling sister & neices:

Received your sweet letter a couple or three days ago and was I ever glad to hear from you so soon.

How are you getting along by now? How are all the kiddies, poor little Cecil. How is his head. I hope it is well. Say, Millie, dear, those headaches you are having must be what is wrong with me as my spine and the back of my head nearly runs me crazy at times, you know I was telling you about the glands being swollen in my neck. I guess it's caused from those headaches and the Dr. gave me some white liniment to massage mine with and told me to use heat on it altho the Dr. here told me mine was caused from a fracture. And if I were you before I gave in for a operation I would sure see other Doctors as Dr. Humphery is great for cutting, and how.

Gee, I'm sure glad the babies did so well in Bible school. I guess anything like that is really interesting. And one does hate to have it close. I guess it's something grand to have 6 Kiddies that take an interest in that sort of thing instead of foolishness. No wonder you are proud of 'em you certainly have a right to be.

My word, Millie, your children will be grown women by the time I come home won't they? Well, Mary E. can just about wear my clothes can't she. Boy, oh boy, I guess we have a new little lady in our family. I wonder if they will know their Auntie when she goes (free), ha, ha. Bless your big sweet heart, sister-o-mine, if I ever get out of here, I will see that you get to go some where once in a while. But, Dear, don't be disappointed if I don't come home on parole, as you know it is pretty hard to make it, but I pray day & night that I will make it as I know you could use my help, and I want to come home and work and help you with clothing and schooling those sweet kiddies (and try my best to make you all happy). I am so proud of you and your family. You are doing wonderful, Millie.

How is poor little Ellen L. Bless her little heart. I want to help put her through school too. In fact, I am going to help, she is such a darling little thing, isn't she?

How is Homer & his Wife getting along? When are they going to increase their family? Ha, ha, now that is good, isn't it.

Honey girl, I don't blame you for keeping those fellows at the gate. You know what it would mean if Willard would keep coming there. Those people there in Camp would start talking. they're so blamed nosey and love to gossip, too. well to suit me. Any who, I mean the other people that lived there when I was home.

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Millie, I wish you would quite worrying so much and for 1 sakes why can't Eunice or some of the kids come out to your place once week and help you wash & iron & clean house. I don't think it would hurt them any. I'll just write & ask Eunice if her & Jim won't come out & take a little of that work off of you. Gee the Kids are sure changing since I was home. You know people used to think we were storying when we said we were sisters because we were so crazy about one another. I can not understand it. What in the world has come over them any way?

Now wasn't that cute in Cecil saying not to tell Aunt Nonie about his head cause I would want something put on it, and it would worry me if that isn't about as cute as anything I ever heard I'll put in with you, bless his heart. Give them all a big kiss for me and be sure & have them kiss you, for me.

Land, oh, mercy, you will have to excuse this scribbling as I'm sitting here in bed trying to write. I didn't have anything to do so I ask to be excused & come to bed, it's been pretty chilli up in here lately and I don't mind climbing into bed early.

I'm feeling better than I've felt in months, no kidding either. I haven't had one of those spells with my head for 2 weeks now, and I feel pretty lucky.

Honey, your letters can't be to long. I really enjoy reading them. No, I could never get tired reading them.

I had a letter from Esther & Gwen yesterday and Esther was telling me about Gwen being hurt. Isn't that terrible. I'll swan you Kids have more hard luck. It seems more so since I've been in prison, doesn't it to you?

I made me some leather house slippers to-day and they are real cute. I like 'em fine.

Well, sis, dear, I'm going to close & go to sleep as I can hardly keep my winkers open.

Quite worrying honey girl, and stop working so hard. Do you hear me now.

Nite, Nite, darlings. A Million bushels of love from your baby sis & Aunty.

Nona B.

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Milan, Michigan
Box 1000
Sept. 9 - 36.

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Karpis;

I just received a letter from Clara and thought I had better write you now. You know that Clara wrote me last month and told me Alvin wouldn't be allowed to write me but that he could receive any letters I sent him. Well I wrote him and my letter was returned from Washington with a note saying it wouldn't be proper for Alvin and I to write to each other as we weren't married. You can probably imagine how I felt. When you write him please tell him I am going to keep on trying to get permission and I am sure I will be able to eventually. Tell him I am feeling just fine and I hope things are going as well for him as could be expected.

I have been on pins and needles since Clara told me of those pictures you are having made of Little Ray. I am so anxious to see them and I know Alvin will be tickled to get some. You are allowed to send him pictures, aren't you? I certainly hope so as I know things like that will mean a great deal to him I know Little Ray must be getting along fine and getting better looking every day - every time my brother writes me he says I have the best looking and most active boy there has ever been.

I've heard from all of my people lately but none of them seem to be getting along any too well - except my brother - at least he never tells me any different. I guess he wouldn't tell me if anything was wrong tho' 'cause he would be afraid I would worry.

Clara said that she hoped I would be with you all in Chicago this winter. It certainly makes me feel good to know that I am wanted but I don't believe there is even the slightest chance of my getting there. I really don't expect to make parole although of course I'm going to try hard, but even if I did, you know I am not eligible until Nov. 24 and then I doubt whether the parole board would be here before next March and they would most likely set my time for the latter part of next summer. I don't know whether I would have to have a job or not - I've been told that you can't make parole unless you have a job waiting for you - but then of course a person in a place like this is always hearing things that don't amount to anything.

Well I shall say goodbye for now but will write again early next month. Give my love to Alvin and kiss Little Ray for me and write me again soon. Tell Clara I certainly enjoy getting her letters.

Love,
Dolores

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SANFORD BATES
DIRECTOR

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
BUREAU OF PRISONS
WASHINGTON

August 17, 1936.

MEMORANDUM TO THE DIRECTOR,
BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION.

I am transmitting a copy of a letter
just received from Warden Johnston at
Alcatraz for such action as you deem appro-
priate. The Warden was of the opinion that
the matter therein referred to may be of
some significance and interest to your Bureau.

Sanford Bates
Director.

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Department of Justice
UNITED STATES PENITENTIARY
Alcatraz Island, California

August 11, 1936

Director
Bureau of Prisons
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

The receipt of several prisoners who were tried and convicted in St Paul for their participation in the Hamm kidnaping case reminds me of an incident that may or may not have some significance and may be of interest to the Bureau of Investigation.

On the night of Saturday, August 1, 1936, Custodial Officer Warren, who was on duty in the Armory, rang me at my residence on the local telephone and told me that somebody was on the long distance telephone and insisting upon giving a message to a prisoner and to his statement that he could not take messages for prisoners, the party insisted on talking to the Warden.

I told him to transfer the long distance call to me and the person on the other end was telephoning from St. Paul insistently urging that he be allowed to talk to prisoner Harry Sawyer. When I told him that was not permissible under any circumstances, then he said, "Well, you tell Harry that Piefer committed suicide." Notwithstanding the fact that I told him repeatedly that I would not transmit any such message he kept repeating it and urging me to deliver it to Sawyer. I asked for his name which he gave as Paul Gores. From his conversation I got the impression that he had been drinking, though all the time he was polite though insistent in his urging.

The next morning I received the following telegram:

WESTERN UNION CA9 12 NM Wadena Minn
WARDEN JOHNSTON
ALCATRAZ ISLAND CALIF

THANKS FOR CONVERSATION TELL HARRY ~~PIEFER~~ COMMITTED
SUICIDE DROP ME A LINE
PAUL GORES

I have never heard of the man before and his name does not appear in our files in any way but Deputy Shuttleworth, who formerly lived in St. Paul, says that he has heard of him as a keeper of a tavern or roadhouse at Four Corners near Hastings and is well known to the head of the Alcohol Tax Unit at St. Paul.

Sincerely,

7-576-12924 J.A. Johnston, Warden

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Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

Re: BREXID

There are transmitted herewith copies of a letter which was forwarded to the Bureau by the Director of the Bureau of Prisons, Washington, D. C., which letter was directed to the Bureau of Prisons by Gordon J. A. Johnston, United States Penitentiary, Alcatraz Island, California, under date of August 11, 1936.

You will note that one Paul Cores in telephonic and telegraphic communications endeavored to get information to Harry Sawyer, an inmate of the Penitentiary, that Piefer had committed suicide. Your attention is invited to the case entitled HAROLD BERGMAN; CR; ATTORNEY BY INFORMER, in which case information is contained concerning one Paul Cores. It is requested that Paul Cores be interviewed and that it be ascertained from him what purpose he had in mind in communicating with Gordon Johnston at Alcatraz, it being considered that possibly his true motive was not merely just to advise Harry Sawyer that Piefer had committed suicide.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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THIS REPORT ORIGINATED AT **CLEVELAND, OHIO.**

FILE NO. **51-2914**

REPORT MADE AT Pittsburgh, Pa.	DATE WHEN MADE 9-23-36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 9-18-36	REPORT MADE BY E. A. Hanger
TITLE HOWARD THOMPSON alias "POLLY" THOMPSON; MRS. MARGARET THOMPSON - Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE WHITE SLAVE TRAFFIC ACT

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Margaret Thompson, prostitute, located Clarksburg, W.Va. and furnished signed statement that in December 1933 or January 1934 she and her husband, Howard Thompson, drove in her car from Clarksburg to Toledo, Ohio, where she engaged in prostitution at Jean Ford's place. Information developed involving Jean Ford in conspiracy in accepting prostitute Rose Morgan into her place knowing she had been transported there from Clarksburg, W.Va. for prostitution. Also accepting an unknown prostitute into her place who had been transported from Clarksburg. New case opened by Pittsburgh Office with Jean Ford as subject. U.S. Atty. Clarksburg considers prosecutive action against Jean Ford with Thompson and others as witnesses.

DETAILS:

AT CLARKSBURG, WEST VIRGINIA.

This matter is based upon investigation requested by the Cleveland Bureau Office in the report of Special Agent R. O. Suran, dated at Cleveland July 3, 1936, in the case entitled, ALVIN KARPIS with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases-FUGITIVE, I.O. 1232; et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim; KIDNAPING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT. This report requested that instant matter be carried as HOWARD THOMPSON, and MRS. MARGARET THOMPSON-Victim, Cleveland origin. Further, that copies of this

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report should be designated for the Brekid case for the Cincinnati, Cleveland, Chicago, and St. Paul Bureau Offices, which is being done.

MARGARET THOMPSON was located at the "MA" BUNNELL house of prostitution at 507 Finnegan Street, Glen Elk, Clarksburg, West Virginia, on September 18, 1936, and furnished a signed statement which is being set forth subsequently in this report. In this statement MARGARET THOMPSON set forth that her husband transported her from Clarksburg, West Virginia, in her automobile, to Toledo, Ohio, in 1934, where she engaged in prostitution at the JEAN FORD place located at 352 Nebraska Avenue.

The statement of MARGARET THOMPSON is as follows:

" I, Margaret Thompson, married to Howard Thompson, make the following voluntary statement to H. A. Bangert, Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, made this 18th day of September, 1936, at the office of the United States Attorney, Clarksburg, West Virginia.

I am twenty-five years of age, and was born in Clarksburg West Virginia. I have been married five years in August, 1936, having married Howard Thompson in Toledo, Ohio, in August, 1931.

Sometime in 1931 Opal Payne, Betty Church and myself left Clarksburg, W. Va., in an automobile driven by John George and drove through to Toledo, Ohio, I going there for the purpose of seeing Ida Thomas who was from Clarksburg, W. Va., and who was then engaged in prostitution at Toledo, Ohio. After our arrival in Toledo John George was later arrested for white slavery, for transporting these girls to Toledo and was prosecuted in the Federal Court at Toledo and was sentenced to serve a term of 18 months in the penitentiary. At that time I was held as a material witness against George for several months, in jail at Toledo.

After we arrived in Toledo I saw Ida Thomas and she had an apartment on Nebraska Avenue, and was prostituting elsewhere. After I had been there a short time I met Jean Ford, who was driving a Packard Roadster, and I inquired of Jean for a place to work. She took me to her place at 352 Nebraska Avenue, and I remained there and engaged in prostitution for a period of approximately three months. I then returned to Clarksburg, W. Va., and in July, 1931 returned by bus to Toledo, O., where Howard Thompson was working in the produce business. Thompson is

originally from Clarksburg, W. Va., and I have known him for approximately 18 years. Upon my return to Toledo Howard Thompson and I were married there August 3, 1931. After being married I remained at Ida Thomas' place for several months. Ida Thomas was married to Charles Brown, who was in Toledo at the time, Brown said to be the brother of Joe E. Brown, of Hollywood. It was during this stay in Toledo that I was held as a material witness and after being released Howard, my husband, and I returned to Clarksburg, W. Va., where we went to the home of his mother at 230 1/2 Milford Street, and my husband worked for Harold Roush in the produce business.

Sometime in December, 1933, or January, 1934, my husband and I left Clarksburg in my Ford Roadster, 1931 Model, and drove through to Toledo, Ohio. We went to Jean Ford's place at 352 Nebraska Avenue, where my husband assisted Ray Powell, the husband of Jean Ford, on his produce truck. We both stayed at Jean Ford's place. I engaged in prostitution at Jean Ford's place at that time but my husband did not know I was doing this.

We remained at Jean's place five or six months, and sometime around the middle of 1934 I had trouble with my husband and he left Toledo, and came back to Clarksburg, W. Va., and the following day after he had left Toledo I left in my automobile and drove back to Clarksburg, W. Va.

While I was at Jean Ford's place the latter part of 1933 or first of 1934, Rosanna Cross, of Clarksburg, W. Va., came to Jean's Place. At that time Rosanna was with Felix Lacaria, also of Clarksburg, whose father runs a barber shop opposite the street car terminal in Clarksburg. I have known Felix for approximately eight years. Felix and Rosanna both roomed at Jean's place during which time Rosanna engaged in prostitution at Jean Ford's place and Felix stayed with her. Rosanna Cross remained at Jean's place two or three weeks and she and Felix had an argument and she left Ford's place and went down to some place of prostitution on Cherry Street, the location unknown to me. Rosanna remained there for some time and I do not know when she returned to Clarksburg. I have seen her in Clarksburg on several occasions since my return.

Sometime after that Felix Lacaria again returned to Jean Ford's place in Toledo, O., in company with Rose Morgan, of Clarksburg, West Virginia. The night of the day that Rose and Felix arrived there I talked with Rose and learned that she was

from Clarksburg. She also engaged in prostitution at Jean Ford's place and remained there about two weeks. Felix remained at Jean Ford's place with her. Rose Morgan and Felix left Jean's place together and I do not know where they went but I have since seen them both in Clarksburg, W. Va.

During my stay at Jean Ford's place I recall that Timiney, head of the Toledo Vice Squad and a detective known as Peters raided Jean Ford's place on several occasions during the night time. Jean received a fine each time and was released. I think she was arrested only once for a disorderly house and one time for liquor. That was the only time I ever saw Timiney and Peters. I am not acquainted with Ted Angus and the Fretti Brothers, nor do I know Susan Howard, and I have never heard any of these names mentioned while I was in Jean Ford's place.

During my stay in Toledo on these several occasions I at no time engaged in prostitution at any other place except Jean Ford's place. I at no time heard Jean Ford say or anybody in her place remark that any protection was being paid to the Toledo Police Department.

My husband is with me in Clarksburg, W. Va. at this time, we reside at 309 N. 5th St., and he is presently employed for himself, driving his own truck in the produce business.

I have read the above statement and it is true and correct, and I have made it voluntarily with a desire to tell the truth in this matter.

(Signed) Margaret Thompson "

Witnesses;
(Signed) H. A. Bangert,
Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Inv.,
U. S. Dept. of Justice,
Pittsburgh, Pa. "

The attention of the Cleveland Bureau Office and other interested offices is invited to the case entitled, "JEAN FORD; FELIX LACARIA; - ROSE MORGAN - Victim; UNKNOWN VICTIM; WHITE SLAVE TRAFFIC ACT, Pittsburgh origin, copies of the initial report in this case being forwarded to the Chicago, St. Paul, and Cincinnati Bureau Offices also.

It will be noted that prosecutive action is to be instituted by the United States Attorney at Clarksburg, West Virginia, against Subject FELIX LACARIA and that prosecutive action will likely be instituted against JEAN FORD for having received the Morgan girl and the Thompson girl into her place of prostitution in Toledo after they had been transported there from Clarksburg, West Virginia, knowing they had been transported in interstate commerce. It is also noted that the name JEAN FORD figures in the Brekid investigation in Toledo, Ohio, and that she will likely be prosecuted in instant case, in view of which MARGARET THOMPSON will be a material witness against her as having been accepted into her house of prostitution after having been transported there from Clarksburg, West Virginia.

In view of the above situation, the United States Attorney at Clarksburg is inclined to use MARGARET THOMPSON and her husband as witnesses against LACARIA and JEAN FORD on charges of conspiracy to violate the White Slave Traffic Act, and would not consider prosecutive action against HOWARD THOMPSON for transporting his wife, Margaret, from Clarksburg to Toledo. It is noted that HOWARD THOMPSON was known to JEAN FORD prior to the time he took his wife to her place and she was informed that Thompson and his wife had arrived there from Clarksburg, West Virginia, and she, Ford, accepted the wife into her house of prostitution.

It is believed that more information may be expected from JEAN STONE in the Brekid case, if she should be brought to Clarksburg for prosecutive action in the case being investigated against her.

In view of the above situation, this matter is being held as pending in the Pittsburgh Office while investigation is being conducted into the JEAN FORD; FELIX LACARIA; ROSE MORGAN-Victim; UNKNOWN VICTIM - WHITE SLAVE TRAFFIC ACT matters.

HOWARD THOMPSON, not available for interview at this time, is described by his wife as follows:

Age:	26 years
Height:	5' 6"
Weight:	169 - 172 lbs.
Build:	Stout
Hair:	Dark brown
Eyes:	Blue
Nationality:	American
Color:	White
Complexion:	Medium
Teeth:	Good
Occupation:	Truck driver; produce man.

MARGARET THOMPSON is described by Agent as follows:

Age:	23 years (born Clarksburg, W.Va. 3-13-11)
Height:	5' 6 1/2"
Weight:	118 lbs.
Build:	Slender
Hair:	Dark brown
Eyes:	Gray
Teeth:	Regular, upper left center gold crown
Complexion:	Medium
Color:	White
Nationality:	American
Marital:	Married to Howard Thompson
Scars:	Small circular scar, left thumb
Residence:	309 N. 5th St., Glen Elk, Clarksburg, W.Va.
Occupation:	Prostitute
Parents:	Bessie Bailey, mother, Mannington, W.Va. Sic Bailey, father, Clarksburg, W.Va.
Fingerprints:	Forwarded Bureau 1931 by Toledo, Ohio PD
Photographs:	To be obtained.

ADDENDUM

In connection with this investigation, reference should be had to Pittsburgh file entitled, MRS. ROSS ALEXANDER; VIOLA RUTH HOWELL also known as MRS. MARTIN HOWELL and VIOLA STUTLER-Victim; WHITE SLAVE TRAFFIC ACT.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Cincinnati, Ohio**

Cleveland FILE NO. **7-1**

REPORT MADE AT Cleveland, Ohio	DATE WHEN MADE 9/22/36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 9/15-21/36	REPORT MADE BY S. K. McKee 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; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</p> <p>San Solomon, Arthur McCool, Chris Brown, Harry Solomon, Charles Shampaign, Gus Witte, "Shorty" Conway, Morgan Gallagher, John F. Gorman, Maurice Bailus, and Louis Teeks, all of whom are employed by Harvard Club, Newburgh Heights, Ohio, were questioned at length at Cleveland office, but no admissions obtained to show that Hebebrand, et al, knew Karpis and others were fugitives this kidnaping. Investigation in vicinity pointed out by John F. Gorman failed to locate residence Milton Lett, however, filling station where he serviced Ford car with 1935 Kansas license #3-11020 was found. Statements of Harvard Club employees indicate possible irregularities in income tax matters through local accountant named Geisey. Lieutenant Barney Wolf advised Joe Jacobs told him he made telephone call to Shimmy Patton on night women arrested. Captain Emmett J. Potts denied meeting with Harvard Club representative, but said "bad paper" conversation was through anonymous telephone call to headquarters. Further investigation at Cleveland Hotel and police department fails to reflect information on "tipoff." Letters to Toledo Police Department located in Cleveland Police Department files requesting investigation following arrests women in September, 1934; photos women and subjects forwarded Toledo. No telephone located in houses of subjects in Cleveland during summer of 1934. Telephone of Beachcliff Building Company, Rocky River, Ohio, tapped 9/17/36; same unproductive to date. Summary of information obtained through tap on Ardell Quinn phone set out.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- P -</p>			
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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent S. K. McKee, Cleveland, Ohio, dated 9/15/36.

DETAILS: AT CLEVELAND, OHIO

This report represents the activities of the various Agents assigned to the harboring investigation at Cleveland, Ohio, as indicated in the body of this report with respect to the particular investigation.

Special Agents W. M. Hoffman and H. A. Snow are still maintaining a tap on the telephone of Ardell Quinn, 1916 East 84th Street, Cleveland, Ohio, a notorious house of prostitution, same being on a twenty-four hour per day basis. A summary of the relevant information obtained as a result of this tap will be set out later in this report.

On September 17, 1936, in line with Bureau authority, a tap was installed on the telephone of the Beachcliff Building Company, 1324 Blount Street, Rocky River, Ohio, a suburb of Cleveland, the telephone is Academy 3697. This organization is operated by James "Shimmy" Patton and Art Hebebrand, and the purpose of the tap is to secure reactions to the questioning of the various Harvard Club employees concerning this case. The tap was installed by Special Agents C. B. Smith and L. F. Malone. The listening end is located in apartment #20 at 1370 Blount Street, the same being manned by Special Agents W. B. Matney and L. Levin. It is to be stated that this tap has not been productive and the removal of same is contemplated in the near future.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent W. B. Matney on September 16, 1936. Agent made final arrangements for the rental of apartment 20 in the Teshera Apartments located at 1370 Blount Avenue in Rocky River, Ohio. The above mentioned location was the most likely place to install a tap on the telephone of the Beachcliff Building Company. Rental of \$11.25 was paid which pays the rent on the above apartment until October 1, 1936.

Conversation with the caretaker of the above mentioned apartment house disclosed that this man is a very inquiring person and due to this fact it was considered advisable to contact Mr. A. J. Macbeth, A. F. Frazier Real Estate Company, who has charge of the rentals in the Teshera Apartments.

Agent contacted Mr. A. J. Macbeth, who advised that he has complete charge of the rental and management of the Teshera Apartments. He advised that the custodian of the Teshera Apartments is a Slav and although he is an excellent custodian, information has reached him at times that the custodian may have become over interested in the activities of the tenants.

Agent disclosed his identity to Mr. Macbeth, but gave no indication as to why he desired to rent the above mentioned apartment. Mr. Macbeth advised that he will keep Agent's identity confidential. He advised that he will visit the Teshera Apartments before the apartment is ready to be occupied and will advise the custodian, his employee, that Agent is a personal friend and he will expect him to act accordingly.

Questioning of the various employees of the Harvard Club for their knowledge of the club being frequented by fugitives in this case during the summer of 1934, and later, has been continued during the period of this report with results as will be found set out hereinafter. It is to be stated that most of the persons who have been interrogated have informed that the men at the club have been discussing this matter among themselves, and it is believed that they may have received instructions from Hebebrand and Patton to appear cooperative in this matter, but not to tell anything of a damaging nature.

Sam Solomon, residence 11328 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, presently employed at a crap table at the Harvard Club, was interrogated at the Cleveland office on September 17, 1936, by Special Agent S. K. McKee, after he had been located by Special Agent J. E. Brennan. This individual advised he was born in Cleveland, Ohio, and completed the fifth grade in the public schools; that he went to work in a delicatessen store operated by a relative when he was about sixteen years of age; that he started working in gambling houses when nineteen years of age and has been engaged in this employment continuously until the present time. He stated all of his employment has been in Cleveland, Ohio, and most of the places he has worked are now out of existence. He says he went to work at the Harvard Club about seven years ago as a blackjack dealer and is still employed by this concern. He is now a crap dealer and receives \$12.00 a day wages, with \$2.00 an hour for overtime. He stated he was working as a crap dealer during 1934.

Photographs of the various members of the Barker-Karpis gang, as well as those of persons regarded as possible subjects in this investigation, were shown to Solomon and he identified those of the following: Shimmy Patton, Art Hebebrand, Milton Lett, Fred Hunter, Dan Gallagher, Tip O'Neil, and Neil Mitchell.

He described Patton and Hebebrand as the owners of the Harvard Club. He stated that Lett worked as a shiller at the club for several months last year and he disclaimed knowing anything about Lett, except that he had worked at the place as a shiller. He recognized the picture of Hunter as that of a dealer who worked at the club for several months last year. Solomon either could not or would not furnish any information concerning associates of Lett and Hunter at the club or elsewhere. As to the photographs of Dan Gallagher, Tip O'Neil, and Neil Mitchell, he said he knew these individuals from their work at the club, with the exception of Mitchell, whom he knew as being in the real estate business and as being the son of Bill Mitchell, who formerly worked at the club.

Solomon admitted that he had seen pictures of Karpis in the newspapers and had read in the papers about his having been at the Harvard Club, but he denied ever having seen him. He also stated that he had never heard any talk among the dealers at the club about the mob having frequented the place. He advised that while at the club he sticks to his table, with the exception of his twenty minutes per hour off duty, when he generally goes outside, possibly to eat a sandwich or have a drink.

Solomon was questioned for information as to the home addresses of employees of the Harvard Club which addresses are not known to this office. The only data he could supply in this respect was that Chris Brown lives in an apartment on the north side of Carnegie Avenue near 73rd Street, while Jimmie Fulong resides at the St. Regis Hotel.

The following descriptive data as to this individual was obtained for future reference:

Name	-	Sam Solomon
Age	-	28 years (born 10/19/08)
Height	-	5'8"
Weight	-	165 pounds
Hair	-	Black, wavy
Eyes	-	Brown
Criminal Record	-	Arrested Cleveland PD, 1933 armed robbery - removed to Pittsburgh, Pa. and found not guilty at trial.

- Arrested Cleveland PD - gambling - fined.

Photograph - Cleveland PD - Pittsburgh PD
Fingerprints - " " " "
Marital Status - Married - no children
Relatives -

Fannie Solomon, mother, 10124 Ostend Ave., Cleveland, O.
Alice Solomon, wife, 11328 Euclid Avenue,
Edith Langman, sister, Lakeview Avenue,
Anna Shapiro, sister, 139th Street, off Kingsman,
Harry Solomon, brother, 10122 Ostend Avenue,
Ralph Solomon, brother, 10124 Ostend Avenue,

Arthur McCool, 1341 Thoreau Avenue, Lakewood, Ohio, was requested to appear at the Cleveland Bureau office by Special Agent J. E. Brennan, where he was questioned by Special Agents Brennan and C. E. Smith.

McCool advised that he had been engaged in the gambling business for approximately twenty years, stating that upon his discharge from the Navy in 1919, he went to Toledo, Ohio, and started to peddle ice, at which time he met Jimmy Hayes, who operated gambling houses in Toledo, Ohio, and he was offered a job by Hayes as a dealer. McCool further stated that he tended bar for a short time at the Jovial Club and then started to "hustle fairs", selling notions in Ohio and Indiana, after a short time of this type work he returned to Toledo, Ohio, and opened a small crap game in partnership with one Ralph Dugan, but was eventually "frozen out." McCool would not elaborate on who or how he was "frozen out", merely stating that Agents knew as much if not more of things like that than he did.

Continuing, McCool advised that when times started to get hard in Toledo, Ohio, he came to Cleveland and through "Toots" Talbot, with whom he had once worked in Toledo, he secured a job at the Harvard Club as a ladder man, about March, 1934, and has been working there since. McCool stated that he presently earned \$12.00 a day for a nine hour day and \$2.00 for each hour overtime. When questioned as to whether he made out an income tax return, McCool advised that he had made one out, however, he did not have to pay any tax as he had a wife and child and did not earn enough money. In this connection he stated that the club had made one out for him and he had signed it. When questioned as to whether he had sworn to it, he advised that some man whose name he did not

know was in the club and had sworn him. McCool was unable to advise what company name appeared on the return, or the amount paid him, although he thought it was around \$5,000.

Photographs of the various members of the Karpis gang were exhibited to McCool and he identified Milton Lett and stated that Fred Hunter was familiar, but he could not place him. In reference to Milton Lett, McCool stated that he only knew him as Willie, further stating he knew nothing about him, not knowing or ever hearing where he lived or with whom he associated. However, he did state that on one occasion during the summer of 1934 he stopped at the saloon on West 28th Street and Detroit Avenue and noticed several of the Harvard Club employees there; that during the time he was there "Toots" Talbot and a dealer by the name of Magee started a fight and Lett stepped in and stopped it. McCool was unable to furnish Agents with any information relative to Magee other than that he thought he was presently working in Detroit, Michigan.

McCool was questioned as to his associates at Toledo, Ohio, and he advised that he knew Captain George Timiney, having gone to school with him as a boy in Toledo, Ohio. McCool could give Agents no further information relative to Timiney. He also stated that he knew Edward McGraw becoming acquainted with him when McGraw operated a saloon on Broadway in Toledo, Ohio. McCool denied knowing that McGraw presently operated a call house in Toledo, Ohio, stating that he had not seen him in the past three years. With reference to Joe Roscoe, McCool advised that he became acquainted with him when he (McCool) was working for Jimmy Hayes at the old Casino Club at Point Place, Ohio, and had seen him on several occasions at the old Harvard Club. Continuing, McCool stated that during the time he was "hustling fairs" he met a fortune teller known as Bridget Broadway, and later while visiting the 42nd Street Cafe in Toledo, he learned that Joe Roscoe had married one of the sisters of Bridget and apparently had a "piece" in the 42nd Street Cafe.

When questioned as to the nature of Joe Roscoe's business at the Harvard Club, McCool stated that he would be unable to state, inasmuch as the owners or operators did not talk with him about their business. In connection with Roscoe's visits to the Harvard Club, McCool stated that he had seen "Cap Mule", a St. Louis, Missouri horse bookmaker with him on one occasion.

The following description of McCool was obtained by personal observation and questioning:

Name	-	Arthur McCool, alias Art
Age	-	40 years
Height	-	5'11"
Weight	-	205 pounds
Hair	-	Straw colored, receding
Eyes	-	Blue
Complexion	-	Fair
Build	-	Heavy
Race	-	White
Nativity	-	American
Born	-	6/14/96 at Groves Hill, Ohio
Marital Status	-	Married - wife and child
Occupation	-	Gambler
Residence	-	1341 Thoreau Rd., Lakewood, Ohio
Criminal Record	-	Arrested for gambling at Toledo, O., date not known.
Military Record	-	Enlisted in U. S. Navy at Toledo, O., 5/5/17, discharged 5/9/19.

Chris Brown, dealer at the Harvard Club, was requested to appear at the Cleveland Bureau office, which he did, and was questioned by Special Agents A. P. Kitchin and C. E. Smith, and he advised that his true name is Chris Botoff and he resides with his wife, Dorothy (nee Litch) at 7314 Carnegie Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.

Brown stated that he was born in Plevin, Bulgaria and left there in 1914 and landed at Halifax, N. S., proceeding from there to Toronto, Canada, where he stayed for a period of about one year, then proceeding to Windsor, Canada, where he worked on the boats for about six months and then entered the United States at Detroit, Michigan, further advising that he has never returned to Canada. Brown admitted upon questioning that he was not a citizen, had never applied for naturalization papers, and did not have a passport to the United States.

Brown stated that he remained in Detroit, Michigan, for about one and one-half months and then went to Toledo, Ohio, where he secured work generally as a laborer, until he started to work in gambling houses about eighteen or nineteen years ago. Brown advised Agents that he worked for Tom Worland and Jimmy Hayes when they operated a crap game at a place in Point Place, Ohio; that later this place was operated by Charlie Haymaker and then by the Angus brothers as the Casino Club. Brown stated that he had worked approximately twelve or fourteen years for Tom Worland at Toledo, Ohio, in his gambling houses and also admitted working at "Lefty" Clark's place in Detroit, Michigan; Johnny Vance's Idlehour Club at Dayton, Ohio; Jovial Club at Toledo, Ohio; Ralph Dugan's place at Toledo, Ohio; the Thomas Club at Cleveland, Ohio, and Game Boy Miller's Old Barn at Cleveland, Ohio; all known gambling houses.

Continuing, Brown advised Agents that he started to work at the Harvard Club about July 7th or 8th, 1934, and had been working there since with the exception of a short time after the club was raided near the beginning of this year. Brown further advised that he received \$12.00 for nine hours work and \$2.00 for each hour overtime, this rate of pay being in effect for approximately the past five weeks and during that time he has averaged \$100.00 per week salary. Agents questioned Brown if he had submitted an income tax return and he advised that he had been called into the Harvard Club office and there was a man there whom he did not know and another man whom he believes was "Shorty" Conway and the man whom he did not know told him he had to make out an income tax return because he earned \$3,000. Brown stated that he told the man he did not, but the man told him he did and that he owed \$6.38 and he could pay him, or they

would take it out of his pay, whereupon Brown stated he reached in his pocket and gave the man the \$6.38 and received a blue slip in return. Brown further advised that he was not asked any questions and did not fill out any papers and did not swear to anything, further stating that he believed that he signed a white paper at the time he was given the blue paper by the unknown man. Agents requested the blue slip from Brown and he exhibited a duplicate individual income tax return form number 1040A, Treasury Department, which reflected that Chris Brown, 7114 Carnegie Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, occupation, clerk, employed by the Avenue Catering Company, Cleveland, Ohio, had received \$3,000 in salary, wages, commissions, fees, etc. The return further reflected that Brown claimed a \$45.00 sales tax exemption and an exemption of \$295.00 as earned income, and \$2,500 personal exemption, which left a balance of \$159.50 taxable at four percent, which resulted in a tax in the amount of \$6.38. The return further reflected that Brown was a citizen of the United States, while in fact he is not.

Agents questioned Brown closely whether he knew what the various statements in the return meant and if he knew where and what the Avenue Catering Company was and he stated that he did not understand the return, nor had he ever heard of the Avenue Catering Company. Likewise a search of the city directory and the telephone directory did not reveal any organization known as the Avenue Catering Company. While Brown admitted that he could speak six languages it was apparent that he could not read nor speak the English language with any degree of proficiency.

It was also called to Brown's attention that his real name was Chris Boffo and not Brown as the return indicated and he advised Agents that he told the man that was not his name, and the man told him that was alright as it would look better that way.

Photographs of all the members of the Karpis gang were exhibited to Brown and he tentatively identified that of Gladys Sawyer as a woman he had seen somewhere, however, he was unable to recall. Brown also identified the photograph of Milton Lett as a man who had worked as a shiller at the club in 1935. With reference to Lett, whose name he did not know, Brown stated that Lett had worked two days in the coop about one and one-half months before Christmas and then disappeared and he never saw him again. Brown further stated that he had seen Lett talking to both Hebebrand and Patton on occasions and Lett had told him he was from St. Louis, but had not furnished any further information, nor could Brown advise where Milton Lett resided during the time he was employed at the Harvard Club in 1935.

Agents also questioned Brown as to whether he had ever heard or knew of a dealer known as "Bill" from Toledo, Ohio, who had worked a short time at the Harvard Club during the summer of 1934. Brown advised that there had been a Bill Arris (phonetic) described as 28 to 30 years, 5'9" in height, 160 pounds, brown hair, good looking, who had been at the club for a short time, and was presently working for Tom Worland at the Dugout in Toledo, Ohio. Further investigation will be conducted relative to "Bill" for the purpose of ascertaining if he is identical with the "Bill" whom Charles Sellers alleges introduced Karpis to him.

Brown was also questioned at length as to individuals he knew in Toledo, Ohio, and he advised that he was acquainted with Johnny Thomas, Edith Barry, Frank Greenwald, George Timiney, Art Langendorf, Bert Angus, Ted Angus, Tom Worland, Joe Roscoe, and Sam Hessler. With reference to Johnny Thomas, Brown stated that he was presently operating a beer joint, the exact location of which he did not know. As to Edith Barry, Brown stated that he had frequently visited her house in the past and had been friendly with one Peaches, an inmate of the house. It will be recalled here that Peaches is, no doubt, Marie Butler, who is presently living in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

With reference to Frank Greenwald, Brown stated that he was generally known as "Greenie", and operated a private cab company in Toledo, Ohio. Brown was unable to furnish Agents with any information relative to Greenwald's contacts with the Toledo underworld. With reference to Captain George Timiney, Brown stated that it has only been the last three or four years that Timiney's name has been before the public, or about the time Timiney became head of the vice and hoodlum squads. Agents questioned Brown as to whether he had ever heard of anyone "paying off" to Captain Timiney and he stated that during the time he (Brown) worked for Tom Worland, he had saved some money and decided to open a crap game of his own, and had endeavored to ascertain who in power he would have to see, however, he was unsuccessful in securing any information, stating that when a gambler got "nose trouble" he didn't get along very well. Brown further advised that his only contacts with Captain Timiney had been when Timiney arrested him for being drunk. He was unable to advise Agents of any of Timiney's associates. As to Art Langendorf, Brown stated that he knew him as a police officer of the hoodlum squad, but never had any dealings with him.

With reference to Bert and Ted Angus, Brown advised that they formerly operated the Casino Club at Point Place, Ohio, but

had moved to a new place closer to the city. He further stated that he had visited the Casino Club on several occasions and knew Bert and Ted to speak to, Brown, however, denied that he had ever heard anything that would indicate that Ted Angus was a graft collector under past city administrations.

With reference to Tom Worland, Brown advised that he had worked for him for twelve or fourteen years as a crap dealer in various places operated by Worland. Continuing, Brown advised that Worland had gone broke operating gambling places and he believed that all he had at the present time was slot machines in the county. Agents were further advised by Brown that he did not know with whom Worland had his connection in Lucas County, which made it possible for him to operate his machines unmolested, however, he did state that he was certain that Worland was friendly with Jim O'Reilly the Sheriff. He further advised Agents that he had tried to ascertain where Worland's "fix" was, so he could also make a "fix" and operate a joint, but Worland would never discuss anything with him.

With reference to Joe Roscoe, Brown stated that it was generally rumored that either Roscoe or his father-in-law, Broadway, had been part owner or builder of the Casino Club at Point Place, Ohio, and they presently operate a cafe on Broadway Avenue, Toledo, Ohio, known as the 42nd Street Cafe. Agents were further advised by Brown that Roscoe had frequented the old Harvard Club on numerous occasions, however, he stated he had not seen him visiting the new place since it was opened. He was also unable to furnish Agents with any information relative to Roscoe's connections in Toledo or Cleveland, stating, however, that Roscoe apparently knew Hebebrand and Patton as he had seen them talking together.

With reference to Sam Messler, Brown stated that Sam had been around Toledo, Ohio, for years and was an old time pimp from Lima, Ohio. Brown was questioned as to whether he had any knowledge of Messler's connections with any of the parties he had previously mentioned and he stated that he did not know of his own knowledge but assumed that he had some as he was well known in the gambling circles.

The following description of Chris Brown was obtained by Agents from person observation and questioning:

Name	-	Chris Botoff, alias Chris Brown
Age	-	36 years (2/3/00)
Height	-	5'9"
Weight	-	183 pounds
Hair	-	Black
Eyes	-	Dark brown
Complexion	-	Fair
Build	-	Medium
Race	-	White
Nativity	-	Bulgarian, born Plevin, Bulgaria.
Scars and Marks -	-	1" ct. sc. vt. cheek bone; 1" ct. sc. vt. cheek; 1" ct. sc. bridge of nose; 1" ct. sc. left cheek; mole on left temple
Peculiarities -	-	Speaks broken English
Marital Status -	-	Married - wife, Dorothy (nee Litch)
Residence -	-	7314 Carnegie Ave., Cleveland, Ohio
Criminal Record -	-	Not known - prints forwarded to Bureau on 9/18/36.

Under date of September 19, 1936, the Director was apprised of the data obtained from Chris Brown as to the preparation of income tax returns at the Harvard Club, and advice was requested as to whether it was desirable to undertake any investigation in this regard or whether this information should be turned over to the Intelligence Unit of the Treasury Department for investigative action.

Harry Solomon, 10122 Ostend Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, was requested to appear at the Cleveland Bureau office, which he did, and he was questioned by Special Agents A. P. Kitchin and C. E. Smith, and he advised that he started to work at the Harvard Club some time during April, 1936, as a dealer, and prior to that time had worked at the Thomas Club for about three years. Solomon further stated that when he first started at the Thomas Club as a chuck-o-luck man he received \$3.00 per day and was advanced to \$5.00, \$7.00, and finally \$10.00 per day after about eighteen months of service. Solomon further advised that Dave, Sam, and Alky Miller (three brothers) were the operators of the Thomas Club and were presently operating a place somewhere in the vicinity of Dunham Road, after being closed by the County Prosecutor in January, 1936.

Agents questioned Solomon in reference to his activities at the Harvard Club, and he stated that he was a dealer there and was paid \$12.00 for nine hours work and received \$2.00 per hour for overtime work, averaging approximately \$65.00 per week. Solomon further stated when questioned as to whether he had filed an income tax return, that during the time he worked at the Thomas Club, he had been called to the office of the club where he had met an attorney or auditor, whose name he did not know, and he was furnished with income tax blanks and advised that he had earned \$3,000 that year and should submit his return, which, according to Solomon, he did. Solomon stated when questioned that he did not believe he had earned \$3,000, however, he accepted the figure.

Photographs of all the members of the Karpis gang, as well as those of Hebebrand, Patton and O'Neil were exhibited to Solomon and he stated that he could identify none, except Hebebrand, Patton and O'Neil, inasmuch as prior to the time he became employed at the Harvard Club he had been in it on only one occasion to see his brother, Sam Solomon. Agents questioned Solomon as to whether he had ever heard any rumors about any of the Karpis gang hanging out at the club and he stated that he seemed to recall reading something about it in the papers but had paid no particular attention to the item. He further stated that he had not discussed the case with his brother Sam, who worked at the club during 1934, although he did admit that his brother had told him he had been picked up by the Federal men and asked a lot of questions.

Agents questioned Solomon as to the identity of the owners of the Harvard Club and he advised that it was generally understood that Hebebrand and Patton were the owners. Solomon was unable to

furnish Agents with any other information pertinent to this case.

The following description of Solomon was obtained by observation and questioning:

Name	-	Harry Solomon, alias Hershey
Age	-	27 years
Height	-	5'6"
Weight	-	150 pounds
Hair	-	Dark chestnut
Eyes	-	Brown
Complexion	-	Fair
Build	-	Medium
Race	-	White
Nativity	-	Jewish
Marital Status	-	Married
Occupation	-	Cambler
Residence	-	10122 Ostend Avenue
Criminal Record	-	Claims none

Charles Edward Shampaign was located at his residence 3022 West 14th Street, Cleveland, Ohio, by Special Agents J. B. Fitzgerald and R. T. Noonan, and was brought to the Cleveland office where he was interviewed by those Agents on September 14, 1936.

Shampaign stated that he is 64 years of age and that he is at present living at 3022 West 14th Street, Cleveland, with his wife, and is employed at the Harvard Club. He has been employed at this club for the past seven weeks, but was previously employed there until late summer or early fall of 1934 when he left and went to Toledo, Ohio. At the time he previously was employed, the Harvard Club was operating in the large marathon building on Harvard Avenue, and that employment was for the period of about one year. When here previously, or in 1934, he stayed for a long time at the Bellinghurst Hotel at East 81st Street and Euclid Avenue, the name of the hotel having now been changed to the Earls Hotel. When he first started working at the Harvard Club he worked as a dealer and as there were two or three places in Cleveland and vicinity at that time competing with the Harvard Club, the owners were continually driving and compelling the help to work fast as a result of which he had a nervous breakdown. At about the same time he had a run in with Art Hebebrand, whom he said was the "dictator" at that time, and he quit working for the club. However, he got in touch with Dan Gallagher and went back to work for a time, until the management again began to push him from one job to another and he then quit and started running around the country, and then stopped at Toledo where he went to work for Arnoff, who operates a bookie joint known as the Backeye. Then during the spring of 1935 for about six weeks he worked at the Superior Sports Center, Toledo, Ohio, for Benny Harris. He stated that he does not know, but has been told that Harry Bernstein is the "fix" in Toledo for gambling, and houses of prostitution, and is known as the collector. When questioned about the Argonne Club in Cleveland, Shampaign stated that he recalled that he left Cleveland the day the Argonne Club opened, as he was offered a job by Frank Merrit, who worked in the place for the owner, Francis Zimmer.

When questioned about the arrest of the three women, Paula Harmon, Wynona Burdette, and Mrs. Harry Sawyer, in Cleveland on September 8, 1934, Shampaign stated that he felt sure he was in Toledo at that time and that he read of this arrest in a Toledo paper. At this time he was shown all the photographs of the various subjects and did not recognize or identify any but the local characters, Hebebrand, Patton, and O'Neil. He claimed that he never talked to anyone or discussed whether or not Karpis had been at the Harvard Club.

As for the organization of the Harvard Club at the present time, he claimed not to know just what it was, but stated that "Toots" Talbot and "Shorty" Conway were in charge, Talbot being the big boss.

and Conway being the one who paid him, Shampaign, as well as all the other night employees. However, he admitted it seemed to be common knowledge among the employees that Hebebrand and others were the real men behind the club and were the bosses. He repeated that Hebebrand was the dictator in 1934 at the club, and mentioned that Patton was a "swell fellow", but could not read or write, and although he was around the club a lot and was known to have some connection therewith, it was known that all the business end of the place would be handled by Hebebrand. As for the "fix" here it is well known, according to Shampaign that the Harvard Club could not run without some "fix". He stated that there must be what he calls a "silent politician", who makes the arrangements. It is impossible, he claimed, to make any inquiries around the club for if the officials became aware that any employee was trying to find out something about the inner circles that employee would soon be dismissed. With reference to the Sheriff, Shampaign remarked that it is well known that the Sheriff has openly stated that he favors home rule and that the local authorities should be allowed to handle their own problems without interference from the outside, and it is, therefore, understood that the Mayor and Chief of Police of Newburgh Heights are the ones with whom the connection is made, but he claimed further not to know anything about that connection. It is also said, according to Shampaign, that there is some arrangement with the Sheriff's office, but he is without information as to what the arrangement is. Sheriff Bulzeman has two sons, both of whom are known to be familiar with the race horse game and one of them is said to have an interest in a bookie joint - this is possibly the connection, Shampaign suggested.

Shampaign stated that he has been in the gambling game for about thirty-five years or so. He was born and reared in St. Louis, Missouri, where his father was a railroad man, and at the age of seventeen he was working as a brakeman and also assisting as clerk on the Missouri Pacific Railroad. He said that he learned some of the gambling art during his railroad days, and when he was just a kid he was known as a "cheater" as he was a pal of a boy whose father was a dice maker and he learned at an early age how to handle loaded dice. In 1904 the railroad strike put most of the railroad men out of work. At that time he knew Tom Carney and many of the old timers in St. Louis, and he kept in contact with them through the years. He opened up a place in Madison County, Illinois, just across from St. Louis, and was indicted there at every session of the grand jury and each time at the recommendation of the county prosecutor was allowed to plead guilty to two counts and paid \$100 on each count and costs. The fourth time, which was in 1918, the judge told him that if he did not close his place he would bring him back into court and give him a jail sentence, together with the fine. Therefore, he left the county and went to Toledo, Ohio. In addition to

the indictments for gambling which were returned in Madison County, Illinois, he stated that he was arrested four or five times in Detroit, while working for Lefty Clark at 2228 Woodward Avenue, this being about eight or ten years ago. He was also arrested at Flint, Michigan, about 1923, and at Seattle, Washington, in 1921 or 1922.

Shampaign stated that he, in company with Tom Worland, opened the Casino Club in Toledo in 1919. They were able to make some pretty fast money and he saved quite a bit and sent much of it to his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. McMillan, who reside at present at 8706 Bothelway, Seattle, Washington. This son-in-law opened a spot in Seattle with this money and squandered it and broke Shampaign. Shampaign went out to Seattle during this time and stayed four months and then returned to Toledo, and found Tom Worland in the liquor game, and he stayed in that game for about four years. Shampaign stated that he did not go in with Worland on this but opened a place at 59 Summit Street, but was run out of this place and then went to Flint, Michigan, to operate a place, the "combination" at Toledo putting up \$10,000 for the place and using him, Shampaign to run it. He stated that he took this job for the "combination" as he had returned from Seattle without any money and without a job. At Flint, Michigan, the mayor was supposed to be the "fix" and told Shampaign that he put the Chief of Police in his job and that the chief would not bother this place. Shampaign was in favor of going to see the Chief of Police, but this was voted down by the others. In about a month the police raided this place at Flint and broke all the gambling equipment with axes. Shampaign stated that the chief gave him a break in Flint and turned him loose when he told the Chief he was someone else, that is, a contractor, and he got out with a \$25 bond. At this time he stated that when he was arrested in Seattle, Washington, he gave the name of John J. Boss. All his equipment was taken at that time, but through the assistance of a big lawyer, who he thought was possibly a big Swede, he got it back after paying a \$100 fine, and \$400 in fees to the lawyer.

During the time that one Delahanty was Chief of Detectives in Toledo, he stated that there was a "fix" and about 1919 he and Worland gave \$400 to a political campaign fund. Everything was closed about that time due to a gambling crusade, but in 1921 things reopened and he and Worland were together for a short time. In 1921 Worland paid \$1,000 to operate a gambling house in Toledo and this was about the beginning of the actual payoffs. He and Worland were in business together then.

Shampaign stated that he is a personal friend of George Timiney at Toledo, and that Timiney knows the situation around Toledo. He stated that about two years ago when he went to Toledo and went to

work for Arnoff in the Buckeye, Timiney and a squad raided the place and Timiney ordered the officers to "lay off" Shampaign. This raid was explained by Shampaign who stated that it was a rule that no one in Toledo could have crap games if they were operating a horse game; that Hayes controlled all the craps in Toledo. Arnoff tried to start a crap game in his place and Timiney called him and told him he could not run. But he did run and as a result Timiney and a squad raided the place and treated it pretty rough, breaking up much of the equipment. At the present time Shampaign stated they are making a joke of the enforcement of gambling laws in Toledo. Places are ordered to close but they still run and they know when they are going to be raided and when they can operate. He stated that one Dugan was arrested about a week ago Saturday, or September 5, 1936. He has only a small place and the larger places were notified and had everything put away and would not let anyone in. An attorney, whose name is believed to be Berlin, or some similar name, who is at present running for county prosecutor, has been making considerable effort of late to find out why others were warned and his client, Dugan, was not.

Shampaign stated that he knows Bert and Ted Angus of Toledo. He recalls Bert Angus being in front of the Harvard Club with Joe Roscoe, whom he also knows, about a year and one-half or two years ago, but did not see them in the club at that time. He has in the past seen Joe Roscoe in the Harvard Club two or three times.

Shampaign was questioned in an effort to learn the identity of a dealer at the club by the name of Bill, who was there only a short time in the summer of 1934, and who is alleged to have introduced Karpis, Willie Harrison, and a man named Harry to Charlie Sellers, who operated a beer joint on the grounds of the Harvard Club.

He advised that there is a Bill Harris in Toledo working as a dealer for Tom Worland in the Dugout on Hill Avenue, about seven miles out; that this place is operated by the Veterans of Foreign Wars and has between 150 and 200 tables, and liquor is sold there. The crap tables are upstairs at this place. It is one of the few places that did not lose its license for having gambling in a place where liquor is sold. Shampaign stated that Bill Harris is strictly a Toledo man, but has been over to Cleveland visiting and Shampaign knows he is familiar with the Harvard Club and has been in it. He knows that Harris has spent a few days in Cleveland and is familiar with the way the Harvard Club is operated, but he does not believe Harris ever worked at the club although it is possible he may have for a short time. He described Bill Harris as follows:

Age	-	34 or 35 years
Height	-	About 6'
Weight	-	About 165 pounds
Build	-	Slender
Hair	-	Brown
Complexion	-	Tallow

Can be found at meal time at the Hudson Cafe in Toledo, near the Buckeye, where he eats and where the employees of the Dugout meet before they go out to work, usually leaving from there.

Because of his long association with the gambling game, Shampaign stated that he has made a study of the law of percentages and has published a book on this.

With reference to the other employees of the Harvard Club, who have not been located, and whose addresses are not known, he was questioned and furnished additional information as set out below:

Morris Balis, Jewish, lives on east side of Cleveland;

Gus Witte, Jewish, possibly lives at the Doanbrooke Hotel;

Harry Side, Jewish, has only been at the Harvard Club for about three months;

Charles Crowle, German, originally from Toledo, is a nephew of Shampaign. The Shampaigns and Crowles do not get along on the feminine side of the families. He was working at the Harvard Club in 1934, when Shampaign left there. He has moved four times recently in Cleveland;

Joe Catalona, worked for Sam Boy Miller in the Thomas Club and was there in 1934 when Shampaign left for Toledo. Catalona did not come to the Harvard Club until after the closing of same in January, 1936, and its subsequent reopening;

Al McCabe, a dealer who lives on the east side and is originally from Toledo;

Sam and Harry Solomon, Jewish, both live on east side; are brothers;

Louis "Whiter" Weeks, Jewish, originally from Detroit; worked extra in the big Harvard Club. He is very fat, short and heavy, with a large stomach;

"Waddy" Shoemaker, originally of Detroit, is an elderly man about 52 years of age and has been at the Harvard Club since it was in the large building and possibly for three years. Shampaign knew Shoemaker in Ecorse, Michigan. At one time he lived in the Bellinghurst, now the Earle Hotel, but has not been there lately;

Chris Brown, formerly of Toledo, a Bulgarian; has been at the Harvard Club off and on for years; had good personality; just married to some little Irish girl;

Ray McKay, just back to work from Toledo about three weeks ago. Came to the club first about September, 1934, about the time Shampaign left. Is thought to be Polish;

Jim Furlong, from Washington, D. C., has been there only a short time;

Arthur "Red" McCool, home originally in Toledo where his parents and brothers now reside. Worked in Ecorse, Michigan, for years. Lives way out on the west side;

Al Foster, a big Jewish man who has been at the Harvard Club for a long time, but before that was at the Thomas Club. Resides on east side of Cleveland;

Bill Fink, Jewish, lives on east side. Formerly of Detroit;

George Langstaff, heavy set man from Warren or Youngstown, lives some place on west side of Cleveland;

E. J. Ly, originally of Cleveland, and was a mill worker of some kind. Is thought to be Polish and above name not correct;

"Whitey" Madison, utility man at Harvard Club, formerly of Detroit. Believed to be a Scandinavian; big blonde man, thin hair, small head;

"Lefty" Hartman, Jewish, formerly of Detroit; was released at Harvard Club night of September 13, 1936, and was going back to Detroit. His wife's people are in business in Detroit;

"Botch", thinks this is the last name of this party as never heard him called anything else. He is from Cleveland and formerly worked for Game Boy Miller at the Thomas Club. He was not with Harvard Club in 1934, according to Shampaign;

Sam Gutterman, has been there only about a month. Is from Detroit and Shampaigne never saw him until he went to work at the club about a month ago;

Charles Berlin, an old timer of Cleveland, who has worked in Detroit. He has only been at the Harvard Club about two weeks and was never with them before, but did work for Game Boy Miller at the Thomas Club;

Pat Melice, Italian, living on the east side. Worked extra at the old Harvard Club;

"Lefty" Graham, Shampaigne does not know this party.

Tony Amersbach and Louis Monaco, old employees who live on the west side;

Rube McNulty, a big fellow who lives on the west side. Is the only "Rube" at the club; was originally a bartender in years back; is over 50 years of age;

Does not know any Jimie Keegan or Keighan, or "Butch" Duffy, or one "Sam."

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents J. B. Fitzgerald and M. T. Noonan:

Gus Witte, employee of the Harvard Club, was located at the Doanbrooke Hotel, 1924 East 105th Street, Cleveland, Ohio, and was brought to the Cleveland office where he was interviewed on September 16, 1936. He stated that he was employed by the Harvard Club first in February, 1935, and remained there until January 10, 1936, when the place was closed and he went back to Detroit, where he had been for many years previously. He returned to Cleveland about May 25, 1936, and has been working at the Harvard Club since then, his work being at one of the crap tables and he is paid \$12.00 a day, the hours being from noon to nine P. M.

Witte was asked about what the "fix" was in the operation of the Harvard Club and he stated that he had been in the game long enough to know the place could not operate without some "fix", but what the particular situation is here he could not say, but assumes it is among the "higher ups."

As for the organization of the Harvard Club in 1935 when he was there, and before the closing of the place in January, 1936, Witte stated that Hebebrand and Patton were around all of the time and were generally referred to as the owners. Since he returned to work in May, 1936, he stated that he has not seen either one of them in the place on a single occasion. Witte was hired by "Toots" Talbot, who at the present time is posing as the proprietor of the club. The names of Hebebrand and Patton are seldom mentioned now and he does not know their present connection with the club. He stated that formerly he often heard the name of Mitchell mentioned in connection with the Harvard Club, but not any more, particularly since Mitchell is reported to have gone to Roumania with some slot machines.

Witte was unable to make any identification of Karpis, the Barkers, Campbell, Sawyer, or others, but was able to identify Milton Lett as one who had been out there working some time in the past, and recalled that he spoke with some kind of a southern accent. He was unable to recall who any of Lett's associates were and was unable to recall anything definite about Lett, except the accent with which he spoke. Witte was unable to identify photograph of Fred Hunter and could not recall Hunter ever having worked at the Harvard Club.

Witte stated that he has worked in Detroit, Michigan, most of his life, at least for fifteen or eighteen years before he left there in 1933, when he went to the state of California for two years, returning to Detroit in January, 1935. While he was away the gambling houses in Detroit were closed, but they had reopened in 1925, and he could have had a job there, but decided to come to Cleveland, which he did and secured a job almost immediately. He advised that he was in Miami, Florida, the season of 1929 or 1930, but did not work as things were very bad, and he stayed there all winter for his health.

The following additional information was furnished by Gus Witte as to other employees of the Harvard Club. Karl Braziel, alias "Stubbie" lives some place on the west side. Morris Balis, alias "Ta Ta", resides with his mother, or mother-in-law on the east side. Louis Weeks resides in the vicinity of 105th and Euclid. Al McCabe formerly resided at the Doanbrooke Hotel but moved recently. Witte made inquiry at the desk of his hotel and was advised that McCabe left no forwarding address, but lived in the vicinity, as his wife was seen most every day. Witte advised that he would secure the address of McCabe at the first opportunity. Bill Fink resides at the Doanbrooke Hotel. The man called "Botch" is carried on the board at the club as "Botts." Sam Gutterman and Charles Berlin have been employed at the club for only a few weeks.

Witte was questioned as to the whereabouts of Marty Kuntz and he stated that he felt sure Kuntz was at the Chesterfield Club, Detroit, Michigan, as he was there only a short time ago. This club is operated by Danny Sullivan and Fitzgerald and the rest of the so-called "combination" in Detroit. Witte worked there for some time, and he further stated that most of these connected with the combination in Detroit are involved in income tax violations and are sure to go to the penitentiary. The Chesterfield Club is located at Gratiot and Ten Mile Road. It is said to be one of the largest gambling houses in the country, having 14 crap tables.

The following is a description of Gus Witte, as obtained from personal observation:

Age	-	45 years
Height	-	5'8"
Weight	-	130 pounds
Eyes	-	Brown
Hair	-	Brown
Complexion	-	Sallow
Build	-	Very slender
Teeth	-	Uppers all extracted recently
Face	-	Very thin
Married	-	24 years (no children)
Residence	-	Doanbrooke Hotel, Cleveland, Co.

George A. "Shorty" Conway was located at his residence 3787 West 136th Street, Cleveland, Ohio, on September 14, 1936, by Special Agent J. E. Brennan and he consented to come to the Cleveland office for interview. He was interviewed by Special Agent S. K. McKee. Conway advised that he was born at Cleveland, Ohio, August 1, 1905, and attended parochial schools through the seventh grade, completing the final year in school at "bad boys' school." He advised that he worked as an office boy for a short time after leaving school and when about nineteen years of age he entered the gambling racket. He has spent most of his time in and about Cleveland, Ohio, but he said he has worked for short times at other places. The following are gambling places where he has worked: The Clinton Club, formerly operated by Sam "Game Boy" Miller and Tom McGinty in Cleveland; The Barn, operated by Game Boy Miller in Cleveland; York Club, operated by Tony Maceno in Akron, Ohio; a place run by Bill Ruth in Buffalo, New York; Maple Leaf Club, operated by Carl Gaylord in Cleveland; and the Harvard Club operated by Hebebrand and Patton in Newburgh Heights, Ohio.

Conway stated that he went to work at the Harvard Club about six years ago as a dealer; that during the year 1934 he was running a wheel; that he was a ladder man in 1935; and at the present time is "fronting" in the place, together with "Toots" Talbot. He states that the club is operated by Art Hebebrand and Shimmy Patton and that he is "fronting" for them and that he does not know who else has any interest in the place. He said he gets a cut of the profits at the end of each month if there are any profits, but that he does not know on what basis his share is figured. He is now paid a daily wage of \$15.00 per day.

Photographs of the various persons connected with this investigation were displayed to Conway and he identified the following: Fred Hunter, Milton Lett, Neil Mitchell, Shimmy Patton, Art Hebebrand, Tip O'Neil, and Dan Gallagher. He stated that Hunter dealt blackjack at the club for a short time last year, that he worked on the day shift. He said Lett worked at the place as a shill for several months about a year and a half ago and was known around the place as Willie. Conway was questioned in detail, but he either could not or would not supply the names of any persons at the club who associated with Hunter and Lett, nor would he state that the two men were known to each other. He knows Neil Mitchell from seeing him around the club and also from his activities in the real estate business. Patton and Hebebrand were known, of course, as the operators of the Harvard Club. In this connection Conway said that the men never told him any of their business, their conversations with him being only in connection with the operation of the club. He advised that he has known Patton for about fourteen years, first becoming acquainted with him

when he was engaged in the bootlegging business on the west side. He has known Hebebrand for about eight years. He has been acquainted with Tip O'Neil for possibly fifteen years, and knows him at the present time as a floor man at the club. As to Dan Gallagher he stated this individual broke him in as a dealer while the two of them were working for the Clinton Club. He said Gallagher was a former floor man at the Harvard Club and is working for the place now on the outside. Conway positively stated that he could not recognize the pictures of any of the fugitives, saying that he was busy with large crowds during 1934 at the big place and did not pay any attention to persons who came in as customers. He was led to believe that we could possibly show that he did know some of the fugitives, but his only reaction to this was a statement that we would have to prove it.

Conway was questioned concerning the newspaper publicity incident to the arrests of the three women in September, 1934, when stories were printed to the effect that the gang had frequented the Harvard Club. He claimed that he could not remember any news stories about the three women, but he did state he recalled newspaper stories about Karpis and some of his friends having been at the club and about Karpis being wanted for kidnaping. He also remembered having seen pictures of Karpis in the newspapers.

It was the contention of Conway, in response to questions, that he had never heard Hebebrand or Patton mention this case, and that he had never broached the subject to them.

Conway was questioned concerning Joe Roscoe of Toledo and he advised that he is acquainted with the man. He said that Roscoe comes to the Harvard Club occasionally to see either Hebebrand, Patton or Tip O'Neil. He stated that he has never seen Roscoe gamble at the club and he is positive that the purpose of his visits there is to see the above-mentioned persons.

During the course of this questioning Conway was asked if he had ever bought any shirts from an old man from Columbus, Ohio, and he stated that he had and that the name of the company was the Thomas Shirt Company. He said he last purchased shirts from this man about a year and a half ago, when his order was for one dozen shirts. He stated that he believes the following persons at the club have bought shirts from this man: Art Hebebrand, Boots Talbot, Bennie Cohen, Dan Gallagher, Bobbie Cook, Karl Cockrell, Whitey Hammer, and Ralph Knowles. He said that Bobbie Cook and Karl Cockrell are dealers and are now located in Gary, Indiana, at a place operated by

Ross Graham who used to be located at the Harvard Club. Ralph Knowles was the porter at the big club and is believed to live somewhere around Cedar Avenue.

The writer inquired of Conway if he had filed an income tax return for the past year and he advised that he had done so, and that it was computed for him by an accountant named Geisey, who also handles the accounting work for the club. He stated that this accountant also takes care of income tax matters for quite a few of the men employed at the Harvard Club. It is believed that the accountant in question is probably Alvin E. Geisey, Public Square Building, Cleveland, Ohio.

In connection with the above interview with "Shorty" Conway, it is the opinion of the writer that he knows considerably more than he has admitted. His attitude at times was one of apparent cooperation, but in many instances his answers were evasive. For example he was asked if he knew of the "fix" through which the club was able to operate, and he stated that he did not. He later said that he "guessed" it was through the Marshal and Mayor of Newburgh Heights, when he was pressed for information on this point. His only explanation for such answers as this, is that he has never actually seen any money passed.

Attention is invited to the conviction of "Shorty" Conway, as admitted by him, namely for killing a child with his automobile while he was drunk, in about 1932, for which he was sentenced to serve one to twenty years, and then placed on probation for two years. Also to the fact that he was neither photographed nor fingerprints printed following conviction for this offense. He was asked how much the above probationary sentence cost him, or how he happened to receive such a sentence, and his only answer was that the judge must have taken into consideration the fact that he was married and had two small children. The attitude of Conway in this connection was such that it was quite apparent that he had received the probationary sentence for some reason other than his family obligations. It is to be noted in this connection that he had been employed by the Harvard Club for several years when the sentence and probation were received, and that while on probation he continued to work as a gambler and to associate with ex-convicts.

The following description of "Shorty" Conway was obtained from him and secured through observation:

Name	-	George Allport Conway
Age	-	31 years (born 8/1/05) Cleveland, O.
Height	-	5'6"
Weight	-	145 pounds
Hair	-	Dark brown
Eyes	-	Blue
Build	-	Medium
Scars	-	Circular scar left cheek from removal of cyst
Occupation	-	Gambler - dealer and floorman
Residence	-	3787 W. 136th St., Cleveland, O. telephone Clearwater 4692-W
Marital Status	-	Married - 2 small children
Criminal Record	-	Convicted Cleveland, Ohio, 1932, killed child with automobile while drunk. Sentenced 1 to 20 years, placed on pro- bation for 2 years, not fingerprinted or photographed.

Relatives

Mrs. Phoebe Simmons, mother, Akron, Ohio;
Eddie F. Conway, brother, Cleveland, Ohio;
David T. Conway, brother, 4502 W. 142nd St., Cleveland, O.;
Richard Conway, brother, works for WPA near Toledo, Ohio;
Genevieve Conway, sister, lives with mother at Akron, O.;
Dorothy Conway, wife, 3787 W. 136th St., Cleveland, Ohio.

Morgan Gallagher was located at 1265 West 67th Street, Cleveland, Ohio, and brought to the Cleveland office by Special Agents J. B. Fitzgerald and R. T. Noonan and was interviewed by the same Agents. Morgan Patrick Gallagher stated that he is the brother of Dan Gallagher previously mentioned as alleged part owner of the Harvard Club, and has been working at the Harvard Club for about the past two and one-half years, since about February, 1934, to the best of his recollection. His work consists of directing the parking of the cars in the parking yard for the Harvard Club, and he goes to work at 7:30 in the evening and remains until the club closes, usually at three A. M. He stated that he has never been inside the club in all the time he has worked there.

Gallagher showed an extremely uncooperative attitude from the start of the interview. It is possible this was caused partly from instructions he may have received, but it also appeared to be as much because of his ignorance. When questioned as to how he got this job in the first place he said he went to the club because his brother Dan told him to go out and see if he could get a job, but he would not admit it was through Dan Gallagher that he got the job. He said that he went to the place and asked someone on the outside who he should see for a job and a man was pointed out to him. He went to this man and told him he was a brother of Dan Gallagher and asked about a job and was put to work at once parking cars and has continued ever since, receiving as his pay \$5.00 per night.

Morgan Gallagher stated that no parking checks were given at the Harvard Club and that he did not make it a point to know anyone's car, as all he had to do was see that the cars were parked. No cars were driven up to the lot or driven back to the owners and each owner usually locked his car and came back personally for it. He also claimed that he was always busy and did not have time to look at people, or get acquainted with them. He was shown photographs of Alvin Karpis, Arthur and Fred Barker, Harry Campbell, Harry Sawyer, Milton Lett and Fred Hunter, but stated that as far as he knew he had never seen any of them. With reference to Hunter and Lett he claimed not even to know that they ever worked there and said that he does not know any of the dealers. He also stated that he does not know the name of the party who hired him and that he gets paid at night by different parties whose names he does not know. He also claimed that he never went into the beer parlor operated by Charlie Sellers, which was located on the same grounds as the Harvard Club in 1934 and 1935, and he did not know Sellers. When he failed or refused to identify photographs of Hebebrand, Patton, or Tip O'Neil he was questioned about them and claimed that he did not know

then, had never heard of them, and did not know "Toots" Talbot, who is running the place at the present time. About the only thing he admitted knowing was that the Harvard Club at the present time is located on the corner of Harvard Avenue and East 42nd Street, and that the entrance is on Harvard Avenue, and that he was working the night the club was raided in the large building in January, 1936, that is, he just came to work about the time the raid started.

The following is a description of Gallagher, which was obtained from observation:

Age	-	46 years
Height	-	5'6"
Weight	-	145 pounds
Eyes	-	Blue-gray
Hair	-	Light brown, turning gray
Complexion	-	Ruddy
Marks & Scars	-	Two moles on left cheek
Teeth	-	Two gold upper front teeth;
Marital Status	-	Single
Residence	-	Lives with his sister, Mrs. Tracey (Mary) MacDonald, 1265 W. 67th Street.

He stated he has three brothers in addition to Dan, and that their names are Joe, who stays at the old home where he himself lives; Farrell, whose present address he claims not to know, as this brother just moved to some place just off Clark Street on the west side of Cleveland; and Owen, who is in a sanitarium at Royalton, Ohio. He has worked for the city as a laborer for a number of years under the administration of Ray Miller. He claims to have no trade and has worked all his life at odd jobs. His education consists of just going part way through the third grade and he reads only a little and does no writing, except to write his own name, which he says is about all he can write. He seldom reads the newspapers at all, but admitted that he occasionally looked at the headlines and he did notice something about two years ago about three women being picked up at the Cleveland Hotel, with a little girl, but he never talked to anyone about this and did not know that these women, or their male companions were ever at the Harvard Club. Gallagher stated he was born in this country, that his parents came from Ireland and he thinks they were citizens of this country. He was not in the army during the World War, but worked in the shipyards on East 58th Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

John F. Gorman, 6202 Franklin Boulevard, apartment 2, Cleveland, Ohio, was requested to accompany Special Agents J. B. Fitzgerald and R. T. Noonan to the Cleveland Bureau office, where he was interviewed by Special Agents S. K. McKee and C. E. Smith.

John Gorman stated that he has been employed as doorman and dealer at the Harvard Club for approximately the past four years, or since the fall of 1932, further stating that he had received his job from Art Hebebrand and James Patton, whom he had known for many years. Gorman stated that he presently receives a salary of \$10.00 a day, being paid at the end of each day and that he works approximately five or six days a week, and during the past year averaged about seven months of actual employment. Agents questioned Gorman as to whether he had submitted an income tax report and he stated that he had not worked enough in one year to earn enough to do so, further stating that Art Hebebrand and James Patton had made all of the men who worked at the club, and who earned over the amount of the exemption, submit returns for the reason they did not want any trouble for the club from the income tax men.

Gorman was questioned relative to the identity of the present operators of the club, and he advised that "Toots" Talbot and "Shorty" Conway were presently fronting for Art Hebebrand and James Patton, who were not spending their time at the club as they had previously done, Gorman gave as his opinion for their absence, that possibly there would be less "heat" on the club if they were not around. Gorman was also questioned as to the identities of the dealers and employees of the club during 1934, and he furnished the names of several men who have been previously reported and in addition the name of Earl Cottrel, who he thought was presently working in a joint somewhere around Chicago, Illinois. Gorman was unable to furnish any other information relative to Cottrel. When questioned as to where the various dealers presently working at the club resided, Gorman advised that Louis Monica, brother-in-law of Art Hebebrand resided at 16610 Southland Avenue.

Photographs of all the members of the Karpis gang were exhibited to Gorman and he identified William Harrison, Alvin Karpis, Milton Lett, and Fred Hunter. Gorman was questioned at length in regard to each of them and in reference to William Harrison he stated that he knew him only as "Willie", however, he advised that he could not recall seeing him in the club, but did recall seeing and talking with him in a bootleg joint operated by Charlie Sellers. Gorman further stated that he had drunk a beer with Harrison on one occasion during his relief from the blackjack tables, further advising

that he could not recall the nature of the conversations had by him with Harrison. Gorman was questioned closely as to the identity of any individuals he had seen in the company of Harrison, especially any members of the club, and he stated that he could not recall any one whom he knew who associated with Harrison. Continuing, Gorman advised that as nearly as he could recall Harrison frequented Sellers' place during the summer of 1934, and then disappeared about two weeks before the women were arrested by the Cleveland Police Department.

With reference to Alvin Karpis, Gorman advised that he had dealt blackjack to him, knowing him only as "Slim", and had also seen him in Sellers' place on one or two occasions, but could not state in whose company he had seen Karpis. Gorman further stated that shortly before the women were arrested in the fall of 1934, Karpis did not show up at the club anymore and he never heard anymore about him until after the arrest of the women and various dealers around the club had newspapers that carried the story of the women and their identity, as well as the names and photographs of the men they were connected with and several of them remarked that they had seen the man known as Karpis at the club. Gorman was unable to give Agents the names of any of the dealers who had remarked that they had seen Karpis, advising that at that time there were so many dealers working there he could not recall any of the remarks passed by any one individual.

Gorman was questioned very closely relative to any rumors he may have heard or any thoughts he may have entertained, as to the identity of the individual responsible for Karpis's presence at the club, however, he stated that he had no knowledge, nor ideas, along these lines, further advising that Art Hebebrand and James Patton did not take him into their confidence in any matters pertaining to the club.

With reference to Fred Hunter, Gorman advised that he first noticed this man around the club about the summer of 1935 and was under the impression that he was possibly a blackjack dealer as he seemed to recall seeing him dealing on occasions. Gorman advised that Fred Hunter, whom he knew only as "Slim" did not mix much with the rest of the men around the club, and on the whole appeared to be rather quiet, and what he thought to be a poor dealer. When questioned as to whether he had ever seen Milton Lett hanging around with Hunter, Gorman stated that in so far as he knew, he didn't know whether Hunter knew Lett or not. Gorman further stated that he did not know who hired Hunter, nor how he happened to be employed at the club and expressed ignorance of the fact that Fred Hunter, had ever sold dice to the club. Gorman expressed the opinion that Hunter was from down around Warren, Ohio, however he was unable to advise from whom he had heard that information or under what circumstances.

With reference to Milton Lett, Gorman advised that he knew him only as "Willie", and Lett had told him on one occasion that he was formerly from St. Louis, Missouri, and had worked in a gambling joint there. Gorman was unable to furnish Agents with the name of the gambling joint that Lett had told him he worked in, nor could he furnish Agents with the names of any individuals whom Lett stated he knew in any parts of the country. Agents were advised by Gorman that Lett worked at the club during the summer of 1935 as a shiller, however, he was unable to state who hired Lett and under what circumstances he appeared at the club for a job. Gorman further stated that Lett worked on a different shift than what he did and inasmuch as Lett had a Ford sedan he, Gorman, struck up an acquaintance with him for the purpose of borrowing his car on occasions. He further advised that he had gone out with Lett on about four dates, at which time they had stopped at the saloon on West 28th Street and Detroit Avenue, and had one or two drinks, however, they did not frequent that place very much as the bosses of the club frequently stopped there and they did not like to see the employees drinking. When questioned as to who he meant by the bosses of the club, Gorman stated that Art and Shimmy and one or two others who worked at the club seemed to have more to say than any of the other employees. Gorman also advised that Lett and he had taken out a couple of girls who frequented the club during the time the Keno games were running, but had found the girls "hard to make" and had dropped them off somewhere on Carnegie Avenue. He was unable to advise Agents of the identity of the two girls, stating that so many of them frequented the club he seldom knew their names; in this connection Gorman advised that the club could not permit the dealers to date the customers or any of the girls employed at the club. When questioned as to where Lett resided during the time he was employed at the club, Gorman advised that one night he had borrowed Lett's car and had first driven Lett home, leaving him out of the car at the school yard located across the street from West 31st Street, and Denison Avenue, and Lett had walked across the street toward a row of houses and had at that time informed Gorman that he lived in the vicinity, boarding with some woman whose name he did not give to Gorman. Agent Smith accompanied Gorman to the vicinity of West 31st Street and Denison Avenue for the purpose of having him point out the exact spot that Lett left the automobile, and also the direction in which he walked when he left the automobile. Further investigation will be conducted in this district for the purpose of ascertaining the exact place Milton Lett resided while employed at the Harvard Club, and who may have resided with him.

Gorman was questioned as to the names of individuals whom he knew in Toledo, Ohio, and he stated that he knew Joe Roscoe and had heard of Edith Barry, Bert and Ted Angus, Sam Hessler, and Captain

Timiney, who was in charge of the hoodlum squad.

With reference to Joe Roscoe, Gorman advised that he had met him about eleven years ago in a bootleg joint operated by Jimmy Kilbane on the west side of Cleveland. Gorman was unable to advise what business Roscoe was in at that time, or what business he had with Kilbane. Gorman stated that from that time on he met Roscoe possibly ten or fifteen times until he started to work at the Harvard Club, at which time he again met Roscoe at the Harvard Club, where he was apparently visiting the various dealers from Toledo, Ohio, who were working at the club. Gorman could not state whether he had ever seen Roscoe in close conversation with Hebebrand or Patton, however, he did state that Roscoe was known to them. Agents questioned Gorman as to the number of times that he had visited in Toledo, Ohio, and he stated that about eight or nine years ago he had gone to Toledo with one Walter Murray and Thomas Murphy, both of Cleveland, Ohio, for the purpose of looking for the gambling house operated by Jimmy Hayes, and at that time they had also visited the Casino Club at Point Place, Ohio. Gorman stated that he did not know who owned the Casino Club at that time, but advised that he did not think it was the Angus brothers.

Continuing, Gorman advised that his wife had been residing in Detroit, Michigan, and he used to drive there about once or twice a month to visit her and sometimes on his way back he would stop in the cafe owned by Broadway, a relative of Joe Roscoe, and have a drink, and on one occasion about one year ago, the exact period not known, Gorman stated that he stopped at the cafe about two A. M., and while drinking, Joe Roscoe asked him if he cared to go to the Casino Club with him, to which he agreed. Gorman stated that during the time they were at the Casino Club, Roscoe talked with Bert and Ted Angus but Roscoe did not introduce him to either of the Angus brothers. Photographs of Bert Angus were exhibited to Gorman, however, he was unable to identify them, stating that he had only seen him on one occasion. Roscoe and he stayed at the Casino Club for about one-half hour to one hour, then he returned to Cleveland, Ohio. Gorman further stated that since meeting Roscoe he had heard that he had "a piece" of the Jovial Club in Toledo and was probably a partner of Morrissey in the operation of it, further stating that some time during last summer he and Tony Amersbach had gone to Toledo, Ohio, in Tony's green Graham Paige sedan and had stopped at the saloon located beside the Jovial Club and had a couple of drinks and then Tony had gone into the club and he had remained in the saloon drinking, until Tony came out and then they returned to Cleveland. Gorman was

questioned as to whether he had taken Tony's automobile and visited any houses of prostitution and he stated that he had never made a practice of visiting any and furthermore had not at any time taken Tony's car and visited any in Toledo, Ohio.

Agents questioned Gorman as to whether it wasn't a fact that he had taken Tony's car and stopped at Edith Barry's call house and he stated that while he knew of Edith Barry he did not even know where her house was located, further stating that his knowledge of Edith Barry was obtained from hearing the various Toledo dealers at the club compare Edith's place with Ardell Quinn's place with reference to the high class type of place it was. Gorman emphatically denied that he had ever carried any messages for anybody to Edith or Joe Roscoe and denied knowing Greenie the cabman. He was also questioned as to the identity of anybody he knew, who was employed at the Commodore Perry Hotel, and he stated that he had never been in this hotel and did not know anybody who was connected with it.

Gorman was questioned relative to whether anybody at the club had discussed the case with him, or whether they had told him that any Federal officers had been conducting an investigation and any of the help at the club had been talked to by Federal officers, and he stated that he knew that Sellers the bootlegger had been picked up by some Federal officers, however, he advised that he thought that the liquor men had picked Sellers up for selling liquor. Gorman continually denied having talked with anyone or having anyone approach him and request him to tell a certain story in the event he was picked up. Agents requested Gorman to submit to having his photograph taken and after some hesitation he agreed, and same will be exhibited to witnesses at Toledo, Ohio, for the purpose of ascertaining if Gorman is the individual who called at Edith Barry's house and made the statement that he could secure a report for the gang from the Commodore Perry Hotel.

With reference to Sam Hessler and Captain George Timiney, Gorman advised that he only knew of these men by hearing various dealers at the club talk about them; he was unable to furnish Agents with any other information with reference to them.

Agents made it clear to Gorman that they doubted his story and advised him it was to his best interests to ascertain the identity of the individual who had made it possible for Karpis to come to the Harvard Club. Gorman stated that he would make inquiries at the club and would also try to find out if Patton and Hebebrand knew the true identity of Karpis during the time he was frequenting the club.

Agents also questioned Gorman as to the identity of the Dealer from Toledo, Ohio, known as "Bill", who, according to Charlie Sellers, stated that Karpis was "O. K." He stated that he could not recall any dealer from Toledo by that name who had worked only a short time at the club during 1934.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent W. B. Matney:

Agent interviewed Mr. E. Fairbanks, clerk at the Doanbrooke Hotel located at 1924 East 105th Street, Cleveland, Ohio, who advised that he has been employed as clerk in the above-mentioned hotel for six years and is acquainted with the various people living in this hotel.

Mr. Fairbanks examined the records in his possession and advised that they fail to reflect that any person by the name of Kuntz has lived in the Doanbrooke Hotel since January of 1934. Mr. Fairbanks advised that he has never heard of anyone by the name of Marty Kuntz. He stated that had Kuntz lived in the Doanbrooke Hotel he feels sure that he would remember him.

Mr. Fairbanks advised that he would keep the above interview strictly confidential.

Special Agent R. T. Noonan interviewed Mr. Gus Witte, who advised that Marty Kuntz is at present employed by the Chesterfield Club, which is located on Gratiot Avenue near the Ten Mile Road in Detroit, Michigan.

Maurice "Ta Ta" Bailus, 10615 Grantwood Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, was located at the above address where he resides with his parents, and invited to the Cleveland Bureau office by Special Agents R. T. Noonan and J. B. Fitzgerald where he was interviewed by said Agents and gave the following information:

He said he was born in Russia on September 16, 1902, and was brought to Cleveland, Ohio, by his parents when he was six years old and that he has since resided in this city, where he attended school up to the tenth grade. He said that he has been in the gambling racket for the last seven years having worked at the Harvard Club here for the last three years and for four years prior to working at the Harvard Club he worked as a ticket writer for local Cleveland bookies. He is now a clerk on the crap tables at said club. For a period of six weeks or two months before going to the Harvard Club he said he worked at a Detroit gambling house known as The Palm Gardens located at the corner of Van Dyke and Sixteen Mile Road, and also for a Detroit gambler called Clark.

Bailus stated that the big, old Harvard Club was owned and operated by Art Hebebrand and Shimmy Patton, but he did not know who operated the present club, although "Toots" Talbot and George "Shorty" Conway are fronting for the place; there being also two other floor bosses, namely Marie Goldstone and Benny Cohen. He said that he has not seen Hebebrand or Patton inside the present location, but has seen them in the vicinity of the club on a few occasions. Photographs of the Barker-Karpis gang and the Cleveland characters involved were displayed to Bailus who identified only Art Hebebrand, Shimmy Patton and "Tip" O'Neil and said that he had never seen any of the others at the Harvard Club or elsewhere. He was questioned particularly about Milton Lett and Fred Hunter, but insisted that he did not remember seeing either of them at this club. Bailus said he did not know anything about any "fix" but as gambling is unlawful and this club continues to operate he said he supposed there must be some arrangement. He went on to explain that he is just an employee there and that he is not taken into the confidence of the persons higher up in the organization to the extent of knowing things like that if they do exist.

Relative to income tax Bailus stated that he earned about \$3,000 in 1935 and \$3,100 in 1934, and that he made a return for these years, although he did not have to pay any tax as he supports a brother and both parents. He said that the club kept track of his earnings and had a lawyer, auditor or income tax man come to the club and prepare returns which each man signed when he was called into a side room and told that his tax return was ready.

Following are the names of the only individuals Bailus can remember who have worked at the club for any length of time:

✓ Al McCabe, Al Foster, "Waddie" Shoemaker, Chris Brown, "Whitie" Mattison, and "Red" McCool. He did not know where any of these men reside.

Maurice Bailus stated that he has been arrested in Cleveland, Ohio, about six times "on investigation" and paid one fine of \$10.00 as a bookmaker, about eight years ago.

Following is a description of Maurice Bailus:

Age	-	34 years
Height	-	5'7"
Weight	-	135 pounds
Eyes	-	Gray (wears glasses)
Hair	-	Light brown
Complexion	-	Fair
Marital Status	-	Single

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents J. B. Fitzgerald and R. T. Noonan:

Louis Weeks, known at the Harvard Club as "Pappie", was located at the Hotel Haddam, 105th Street and Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, on September 18, 1936. On this date Weeks was ill and was confined to his bed, but the following day he was well enough to be interviewed and was interviewed in his hotel room, where he is living with his wife, she being absent during the interview. It is noted that Weeks is living at this hotel under the name of Louis Stein.

Louis Stein, when interviewed, stated that his correct name is Louis Stein, but that he also uses the name Louis Weeks and is called that at the Harvard Club, although he is generally referred to as "Pappie" Weeks and "Whitay" Weeks. He also advised that he is sometimes called "Babe" and several other nicknames, so many in fact that when there is a call at the hotel for someone by nickname only the call is usually sent to him first. He advised that he has been employed at the Harvard Club over a year and one-half, although this employment had not been all at one time. He recalls he was there in the fall of 1934. Previous to that he worked for Game Boy Miller at the Thomas Club in Cleveland and from that

club went to work at the Harvard Club, then went back to the Thomas Club for three or four weeks, returning thereafter to the Harvard Club and has been there ever since. Stein stated that he is now 38 years of age and has been in the gambling racket for at least 18 years. He first worked in Detroit, Michigan, where he formerly lived, and worked for Brady at his place on Grand River Boulevard. He also worked for the combination headed by Fitzgerald and Sullivan which operates the Chesterfield Club in Detroit and worked for them at this club, and it was at this club that he broke into the gambling game many years ago. He has not been in Detroit for the past four or five years. Stein has never worked in Toledo, Ohio, but knows of Tom Worland, the Angus brothers, and Joe Roscoe. He at one time was acquainted with Jimmy Hayes, but does not know the others except that he has heard of them.

Stein advised that he recalled the time the three women, Paula Harmon, Wynona Burdette, and Mrs. Sawyer, were picked up at the Cleveland Hotel, and at that time he was working at the Harvard Club. When shown the photographs of these women he could not recall having ever seen them at the club. He knows who were said to be their companions and he claimed that at the time there was no reference made in the local papers to the fact that Karpis and others were supposed to have been at the Harvard Club, but this statement appeared in the newspapers a long time afterwards. He would not admit that he has ever discussed the presence of these men, Karpis and the Barkers, at the club with any of the other men and could not say that it was the subject of general conversation for a while after the news article, and further stated that he did not recall ever discussing them with any of the other employees. Stein, as many of the other employees who have been interviewed, stated that the crap game dealers, of which he is one, do not pay any attention to the customers unless there is something unusual about the particular customer, and that they seldom know anything about any of the players.

When shown the photographs of Karpis, the Barkers, Campbell, Sawyer, Davis, Harrison, and others, Stein was unable to make any identification again, stating that when the club operated in the large building on Harvard Avenue, there were from 2,000 to 3,000 in the place every night, and he did not try to remember any of the people who were there. He was also unable to identify photographs of Fred Hunter as any one whom he had seen there as a customer or an employee. At that time, the fall of 1935, when Hunter was supposed to have been there he stated that the club had over 150 employees and there were perhaps half of this number that he did not know. When first shown

the photograph of Milton Lett he did not recognize him, but after further questioning he recalled that Lett did work there as a shiller about the fall of 1935, and that he had seen him on a number of occasions. He stated that a shiller visits every table and does so often and for that reason the dealers become familiar with the looks of the persons acting as shillers. He recalled that Lett spoke with a southern accent and believes he was called "Willie" and also "Tennessee" or "Oklahoma." He further recalled that one time Lett did not appear for a few days and when he asked him where he was he said, with a long drawl, "Back home to see the folks." Stein referred to Lett as a rather "nasty, tough, young punk." It is noted that Stein was able to identify photographs of Tip O'Neil, Patton, and Hebebrand.

When questioned as to whom the "fix" was at the Harvard Club, Stein professed not to know. He said that he felt it was some place higher up. He was very hesitant to make any statement or express any opinion as to this, but did state that he knew, as everyone else knew, that if the Sheriff wanted to he would come in and close the place unless some arrangement had been made, and he also said that the same would be true of the local officers at Newburgh Heights, agreeing with the statement that if there was to be a "fix" it would have to be with the Mayor or the Chief of Police. While refusing to claim any knowledge of where the permission was received to run this place, he did state that he felt sure it was not arranged for by the parties who are posing as the proprietors now, viz., Talbot and Conway. As for the organization of the Harvard Club at the present time he stated he did not know just what it was but did think that the old bosses were still the owners and that "Toots" Talbot and "Shorty" Conway were just fronting for them. However, he stated that since the club reopened in its present place of business he has not seen Hebebrand or Patton there and they never put in an appearance. When operating in the old building before they were closed Patton and Hebebrand were there most of the time and were thought to be the real owners. Also during most of that time Dan Gallagher was there as a floorman. Stein could not say whether or not Gallagher was a partner, but stated that if he were he certainly was cut off by the other partners when the new place opened in February, 1936. He also stated that Mitchell was there and was thought to be a partner until he left for Roumania with slot machines. With reference to Kate Weisenberg, Stein claimed not to know Weisenberg and never to have heard of him and did not know him as the "slot machine king", and never heard of him having any connection with the Harvard Club. When asked if he did not know that Weisenberg operated the Mayfair Casino in Cleveland he stated that he did not, but thought a combination operated this place and he did not know who they were.

Louis Stein was asked in what manner he made out his income tax returns for 1935 and he stated that the club had a man, an auditor or attorney, who made out these papers. This man first called the employees in and got their names and addresses and later they were called into the side room or office at the club and were handed the income tax forms made out for their signature; that in his case he signed this form, but did not swear to anything at the time. He stated that he did not pay any income tax in 1935, claiming not to know the amount that appeared on the form as what he had earned, but knew it was not enough so that he had to pay any tax with three dependents, his wife, son, and his mother. He further stated that he did not work full time in 1935 and was off two or three months and explained that to the man who made out these forms. He also stated that he would have had some tax to pay if he had worked full time. Efforts were made to find out from Stein if the amount of his income tax return was \$3,000 or \$3,100 as the others questioned stated their's were, but he continued to state that he could not recall the amount, but did not think it amounted to that much.

Stein was questioned concerning the other employees at the Harvard Club in an effort to secure additional addresses of these employees. He furnished the address of "Waddy" Shoemaker as Quad Hall Hotel on Euclid Avenue, and that of Ben Kelly as on Broadway and 55th Street, stating that the only reason he knew these was because he had dropped these men off at such addresses when bringing them home after work. As for the other employees he could not furnish any addresses of value and as in the case of others interviewed did not know the correct name of many of the employees, knowing them only by first or nicknames. He did state further that Al McCabe lived in the vicinity of 105th and Euclid, and that he was a large man who wore glasses; that he thought Al Foster lived in the vicinity of East 90th or 95th Street and Euclid (it is noted that Maurice Bailus thought Foster lived in the vicinity of St. Clair and East 88th Street, and Stein then recalled that Foster was supposed to have moved recently and may be in that vicinity.) With reference to Pete Mallee, the Italian, he only knew that he lived way out on the east side and that he was married and had a family. He knew Bert Brotnor of the horse room, but did not know where he lived and did not know any others, who are employed in the horse room. Ray McKay, he knew as a tall, skinny man, who recently returned from Toledo, but he did not know where he lived.

The following is a description of Stein, obtained from observation:

Age	-	38 years
Height	-	5'6"
Weight	-	190 pounds
Hair	-	Brown
Complexion	-	Sallow
Features	-	Decidedly Jewish
Peculiarities	-	Has large stomach
Marital Status	-	Married - one child
Residence	-	Hotel Haddam, Cleveland, Ohio.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents A. Paul Kitchin and L. Levin:

As a result of the interview with John Gorman, alias "Sharkey" Gorman, and the fact that Gorman accompanied Agent C. E. Smith to a spot located near the school just west of West 25th Street, and on Denison Avenue, stating that it was in this community that Lett resided, the above Agents made a complete survey of the community with negative results.

Interview was had with every family residing in the following outlined district: From West 25th Street west to 36th Street on Denison Avenue, then 31st, 32nd Place, 33rd and 34th Streets, south past Bradwell Avenue, thence Bradwell Avenue from 35th to 33rd Streets; then from West 25th Street to the end of Garden Street; thence 32nd Place, 33rd and 34th Streets to Archwood Avenue, then from West 25th Street west on Archwood to 34th Street. The above inquiries produced negative results and it was ascertained that there were very few rooming houses in the community as the majority of the residents in this neighborhood own their own homes and do not keep roomers or boarders. The following are the rooming houses located in this territory:

Mrs. R. Brooker, 3889 West 33rd Street
 Mrs. Sarah Gargo, 3874 West 33rd Street
 Mrs. C. Bender, 3501 Highview Avenue
 Mrs. Kate Watson, 2903 Denison Avenue
 Mrs. C. Matlock, 3001 Garden Street
 Mrs. H. Robinson, 3005 Garden Street
 Mrs. Hans Kenshan, 3306 Denison Avenue
 Archwood Manor Apartments, 3209 Archwood Avenue
 Brookside Manor Apartments, 3308 Archwood Avenue
 Brooklyn Manor Apartments, 3311 Archwood Avenue.

The above listed landladies and the managers of the three apartments listed above, were shown the photo of Lett, but none could identify same, nor could they recall anyone driving a car with Kansas license thereon, as having lived either at their places or in the neighborhood, or rented a garage in the vicinity for such an automobile.

F. Borges, manager of the National Refining Company filling station, located at West 31st Street and Denison Avenue was interviewed relative to his recollection of having serviced an automobile within the past year, or year and one-half, that bore license plates of the state of Kansas. He stated that he did recall servicing an auto from Kansas and that he was almost positive that he maintained a record of this transaction. He searched his card index records and exhibited to Agents a card made out for George Benton and dated on October 7, 1935, for a change of oil on a Ford V8 (no style or motor number listed) bearing 1935 Kansas license number 5-11020. It is noted that this is a corroboration of the belief that Lett is the party who used the name of George Benton since the license number above is the number of the license listed to Lett for his 1935 Ford V8 sedan. Borges positively identified the photo of Lett as being identical with George Benton and stated that he recalls that he often came to this filling station for gas and oil, but that this is the only occasion that his car was taken for service. He searched his records of duplicate receipts and found a receipt signed by George Benton, 225 Church Street, dated October 7, 1936. The portion of this receipt bearing the signature of Benton was torn from the duplicate receipt and turned over to this Agent and is being retained in the Cleveland office files of this case. The speedometer reading was listed as 9,990 miles on the above portion of the receipt.

Borges stated that he became suspicious of this man due to the fact that at the time he signed the above mentioned receipt, the address given was known to him as being fictitious in the city of Cleveland, and also the fact that he hesitated to place his signature on the receipt. He stated that he recalls that on each occasion when Lett came to his station, he would come from the east on Denison Avenue, drive into the outside lane of the station with his car headed west, and after getting gasoline, he would always drive west out of the station and west on Denison Avenue. He stated that he did not pay any attention as to whether this man stopped in the community and has no idea as to where this man was residing. He stated that it was his opinion that he must have resided near his station because if not he would have had no reason for trading at his station due to

the fact that he did not have any charge account. He stated that Walter Brazie worked for him during the latter part of 1935, but that Brazie did not work regularly, but about one day a week.

Walter Brazie was later interviewed at the above filling station at which time he stated that during September and October of 1935, he was working at this filling station only about one day per week. When asked about the transaction mentioned above, he stated that he was not present when this car was serviced and he therefore did not recall the automobile. He was shown the photograph of Milton Lett at which time he stated that the photo did not resemble anyone known to him. He was shown the card bearing the name of George Benton and stated that the name of Benton was familiar, but that he did not recall where he had heard same. He suggested that it may have been at the National Filling Station located at West 25th Street and Scranton Road, or the one located at West 129th and Lorain, as he was also employed at these places during the period in question.

Mr. W. X. Crist, manager of the National Filling Station, 25th Street and Scranton Road, after a search of his card index records stated that he had no record in the name or known aliases of Lett, neither could he recognize the photograph.

At the National Filling Station at West 129th and Lorain it was ascertained that the manager of the station during 1935 was at present employed at the Standard Filling Station, also located at West 25th and Scranton Road.

Mr. Al X. Alers, manager of the Standard Sohio Filling Station, West 25th Street and Scranton Road, stated that he does not recall any car being serviced by him or at the station at 129th and Lorain by any of the names of Lett, or any car having a Kansas license plates.

W. X. Tryiak, owner, Denison Square Dry Cleaning and Tailoring Company, 2807 Denison Avenue, stated that he recalled that on one occasion a man answering the description of Lett came into his shop and had a suit pressed; that this man was of small stature and had a southern accent. He stated that he did not notice the label in his clothes and therefore could not state from what section of the country this man originated. He examined the photo of Lett and stated that it looked familiar to him and he thought, although he was not positive, that this was the man to whom he had reference. He stated that this man never came to his shop again and that he did not have any address for this individual. According to Tryiak, this must have been about two months before Christmas of 1935.

Mr. S. Simon, manager of the Simon Pressing Club, 3602 Denison Avenue, after examining the photo of Lett, stated that he is positive this man never came into his shop and he does not recall as having ever seen anyone who resembled this photo.

The above are the only two pressing establishments which are convenient in this community.

It was ascertained at the Shell Gasoline Station, West 34th and Denison Avenue, that the manager and only employee at this filling station during the latter part of 1935, is at present unemployed and that his name is Lorne H. Bevis.

Lorne H. Bevis, 10820 Langton Road, stated that during the last five months of 1935, he was manager of the Shell Station located at West 34th and Denison Avenue. He stated after examining the photo of Lett and being told of the automobile owned by Lett, that he has no recollection of this man or the automobile.

Inquiries were made at the George Dorsey Real Estate Company, 3777 West 25th Street, and K. Ruple Real Estate Company, 3862 West 31st Street, relative to the rentals of any room or apartment to Lett.

K. Ruple stated that he had been in this community for the past two years and that he never recalled anyone by the names of Lett or answering to his description, living in this neighborhood, and that he is positive that he has never rented any garage space to Lett, or anyone for a Kansas automobile.

George Dorsey stated that he has never seen anyone who resembled the photo of Lett and that he is positive that he has never rented either a room, apartment or garage to anyone answering to his description. He stated that the only person he knows who came from the section around the state of Kansas, was a man who was in Cleveland about three or four years ago and was at that time going with a girl by the name of Marie Matusky. He stated that this man, name not recalled, wore sideburns and was tall and slender; that this man came through Cleveland about eight or nine months ago and saw him on the street; that he asked about the Matusky girl and when informed that she was married stated that he would like to go out just to pay his respects to her. He stated that he took this man to 4488 West 45th Street where the man went into the house, but returned in about five minutes stating that Marie Matusky was not at home. He stated that this man carried a pistol, according to the Matusky girl and that he knew himself that this man was in some racket as he was always flushed with money while he resided in Cleveland; that the man on one occasion told him that he worked in the oil fields in Oklahoma.

Based on the possibility that this man may have been some friend of Lett, and that Lett may have resided with him or at the place where he did reside on his recommendation, an interview was had with Marie Matuskay at the above-mentioned address. She stated that she had not seen Sam Collins for about three or four years, but that she was told by her mother that he was in Cleveland and came by to see her about six months ago. He stated that she met this man when she was operating a fruit stand near the corner of West 25th Street and Denison Avenue; that she went with him occasionally for about six months, but he left town and she subsequently married. She stated that she did not know much about this man and she never knew him to have anyone with him who answered the description of Lett; that no one has ever approached her stating that they knew Sam Collins. She stated that she knew that Collins carried a gun but that she did not know what he did for a living. She did not know where Collins came from but stated that it was somewhere in the state of Oklahoma. She stated that when he was in Cleveland he lived at a rooming house at the corner of West 25th and Scranton Road, just in the rear of the National Refining Station.

Inquiries at this rooming house disclosed that it is known as the Century House; that it was operated up until a few months ago by a Mr. and Mrs. McHugh; that Mr. McHugh is at present operating a filling station at the corner of West West 25th Street and Marvin Avenue.

Mr. McHugh was located at the above mentioned station at which time he stated that he recalls Sam Collins, but that he did not know any of his associates. He stated that he has not seen Collins since some time about eight or nine months ago when he met Collins on the street and had a short conversation with him. He was shown the photo of Lett, but could not recall as having ever seen anyone who resembled this photo.

Discreet inquiries were made in all of the restaurants and pool rooms located in this vicinity with negative results. The records of the West 25th Street Branch of the Cleveland Trust Company were checked for accounts and also for a safety deposit box, but also with negative results.

The records of the Brooklyn Branch of the U. S. Post Office were also checked and no record was found of anyone by the name of Lett, or any of his known aliases.

It is deemed advisable to reinterview John Gorman, alias Sharkey Gorman, as it is thought he has more information relative to the residence of Lett at the time Lett was residing in Cleveland, Ohio.

In connection with the last interview with Inspector Frank Story, as contained in report of Special Agent S. K. McKee, Cleveland, Ohio, September 15, 1936, the writer reinterviewed former police inspector C. W. Cody, who is now head of the safety department of the Cleveland Trust Company. He was asked if Inspector Story, who was working under him in 1934, had told him about a police official making a contact with someone from the Harvard Club on the morning after the arrest of the three women, and he advised that Story had not told him about the matter. He also advised in response to a question that Story had never told him he had learned from Barney Wolf that Joe Jacobs had called the Harvard Club after the arrest of the women and inquired concerning them. He did state that the entire setup makes it quite apparent that there was a tipoff of some sort to the fugitives, but he said he could not put his finger on it. Mr. Cody is very frank to state that he is no longer connected with the police department and for that reason does not desire to become involved in this investigation in any way. It is the opinion of the reporting agent that Cody would not supply any information in this matter if he possessed it for the reason that he does not desire to become mixed up in any embarrassing situation with his former associates in the police department.

Lieutenant Bernard Wolf, commonly known as Barney Wolf, of the Cleveland Police Department, was interviewed on September 17, 1936, by Special Agent S. K. McKee at the Great Lakes Exposition Grounds in connection with the statement made by Inspector Frank Story to the effect that Wolf had told him that a telephone call had been made to the Harvard Club on the night the three women were arrested and the person making same was Detective Joe Jacobs, now deceased. The above referred to interview with Inspector Story is set out in the report of Special Agent S. K. McKee, Cleveland, Ohio, September 15, 1936.

Wolf was disinclined to discuss this case in any way, citing as his reasons the fact that he had received some very undesirable publicity following the arrests of Karpis and Campbell. He stated that newspaper items had been published quoting the Director as stating that the Karpis mob had been tipped off by crooked police officers; that the papers had printed the photographs of several police officers, including himself; that this publicity had angered him as he felt it was most undeserved and that he had made a statement to the press that the Bureau should either prove the allegations against the police department or offer an apology. Wolf also made some very bitter remarks against former Special Agent W. E. Peters to the effect that his contacts with the police department had been of a most uncooperative nature and that he had been caught lying to officers on numerous occasions. Agent told Wolf that his feelings should possibly be directed against the newspapers as they had no doubt been entirely responsible for publishing his picture. Wolf's attitude changed to some extent and he advised that he did not intend to appear uncooperative but he felt that in view of the publicity this case had received, he did not wish to make any statements unless same were made in the presence of the chief. He telephoned Chief Matowitz and discussed the situation with him and was instructed to answer any question which Agent might ask.

He advised that he was off duty when the three women were arrested and knew nothing about the arrests until the following morning when he learned from Detectives Joe Jacobs and Harry Hugo, who were working under him on the Homicide Squad, that they had conducted considerable investigation as to some men thought to be living with the three women. He stated that Joe Jacobs had told him that he had telephoned to Shimmy Patton at the Harvard Club on the night the women were arrested in order to check on the stories told by the women as to their husbands working at the club and that he also said that he and Hugo had gone to the club several hours

later and talked to Patton about the women in order to identify them if possible. He said the identities of the mob with which the women were connected was learned on the same morning through some fingerprints of Fred Barker found in the house on West 171st Street where two couples had been living. Wolf said that he was assigned to assist in the investigation of the case in order to locate some of the fugitives, if possible. His work consisted of checking on the rentals of the houses and in this connection he advised that he thought the fact that three of the houses used by the gang being rented from Hebebrand and Mitchell was more than a coincidence. Wolf also said that there is no doubt in his mind that the gang were tipped off in some way to the arrests of the women, possibly with deliberation or perhaps through honest efforts to identify the women. He stated that messages are regularly gotten out of the jail, sometimes through outgoing prisoners and sometimes through telephone calls. He advised in response to questions that he did not have any idea what the source of this tipoff could have been, but the facts indicated to him that a tipoff had taken place.

Lieutenant Wolf was asked if he had ever heard a story about a police official having received a telephone call on the morning following the arrests of the women from some person connected with the Harvard Club and in which the official later met the person from the club at a point near Franklin Circle, or any other place where he was told that the men associated with the women were "bad paper" or some similar statement which indicated that the person knew considerable about the fugitives. Wolf said that he never had been told anything about any such incident. He was advised of the general descriptive data previously furnished by Inspector Frank Story, and he then stated that the details indicated the official in question might be Captain Emmett J. Potts. He said he would talk to Potts and if he were the man he would see to it that Potts came to the Cleveland office and tell what he knew. Wolf was told that this arrangement would be satisfactory.

Of his own volition Lieutenant Wolf informed Agent McKee that one "Pug" Smith, age about 46 years, height five feet two inches, an old time bank robber out of Toledo, and a close friend of "Tip" O'Neil, has been in Cleveland for some time hanging out in the vicinity of 117th and Detroit Avenue, and that he, Wolf, cannot think of a better contact for such fugitives as Karpis and his friends than Smith. He suggested that Inspector Joseph Sweeney of the Detective Bureau might have a photograph of Smith, or that one might be obtained from the Toledo Police Department. Efforts will be made to locate this party for interview, inasmuch as there appears to be some possibility of his having data of value in view of his closeness to "Tip" O'Neil.

Upon the return of Agent McKee to the Cleveland office, following the interview with Lieutenant Wolf, Inspector Frank Story

telephoned and stated that he had talked to the police officer in question and that he was ready to discuss the matter. He informed that the officer in question was Captain Emmett J. Potts. He also advised that he had received a telephone call from Wolf a few minutes before calling Agent and that Wolf had told him that Agent had talked with him and that he was going to talk to Potts and learn if he was the man in question. Almost immediately after the above call Lieutenant Wolf communicated with Agent via telephone and advised that he had talked with Captain Potts; that Potts had agreed to discuss the matter and was coming to the exposition grounds during the afternoon. Wolf requested that Agent meet him at the temporary police headquarters at the exposition grounds during the afternoon for the purpose of talking to Captain Potts.

Captain Emmett J. Potts was interviewed in the presence of Wolf on the afternoon of September 17, 1936, at the exposition grounds. He advised that he had no part in the investigation which followed the arrests of the three women connected with the Karpis gang other than to possibly write to one or two police departments in connection with investigation to be conducted. With reference to the alleged meeting between him and some person from the Harvard Club on the morning after the three women were arrested, he told the following story: He stated he was on duty at the detective bureau and happened to answer an incoming telephone call in which some unknown man stated, "Tell the boys on the west side to be careful as those people are bad paper." He said he told Inspector Story about the incoming call as he knew Story was actively handling all investigation regarding the men thought to be connected with the three women. He said that he is acquainted with Shimmy Patton and Bill Fergus, but that he does not know Art Hebebrand. He denied that he at any time met any person from the Harvard Club in connection with the arrests of the women, or had a telephone conversation with any person whose identity was known to him. Potts was unable to explain how Inspector Story received the impression that he had met some person from the Harvard Club and could only state that the inspector must have been mistaken.

The writer advised Captain Potts that his story did not sound very plausible in view of the facts furnished by Inspector Story, and he could only state that all he knew was what had actually transpired. He was told that he appeared to possibly be twisting the facts around in order to avoid having to testify against someone from the Harvard Club and thus be placed in somewhat of an embarrassing position. He replied that he realized that situation appeared in that light, but that such was not the case. Arrangement was made to talk with Potts and Story at the same time in an effort to straighten out the difference in the stories told by them.

Interview was had with Captain Potts and Inspector Story on the morning of September 18, 1936, by Special Agents S. E. McKee and J. E. Brennan. At this time Inspector Story repeated substantially the same facts as he had related before, but he made some little allowance for his having misunderstood Potts. As a whole, however, he stuck to his story. Potts told the same story and insisted that Story must have misunderstood him. The entire situation was discussed in detail for at least an hour without altering the position taken by either man.

It is deemed appropriate to state that the attitude and demeanor of Captain Potts was such that Agent could not help but doubt his sincerity. The facts, or at least the story told by him savors so much of an alibi in view of the previous information from Inspector Story that his statements cannot be taken as the truth. In addition to this it is to be remembered that data has been obtained over the telephone tap being maintained as to Ardell Quinn that the Quinn woman telephoned to Captain Potts at his residence on the night of August 17, 1936, and told him that the "big shot" was checking up on someone known to them and that Potts should tell this person to watch his step. This conversation, no doubt, referred to Safety Director Eliot Ness as the "big shot" and concerned some police officer presently under investigation. In view of the attitude of Potts and the known information at hand relating to him, it is believed that he should possibly be confronted with the above information prior to the termination of this investigation in an effort to force him to tell the truth about his meeting with the person from the Harvard Club, who is probably Shimmy Patton. This matter will be discussed with Inspector E. J. Connelley before any action is taken.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent S. K. McKee, Cleveland, Ohio, September 8, 1936, pages 16 to 21, wherein certain employees of the Cleveland Hotel were interviewed for their knowledge of the circumstances surrounding the arrests of the three women at the hotel on September 5, 1934. John W. Weber, head porter at the hotel, was interviewed by Special Agent S. K. McKee, and he advised that he was on duty on the afternoon in question and heard about the trouble in the Bronze Room from some other employee. He said he went to the Third Street entrance of the hotel when the women were brought downstairs to be taken to the police station, out of curiosity simply to see what was going on. He advised that the policewoman and police officer were having difficulty getting one of the women into the police car; that they had to be assisted by several hotel employees; and that quite a fight took place between the woman and the policewoman before she was put in the car. At least two of the women created a disturbance by loud talking and cursing and one of them tried to run away with the little girl, who was with them. He said she was caught by two hotel employees and brought back to the police car and that he heard her offer the hotel employees \$500 if they would let her go without being arrested. Although Weber was not positive, he said he believed that Assistant Managers Alguire and Carr and House Officer Gunderson were present at the hotel entrance when the women were taken out. He was asked for information as to the identity of the police officer who assisted in the arrests of the women, but he could not assist in this connection, other than to state that he thought the officer was the regular traffic man stationed near the hotel. Traffic Officer Herman Cletzer, who was on duty near the Cleveland Hotel on September 5, 1934, was contacted inasmuch as it was indicated he might have been one of the officers who assisted Policewoman Wilcox in transporting the Sawyer, Harmon, and Burdette women to the city jail following their arrests at the hotel. He advised that he has been working a shift from 8:00 A. M. until 3:00 P. M. for over two years and that he had nothing to do with the arrests of the women in question.

Traffic Officer George Herr, also on duty near the Cleveland Hotel on the day the women were arrested, was interviewed and he advised that he remembered the incident, but that he was not the officer who assisted in handling the three women. He stated the incident occurred someplace between four and six in the afternoon as he definitely recalls it was during the traffic rush hour. He was of the opinion that the traffic officer on the intersection of West Third Street and Superior Avenue helped the policewoman, however, he could not remember this officer by name.

The name of the traffic officer in question has been learned to be William Stark, #653. He will not be available for interview until after the American Legion Convention, due to extra duty occasioned by the convention.

On September 18, 1936, Special Agents S. K. Makee and J. E. Brennan interviewed Lieutenant W. K. Holloran in the office of the Chief of Police, Cleveland, Ohio, for information concerning letters written to other police departments following the arrests of the Sawyer, Harmon, Burdette women in September, 1934, which might appear to be of value in connection with the harboring inquiries here and in Toledo, Ohio; also for possible information concerning the disposition made of the safety deposit box key #194 which was found in possession of one of the women. Search of the correspondence files in the chief's office failed to reflect any correspondence concerning the safety deposit box key. The files, however, contained copies of two letters written to the Toledo Police Department, and one letter received from the same organization, which will, no doubt, prove of value when members of the Toledo Police Department are questioned as to the harboring situation there. These letters are being quoted as follows:

"September 7, 1934

SPECIAL DELIVERY AIR MAIL

"Daniel T. Wolfe,
"Chief of Police,
"Toledo, Ohio.

"Dear Sir:

"Enclosed herewith is the photograph of three women arrested here. No. 1 is Wynona Walcott, 2831 East 131 St., your city, a place known as Willow Beach. Was married but not living with her husband, whose name is John Walcott, and who gives his occupation as a gambler from Toledo. Formerly of Charleston, N. C. and her maiden name was Nona Jackson and was married at Charleston.

"No. 2 on the photo is Mrs. Ethel Matterson alias Davis 4419 West 171 St., this city and who up to about two weeks ago resided at 10615 Parkhurst Drive, this city and lived at this address for about three months.

"No. 3 on the photograph gave the name of Gladys Sawyer former address 1878 Jefferson St., St. Paul, Minn.

"Wynona Walcott purchased a Ford Victoria motor number 18-875-599 from the H. K. Voelger Co., in Cleveland and at that time gave the name of Mrs. M. L. Bradford, 321 Jefferson Ave., Toledo, Ohio, and claims that she has lived with her husband John Walcott, who is a gambler, since January 1, 1934.

"The neighbors in the vicinity of 4219 East 171 St. where this woman was stopping in Cleveland identified the photograph of Fred Barker as being the man who posed as Mrs. Matterson's husband and one of the other men there posed as Mrs. Matterson's brother and was identified as Alvin Karpis and both of these men are wanted in St. Paul for the kidnaping of Edward Bremer.

"Kindly advise as soon as possible whether or not these women can be identified in the vicinity of the given addresses in your city. A book of Bryant's Poems were found in their home, and on the fly leaf was found the name of Franklin Barger, 2703 Robinwood, Toledo, and in pencil Reba Lichtenstein and Stella Masoon and the book was purchased in Campions Book Store, 314 Cherry Street, your city.

Respectfully yours,

GJM:JZ Potts

CHIEF OF POLICE"

"Toledo, Ohio

"September 10, 1934

"George J. Matowitz,
"Chief of Police
"Cleveland, Ohio

"Dear Chief Matowitz:

"In reply to your communication of the 7th relative to enclosed photographs of Wynona Wolcott, Ethel Matterson and Gladys Sawyer, I beg to advise that our investigating officers are making a thorough investigation of the above subjects, but as yet have not completed their work.

"If possible, please furnish us with photographs of all male suspects implicated in the kidnaping of Edward Bremer, so that our men can make a thorough and complete check up of this.

Very truly yours,

/s/ DANIEL T. WOLFE,
Chief of Police

/s/ by:
R. E. ALLEN
Inspector of Police."

LOUY-BF

"September 16, 1934

"Daniel T. Wolfe,
"Chief of Police,
"Toledo, Ohio

"Dear Sir:

"Replying to your letter of September 10th regarding Wyhona Walcott - Ethel Matterson and Gladys Sawyer whose photos are enclosed together with those of Fred Barker and Arthur Barker.

"Information received that Fred and Arthur Barker together with Alvin Karpis U. S. Department of Justice No. 1218 wanted in connection with kidnapping of Ed G. Bremer at St. Paul, Minn. and Earl Sawyer and one Carpenter (F.N.U.) no photos available of the two latter men, visited the three women at 4419 W. 171st Street where the women lived for about 5 weeks.

"Trusting this information will be of some value in locating the kidnappers. I am enclosing record of Ethel Matterson. I am

Respectfully yours,

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CHIEF OF POLICE"

The originals of the above letters are contained in the files of the Chief's office, Cleveland Police Department, and will be available for use in the future if necessary.

In connection with data secured during prior interview with one of the police officers connected with the investigation of the three women to the effect that he had suggested that a teletype be sent to the Toledo Police Department as to the fugitives, after they had fled from Cleveland, it was learned that the Cleveland Police Department was not equipped with teletype machines during September, 1934, and did not install intercity radio communication until some time around October, 1934. It would appear from this situation that the only advice communicated to the Toledo Police Department concerning the fugitives and their connection with the Bremer kidnaping case was in the form of the letters which have been set out herein.

Special Agent S. K. McKee ascertained from Sergeant Emma Schuler of the Cleveland Women's Bureau that Policewoman Mercedes Hurley was on duty during the first shift on jail duty in September, 1934, while Policewoman Nell Hackney (colored) was on duty during the second shift, which runs from four in the afternoon until midnight. It was also ascertained that Policewoman Sadie R. O'Malley, 1895 West 71st Street, regularly is assigned to the night shift running from midnight until eight o'clock in the morning.

Policewoman Nell Hackney (colored) 8202 Cedar Avenue, was interviewed by Special Agent S. K. McKee and photographs of the three women in question were displayed to her. She identified the photographs and advised that she had talked to them at the city jail and had asked them routine questions relating to their identities and descriptions in order to fill out cards maintained at the Women's Bureau. She examined the cards relative to these women and permitted Agent to examine them and it was noted that a good portion of the information contained thereon was erroneous. This policewoman was on duty from four in the afternoon until midnight during September, 1934, and from ten at night until midnight was always in the jail in connection with women prisoners. She is still on the same shift. She advised in response to questions that she does not recall any conversations had with these women and that none of them asked her to get in touch with anybody for them or take a message out of the jail. She said she only talked with them for a very short time. She did recall that the women were still wearing what appeared to be very expensive jewelry when she talked to them and that one of them complained of having lost a diamond bracelet. She stated that on this first night of the arrest of these women the little girl, who was with one of them was being held in the Women's Bureau while she was being interviewed for information concerning the identities of the three women and any other persons in connection with them.

For use in connection with the statements made by Gladys Sawyer concerning the events which transpired in the jail, the following physical description of Policewoman Nell Hackney was obtained:

Name	-	Nell Hackney
Age	-	33 years
Height	-	5'4"
Weight	-	175 pounds in 1934
Race	-	Black
Complexion	-	Chocolate
Hair	-	Black
Occupation	-	Policewoman with Cleveland PD for five years.

The women's portion of the Cleveland City Jail was examined in connection with the statements made by Gladys Sawyer. It was noted that the entrance is by elevator on the fourth floor of the Central Police Station. Upon alighting from the elevator there is a large room with the turnkey's desk on the right. On the left is a long corridor and small offices for the matrons and small bedrooms for women prisoners open off of this corridor on the left. At the far end of the corridor on the right a long row of cells are located. It was ascertained that one of the small rooms almost immediately opposite the cell block is used for conference purposes by the policewomen. This room is small and contained two chairs and a small table. There is a showerbath in this room, separated from the room proper by a partition and curtains. Examination of this room failed to reveal any buzzer and Policewoman Hackney said she did not know of any buzzer located in the jail. There is a second room which is used for conferences or interviews, same being located about half way down the corridor. This room likewise contains several chairs and a table of a semi-circular shape. The table in the first conference room is square in shape. In the second conference room is located a buzzer with a brass covering, same being located on the wall near the doorway and on the left hand side as one leaves the room. Policewoman Hackney stated she did not know that this buzzer was in existence. Matron Marsicek, who was on duty on the night of September 18, 1936, when these observations were made advised that the buzzer had not been in working order for a good many years.

Matron Barbara Marsicek advised outside the hearing of Policewoman Hackney that Officer Albert Soukup, who is on duty at the jail, knows about Matron Mollie Bartelheim having made telephone calls for prisoners and permitted prisoners to make calls from the jail in order to obtain bond or get attorneys to come to see them. She said this man could tell plenty about the activities of Matron Bartelheim if he only would and in this connection she said he had to appear before the Safety Director in connection with charges placed against this matron on one or two occasions. She also advised that this matron had been discharged once for such activities, but had been reinstated after intervention by a city councilman. Mrs. Marsicek said the other matrons strongly resent many remarks made as to the conduct of the jail and feel that Matron Bartelheim is solely responsible for these remarks. Later interview will be had with Officer Albert Soukup for whatever information of value he may be able to supply concerning the conduct of the jail, the source of the tipoff in the instant case, and the activities of Matron Bartelheim.

Miss Mercedes H. Hurley, 10705 Lake Avenue, apartment 409, was interviewed by Special Agent C. E. Smith, and she stated that she was a policewoman of the Cleveland, Ohio Police Department and had been employed as such since March, 1931. Miss Hurley further advised that during the year and month of September, 1934, she was on jail duty, and her duties consisted of interviewing the prisoners in the women's jail each morning and securing their names and personal histories for the Bureau records, she further stated that she did not question any of the prisoners relative to the offense that they had been arrested for as some policewoman was generally assigned to the case.

Photographs of Gladys Sawyer, Wynona Burdette and Paula Harmon were exhibited to Miss Hurley and she identified them as three women who had been in jail about September 5, 1934, and who were associated with the Karpis gang. Miss Hurley further stated that she had talked a very short time with the three women the morning after their arrest inasmuch as there was considerable activity in regard to them and Miss Heidinger, another policewoman had been assigned to their case. Continuing, Miss Hurley stated that there was considerable publicity in the papers at the time the women were arrested and their true identity known and due to the fact that she had recently made out a list of the prisoners who were in jail at the time she recalled the case.

Miss Hurley was questioned as to whether she had heard any rumors of a tip off or any jewelry missing and she stated that at the time she had so little to do with the case she did not pay much attention to it, other than reading an account of it in the local papers. She further stated that she had not heard any rumors in the Women's Bureau to the effect that there had been a tip off.

Mr. Albert Soukup, 3431 East 147th Street, telephone Longacre 3148, was interviewed by Special Agent C. E. Smith and he stated that he was a patrolman in the Cleveland Police Department and had been one for the past thirty-one years, and that he was presently assigned to duty as turnkey in the jail.

When questioned as to what shift he was on duty during September, 1934, Soukup stated that he was not sure, however, when Agent exhibited photographs of Gladys Sawyer, Paula Harmon and Wynona Burdette to him, he stated that he recalled the three women, due to the publicity they received shortly after their arrest. Soukup further stated that he did not see the women brought into the jail as the women prisoners do not stop at his desk, but are brought immediately to the matrons' office, nor does he recall

going back to see them out of curiosity, stating that one quick way to get into trouble is to fool around with the female prisoners.

Soukup was questioned as to whether he had noted any policewoman or matron permitting any of the three women to use the phone inasmuch as the only telephone that could be used was on his desk, and he stated he could not recall of any one doing so. He further stated that it was practically impossible to separate prisoners in the jail and unless the turnkeys were aware that a prisoner about to be released had received a note from another prisoner, it was almost impossible to prevent information from leaking out.

Soukup was questioned as to whether he had heard any rumors in the department of a tip off and he advised that he had not, stating however, that he had heard a rumor, the source of which he did not know, that the Department of Justice was investigating the Women's Bureau in connection with the three women. Agent questioned Soukup in reference to the various matrons and if he had ever noticed any of them permitting any prisoners to call out who by the rules were not permitted to and he stated he had not and then asked Agent why Matron Mollie Bartelheim was "being picked on", and when Agent advised him that no one was being "picked on" and asked him for his reasons for asking that question. Soukup stated he had none and then confidentially advised Agent that on two occasions Mrs. Bartelheim had been on charges before former Safety Director Edwin Barry, however, he was unable to advise Agent what the basis of the charges were.

Lillian Richardson, interviewed on September 16, 1936 at Warrensville Workhouse, Cleveland, Ohio, by Special Agents R. T. Noonan and J. B. Fitzgerald, displayed a very friendly and cooperative attitude and stated that she distinctly remembers having been in the Cleveland City Jail on September 5, 1934, when the Sawyer, Harmon and Burdette women were brought in after having been arrested at the Cleveland Hotel for creating a disturbance. She stated that she remembers these women in particular because of the fact that they were all very well dressed and wore considerable diamond jewelry. She stated that she has been in this jail a great many times and has never seen women brought in who were so expensively attired, therefore, she took particular notice of them.

Lillian Richardson related that these women were quite intoxicated upon arrival in her cell block between five and six P. M. and that she was released at six o'clock, or shortly thereafter; that these women stayed by themselves, said very few words to any of the other inmates and complained about the loss of a diamond bracelet immediately upon arrival. They raved about being Cleveland women and that their husbands would "raise" the dickens when they learned of the arrests and one woman talked a lot about her baby girl.

Agents exposed to the view of Lillian Richardson photographs of Gladys Sawyer, Paula Harmon and Wynona Burdette, which were immediately recognized and positively identified as photographs of the three women she had referred to and said that Gladys Sawyer was the one who talked about her little girl, who was picked up with her by the police. Lillian said that these women asked for no one, mentioned no local persons and would not even tell their names while she was there.

She stated that she was released about one-half hour after these women arrived and when she left she asked if she "could do anything for anyone when she got on the outside", but none of the prisoners answered her and she carried out no message for anyone although she frankly stated that she would have delivered a message to any person outside if any of the girls had requested her to do so. She said she knows of no one visiting these women and of no message having been carried out for them. Lillian Richardson stated that one of these women, identified by photograph as Paula Harmon, said that her husband was a gambler, but did not say where he was located or anything about him. She further stated that she knows about five girls who were in this jail at the time in question, but that all of them are drifters and have gone from Cleveland to parts unknown except a Doris Gray, who still resides in Cleveland. This Doris Gray has previously been interviewed by Agents relative to instant matter as reported elsewhere in this report.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents J. B. Fitzgerald and R. T. Noonan:

Doris Gray, whom the police records show, was picked up for investigation on September 6, 1934, with address 1854 East 19th Street, was located at 1795 East 19th Street, the Euclid Hall Apartments. It is noted on additional police reports that

this woman was arrested on September 4, 1934, at 9:25 P. M., suspected of street soliciting and was released at six P. M., September 5, 1934. When interviewed, this woman stated that she was picked up twice during the early part of September, 1934, and recalls that shortly after her first arrest and while she was still in jail the three women whom she readily identified from photographs as Paula Harmon, Wynona Bardette, and Mrs. Harry Sawyer, were brought into the jail, and she heard that they had been picked up in the Cleveland Hotel for creating a disturbance. Doris Gray stated that she talked to one of the women shortly after they were brought in and it is noted that before the photographs of these women were shown to Doris Gray stated that she talked to one of the women shortly after they were brought in and it is noted that before the photographs of these women were shown to Doris Gray she gave the name of the woman she talked to as "Mrs. Masterson." The matron, who was on duty that night told Doris Gray that these women had a lot of money and many diamond rings. The woman identified as Paula Harmon (Mrs. Matterson) by Doris Gray told her that she had a diamond bracelet when she was picked up, but that someone took it. The matron told Doris Gray that one of the detectives who made the arrest told her, the matron, that this woman threw the bracelet out of the car on the way to the station.

Doris Gray further stated that these three women stayed by themselves and did not talk to the others in the jail, and that the small one who talked to her was the only one who talked at all. This woman, identified as Paula Harmon, told that she had a little girl five years of age, who was picked up with them and she was worried about what had happened to the girl. Doris Gray stated that she did not take any message out of the jail for any of these women and knows of no one who did. A girl friend by the name of Lillian Richardson was also in jail at the same time and she feels certain that this girl did not take any message out for these women. It is noted that when interviewed at the workhouse later Lillian Richardson told much the same story as Doris Gray.

It was further stated by Doris Gray that she did not hear any of these women ask for anyone, did not see anyone visit them and did not hear any request for an attorney. She stated that she was released the same evening that these women were brought in and she was picked up again a couple of days later and these women were still there. However, on this latter occasion she did not talk to them at all.

Through Doris Gray it was learned that Molly Conley, who formerly resided at 1795 East 19th Street, and was picked up on September 7, 1934, for investigation was now in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, address unknown.

Efforts were made to locate a Dorothy Dean, who was picked up on September 6, 1934, for investigation, with addresses 1854 and 1830 East 19th Street. Inquiry at 1830 East 19th Street of Mrs. Barker, manager, revealed she did not know this woman. Mrs. Barker, however, found on her records one D. Dean registered at this place and occupied suite 226 from September 4 to 6, 1934. She could furnish no other information. Mr. Little, manager of the apartment house at 1854 East 19th Street had no record of this woman ever being there. Doris Gray, when interviewed stated that she knew this girl some time ago, but that Dorothy Dean went to Chicago a long time ago and that her address there is not known. It is noted that a Mrs. Dorothy Dean was interviewed at 1914 East 101st Street, and it was determined that she was not the Dorothy Dean sought, as she is a high type woman and has resided at her present address for ten years.

It is also noted that Anna Morton and Bernice Lee, both white girls, were picked up on September 7, 1934, for investigation and gave the address of 1854 East 19th Street. Mr. Little, manager of the apartment house at this address, was unable to find any record of these two girls, and Doris Gray when questioned concerning them stated that she did not know either of them and believes that they must have used assumed names as no girls by those names were living at this address in September, 1934, when she was there.

The records of the Ohio Bell Telephone Company were checked by Special Agent A. Paul Kitchin to ascertain whether or not there was a telephone listed to any of the following addresses during the period in which the Barker-Karpis gang was residing in this city, namely, during the summer of 1934:

10515 Parkhurst Avenue;
4419 West 171st Street;
18109 Flamingo Avenue;
3973 West 140th Street;
7009 Franklin Boulevard.

The records of the above company do not reflect that there was a telephone listed to either of the above addresses during the period in question.

The following summary was prepared by Special Agent A. Paul Kitchin, relative to the log of the telephones of Ardell Quinn and the Beachcliff Building Company:

On September 14, 1936, on the telephone of Ardell Quinn, it was ascertained that Martha McGuire, a prostitute, is at present at Ardell's house.

On this same date, the maid called some woman at Garfield 0498-J, which is listed to Minnie May, 2159 East 85th Street, and asked for the telephone number of Charles Mike; she was told that it was Cherry 1850. This number is listed to Orgill-Maschke and Wickham, 1000 Guarantee Title Building.

Also on this date a girl by the name of Betsy called Ardell at 3:05 P. M., from Buffalo, New York, and asked Ardell if she could come over to her place. Ardell told her to be sure to come as she expected to be very busy during the coming American Legion Convention. Betsy stated that she would be over on this night.

During a telephone call of no consequence, Ardell was heard to state that Gypsie would arrive in Cleveland on the 18th of September. It was also ascertained from conversations on the telephone, that Dr. Marzour, who has been previously reported is evidently the dentist who handles all of the work for the Quinn house.

On September 15, 1936, in a long distance call, the point of origin not obtained, Ardell talked to one Clyda and it was learned from this conversation that both Clyda and one Helen are to arrive at Ardell's on the 17th of September to be here during the convention.

From subsequent conversations, it was learned that the Ruth, who has been previously reported as only RUTH, is Ruth Hayden and is living at the Belden Hotel. Joan Nichols, a prostitute from Chicago, Illinois, called Ardell and told her that she was in town and that she was living at the Mt. Royal Hotel, room 328, telephone Henderson 1430. She requested Ardell to call her if she could be used. While endeavoring to get some girls for a party of six or seven men who called and stated that they were coming out, Ardell called the following numbers, but received no answer: Washington 4282, which is listed to W. A. Smith; 2830 Sedgwick Road, and Garfield 8724, which is listed to Beatrice, 1898 East 82nd Street, suite 11.

On September 16, 1936, in a telephone call made by Ardell to the William Bauer Company for champagne, it was learned that Mrs. G. ~~Currier~~ is identical with Gypsie and that she was at Ardell's on this date. The champagne was ordered in her name after Ardell conferred with her. This is the party who was to arrive from Dallas, Texas, on the night of September 15th, on the New York Central, at 11:30 P. M., but did not arrive on the specified time.

On the same date, Ardell told one Benny, telephonically, that Gladys would arrive on September 17th for an indefinite stay. One ~~Flo~~ also called Ardell and told her that she had arrived in town and would be "out on the job tonight."

On September 17, 1936, it was ascertained that Joe Ganim is going into the bookie business with French. The full name of French and the address of his establishment has been previously reported. The same Flo, mentioned above, called Ardell and told her that she was at Gertrude's place, phone Garfield 6982-J, and would be there for a few days. This phone is listed to Mrs. Gertrude Wright, 1822 Crawford Road, and is evidently a house of prostitution. On this same date, Alice called Ardell and told her that she had a new telephone number which was given as Cedar 6429-J. This number is listed in the name of Val Bowers, 2064 East 88th Street, suite 12. On this same day, it was ascertained that Kate Weisenberg was again at Ardell's.

On September 18, 1936, Ardell called Kate Weisenberg at the Mayfair Casino and insisted that she be furnished with two more twenty-five cent play slot machines. After some hesitancy, Kate agreed to send them to her on this day.

On September 19, 1936, Charles ~~Green~~, called Ardell from room 484 in the Hollenden Hotel and told her that he was in charge of the entire California delegation and that he would assist her in procuring some customers. He then ordered two girls sent down to the hotel. Jackie and Bea were sent down to this place and later called Ardell and told her that they were questioned by an officer and they both escaped arrest by a slim margin. They advised Ardell not to send any more girls out to the hotels as all the hotels were being watched.

The telephone tap on the Beachcliff Building Company has been unproductive to date. Hebebrand has not made any calls from this place, neither has he called in to this place.

In connection with the woman known only as Miss G. Currier, 1720 South Ervay Street, Dallas, Texas, to whom Ardell Quinn, Cleveland, Ohio, sent a telegram on September 8, 1936, requesting that she return to Cleveland promptly as her services were needed on September 18th, information was received from the Dallas Bureau office via teletype on September 15, 1936, that the woman had left Dallas on the previous day and would probably arrive in Cleveland, Ohio, via New York Central Railroad from St. Louis, Missouri, at 11:20 P. M., September 15, 1936. Description of this individual was furnished as follows:

Age	-	27 years
Height	-	5'3"
Weight	-	118 pounds
Eyes	-	Blue
Hair	-	Very dark brown
Build	-	Slender

It was ascertained that the only New York Central Railroad train arriving in Cleveland from St. Louis at night is #24 arriving at 11:30 P. M. There is a train #124 arriving at 11:20 P. M. from Cincinnati.

Special Agents A. P. Kitchen and R. T. Noonan boarded train #24 at Linndale, Ohio, a short distance outside of Cleveland, but failed to notice any woman answering the description of the woman in question. The Pullman conductor and railroad conductor on this train were contacted and it was learned that there was no woman passenger on board travelling from Dallas, Texas. There was only one passenger from Dallas and this individual was a man. Special Agents S. K. McKee and L. Levin were located in Terminal station in order to observe this woman and secure the license number of the taxi in which she left the station, and Special Agents J. E. Brennan and W. B. Matney were located in their hotel room, which is in the general neighborhood of the house of prostitution operated by the Quinn woman, in order to receive a telephone call from one of the Agents at the station and then observe the taxi in question deliver the girl to the Quinn house. It was not deemed advisable to attempt to trail the taxi of this woman from the Terminal inasmuch as the telephone tap on the Quinn phone has indicated that she has very friendly contacts with the Yellow Cab Company, which has the franchise at Terminal station, and as the various cab drivers know her place well from making frequent trips there.

All passengers arriving on New York Central trains numbers 24 and 124 were observed by the Agents at the Terminal as they came up the ramp from the platform to the station lobby, but no woman who even approximated the description of the woman involved herein was noticed.

A teletype was transmitted to the Dallas Bureau office on the morning of September 16, 1936, requesting that information as to this woman, including the name used by her in making Pullman reservations at Dallas, be furnished the St. Louis Bureau office with a request that Pullman reservations from St. Louis to Cleveland be checked through the date of September 17th, for the name of this woman in order that information as to her arrival time in Cleveland might be available to the Cleveland Bureau office for surveillance purposes. The Dallas office was also requested to expedite their report on this matter so the results might be available for further investigation to be conducted here.

Referring to report of Special Agent S. K. McKee, dated at Cleveland, Ohio, September 15, 1936, page 65, relating to the telephone call made by Ardell Quinn to police headquarters wherein she asked Captain Aufmuth to call at her place on the evening of September 9, 1936, Special Agents S. K. McKee and J. E. Brennan covered the residence of Ardell Quinn from eight P. M. until one A. M., September 10, 1936, and made notations of license numbers of automobiles stopping in the vicinity of her house at 1916 East 84th Street.

Check of the automobile registrations in Cleveland on the numbers obtained revealed the following:

Ohio JT 447 was issued to Fred Jersa, 4139 E. 131st St., on a Plymouth sedan;
JC 921 was issued to Lola E. Boyd, 2481 Edgemoor Road, Cleveland Heights, on an Oldsmobile coupe;
FE 553 was issued to William Katz, 540 E. 105th Street, on a Plymouth sedan;
EE 297 was issued to Bennett Rose, 413 E. 118th Street, on a Chevrolet sedan;
CE 849 was issued to John H. Thomas, 1633 Bryn Mawr Avenue, East Cleveland, on a Plymouth sedan.

Ohio license numbers TS 16, AS 584, and AQ 849, are not listed in the files of the Auto Registration Bureau at Cleveland, therefore a communication is being directed to the Cincinnati office requesting that the names and addresses to whom these licenses are issued be furnished.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS

The CLEVELAND OFFICE at Cleveland, Ohio, will continue investigation to locate and interview all persons connected with the Harvard Club during the summer of 1934, and later, in order to secure evidence showing knowledge on part of Hebebrand, Patton, and others that Karpis, et al, were fugitives this case.

At Toledo, Ohio, will secure information through the police department relating to "Pug" Smith, this investigation having been previously requested by memorandum. Will also locate and interview Bill Arris, possibly Harris, said to be employed at the Dugout, inasmuch as he may be the dealer named BILL, who introduced Karpis and Harrison to Charles Sellers at the speakeasy near the Harvard Club in 1934. This investigation has also been requested in memorandum form.

Investigation in other field office districts which is desired in connection with the Cleveland harboring situation is being requested in letter form.

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

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Laboratory Report

Case: **BRAND.**

September 25, 1936.

Number: **7-576-12857**

Specimens: The following evidence consists of registration sheets of The Hotel Alg
 Q1. Sheet bearing names of J. D. Adams and wife and W. J. Harrison under dates
 of February 11, 1934. (#9829 and #9830).
 Q2. Sheet bearing registration of W. J. Harrison - (Sisters) under date of
 January 27, 1934. (#9596).
 Q3. Sheet bearing registration of Miss R. S. Greenwood under date of
 September 6, 1934. (#3819).
 Q4. Sheet bearing registrations of W. J. Harrison and T. C. Blackburn under
 date of February 20, 1934. (#9970 and #9970).
 Examination requested by: **Cleveland**

Date received: **9-18-36**Examination requested: **Document**

Result of examination:

Examination by: **Appel**

By a comparison of the known signatures of W. J. Harrison, #FBI-727007,
 with the questioned specimens Q1, Q2 and Q4 it is believed that the signature
 "W. J. Harrison, Hammond, Indiana", was written by him. It is also believed
 that the words "Hammond, Indiana" on the registration of J. D. Adams and wife
 were written by W. J. Harrison. No conclusion can be made as to J. D. Adams
 and wife for the reason that there are no known specimens which are comparable
 with these words, but as stated the "Hammond, Indiana" which appears after
 these words is believed to have been written by the person who wrote the other
 registration on this page and the registrations on the other specimens, Q2 and
 Q4.

With reference to Q3 the registration of Miss R. S. Greenwood,
 Cleveland, no conclusion was made, there being only the signature on the
 fingerprint card of Dolores DeLaney, #FBI-877718.

The registration "T. C. Blackburn" on specimen Q4 is believed to
 have been written by Fred Barker. This registration is also similar to that
 on registrations of other hotels previously submitted and previously identified
 with the writing of Fred Barker.

As requested the original registration sheets are returned herewith,
 photographic copies having been made for the completion of the Bureau's files.

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Mr. J. P. MacFarland,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
1448 Standard Building,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Re: BREXID.

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
September 18, 1936.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure:

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Cincinnati, Ohio**

FILE NO.

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REPORT MADE AT: Salt Lake City, Utah	DATE WHEN MADE: 9-24-36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 9-18-36	REPORT MADE BY: VAL C. ZILBES
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: Stop notices placed in Utah and Nevada on 1933 Ford Coupe, Motor 18-429014 withdrawn. Stop notices with Motor Vehicle Bureaus in Utah and Nevada pending for Ford Tudor sedan, Motor 2044337 and Plymouth sedan, Motor PJ 322772.			
P.			
REFERENCE: Letter from Cleveland Office, 9-12-36.			
DETAILS: AT SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH.			
<p>On receipt of reference letter communications were directed to the Motor vehicle Bureaus of the States of Utah and Nevada requesting that the stop notice which had been filed previously by the Salt Lake City Office against 1933 Standard Ford Coupe, Motor 18-429014, be withdrawn, inasmuch as such car had been located at Toledo, Ohio.</p> <p>An examination of this file in the Salt Lake City Office indicates</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>[Signature]</i>		SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	
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that at the present time stop notices are pending with the Motor Vehicle Bureaus in Utah and Nevada for the following cars:

Ford Tudor sedan, Motor 2044337
Plymouth Sedan, Motor PJ 322772, Serial 2619857.

There appear to be no leads outstanding in the territory covered by the Salt Lake City Office other than the above mentioned wanted notices, and this case is accordingly being kept pending awaiting results on such stop notices.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box #1469,
Little Rock, Arkansas,
September 25th, 1936.

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

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

With reference to the exhibits
in the above entitled case which were returned to this
office and referred to in Bureau communication of July
31st, 1936, (7-576), you are advised that I have
contacted Mr. E. F. Woodcock, the son of the owner
and also Manager of the property at Camp Fairchild
on Lake Catherine near Hot Springs, Arkansas, from
which these articles were taken for transmittal to
the Bureau and Mr. Woodcock has informed me that this
property is of no value to him and he does not desire
its return.

In view of the above and the fact
that this property is not considered of value as
evidence in this case, the advice of the Bureau is
requested as to whether it would be proper to destroy
the same.

Very truly yours,

Chapman Fletcher
CHAPMAN FLETCHER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Little Rock, Arkansas.

RE: BREXID.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated September 28, 1936, in which you advise that Mr. E. P. Woodcock does not desire the return of the articles which were obtained from the house near Hot Springs, Arkansas, which house was formerly occupied by Alvin Karpis and others of his associates.

As this property has no evidentiary value in further prosecutions which might be had in this case, the Bureau authorizes you to destroy these articles.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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NIGHT LETTER

CLEVELAND OHIO
September 22, 1936.

E. J. Connelley
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
1130 Enquirer Building
Cincinnati, Ohio

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BREKID HUDSON COUPE MOTOR SIX EIGHT NAUGHT TWO ONE SERIAL FIVE FOUR SIX SIX TWO
NINE SOLD HARRY CAMPBELL UNDER NAME CHARLES MILLER SEPTEMBER SIXTEENTH THIRTY
FIVE BY MANING MARCO COMPANY YOUNGSTOWN STOP ADVISE ALL AVAILABLE DATA THIS
CAR ON FILE MOTOR BUREAU COLUMBUS

MAC FARLAND

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box #1469,
Little Rock, Arkansas,
September 25th, 1936.

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

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

In accordance with request contained in my letter of June 6th, 1936, in the above entitled case, the advice of the Bureau is requested as to whether I may now dispose of the ~~the~~ cartridges taken from the drum and clip of the machine guns which were the property of Subjects of this investigation and which were transmitted to the Bureau in accordance with my letter above referred to.

Very truly yours,

Chapman Fletcher
CHAPMAN FLETCHER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Special Agent in Charge

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October 2, 1936

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Special Agent in Charge,
Little Rock, Arkansas.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with
aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. 1232;
ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER;
Victim; KIDNAPING; OBSTRUCTION
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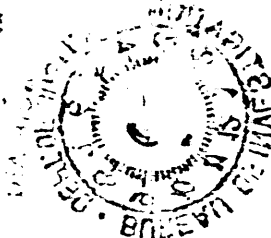
Reference is made to your letter dated
September 25, 1936, concerning the cartridges taken from the
drum and clip of the machine guns which were the property
of the Subjects of this investigation.

The Bureau authorizes you to dispose of these
cartridges and suggests that these cartridges may be used
during the quarterly firearms training period.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CINCINNATI, OHIO**

FILE NO. **7-82**

REPORT MADE AT Chicago, Illinois	DATE WHEN MADE 9/26/36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 9/26/36	REPORT MADE BY CHARLES JENKINS CJ/shc
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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:

Assistant United States Attorney Austin Hall, Chicago, Illinois, advised that no definite date has been set for the trial of the case against MATTHEW GLEASON, but that it would probably be set for the latter part of October, 1936.

REFERENCE: Bureau telegram dated September 24, 1936.

DETAILS:

At Chicago, Illinois.

Agent conferred with Assistant United States Attorney Austin Hall, Chicago, Illinois, with reference to the trial of the case against MATTHEW GLEASON. Mr. Hall advised that no definite date has as yet been set for the trial of this case but it is expected that it would be set for the latter part of October, 1936.

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<p>APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>[Signature]</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE</p> <p>COPIES OF THIS REPORT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3 Bureau 2 Cincinnati 2 Cleveland 2 St. Paul 2 Chicago 	<p>DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES</p> <p style="font-size: 2em; text-align: center;">7 576-12933</p> <p style="text-align: right;">SEP 28 1936</p> <p style="text-align: right;">OCT 1 1936</p>
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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

September 25, 1936

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

Dear Sir:

RE: BREXID

On September 24, 1936, on authority of Inspector E. J. Connelley, the tap on the telephone of the ~~Amusement~~ Game and Novelty Company, 514 Monroe Street, Toledo, Ohio, Main 5412, was discontinued.

Very truly yours,

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

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

404 New York Building

Saint Paul, Minnesota

September 25, 1936

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Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

BREKID

Mr. R. E. Melton, Special Agent, Intelligence Unit, Internal Revenue, and Deputy Collector M. S. Hartsinck, both of St. Paul, Minnesota, called at this office September 24, 1936. They advised that they had received a call from Charles W. Montrose, Room 308 Frederick Hotel, St. Paul, on September 24, 1936 advising that he had some very confidential information to impart. Accordingly, they called upon him at his room early that morning and were advised that he had information pertaining to the Lindbergh and the Brekid cases. They informed him that both cases were beyond their jurisdiction and were under the jurisdiction of this Bureau.

I informed Mr. Melton and Mr. Hartsinck that any information pertaining to the Lindbergh case should properly be forwarded to the New Jersey State Police, but that we are interested in any facts pertaining to the Brekid case.

Accordingly, Special Agent H. A. Loughran proceeded to the Frederick Hotel, where Montrose was found in his room. He was courteously invited to come to this office for a discussion of any information he may have in the Brekid case. Upon his arrival it was noted that he was a rather picturesque figure who wears a black cowboy hat and fancy leather-tipped boots. He appeared to be in a slightly intoxicated condition at the time of his call.

He advised that about seven years ago he and two other employees of the Detroit Times, Detroit, Michigan, were sentenced to the State Penitentiary in Michigan for conversion of funds, which was the outgrowth of his and the other two employees investigation of the selling of pardons and paroles by the then Governor Grosbeck and a Mr. God, whom he now claims is the Chief Probation Officer under Sanford Bates, Director of the Bureau of Prisons. Montrose stated he served

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his seven years in the penitentiary at Jackson, Michigan, while the other two individuals went to Marquette. He declined to furnish their names, and was somewhat reticent about the whole affair.

When queried as to the information that he possessed in the Brekid case, he stated that on the night of September 23, 1936 some individual about 35 years old, five feet, six inches tall, 175 pounds, brown hair, and well dressed, occupation - salesman, named "Joe", advised him he was a former gangster and that he was implicated in the gang which had kidnaped Bremer and which gang had been located through an airplane observed by the victim. It is obvious that the case referred to is the Ureschel case rather than the Bremer case.

Montrose had no further information on this angle and branched off into the Lindbergh case, stating that the Bureau was not interested in determining the true solution of that case, advising that about a year ago in San Francisco he had communicated with the office out there and had been told by it that it was not interested and that any information he possessed should be referred to the New Jersey State Police. He advised that our Portland Office had made the same statement to him.

Montrose advised that he is the publicity man for the O T O De's Ranch, located near Livingston, Montana. I recall that the results of an interview with him by a reporter of the St. Paul Daily News had been carried in that paper on September 23, 1936. Montrose stated he intended to go from here to Chicago and then to Washington, where he planned to extend an invitation to the Director to do some big game hunting this Fall on that ranch.

Montrose appears to be a decidedly unreliable individual and of the type that would endeavor to secure money under the pretense of furnishing information in any case that the Bureau might be interested in.

Very truly yours,
C. W. Stein
C. W. STEIN
Special Agent in Charge

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PHONE. BREKID. RETEL SEPTEMBER TWENTY SECOND HUDSON COUPE MOTOR

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SALE FILED YOUNGSTOWN NUMBER THREE NINE NAUGHT ONE FOUR SIX.

THIS CAR REGISTERED NINETEEN THIRTY SIX IN NAME OF MRS EVELYN MCKAY

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ST. PAUL DISPATCH

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MOB ESCAPES AS COPS DALLY, DRIFT OF QUIZ

Ousted Sleuth Tells of Hand-
ing Shells to Sawyer Leav-
ing Chief's Office.

BARKER-KARPIS GANG 'HIDEOUT' DESCRIBED

Thomas A. Brown, former police
chief was linked today with two al-
leged tip-offs of impending raids on
former "hideouts" of the Barker-
Karpis kidnap gang.

It was done in testimony which
Edna "Rabbit" Murray, "kissing
bandit" and Fred Raasch, ousted
St. Paul detective, gave today in
the hearing on the ouster of Brown
as a detective. Miss Murray's testi-
mony was in the form of a deposi-
tion.

RAASCH TESTIFIES.

Raasch, convicted of malfeasance
in office and at liberty on \$1,000
bond pending appeal of his case,
testified he was delayed more than
three hours at the police station the
morning of April 25, 1932, before
he was ordered to "raid" a residence
at 1031 South Robert street, St. Paul.
The mobsters had fled the "hideout"
he reported to Chief Brown, and
brought back a number of shotgun
shells which he gave to Harry Saw-
yer, whom he met outside Brown's
office, Raasch testified.

Raasch described how he was de-
tained at police headquarters before
he was told to accompany a West
St. Paul resident, Nick Henegraf,
to the West St. Paul address for the
raid.

"Harry Sawyer said to me, 'Do
you know what I want these shells
for?'" Raasch testified. "I said,
'No, I suppose they're for a gun
you have.' He then said that he
wanted to give these people their
stuff back and to show them he
was all right."

Sawyer is serving a life term in
Alcatraz prison for participation in
the \$200,000 kidnaping of Edward
G. Bremer, St. Paul banker, on
January 17, 1934. The city charges
that Brown betrayed police secrets
to the Barker-Karpis mob during
the period Bremer and William
Hamm, kidnaped June 15, 1933,
were being held by the Barker-
Karpis kidnap mob. A statutory
board of appeals is hearing the
case.

TIP TO MOB ALLEGED.

The city today attempted to show
that after Henegraf, now dead,
came to Brown's office with a "tip"
that Alvin Karpis, former No. 1
public enemy, and one of the no-
torious Barker brothers, inhabited
the West St. Paul residence, the
former police chief was responsible
for information being relayed to

the gangsters to flee the house. The
city alleges that Brown relayed in-
formation of police maneuvers to
Sawyer and that he in turn "tipped
off" members of his gang.

SERVING 25-YEAR TERM.

Miss Murray, serving a 25-year
term in state prison at Jefferson
City, Mo., related in her deposition
"tip" she received from Fred
Rarger, now dead, that Brown had
warned Sawyer that a raid was
contemplated on a person in the
Edgumbe apartments, Lexington
avenue and Osceola street.

The deposition of Miss Murray
relates contacts with Harry Saw-
yer and members of the Barker-
Karpis gang during the last half
of 1933 at two of which Brown was
present.

During one of the meetings, at
the rear of Sawyer's saloon on Wa-
basha street, George (Baby Face)
Velson, Dillinger gangster, drove
up as Brown talked with Sawyer,
according to Miss Murray.

In December, 1933, Miss Murray
said in her disposition, she and
Volney Davis returned to St. Paul
from Reno, Nev., with other mem-
bers of the gang. She and Davis
took an apartment in the Edg-
cumbe apartments, Osceola and
Lexington avenues. It was at that
apartment, she testified, that the
tip-off regarding the raid was given
by Brown to Sawyer. She had
been asked if she spent any nights
away from the apartment, and re-
plied she had spent one away.
Asked regarding the circumstan-
ces, she said.

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Mr. Quinn
Mr. Schilder
Mr. Tracy
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"Fred Barker came to my apartment about 4 o'clock in the evening and he was alone. Him and Harry Campbell. He told me a few things and I said I should get out of the apartment for that night, they are coming out to raid somebody in the building, so I left. I will repeat it as he said it. He said that Brown called Sawyer or went out to Sawyer's and asked Sawyer if it was any of his gang living in the Edgumbe apartments, and if it was he better have them get out because they are coming out to investigate a man that lived in the building."

Lewis L. Anderson, counsel for Brown, vigorously protested the line of questioning by Hilary J. Flynn, assistant city corporation counsel, but defense objections were repeatedly overruled. Brown was not present this morning during the hearing, which is before a statutory board.

Flynn questioned Raasch:

Q. Did you have a conversation with Henegraf the morning of April 25, 1932?

A. Yes.

Q. Was it with reference to police work?

A. Yes. He showed me a detective magazine with a picture of

Karpis and one of the Barkers. Henegraf said he had been at the station quite a while to get someone to go over to that house. He said the house next door to him was occupied by Karpis and Barker. He said at first he thought they were musicians because they were carrying violin cases. He said after seeing their pictures in the magazine and that they were wanted for murder in Missouri he decided to go to police.

Q. Was there any further conversation?

TALKED TO CRUMLEY.

A. Henegraf wanted to know if I would go. I said I would go if the boss told me to go. I went in and talked to Jim Crumley (ousted detective inspector). We then went up to the showup room, Crumley and I. We stayed there about 20 minutes.

Q. What happened then?

A. Crumley did not go right down. I stopped to talk to this fellow.

Q. How long were you down there before anything else happened?

A. About fifteen minutes later the telephone rang. He called Nick Henegraf in. He then came out and said his mother called and said those people who had rented the home were moving. We stood around and talked. He was excited. Then Brown came down.

Q. How long afterward did Tom Brown come in?

A. About fifteen minutes afterward.

Q. What happened when Brown came in?

A. I took Henegraf in and told him Brown was chief. I walked away because I figured I would get hell from Brown if I stayed around. I was standing just outside Brown's door when Brown came out and said: "You better get away from that guy." I then went upstairs and stayed until about 11 o'clock. Crumley came down and said he wanted me to go to the West Side. He told me to take a partner along. I could not find my partner so I had to broadcast over the loudspeaker in the building. We took a police car and when we got there at the West St. Paul address we accidentally met the chief of police of West St. Paul. He asked us if we would go to the house.

Q. What did you find at the house?

RADIO STILL PLAYING.

A. The doors were open. The radio was still playing. There were coats, hats, shoes and shotgun shells—about seven, eight or nine shells. I put them in my pocket. After we looked around we left the West St. Paul chief there and went back to the police station. I told it to Crumley. He said: "You better tell it to the chief." As I came into an ante-room Sawyer came walking out of Brown's office. Harry Sawyer then asked me if I had been down there and remarked, "It was clean, wasn't it?" I told him the parties were gone. I took out the box of

shells, and he said "give me those shells." I gave them to him and then he said, "Do you know what I want these for?" I said, "No, I suppose you have a gun." He said, "No, I want to give these people their stuff back to show them we are all right." I went into Brown's office. I told him there was no one there. He mumbled "all right" and I walked out.

Q. Did you see Sawyer coming out of Brown's office?

A. Yes.

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BROWN HEARING

CITY ATT. JOHN CONNOLLY and his assistants have done a good job of probing into the financial transactions of Thomas A. Brown, dismissed detective.

His admission under their questioning that he exchanged a \$1,000 bill in a St. Paul bank in 1933 or 1934; that he made loans of \$3,300 and \$750 (the latter to Thomas E. Dahill, former chief); that he turned in \$900 in gold for currency under the gold-hording order; that he made various small loans of from \$100 to \$500 to individuals; and that he used three safety deposit boxes is likely to be regarded as the most damaging evidence yet submitted to the civil service board.

This is especially true in view of Brown's admission that save for the two years he was chief, his salary as a member of the force never exceeded \$178 a month. He may, of course, have an explanation for this comparative affluence but it will have to be convincing to offset the unfavorable impression.

In Brown's favor it must be admitted that most of the evidence against him has come from men who take little trouble to conceal their personal animosity. These include former Chief Dahill, James P. Crumley, ousted inspector, and Fred Raasch, ousted detective.

Inasmuch as the hearing is before a civil court, the city's case would be strengthened, it seems to us, if there was less resort to technical objections to the admission of testimony, even though this testimony might be favorable to Brown.

The real purpose of the civil service hearing is to determine Brown's fitness or unfitness to be a police officer. The board's hearing, we believe, should be more in the nature of a fact-finding body than a highly technical court of law.

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1130 Enquirer Building
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September 25, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Re: BREXID.

Dear Sir:

Chas. J. Connelley

Replying to your telegraphic request of September 22, 1936, and confirming teletype from the Cincinnati Office on this date relative to Salson Coupe, Motor #68021, serial #546629 which was sold to Harry Campbell under the name of Charles Miller on September 15, 1935, by the Maning Marine Company at Youngstown, Ohio, I wish to advise that Special Agent J. A. Cimperman of this office has inspected the files of the Bureau of Motor Vehicles, Columbus, Ohio, and finds that the instant automobile was registered in 1935 under license H-85-5 in the name of Charles Miller, 6604 Pearl Street, Youngstown, Ohio. This license was issued September 17, 1935, and the application indicates that this was the date of the purchase of the car, as a new car. The Bill of Sale filed on this transaction is indicated as being Mahoning County, Youngstown, Ohio, #390145.

The records for 1936 indicate that this same car was registered under license J-64-B in the name of Mrs. Evelyn McKay, 1120 Victor Avenue, Youngstown, Ohio, Bill of Sale file, Mahoning County, Youngstown, Ohio, #406764. The application indicates this car was purchased by Mrs. McKay on March 17, 1936.

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Very truly yours,

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R. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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501 Healey Building,
Atlanta, Georgia,
September 25, 1936.

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Mr. W. L. Joiner, Director,
Motor Vehicle License Bureau,
109 State Capitol Building,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID.

Please examine your records and advise me if there is registered in the State of Georgia, a 1934 Ford Deluxe Coupe, motor #18-1615253.

In the event that this car is found to be registered with the Bureau it would be appreciated if you will furnish complete data as to the registration of same. If no registration is found, kindly place a stop notice against the car in order that this office may be notified if it is registered at any time in the future.

Thanking you for your cooperation in this and past instances,

I am

Very truly yours,

E. E. CONROY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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CRUMLEY TALKS BARRED FROM BROWN DEFENSE

Board Rules Out Attempt to
Link Ousted Sleuth With
Karpis Tipoff.

ALCORN AND W. ST. PAUL
POLICE CHIEF TESTIFY

Climaxing a heated legal argument, defense attempts to link James P. Crumley, ousted detective, with the tipoff of Barker-Karpis gangsters at 1031 South Robert street in April, 1932, were balked by a ruling of the statutory board of appeals sitting in the Thomas A. Brown dismissal hearing Wednesday.

The city claims it was Brown, then chief of police, who informed Freddie Barker and Alvin Karpis of an impending raid on their "hide-out" on South Robert street, but Lewis I. Anderson, Brown's counsel, fought vainly to write into the records an alleged conversation between Crumley and Truman Alcorn, former South St. Paul police chief.

Arguing he was entitled to have Alcorn, who was on the stand at the time, repeat his alleged conversations with Crumley, Anderson emphatically declared:

"I propose to show that Mr. Crumley at 2 o'clock the afternoon of April 25, 1932, called this witness (Alcorn) and said: 'Some friends have been chased out of that place. They have been forced out. Will you please go out and see if you can recover for me some stuff they left?' At 4 o'clock he again called the same witness and asked him if he got it."

CONNOLLY OBJECTS

John L. Connolly, city corporation counsel, standing to prevent any such conversation going into the record, asserted: "I don't know the purpose of this testimony except an attempt on the part of Mr. Anderson to impeach the testimony of Mr. Crumley. Before any impeaching testimony is competent, the defense first must lay a foundation. This is entirely hearsay. We can go on, I suppose, indefinitely, with this type of testimony if it is permitted."

Anderson broke into the argument and declared, "Crumley is one of the ace witnesses for the city. He has made certain statements relative to this matter. I am asking for a conversation between the same individuals for the same date. I submit we have a right to ask this witness what he did and with whom he talked on that day and that the offer of proof I have made qualifies that conversation. The fact remains that this man's testimony will show, I believe, whose friends they were in this West Side home."

QUIZZED ON CALLS

Alcorn was South St. Paul police chief at the time of the alleged conversations with Crumley. Frustrated in attempts to have Alcorn repeat the conversations, Anderson turned to questions about the telephone calls.

Alcorn said that after receiving one of the telephone calls from Crumley he went to West St. Paul, saw Paul Brown, West St. Paul police chief, and that both of the "went up to this house where these people were supposed to have gotten out."

Anderson persisted in his attempts to have Alcorn tell of the telephone calls with Crumley.

"Mr. Connolly," he said, "has made every effort to point the finger at Mr. Brown. We want to paint an accurate picture of who actually was the interested party."

Anderson repeated his offer of proof but the board sustained Connolly's objections. Alcorn was withdrawn from the stand by Anderson.

Paul Brown, police chief of West St. Paul on April 25, 1932, when the occupants fled the South Robert

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street home, preceded Alcorn on the witness stand. He testified Nick Hennegraf, now dead, was intoxicated the three times he came to the witness home, the morning of April 25, with information he believed Karpis and Barker were living at 1031 South Robert street.

Brown testified that while driving his automobile toward St. Paul he met Detective Fred Raasch, now ousted for malfeasance in office, and Detective James Brennan.

"Raasch said to me, 'What are you all excited about?' Brown testified. He said the boys had left and that everything would be all right. He said it was all taken care of and suggested, 'Let's go up there'."

Brown added that when they came to the South Robert street home, "we went up stairs. I guess Fred Raasch picked up a box of cartridges. I said leave them there. He took them and said he would have to take them to headquarters."

Thomas C. McMahon, detective lieutenant in charge of the loop district, corroborated Thomas Brown's testimony that the latter was home the night of June 12, 1933. The city claims that this night Brown was contacted by members of the Hamm kidnaping mob then living at a Bald Eagle lake cottage.

McMahon said he visited Brown at the latter's home on the night in question, and that three other friends, William F. Henselin, one "Rudy", and Ena Benson also were there. McMahon identified copies of invoice for groceries he purchased to Brown in May, 1933, for a project, summer vacation, and the copiers placed in evidence.

Asked by McMahon about conversation with Raasch since the latter waived, McMahon asserted Raasch made statements to him about "Brown and Kinkead" (M. F. Kinkead, Ramsey county attorney) on three occasions. "He referred to them as double-crossing — — — and he'd get even with them", the witness continued.

"He went on to state all the work he did for Mike Kinkead on the West Side, distributing cards in his campaign and he'd never do it again."

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