

This witness will testify that on the day Mr. Bremer was kidnaped, January 17, 1934, she distinctly recalls that Goetz left the apartment that morning, and that this was the last time she saw him; that no one with the exception of Bryan Bolton visited Mrs. Ziegler while Mr. Ziegler was away at that time; that Irene usually went out around noon and would stay away until dinner time, and she supposed that Irene went to the movies and probably attended bridge parties on these occasions, as she was a member of various bridge clubs at that time. She will further testify that on or about January 23, 1934 Irene told her she had just received a telephone call from Springfield, Illinois from her husband and that he requested that she meet him in Springfield; that Irene drove to Springfield, Illinois that day and remained away two or three days; that upon her return to Chicago she advised her that her husband had secured a position between Springfield and St. Louis, Missouri, and that she was going to break up housekeeping and join her husband; that thereafter Irene sold all of her furniture and on January 31, 1934 everything was moved out of the apartment, and when she left on this day it was the last time she saw Irene or heard anything concerning her.

The substance of the foregoing information is contained in report of Special Agent R. D. Brown, Chicago, Illinois October 17, 1934.

DOLORES DELANEY  
Federal Detention Farm,  
Milan, Michigan.

This witness will testify that she and Alvin Karpis were living at 7153 Yates Avenue, Chicago, Illinois from the middle of December, 1934 to the middle of March, 1935; that during the month of January while residing at this address she and Alvin Karpis were visited on two or three occasions by George Ziegler, and also several times in February, 1934; that he would usually come there for breakfast on these occasions, and that it is her recollection he was always dressed in business clothes and was usually alone.

This witness will further testify that she distinctly recalls a birthday dinner given for Fred Barker some time during the middle of January, 1934, at which party there were present Mother and Fred Barker, Fred Goetz and his wife Irene, and Alvin Karpis and herself. There was also present a couple whose identity she does not know, but whom she believes were from the east, possibly New York City; that it appeared that this couple was quite friendly with Fred Goetz and Irene, and it is possible that Irene knows who they were; that during the course of the evening at

this party the subject of Willie Harrison's experience at Hammond, Indiana in that a girl jumped out of a window in Harrison's room to avoid being raped by him was freely discussed by those present.

This witness will further testify that about the middle of March, 1934 Karpis told her he was going away and would be gone for several weeks; that he took with him a small bag containing some of his clothes; that while he was away on this trip she visited Mother Barker on several occasions and on one occasion Fred Barker was present, this being a day or so before Fred Goetz was killed. (March 20, 1934); that she noticed that Fred's hands were bandaged and asked him about Alvin Karpis as she believed that they had met with some accident; that Fred told her at that time that Karpis was all right, and then remarked that Karpis and she were going to move to Toledo, Ohio. This witness will further state that Fred Barker advised her that Paula would be over to her apartment on the following day and that Paula would drive her to Toledo, Ohio where she (Dolores) was to stay with Paula until Dolores got word from either Fred Barker or Alvin Karpis as to what she was to do; that at about 8 A.M. the following morning Paula Harmon came to her apartment and while they were in the process of cleaning the apartment Mother Barker arrived, about 10 A.M., at which time she exhibited to Dolores and Paula a newspaper which carried the account of Fred Goetz' assassination; that Mother Barker told them at that time that Irene Dorsey had been to her apartment that morning and that she was to return later that day. Dolores will testify that she thereafter accompanied Mother Barker to her apartment and within fifteen minutes Irene Goetz came in; that Dolores asked her if she needed any money and Irene replied that she did not, stating that Mother Barker had already given her some; that Irene remained about an hour and spoke to Mother Barker none of which conversation Dolores was able to overhear; that Irene then left stating she would return later; that Dolores Delaney returned to her apartment at 7133 Yates Avenue where she and Paula completed their packing and at about 1 o'clock in the morning she and Paula left Chicago for Toledo, Ohio in Fred Barker's Ford coupe.

#### CRIMINAL RECORD:

The records of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. fail to disclose any previous criminal record for Irene Dorsey.

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February 8, 1936.

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Dear Sir:

connection with the investigation being made, in the past looking to the possible apprehension of Harry Campbell and Alvin Karpis, various leads and possibilities have been indicated for your office and it is imperative that these be carefully reviewed and direct, positive action taken at this time in an endeavor to determine whether or not Harry Campbell and possibly Alvin Karpis are now in contact with any of their past known associates, contacts, etc., in the states of Missouri and Kansas.

With the above in mind, it is suggested that the file in your office be carefully reviewed and every possible lead immediately renewed and carried through to a logical conclusion and followed up from time to time until Harry Campbell and Alvin Karpis are located.

The same situation, as above indicated, should be followed by the Oklahoma City office, with particular reference to the leads in the state of Oklahoma.

For your information, the Post Office Inspector assigned to the investigation of the robbery of a mail train at Carrettsville, Ohio on November 7, 1935, at the present time has four additional inspectors assigned to work under his supervision, and it is believed that they are now in the vicinity of Oklahoma, Missouri, and Kansas. Inasmuch as they believe that possibly Harry Campbell and Alvin Karpis are involved in the above robbery they are, of course, following out any and all possible leads looking to the apprehension of these two individuals, and the inspector here at Cleveland, Ohio has indicated that it will give him considerable satisfaction to apprehend these two individuals before we are able to do so.

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The possible connection of these two subjects with the Carrettsville train robbery has some creditable basis for the reason that Milton Lett, who has previously been indicated as a contact for Harry Campbell, is supposed to have purchased at Cleveland, OH.

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Ohio, on October 25, 1935, the automobile that was used in the robbery itself. Also, the Post Office Inspectors indicated that they have a possible identification of Sam Coker, who has been previously mentioned in this file as a possible contact of Campbell and Karpis.

The Post Office Inspectors, as I have above indicated, are making every possible effort to locate these two subjects and are very liberal in offers of money for information leading to their location, these offers being in addition to the usual reward of \$2,000 given for information furnished by anyone which will lead to the apprehension of the person or persons responsible for a mail robbery.

Very truly yours,

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E. J. CONNELLEY  
Special Agent in Charge.

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February 8, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Detroit, Michigan.

Re: BREKID

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Dear Sir:

Recently when in St. Paul, Dolores Delaney furnished information indicating that a small tavern had been frequented by herself, Alvin Karpis, and William Harrison during the summer of 1934. She explained that this tavern was reached by going out Euclid Avenue, over a bridge in the downtown district, to a point just beyond the bridge where the road turned to the right, this tavern being located on the corner of the street, to the right, as you turned off what she referred to as Euclid Avenue.

In this connection, Euclid Avenue ends at the Union Terminal and the street which proceeds across the bridge would be Superior Avenue. However, it is believed that this latter street is the one she refers to and, with this in mind, we have prepared a diagram upon which is indicated in red what we believe to be the location to which she refers, which is 2460 Superior Avenue, West, and is operated by a person by the name of William Parker, who has been there since July, 1934. We have also taken a number of pictures of this place, which are enclosed herewith, together with the diagram. The points from which the pictures were taken are indicated on the diagram itself.

Please exhibit the diagram and pictures to Dolores Delaney and ascertain whether or not she can identify them as the place to which she refers. If this is not the place, have her furnish more intimate details by which we may be able to locate this place in Cleveland, Ohio.

Very truly yours,

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K. J. CONNELLEY  
Special Agent in Charge.

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1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

October 16, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

RE: BURKID

Reference is made to letter of Inspector E. J. Connelley to the Louisville office dated October 12, 1936, in which certain investigation was requested as to Benson Groves. Reference is also made to letter to the Cleveland office from the Chicago office under date of October 13, 1936, referring to investigation conducted concerning Groves at Hammond, Indiana.

It is noted that Mrs. Ida <sup>V</sup> Fryar of Hammond, Indiana, a sister of Groves, recently went to Dayton, Ohio, to attend the funeral of Charles Sprout, her uncle. Previous data concerning Groves also indicates that he was sentenced from the U. S. District Court at Dayton, Ohio, on a mail robbery charge.

It is desired that you conduct immediate investigation at Dayton, Ohio, to learn the connections of Groves in the city and to obtain information which will assist in his apprehension. Your office is in possession of all serials relating to this individual. I am transmitting herewith a photograph of Benson Groves for your use in this investigation.

Very truly yours,

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Re: Brekid

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith is a copy of an indictment which was returned by the U. S. Grand Jury for the Eastern District of Louisiana, New Orleans, La. on May 27, 1936, charging Fred John Hunter with the crime of conspiracy to harbor a fugitive from justice, namely Alvin Karpis.

In confirmation of my telegram of even date, you are advised that Fred John Hunter entered a plea of guilty in the U. S. District Court at New Orleans on May 27, 1936, and on the same date was sentenced to two years in a Federal penitentiary for the crime described in this indictment.

Very truly yours,

R. L. Tollett,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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REPORT MADE AT <b>Cleveland, Ohio</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>10/17/36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>10/3, 7, 8 to 15/36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>J. V. MURPHY EJB</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. #1232; et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Miss Bobbie Robbletto states she wrote letter to Bureau requesting that Mercy Hospital, Toledo, be advised she had no connection with Campbell or Coker. Campbell and wife introduced as Bob and Gertie to Mrs. Jack Armstrong by Clara McGraw at McGraw's rooming house. Mrs. Louise Hubbard, cook at 42nd Street Cafe, unable to furnish any pertinent information regarding Barker-Karpis gang. Al Abele, former taxi driver for Private Cab Company, identified photo of Milton Lett as fare picked up in front of McGraw's rooming house in February, 1935. Burr Parker, proprietor, Peacock Inn, unable to identify photographs of Barker-Karpis gang as patrons of his place. Johnny Thomas and Irving Greenspoon, bartender, Market Business Men's Club, deny that Campbell, Coker or others of Barker-Karpis gang were ever in that club. E. A. Telzerow states he never furnished information to Sheriff O'Reilly which caused raid at 2831 - 131st St., January 1935. Charlie Sweet expected to return to Toledo when Middle Island closes in about three weeks. Gust Warnke states he was employed as cook on Middle Island in summer of 1933, and identifies photograph of William J. Harrison as guest there that time. Flo Wolfe states she is unable to identify photographs of Barker-Karpis gang. Mrs. Harold St. Aubin has no personal recollection of renting apartment to Doc Barker as H. J. Morley. Tom Cleary identified photo of Campbell as person who lived at 2831 - 131st St. as George Winfield in spring of 1934. Henry Dettinger and Francis Schuchman unable to furnish any pertinent information regarding Barker-Karpis gang. Dr. C. F. Jackson, who called at McGraw's rooming house, now resides in Philadelphia, Pa. Wynona Burdette interviewed at U. S. Detention Farm, Milan, Mich. states

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photographs of Fred Barker and Alvin Karpis in July issue of Startling Detective Magazine appear identical with photographs shown her by Madeline Angus in summer of 1934; places Lady Fleming with members of gang at party at Ted Angus' home in summer of 1934; recalls two instances when Harry Campbell exhibited pistol at Casino Club; states members of Barker-Karpis gang drank with and were friendly with George Timiney; that members of the gang visited the 42nd Street Cafe and frequented the Casino Club with bandages on their faces and hands. William Fearer, ship-keeper, Bay View in 1934, unable to identify any members of gang at Casino Club.

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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent J. V. Murphy, dated at Cleveland, Ohio, 10/10/36; Bureau letter dated 9/22/36.

DETAILS: AT TOLEDO, OHIO

This report covers the investigative activities of Special Agents A. J. Norstrom, A. Dickstein, H. B. Dill, and J. V. Murphy, who have been engaged on the harboring investigation at Toledo, Ohio.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents H. B. Dill and J. V. Murphy at Toledo, Ohio, on October 10, 1936:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated September 22, 1936, requesting that the next time Miss Bobbie Robbletto, 439 Arcadia Street, Toledo, Ohio, is interviewed that she be questioned as to the letter she stated she had written to the Bureau, in which she requested that a statement be made to the press advising that she had nothing to do with either the arrest of Harry Campbell or Sam Coker.

On October 10, 1936, Miss Robbletto was interviewed at her residence, and with reference to the letter, she stated that a few days after the arrest of Campbell and Coker she did write such a letter



to the Bureau and gave the letter to her brother to mail special delivery; that she was under the impression that her brother mailed the letter, although she is not sure of this, as no discussion ever came up with her brother about the mailing of the letter. She stated that her request to the Bureau in her letter was not for a statement to the press, but a request that the Bureau write the officials of the Mercy Hospital, where she works, explaining that she was in no way connected with the Barker-Karpis gang. She stated that in view of the fact that all discussion over the arrest of Campbell and Coker had died down, she does not now care to have the Bureau comply with her request to write the officials of the Mercy Hospital, and if the letter she wrote eventually reaches the Bureau, she requests that it be disregarded.

Miss Hobbles stated that she never saw anybody at McGraw's rooming house who resembled the photographs of Alvin Karpis, Fred Hunter or Milton Lett; that, however, she did see Harry Campbell and his wife, Gertie, at McGraw's; that she recalls Campbell and his wife having dinner at McGraw's; that she does not recall on what day this occurred; that due to the fact that she worked every day of the week at the time, this might have occurred on a Sunday without that day making particular impression on her.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents A. J. Norstrom and A. Dickstein on October 13, 1936:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent J. V. Murphy, dated October 10, 1936, at Cleveland, Ohio, wherein on page 58, it was noted that Jack Armstrong, 2631 Stamford Drive, Toledo, Ohio, a Toledo police officer, advised that he had no knowledge as to the activities at Ed McGraw's rooming house, as he had only visited this place once during the past five years, that visit being in August, 1936.

In an effort to determine Armstrong's credibility in the statements made by him, Agents interviewed Mrs. Armstrong at her home in the absence of her husband.

She informed that she and Clara McGraw were girlhood chums, and that she has known Ed McGraw for the past thirteen years. However, she stated that she had not seen Mrs. McGraw for a number of years, until shortly before the apprehension of Harry Campbell, at which time she met Mrs. McGraw at Tiedtke's Department Store in Toledo, and

Mrs. McGraw invited her to her home. She related that she did not accept this invitation, but shortly thereafter Mrs. McGraw injured her hand, and asked Mrs. Armstrong to assist her periodically with her housework.

Thereafter she visited Mrs. McGraw on six or more occasions at her home 2011 1/2 Adams Street, and upon the first occasion, was introduced to Harry Campbell, whose photograph she identified, and his wife, as Bob and Gertie. She further recalled that she was also introduced to one Tommy, who was a boarder at McGraws, although she was unable to identify the photograph of Sam Coker, yet she stated that this photograph bore a striking resemblance to Tommy.

Thereafter, Mrs. Armstrong said she saw Gertie and Bob on several occasions at the McGraws, and recalled that Bob ordered beer for her on one such visit. She informed that Mrs. McGraw never volunteered information as to the identity or activities of Bob and Gertie, other than to state they had once roomed at the McGraws, and Mrs. Armstrong stated that she knew nothing whatsoever about them. As to Tommy, Mrs. Armstrong informed that she could offer no information, as she had merely been introduced to him, and knew nothing about him, nor had she been told anything by Mrs. McGraw.

Mrs. Armstrong further recalled that following Campbell's apprehension, she visited the McGraws, and Mrs. McGraw told her that she and Ed were absolutely innocent of any wrong doing, but she did not explain to Mrs. Armstrong how Campbell and Coker came to live with them at their rooming house, nor did she furnish further information about either of them.

She further advised that at no time did she ever meet any other people, other than those above mentioned, at McGraws, and consequently was unable to furnish any information of value. She also stated that following her visits to McGraws, she would call for her husband at the Safety Building, and to the best of her knowledge, her husband had never visited the McGraws during the period of time above mentioned.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents A. J. Norstrom and A. Dickstein on October 12, 1936:

Reference is being made to the report of Special Agent J. V. Murphy, dated at Cleveland, Ohio, October 10, 1936, wherein it is noted that Ethel Julert, when interviewed advised that Mrs. Louise Hubbard had been a cook at the 42nd Street Cafe, Toledo, Ohio, for the past two years.

Mrs. Hubbard was interviewed at her home, 1615 1/2 Broadway, Toledo, Ohio. She informed that she is the oldest employee at the 42nd Street Cafe, having been employed at that place as a cook for the past two years. She related that the kitchen in the cafe is in such a position that she has an unobstructed view of the bar and its patrons, however, she was not in a position to note who the patrons were in the main dining room of the cafe.

Photographs of members of the Barker-Karpis gang were exhibited to her, but she informed that she was unable to identify any of them as likenesses of persons that to her knowledge patronized the cafe. Although she stated that the photographs of Alvin Karpis and Willie Harrison appeared familiar to her, she was unable to associate them with any time or place.

She recalled on one occasion, however, following the apprehension of Campbell, that a woman seated at the bar of the cafe, was pointed out to her by a customer, as Harry Campbell's wife; that she could not recall having ever seen this woman in the cafe before, and does not recall her informant.

She further informed that although Joe Roscoe frequented the cafe four or five nights a week during the winter months, she had never been introduced to him, nor did he ever converse with other employees. She informed that he was never in the company of anyone other than his wife, and never made his presence noticeable. She further related that she had no affection for the Broadways or the Roscoes as they treated the employees poorly and underpaid them.

Mrs. Hubbard informed that she would be willing to lend any assistance that she could, but that the only conversation that she had ever heard relative to this matter, was that Ethel Julert, a waitress, had told her several months previously, that Joe Roscoe had got himself in a mess about some missing doctor, and that the authorities were searching Middle Island for the body.

She further informed that the Broadways were exceedingly careful about their conversation, and when anything of importance was discussed among them, it was spoken in the gypsy tongue.

Mrs. Ethel Julert was then located at her home, 218 Marion Street, Toledo, Ohio, by Agents and upon reinterview she informed that several months ago, when newspapers printed an account of the searching of Middle Island for the body of a doctor of the Karpis gang, she remarked to Harry Broadway, a nephew of Jack Broadway, and a bartender at the cafe, that the authorities were searching for a doctor at Middle Island, and Harry Broadway stated that, "Joe is in serious trouble, because the authorities are looking for Dr. Moran on the Island." She informed that no further conversation was had on this point, and that this was the only occasion upon which she heard anything with reference to this matter discussed.

Mrs. Julert further informed that Francis Sealander, who resides in the same block as she, on Marion Street, would be in a good position to know about Roscoe's affairs in that she has been employed as Roscoe's housekeeper for the past year, and on Saturday nights as a relief waitress at the 42nd Street Cafe. She further informed that Mrs. Ganey Roscoe can neither read nor write, and that Miss Sealander reads for her. She related that Francis Sealander informed her that Mrs. Roscoe was very upset about the present investigation, particularly that pertaining to Middle Island.

Interview was also had with Emmett Dreyer, bartender at the 42nd Street Cafe, at his home 142 Segar Avenue, Toledo, Ohio. He informed that he has been employed at that place for the past two years, but with the exception of the past four months, has always been employed on the day shift, at which time the cafe is patronized by the neighborhood trade.

When shown photographs of the Barker-Karpis gang, he informed that none of them appeared familiar, with the exception of that of John Brock, whom he stated he could not associate with any definite time or place. He informed that prior to his employment at the cafe, he was employed for six years at Bunyon Brass Company, on Spencer Street, Toledo, Ohio.

He further stated that he has known the Broadways and Rosecos for the past ten years, but knew little of their activities. He informed that Roscoe, particularly, never talked to anyone around the cafe when visiting there, and was never accompanied by anyone other than his wife. He informed that George Timiney visits the place frequently, and occasionally talks to Roscoe when he is there, but that he is not well acquainted with Timiney, and knew nothing concerning him.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents A. J. Norstrom and A. Dickstein on October 8, 1936:

William Wilson Wirick, when interviewed, as is set forth in the report of Special Agent J. V. Murphy, dated at Cleveland, Ohio, October 3, 1936, advised that Jimmy Lavender had driven for the Private Cab Company for a few months in 1936. Lavender was located and interviewed at his home, 1111 Heston Street, Toledo, Ohio.

He advised that he is 27 years of age, married, and has two children. He informed that he was employed for six years at the Defiance Spark Plug Company, Toledo, until April 1, 1936, being laid off on that date. From the latter date until March 1, 1936, he was unemployed, but was employed by the Private Cab Company from March 1, 1936, to May 15, 1936.

He was shown photographs of the members of the Barker-Karpis gang, including those of Sam Coker and Harry Campbell, but he informed that he could not identify any of them as likenesses of people he had previously known.

He advised that during his employment for Greenwald he worked on the day shift. He further advised that he occasionally made calls to Ed McGraw's, 2011½ Adams Street, as well as to the Little Club at Point Place, but never recalled having driven any of the above-mentioned persons.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents A. J. Norstrom and A. Dickstein on October 9, 1936:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent J. V. Murphy, dated October 3, 1936, at Cleveland, Ohio, wherein it is stated that William Wilson Wirick, when interviewed, advised that one Al Abele, had driven for the Private Cab Company.

Abele was located at his home, 625 Locust Street, Toledo, Ohio, and requested to appear at 513 Edison Building, the temporary offices, for interview.

When interviewed he advised that he was 37 years of age, married, but separated from his wife, and at the present time is employed by Harry Levine at the Courtesy Club, a gambling place at 513½ Jefferson Street, Toledo. He informed that he was formerly



an undertaker, and at one time was the owner of Abele's Funeral Home, located on Cherry Street, Toledo.

He informed that he had known Frank Greenwald for a number of years, and spends a great deal of his time around the office of the Private Cab Company, occasionally driving as a relief driver for Greenwald. He stated, however, that he was only employed steadily by Greenwald for four weeks, either in January or February, 1936.

He was shown photographs of the members of the Barker-Karpis gang, but failed to identify any of them, other than that of Milton Lett, which photograph he stated he believed to be the likeness of an individual he had driven from McGraw's call house on one occasion in February.

He recalled that one time in February 1936, although he was not certain of the date, he received a call from either McGraw's or Joker Kennedy's, although he was inclined to believe it was McGraw's, and when he arrived at the address, Lett was standing in front of Lamb's Grill at 2011 Adams Street, and hailed him. He then drove him to the corner of Madison and Summit Streets, Toledo, Ohio, and Lett paid him fifty cents for a twenty-five cent trip. Abele stated that he could not be positive in his identification, but that he was reasonably sure that Lett was this person. Other than the above he could not recall ever having seen any of the individuals whose photographs were displayed to him. He further advised that he could not remember if this incident took place in the day or in the evening, in that he drove on day and night shifts on different times when employed.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents A. J. Norstrom and A. Dickstein on October 9, 1936:

While interviewing Edward Winseman, a former driver for the Private Cab Company, Agents ascertained from Winseman that he believed that Gale Fritz, a customer of the Private Cab Company, had visited Ed McGraw's at 2011 1/2 Adams Street, Toledo, on numerous occasions.

Interview was had with Fritz at his office, 301 Produce Exchange Building, where he conducts a dental laboratory.

Fritz explained that he is married and resides at 312 West Oakland Street, Toledo, Ohio. He informed that he had never been in McGraw's place, although he frequently visited Charles "Joker" Kennedy, who resides next door to McGraw's, and whom he has known for the past twenty years. He further stated that he is not acquainted with Ed or Clara McGraw.

He further advised that the only discussion he had heard relative to Campbell, by Kennedy, was following Campbell's apprehension, at which time Kennedy informed him that Campbell had lived next door to Kennedy, and some criticism had been made of Sheriff O'Reilly by those present at the time, although Kennedy did not express an opinion.

Kennedy did not intimate, however, that he had met Campbell, then known as Miller, other than to state that Campbell drank beer in Lamb's Grill, underneath McGraw's, and had been a good spender to the extent of giving the paper boys ten or fifteen cents for a paper, thereby attracting attention to his liberal ways of spending money.

When shown photographs of Campbell and the Barker-Karpis gang, Fritz stated that the photographs of Jimmie Wilson, Willie Harrison, and Alvin Karpis appeared very familiar to him, and that he was positive he had seen these individuals, particularly Wilson, on a number of occasions, but was unable to associate any of these persons with any definite place or time. He further advised that he had frequently gone to the Little Club, formerly the Old Casino Club operated by Bert and Ted Angus, and the 42nd Street Cafe, at irregular intervals, and that it was very possible that he had seen these individuals in one of the aforementioned places, although he could not state definitely when he had seen them.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents A. J. Norstrom and A. Dickstein on October 9, 1936:

Elwood Milton, a former driver for the Private Cab Company, as set forth in report of Special Agent J. V. Murphy, dated at Cleveland, Ohio, October 3, 1936, advised that the only occasion he saw Harry Campbell, was at a time when he picked up Tim Wilson, a city fireman, at Goulet's Grill. Wilson was located and interviewed at his home, 662 Nesselwood Avenue, Toledo, Ohio.

He advised that he is 52 years of age, single, and is a member of the Toledo Fire Department, stationed at the Nesselwood and Detroit Avenues fire station. He informed that he has known Fred Goulet and Sheriff James O'Reilly for twenty-five years, having associated with them as a boy. He further stated that he frequently visited Goulet's Grill at 2130 Monroe Street, Toledo, and often went in that place twice a day.

Wilson identified the photograph of Harry Campbell as a likeness of a man known to him as Bob Miller, whom he had seen at Goulet's Grill on numerous occasions with a woman, whose identity he did not know, but whom he believed was Miller's wife.

Wilson further related that he never mixed with Miller, and never personally met him, although Miller was nearly always present when he, Wilson, visited Goulet's Grill. He informed that he knew little of Miller, other than that he had learned that Miller was a contractor, and as he behaved like any other ordinary citizen, and never made himself conspicuous by flashing any money, he, therefore, had no reason to suspect him.

Wilson further stated that he saw O'Reilly in the Goulet Grill on several occasions, but never recalls having seen O'Reilly drinking beer with, or associating with Campbell. He stated that O'Reilly spent the majority of his time in the rear of the grill where he kept his dogs.

Wilson also stated that he recognized the photograph of Sam Coker which was exhibited to him, as the likeness of an individual he had seen at Goulet's Grill on several occasions, but informed that he had never been advised of the name Coker used at those times, or had he ever drank with him while visiting the grill.

He further informed that he never heard or saw anything prior or subsequent to Campbell's apprehension that would tend to cause suspicion as to Campbell's true identity.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents A. J. Norstrom and A. Dickstein on October 9, 1936:

Upon request of Agents, Frank P. Greenwald furnished the daily trip sheets for the Private Cab Company from January to May 1936, for the purpose of examining same for pertinent dates and entries therein of value to this investigation. Greenwald informed that he is only required to keep such records for a period of six months, and consequently he had destroyed such records prior to January 1936.

Upon examination, the records furnished were found not to have been kept in a neat and orderly manner, and were in no sense complete. A thorough examination failed to disclose any pertinent data therein that would be of any assistance to this investigation, and the same were returned to Greenwald. It will be further noted that during the course of examination, many trip sheets were found to be undated, and for the month of January 1936, particularly, trip sheets for a number of pertinent dates were missing.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents A. J. Norstrom and A. Dickstein on October 12, 1936:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent J. V. Murphy dated at Cleveland, Ohio, October 10, 1936, wherein it is noted that Edward Winseman, a former driver for the Private Cab Company informed that on several occasions he picked up Harry Campbell at the Peacock Inn on Monroe Street, Toledo, Ohio.

Interview was had with Burr Parker, proprietor of the Peacock Cafe (not Inn) at 2007 Monroe Street, Toledo, Ohio, who informed that he has owned this establishment for the past sixteen months, and prior to that time operated a dry cleaning establishment on Central Avenue in Toledo, for a number of years.

When photographs of the Barker-Karpis gang were exhibited to him, Parker informed that those of William Weaver, Jimmy Wilson and Harry Campbell appeared familiar, but could not recall in what connection, or at what time or place he had seen them. With particular reference to Campbell, he informed that following Campbell's apprehension, he noted Campbell's picture in the newspaper, and tried to recall if ever he had seen Campbell in his cafe, in view of the proximity of the place at 2132 1/2 Monroe Street, where Campbell was when taken into custody. He informed that he recalled only that on one occasion that an individual resembling Campbell had been in his place, when a person whom he stated resembled the late photograph of Campbell very much, while drinking at the bar, asked where the men's room was, and that he recalled observing this individual walked with a slight limp, and upon Campbell's apprehension theorized that this person must have been Campbell.

Other than the above, he informed that he could not be certain that Campbell was a regular customer at his place, else he would have been able to recognize his photograph without difficulty.

Parker further stated that this was his first venture in the tavern business, and consequently his patrons were not well known to him from years of acquaintanceship, and in that he met so many new customers, it was impossible for him to recall them all, providing they were steady customers, and patronized his place frequently.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents A. J. Norstrom and A. Dickstein on October 14, 1936:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent J. V. Murphy, dated October 10, 1936, at Cleveland, Ohio, wherein it will be noted that William Wilson Wirick recalled drinking with Sam Coker, and having seen Harry Campbell at the Market Business Men's Club, 216 1/2 Superior Street, Toledo, Ohio, which place is operated by Johnny Thomas.

After having received telephonic instructions from Inspector E. J. Connelley at Cleveland, Ohio, Agents located Thomas at the aforementioned address, and he accompanied Agents to 513 Edison Building, the temporary offices, at which place he was interviewed.

The following signed statement was obtained from Thomas, the original of which is being retained in the Cleveland office files:

"513 Edison Building  
"Toledo, Ohio  
"October 14, 1936.

"I, JOHNNY THOMAS, do hereby furnish the following signed statement to Special Agents A. J. Norstrom and A. Dickstein of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, of my own free will, without threats or promises of reward. I have also been advised that this statement may be used against me in a court of law, if the Government deems it advisable to do so.



"I am 42 years of age, married to Katherine Thomas and reside at 2105 Warren Street, Toledo, Ohio. I am the proprietor of the Market Business Men's Club, 216 1/2 Superior Street, Toledo, Ohio, which club has a membership of 250 persons, with dues of one dollar a year. Liquor is served at the club, and I also have a roulette wheel, and slot machines on the premises. Admission to the club is by membership only, which cards are issued in the members names, and are validated by my signature. It is absolutely necessary that I know the identity of the holder of every card, and I can state that I know the identity, name, occupation of at least 95% of the members or customers at the club. I will state that since the opening of the club, no person has patronized the club who was not recommended or known to me. I have a very select clientele, and I will not permit hoodlums or racketeers, who are known to me, to patronize the place. I am continuously on duty from 2:30 P. M., to late the following morning, and I work from 14 to 15 hours a day, seven days a week, including Sundays.

"I have been shown photographs of all members of the Barker Karpis gang, including those of Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, Sam Coker, Arthur Barker, Fred Barker, William Harrison and others and state positively that I do not know, nor have I ever seen the individuals whose likenesses appear on these photographs. Of the above group of photographs, only that of Dr. Joseph P. Moran appears familiar, although I cannot associate them with any time or place. I might state that I have read detective magazines for a number of years, including the Detective published in Chicago, Startling Detective, True Detective Series, and a number of others, the names of which I cannot recall.

"I do recall having read of the escape of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell from Atlantic City, N. J., police in January 1935, and I read of the incident in a detective magazine, and I undoubtedly saw their photographs at that time. However, although having seen these photographs at that and other times, I wish to state that I have never seen these individuals in person, either at my club or any other place.

"I might state that I have also read numerous newspaper accounts of the Barker Karpis gang, in the New York Daily Mirror, The Toledo Blade, the News-Bee, and Times, and particularly of trial of Arthur Barker and others, in the Sunday Chicago Tribune or Examiner.

"I have read the foregoing statement consisting of two typewritten pages, and the facts I have given therein are the truth to the best of my knowledge and recollection.

/s/ JOHNNY THOMAS

WITNESSES:

A. J. Norstrom  
A. Dickstein  
Special Agents,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
1448 Standard Building,  
Cleveland, Ohio."

It will be noted that Thomas emphasized the fact that all customers of the club were known to him. In particular, he emphasized the fact that all who sought admission to his place had to possess a membership card, or he accompanied by a person bearing a card, or one to whom it was known a card was issued. Persons who patronized the place for the first time were then given an admission card, which was countersigned by Thomas, and the name of the member was entered in a membership book, which also contained the by-laws and minutes of the club. He further informed that unless a person's name appeared in the membership book, he has never patronized the club.

Thomas informed further that the club was originally incorporated under the Ohio Laws on December 16, 1932, by Joseph L. Hartman (Joe Rose), Arthur J. Hand, and David G. Hartman, who are the present proprietors of the Dutch Village nite club, Toledo, Ohio. The club was given a social club charter, being #153500. Thereafter, and subsequent to the repeal of prohibition in the latter part of 1933, Thomas purchased the charter from the original incorporators. He informed that he is the sole owner, but has a dummy board of directors, and officers to comply with the Ohio State Laws. At the present time he is listed as Steward of the Club. Carl Brandeis, a Toledo attorney, is in possession of the books and records of the club, so stated Thomas.

Agents inspected the club premises and were shown a five cent and twenty-five cent slot machine that were in operation, as well as a roulette wheel, located in one of the front rooms. Thomas advised that the wheel was played only by request, and that the slot machines and wheel keeps him in business. He further informed that he only handles the better grades of liquors, which are dispensed

from a circular bar, located in the center room of the club. He advised that he operates with a D4 night club liquor license, which requires a 1:00 A. M. closing hour, but that he ordinarily did not close until 5 or 6:00 A. M.

Thomas further related that prior to repeal, he had been arrested ten or eleven times for bootlegging in Toledo, Ohio, and had served two short sentences at the Dayton, Ohio Workhouse for violation of the National Prohibition Act. Since repeal, Thomas informed that he had not been arrested, although he conducted a gambling establishment, and sold liquor after closing hours. He explained this fact by saying that he never went out of his way to make trouble, referring to the current controversy between Benny Aronoff and Ben Harris, gambling establishment keepers in Toledo. He informed that Captain George Timiney and Detective Art Langendorf and other police officers occasionally dropped into the club for a drink, but never molested him for violations of the laws.

He informed that Timiney's last visit was about a month ago. Thomas further advised that during all the years he had operated in the city of Toledo, he has never been approached to pay protection money to anyone in Toledo, and although he believes that protection money is being paid, he could not state who was paying it, or who was receiving it.

When an attempt was made to question him as to his wife's activities (Maxine Belmont) he became quite indignant, and informed that she hadn't been in the rackets for years, and that he would be ashamed if anyone of his friends knew that his wife went under the name of Maxine Belmont, or had anything to do with prostitution. He denied that his wife had anything to do with the vice situation in Toledo, and informed that he expressly made her get out of the racket years ago.

Thomas was particularly questioned as to his having read of accounts of the Barker-Karpis gang in detective magazines and newspapers. He informed that he read a number of such magazines for a number of years, the choice of the magazine depending upon the advertising of the contents on its cover. He could name no particular magazine in which he had read of accounts of this gang, but informed that he preferred that magazine that devoted several pages to a line-up of criminals wanted by police, although he could not name the magazine. He further related that he read a detective magazine whenever he had the time, which would be sometimes once a week. He particularly recalled reading the Bremer trial in St. Paul,

Minnesota, as well as the suicide of Jack Peiffer in a detective magazine. When shown recent photographs of Harry Campbell and Alvin Karpis, he immediately named them, as having seen their photographs in recent detective magazines.

He informed that from his reading of detective magazines, and having seen the photographs of Campbell, Karpis, and other members of the gang therein, he would have been able to identify them immediately, if he had ever seen them on the street, or if they ever put in their appearance at his establishment.

It should be noted that the specific instances, or the names of persons accompanying Coker and Campbell, were not mentioned to Thomas, in that it was believed that such data would disclose the source of this information. This was thought advisable, in view of Thomas' specific and vigorous denials, as well as his attitude of complete innocence, from which Agents gained the impression that he meant to tell nothing whatsoever, even if confronted with the facts.

An inspection was made of the membership book of the club, by Agents, but none of the names therein appeared familiar to Agents, as being persons known to this investigation, or as aliases of subjects herein, although approximately 220 typewritten names were listed therein. Thomas also produced several index cards to be entered, upon which, among others, appeared the signatures of Edith Barry and Marion Cherry Powell, 504 Commerce Guardian Building, Toledo, Ohio. Discreet inquiry of Thomas revealed that the latter woman is a frequent visitor at the club, is 40 years of age, and operates a multigraph company in Toledo. She is undoubtedly the Marion mentioned by Wirick, as having been present at the party given by Coker at Thomas'.

Thomas stated that in addition to himself, his only employee is Irving Greenspoon, a bartender. He informed that Julius, a porter for the Davis Dry Cleaning Company of Toledo, Ohio, cleaned the place in the morning, but was never around during business hours. Prior to the employment of Greenspoon in September 1935, he employed Charles Wieber, now employed at Ludwig's Bar, 813 Jefferson Street, Toledo, Ohio.

Immediately upon the conclusion of the interview with Johnny Thomas, Irving Greenspoon was brought to 513 Edison Building, the temporary offices, from the club, before he had an opportunity to discuss this matter with Thomas.

He informed that he is 20 years of age, and resides with his parents, Alex and Sadie Greenspoon at 2344 Vermont Avenue, Toledo, Ohio. He informed that he graduated from high school in the city of Toledo, in 1933, and worked as an auto mechanic and truck driver prior to his employment by Thomas in September 1935. He further informed that he met Thomas through his brother-in-law Mr. Blumberg, who is employed by Ben Aronoff.

He informed that he is employed as bartender from 11:00 A. M., until closing time the following morning, depending upon business, and works seven days a week. He further stated that he is practically always at the club during business hours.

Greenspoon stated that he was unable to identify the photograph of Sam Coker, or Harry Campbell, or other members of the Barker-Karpis gang, as being likenesses of customers he had seen at the club. When asked if he recalled a patron who flashed \$20 bills at the club at any time, he informed that he recalled only one such occasion, that being some time during the past winter, when an individual whose name or identity he could not recall, and whom he stated he did not believe that Coker's photograph resembled, although he would not state this positively, spent the entire night until four o'clock the following morning, spending money profusely. He stated the reason he recalled the incident is because this person bought drinks for the house several times, which was unusual, and kept him busy changing \$20 bills to play the slot machines. He further recalled that Thomas was present, but that he was drinking with everyone, and Greenspoon had to attend the bar alone, which kept him too busy to even wash the glassware. He further related that the party continued until four o'clock that morning, and he believed that everyone drank whiskey sours all night.

Greenspoon stated that Thomas later remarked to him that he wished that this guy would come back more often, as they did \$50 or \$60 worth of business from the bar alone. Greenspoon informed that he had never seen this person prior or subsequent to that time, as he did not know his identity, and would have remembered him if he came in again. He further related that he could not describe him as he had only a hazy recollection of the occurrence. He did recall, however, that this person remained until most of the patrons departed, and that a number of persons had asked him who the guy was that was flashing all the dough.

Greenspoon further informed that he recalled that Edith Barry was present that night, as she was playing the twenty-five cent slot machines all night, although he was unable to state whether she was in this person's party. He recalled her in that she is a

slot machine addict, and on some occasions she would play a slot machine for nine or ten hours, getting the jackpot six or seven times a night.

Greenspoon was unable to recall the identities of other persons present that night, although in subsequent questioning, he admitted knowing Frank Greenwald and Anna Pierce, as well as the identities of all of Greenwald's drivers. He informed that Thomas did not care to have cab drivers frequent the place, and for that reason they rarely drank there, although they were allowed in the club to get a customer or to make change.

Greenspoon advised that all patrons of the club were not known to him or Thomas, and that it was only necessary that they be accompanied by someone known to the club. He further informed that strangers and all patrons were not given membership cards, and that a number of the patrons were unknown to him by name and never were issued cards. He informed that ordinarily he admitted the customers at the door, and on numerous occasions he had admitted people whom he did not know, but who were accompanied by regular patrons.

He further stated that he is ordinarily busy, either tending bar or running the roulette wheel; that he pays little attention to the patrons, and would not know their faces unless they frequented the club. He was quite positive in his assertion that he had never seen Campbell at the club.

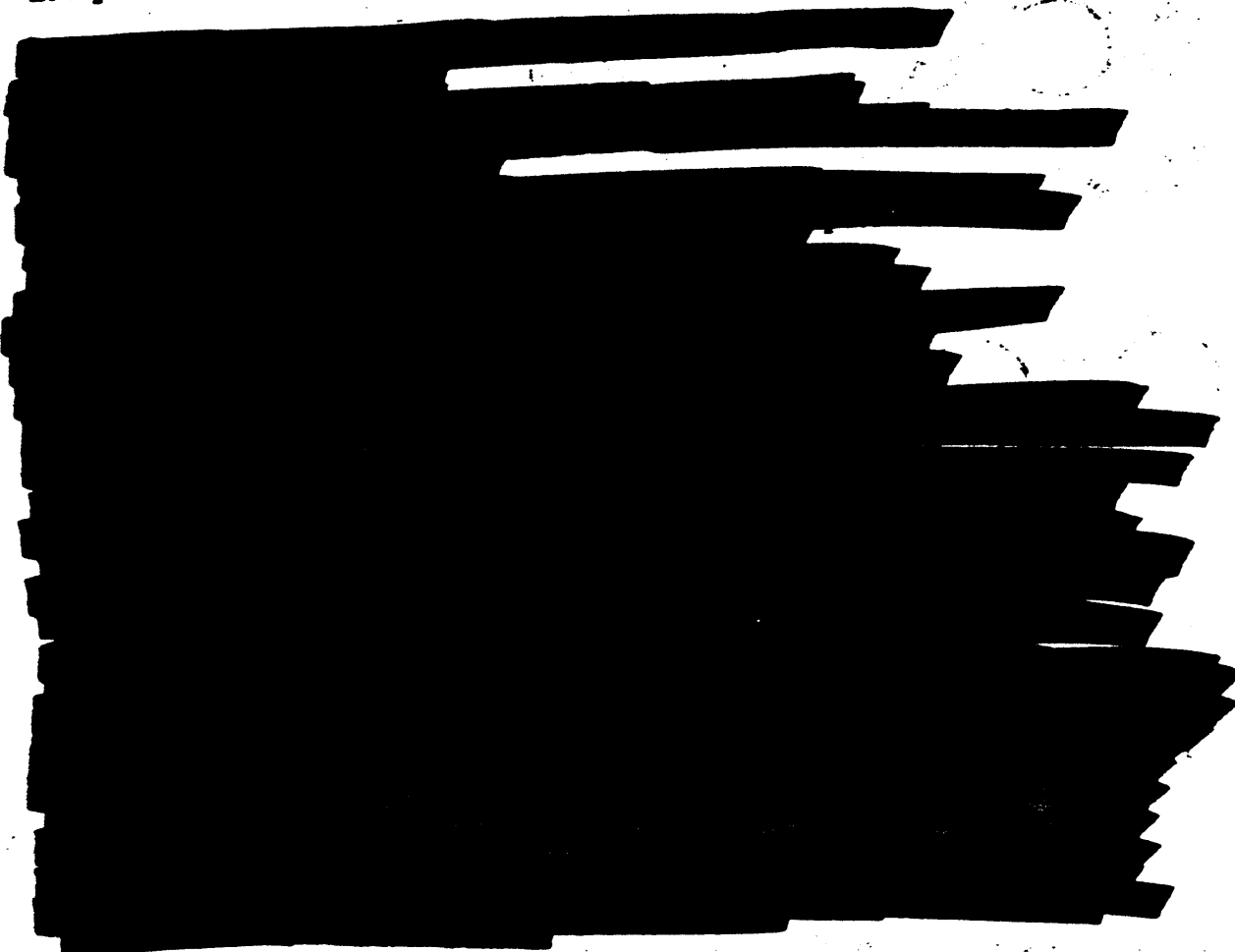
Greenspoon added that he would cooperate in every way possible, and seemed sincere in this statement, in that he related that he was very young, and did not wish to be involved in any trouble for his present position meant very little to him, and that he expected to follow a more gainful occupation when the opportunity avails itself.

Johnny Thomas furnished Agents with two blank membership cards which are furnished to his patrons, and these cards have been initialed by Agents and are being made a part of the Cleveland office file in this case.

In view of the possibility of Johnny Thomas' being a potential subject of this investigation, Agents conducted a search of the criminal files of the Toledo Police Department, subsequent to which the following criminal record was disclosed:

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Thomas was brought to the office of the Chief of Police at Toledo, Ohio, on 2-5-21, and he was thought to be implicated in booze running and dope peddling. These activities he admitted to McKay after being photographed, but said he did not handle junk any more. The Chief of Police ordered him photographed, but his photo was not placed in the rogue's gallery.



The following description was obtained of Thomas from the Toledo Police Department, Toledo, Ohio, and same is being set forth herewith:

Name	-	Johnny Thomas, aliases: John Trioni, John Troyono, Louis Brown.
Age	-	25 years on 11-5-21.
Height	-	5'7"
Weight	-	150 pounds
Build	-	Medium
Complexion	-	Medium dark
Eyes	-	Chestnut
Hair	-	Dark chestnut, thin on top.
Teeth	-	four gold crowns on left side Two " " " right "
Nationality	-	Italian
Occupation	-	Given as auto salesman
Relatives	-	wife - Maxine Thomas, alias Maxine Belmont

Fingerprint Classification:

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A photograph was obtained of Johnny Thomas from the Toledo Police Department and same is being retained in the Cleveland office files.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents H. B. Dill and J. V. Murphy at Toledo, Ohio, October 15, 1936:

Reference is made to report of Special Agent J. V. Murphy, Cleveland, Ohio, dated October 3, 1936, wherein on page six, Albert Drew of 2841 - 131st Street, Point Place, Ohio, mentions that Ed Telzerow, who operates the Toledo Cab Company, might have given information to Sheriff James O'Reilly, which caused the sheriff to raid 2831 - 131st Street, looking for Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, in the latter part of January 1935.

E. A. Telzerow, residence 5718 Lakeside Street, Point Place, Ohio, was located at the C. & O. Docks, Bay Shore Road, Lucas County, where Telzerow had a cab stand. He stated he operates the Toledo Cab Company, with cabs at stands at the Waldorf Hotel, Toledo, and at the C. & O. Docks; that most of his cab business is "pick up" fares; that he has never answered any calls for cabs to pick up any



persons at the Little Casino Club, although he has driven persons to that club, having picked them up at his stand at the Waldorf Hotel, and frequently the passengers would ask that he call at the Little Casino Club to return them to town later in the evening. Mr. Telzerow stated most of the cab business to and from the Little Casino Club was done by the Red Cab Company and the Private Cab Company.

Mr. Telzerow stated that he never knew who resided at 2831 - 131st Street, Point Place, Ohio, during the summer of 1934, and never discussed with either Albert Drew or Sheriff O'Reilly, who might have lived at that address. He stated he never was in the Little Casino Club, but knew that it was operated by Ted and Bart Angus during 1934, and is now called the Little Club; that he is acquainted with Ted Angus, who used to live near Willow Beach, in Point Place, Ohio; that while he has no personal knowledge of same, it was common gossip that Ted Angus used to be the collector of the pay off on gambling and prostitution. He stated he never at any time drove any landladies of houses of prostitution to the Casino Club, as that class of trade usually patronized the Red Cab Company or the Private Cab Company.

Telzerow stated he knows George Timiney and Art Langendorf but never saw them at the Little Casino Club. He stated he does not know Joe Roscoe, and has never been over to Middle Island in Lake Erie. Also, that he is not acquainted with Ludy Fleming.

Photographs of members of the Barker-Karpis gang were exhibited to Mr. Telzerow, and after carefully examining same, he stated that he is unable to identify any of them, with the exception of photographs of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, which photographs he stated appeared in the Toledo newspapers when they were apprehended in early part of May 1936.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents A. J. Norstrom and A. Dickstein on October 10, 1936:

In an effort to locate for interview Charles Sweet, employed as a cook by Joe Roscoe at Middle Island, Agents interviewed Mrs. Elsie Sweet, 628 Lotus Street, Toledo, Ohio, his wife, who informed that she had received a letter from her husband on October 9, 1936, advising that he would not be home for a period of three weeks, in that Roscoe does not contemplate closing the

resort at Middle Island for approximately that period of time. Mrs. Sweet advised that her husband had been home for one day two weeks prior to the interview, and that when he made a trip to Toledo, he would come in on Monday afternoon. However, she stated that he would be unavailable for interview at Toledo for the period of time set forth above, in that he indicated he would be unable to return to this city during the interim.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents A. J. Norstrom and A. Dickstein on October 15, 1936:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent J. V. Murphy dated at Cleveland, Ohio, October 10, 1936, wherein it was noted that Albert Drew advised that Gust Warnke, a chef, had been employed by Ted Angus at the Casino Club, Toledo. Warnke was located by Agents at the Algeo Hotel, Toledo, and was brought to the temporary offices, room 513 Edison Building, Toledo, for interview.

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

"513 Edison Building  
"October 15, 1936.

"I, GUST WARNKE, do hereby furnish the following signed statement to Special Agents A. J. Norstrom and A. Dickstein of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, of my own free will, without any threats or promises of reward. I wish to tell the truth of all I know concerning this matter.

"I am 52 years of age, single, and live at the Algeo Hotel, Toledo, Ohio. For the past 35 years I have been a chef by trade, and cook at hotels and cafes in and around Toledo, as well as on yachts and lake boats. For the past summer I have been employed at the Heatherdowns Golf Club at Toledo, but at present I am unemployed.

"During the summer of 1933, from July to September I was employed as a cook by Bert Angus at Middle Island. I had not known Angus before that time, but Dewey Schmidt, whom I have known for 10 years, got the job for me. In addition to myself, Buster, the caretaker, Dewey Schmidt,

Jack Smith, also known as Cum Cum, Bert Angus, and his woman, whose name I didn't know, worked on the island.

"I have been shown photographs of the Barker-Karpis gang, but only that of Willie Harrison, Hammond, Indiana P. D. #1829, is known to me. Willie first came to the island with two other fellows during that summer, and they spent two weeks at the island with Bert Angus. He had two other fellows with him, one of whom was a manager of a country club in Chicago, and another slim fellow, about 30 years of age, neither of whose names I knew. Both of them fellows stayed at the island two weeks with Willie. The three of them visited the island as far as I know, although they may have been there oftener.

"Willie was from Chicago, but I did not know what his occupation was. He was lively as hell, and always clowning around. Willie and Bert Angus were very friendly, and there was a good deal of drinking going on. When the weather was clear, there were always a lot of people on the island, and all the boys would bring prostitutes from Toledo, and would keep them there for several days for the parties.

"I remember that Detective Langendorf of the Toledo Police Department was over at the island several times, and I remember that Captain Timiney was at the island once on a fishing party, although he wasn't there when Willie was there.

"I saw Willie again at the bar of the Algeo Hotel in Toledo, Ohio, one day in the summer of 1934, and the slim fellow was with him. I was standing at the bar when Willie came up and slapped me on the back. I couldn't remember at first, but Dewey Schmidt was tending bar, and he pointed me out to Willie, and after I talked to him, I remembered who he was.

"I might further state that Joe Roscoe used to come over to the island once a week when the weather was nice, but Ted Angus would only come over twice a month. Guy Tibbles used to operate speed boats to the island and he would come over three times a week. Joe Roscoe would talk to Willie, but Joe is a funny type of fellow, and didn't like to mix with anybody. Ted Angus was friendly with Willie, however.

"I have read the foregoing statement consisting of two typewritten pages, and the facts I have given therein are the truth and to the best of my knowledge and recollection.

/s/ GUST WARNEKE

WITNESSES:

A. J. Norstrom  
A. Dickstein, Special Agents,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
1448 Standard Building, Cleveland, Ohio."

It should be noted that Warnke advised that he knew Harrison only by the name of Willie, and knew nothing of his background. Warnke informed that his brother, Ed Warnke, owns the Warnke Brothers Tin Shop, 309 Nebraska Avenue, Toledo, and that he can ordinarily be reached at the George Golden Fish Market, 515 Monroe Street, Toledo, Ohio.

Warnke advised that he never worked for Ted Angus, and that his only employment was by Bert Angus, as above mentioned. As a matter of interest, Warnke informed that Middle Island is 49 acres in area, and is approximately nine miles off Lakeside, Ohio, in Lake Erie, and in Canadian waters. No visiting permit is required from the Canadian authorities, according to Warnke, to enter the island, nor do the Canadian authorities ever appear at the island. Warnke further stated that all types of sexual practices were permitted by Angus while he was at the island, and that on week-ends there would always be a number of prostitutes from Toledo at the place, engaging in drunken parties with the patrons.

He could recall only one steady patron at the island, that person's name being Proctor, manager of the Packard Motor Car Company at Cleveland, Ohio, who visited the island on every week-end. He further recalled that an individual known to him as Sam, and who is known to be serving time in Indiana, was a good friend of Willie, and spent a great deal of time on the island. However, he could furnish no information concerning the identity of Sam.

He informed that Tex, a bartender at the island for the past two summers, returned on Thursday of the preceding week. This person resides on Columbus Avenue, near the Manhattan Mills in Toledo, and he is often around the Algeo bar, where he is well known.

He further informed that Charlie Sweet, Coolie Monroe, Walter Belpash, and Buster, are the present employees at Middle Island, from what he has heard, but as yet they have not returned to Toledo from the island. He informed that Buster resides at Middle Island continuously, and has been the caretaker of that place for a number of years.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents H. B. Dill and J. V. Murphy at Toledo, Ohio, October 14, 1936:

Reference is made to report of Special Agent J. V. Murphy, dated at Cleveland, Ohio, October 10, 1936, wherein on page forty-eight, Harold St. Aubin, in his statement, mentions that one Flo Wolfe, who operates a rooming house on 18th Street, was present at a party in the Little Casino Club, at which time he, Art Langendorf, Carl Hartung, both city detectives, were present. In view of this information it was deemed advisable to interview Flo Wolfe to ascertain if she was ever acquainted with any of the Barker-Karpis gang.

She was located at 229 - 19th Street, where she said she was temporarily residing. She accompanied Agents to the Edison Building, the temporary office at Toledo, where she was interviewed in detail.

She stated her name is Mrs. Florence Wolfe, and her husband is W. L. Wolfe, but she is and has been separated from him since November, 1933; that she formerly operated a rooming house at 304 18th Street, Toledo, for about eleven years, and has resided in Toledo for about 18 years; that she recently purchased a rooming house at 218 18th Street, which will be her future address.

She stated that the first time she ever visited the Little Casino Club, on Summit Street, was in the fall of 1934, at which time she was taken to that club by Harold St. Aubin; that upon arriving at this club she recalls she saw Art Langendorf and his partner, Carl Hartung, Toledo city detectives. She stated she has known Art Langendorf and his wife for a number of years and they often visited at her house. She stated she is not personally acquainted with George Timiney, but recalls meeting him on one occasion, when Art Langendorf introduced him to her, and at this time Langendorf and Timiney were working together.

Mrs. Wolfe stated she has known Ted and Bert Angus about three or four years; that she knows Bert much better than Ted, as Bert often went duck hunting with her and Harold St. Aubin. She stated she first became acquainted with both Ted and Bert Angus when she first visited the Little Casino Club, as they were then operating that club. She stated she has visited the Little Casino Club about four or five different times, and this was during the fall of 1934; that on these occasions when she went to the Casino Club she drank quite heavily and always got "stiff" and does not recall whom she may have met there.

Photographs of members of the Barker-Karpis gang were exhibited to Mrs. Wolfe, but she stated she is unable to identify any of them as likenesses of persons she met.

Mrs. Wolfe stated she last talked to Art Langendorf about one and one-half years ago, at which time she met him and his partner, Carl Hartung, on the street in Toledo.

Mrs. Wolfe denies having any knowledge of any telephone conversation with anyone about a man called "Fitz" (Charles Fitzgerald) offering a woman \$100 for a party. She stated she has never been on any parties with Charles Fitzgerald, and does not know such a person; that if she ever met him it was while she was drunk while visiting the Little Casino Club.

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Following investigation was conducted by Special Agents H. B. Dill and J. V. Murphy at Toledo, Ohio, October 13, 1936:

Reference is made to report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, Cleveland, Ohio, dated June 13, 1936, wherein on page 100, Mrs. Lillian St. Aubin, 3411 Detroit Avenue, Toledo, Ohio, after examination of her records, stated that apartment G, of the Burdella Apartments, was rented to a man by the name of H. J. Morley from May 9, 1934, to June 9, 1934; that according to her records this tenant stayed only one month in this apartment; that she does not recall ever meeting or seeing this person, nor did she recall anyone calling her with reference to Morley renting the apartment.

Further reference is made to the report of Special Agent J. V. Murphy, Cleveland, Ohio, dated October 10, 1936, wherein on page 47, is set out statement of Harold St. Aubin, the husband of Mrs. Lillian St. Aubin, in which he mentions that a man who was introduced to him at the Little Casino Club by Bert Angus as the Mr. Morley who rented the apartment in the Burdella Apartments; that this man Morley is the one who came to his home to pay the rent on apartment G, in May 1934; that he did not talk to this man, but he saw him from a distance, and also a woman in the car in which Morley came to his home. In this statement Mr. St. Aubin mentions that his wife informed him that Mrs. Bert Angus called her, Mrs. St. Aubin, for a friend who desired to rent an apartment in the Burdella Apartments.

In view of the statement of Mr. St. Aubin, it was deemed advisable to reinterview Mrs. St. Aubin to ascertain if she could furnish more definite information concerning the renting of apartment G, to H. J. Morley. She was interviewed at her residence on October 13, 1936. She stated that she does not recall anything regarding the renting of apartment G to a Mr. Morley; that her records show that apartment G was rented to H. J. Morley from May 9, 1934 to June 9, 1934, and the receipt for the month's rent was made out and signed by her, but at that time her mother, Mrs. Poole, since deceased, took rentals and sent same to her. Mrs. St. Aubin, in her office in the rear of her home, for the purpose of having a receipt prepared, as she, Mrs. St. Aubin, did all the bookkeeping for the apartment, and it is possible this may have happened in this case.

Continuing, Mrs. St. Aubin stated she does not recall ever receiving a call from anyone, recommending Morley as a tenant; that although they do require references before renting apartments, at that time (1934) it was very difficult to secure tenants for the Burdella Apartments, and they were not so particular about the kind of tenants, due to their endeavor to secure sufficient money to pay the taxes.

Mrs. St. Aubin appeared to be very nervous at the time of this interview, and it is possible that she is not telling the truth concerning this matter.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents H. B. Dill and J. V. Murphy at Toledo, Ohio, October 14, 1936:

Reference is made to report of Special Agent C. E. Smith, Cleveland, Ohio, dated June 23, 1936, wherein on page 25, Chief of Police Merle C. Unkle, Mansfield, Ohio, states that his brother-in-law, Joe Miller, at MBS Market, near Coleman's Granada Gardens, on one occasion at the Granada Gardens, had a quarrel with Harry Campbell.

Joseph P. Miller, 3709 Burton Street, Toledo, was interviewed at the MBS Market, 4601 Monroe Street, where he is employed. He stated he recalls that a few days before Harry Campbell was apprehended in Toledo, Ohio, he and his brother-in-law, Howard Flahiff, and their wives, were in a booth in the Granada Gardens, which is operated by Jim Coleman; that there was a man and a woman in the adjoining booth, and that couple pushed the booth seat back against Flahiff and wife, and Flahiff and his wife pushed the booth seat back again, pushing the couple in the adjoining booth up against

the table in the booth, which resulted in a quarrel, and Flahiff gave Campbell a push and invited him outside to fight; that Jim Coleman interfered and kept Campbell from going outside, and the affair then quieted down; that when Campbell and his wife left the booth, Mrs. Campbell (Gertrude Billeter/Miller) picked up Mr. Flahiff's hat, and Mrs. Flahiff took it away from her, at which time Gertie called Mrs. Flahiff a bad name, which again started an argument and which Coleman finally quieted down.

Mr. Miller stated that a few days after Campbell's apprehension, he and Flahiff were at the Granada Gardens and mentioned at the time to Coleman that he had had some tough customers in his place, to which Coleman answered, "Don't you think I knew what I was doing?" Miller stated that from this statement of Coleman's he understood Coleman to mean that he knew the identity of Campbell and that he was a dangerous man when he, Coleman, stopped Campbell from going outside of the Granada Gardens to fight Howard Flahiff.

Miller stated that recently he and Coleman had an argument and since then does not go into the Granada Gardens, or have anything to do with Coleman.

It would indicate from the above statement of Mr. Miller that Jim Coleman, by his statement to Miller, either knew the true identity of Harry Campbell and that he was a dangerous man, at the time Flahiff and Campbell had the quarrel in Granada Gardens, or that he was merely trying to show Miller and Flahiff that he, Coleman, was a smart man when he stopped the impending fight.

Jim Coleman has been interviewed on two occasions and in both interviews he denied he ever knew the true identity of Harry Campbell, and stated he knew Campbell only as Bob Miller.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents H. B. Dill and J. V. Murphy at Toledo, Ohio, October 12 and 13, 1936:

While conducting investigation with reference to this case, it was ascertained that J. T. Cleary was an employee of the Ohio Fuel Gas Company in Point Place, Ohio, at the time Harry Campbell and Wynona Burdette occupied the residence at 2831 - 131st Street.

Mr. Cleary was located and interviewed at his residence, 5432 - 303rd Street, Point Place, Ohio. In view of the fact that



Mr. Cleary had an engagement at the time, Agents were unable to interview him in detail at that time, and he was requested to call at the temporary office in the Edison Building at Toledo the following day, where he was interviewed in detail and the following signed statement obtained, the original of which is being retained in the files of the Cleveland office:

"Toledo, Ohio  
"October 13, 1936.

"I, J. T. CLEARY, make the following free and voluntary statement to H. B. Dill and J. V. Murphy, whom I know are Special Agents, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, without any threats or promises being made to me.

"My name is J. T. Cleary and I reside at 5432 - 303rd Street, Point Place, Ohio. I am employed as local manager at Point Place, Ohio, for the Ohio Fuel Gas Company and have been so employed for the past eight years.

"I recall in spring of 1934 I picked up an order to turn on gas, from the Duvendack Drug Store, which is a sub-station for the Ohio Fuel Gas Company. This order was to turn on the gas at 2831 - 131st Street, Point Place, Ohio. A deposit had been left with the Duvendack Drug Store and a signed card giving the name as George Winfield. The same day I installed a gas meter and turned on the gas at 2831 - 131st Street, and while there I made out a receipt for the \$10.00 deposit. While I was in the basement of this house making the installation and turning on the gas, there were two men with me, who apparently lived in this house. I have identified a photograph of a person whom I am told is that of Harry Campbell, as the person who was in the basement with me and who said his name was George Winfield. I identified a photograph of Campbell, which I am told is not one that was taken recently, and is side and front bust photo. The other man in the basement with Winfield, who I will refer hereinafter as Campbell, was a man about five feet six or seven inches tall, weight about 160 lbs., ruddy weather-beaten complexion, gray hair, and of a rather pleasant disposition. He wore a blue and white striped sailor cap, similar to those worn by sailors on lake boats, or around yacht clubs. Campbell wore a hat. I did not go into the house, but I could hear other men's voices, although I did not see them. Neither did I see any women in the house at this time. The man who was in the basement with Campbell and I, while I was turning on the gas, did most of the talking with Campbell, and his talk was about horse racing at New Orleans. This gave

the impression that these people were horse race people and gamblers, and I saw nothing that caused me to become suspicious of them or think they might be gangsters. I have been shown a number of photographs of persons whom I have been told are members of the Barker-Karpis gang, but I am unable to identify any of them as persons I saw at 2831 - 131st Street.

"At a later time, after turning on the gas at 2831 - 131st Street, Point Place, Ohio, while going past this house I saw in the yard of this address, as well as at the corner drug store, a black hair woman whom I have identified from photograph as being Wynona Burdette. She often drove a Ford V8 coupe, black color, with cream color wheels. Nearly every Sunday morning between 4:00 A. M. and 5:00 A. M., while en route to church, I would drive south on Erie Street, and would pass Wynona Burdette in her Ford coupe driving toward Point Place, Ohio. I formed an opinion, from seeing her go home at this time of the morning, that she was the wife of a gambler.

"On one occasion when I drove past 2831 - 131st Street while George Winfield was occupying that house, I noticed two red Chow dogs in the rear of this house. I also saw two automobiles in the driveway of 2831 - 131st Street, one a Buick sedan with Illinois license plates, the numbers of which I do not recall, and the Ford V8 coupe, with Ohio license plates. Winfield moved out of 2831 - 131st Street after about three months, leaving rather suddenly and without giving the Ohio Fuel Gas Company any notice, and no one has ever called for the deposit of \$10.00, which was put up at the time the gas was ordered to be turned on, and that deposit is still on hand at the gas company office.

"I have been shown photographs of two women whom I have been told are those of Paula Harmon and Dolores Delaney. I have identified these as the two women I saw together near the neighborhood of 4903 Summit Street, Point Place, Ohio. I saw them during the summer of 1934 and after the time I had made a turn on of gas in an apartment of 4901 Summit Street. I saw these two women get off a street bus and walk in the direction of this apartment house, and knowing most everyone who lived in that neighborhood, I assumed they were the people who had moved into the apartment at 4901 Summit Street in the name of Bradford. During the time the gas was in the name of Bradford at 4901 Summit, I saw these two women only a couple of times.

"Some time during early fall of 1934, I believe in early September, 1934, I saw the photograph of a woman in the Toledo News-Bee newspaper, who had been arrested in Cleveland, Ohio, and I recognized the photograph in the newspaper as that of the woman who lived at 2831 - 131st Street, Point Place, Ohio, at time George Winfield lived there, and whom I have been informed was Wynona Burdette.

"I never saw Winfield moving out of 2831 - 131st Street, and did not see any furniture being moved out of that house, and never heard what moving company moved the furniture from that house.

"I have read the above statement, consisting of this and one other page, and the same is true and correct to best of my knowledge.

WITNESSES:

/s/ J. T. CLEARY

J. V. Murphy  
H. B. Dill, Special Agents,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
1448 Standard Building,  
Cleveland, Ohio."

Mr. Cleary stated that he never visited the Little Casino Club, while it was operated by Ted and Bert Angus, but did visit that place on one occasion in the spring of 1935, when it was called the Little Club; that on this visit he stayed about fifteen minutes; that the Little Club was crowded at the time, and he does not recall having seen anyone whom he recognized from their photographs as being members of the Barker-Karpis gang.

Mr. Cleary stated he does not know Ted or Bert Angus; that, however, through general gossip he heard on a number of occasions they were connected with the vice and gambling pay offs in Toledo. He further stated that he never saw any of the automobiles seen by him at 2831 - 131st Street, while Harry Campbell was residing there, near the Casino Club on Summit Street.

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Following investigation was conducted by Special Agents H. B. Dill and J. V. Murphy at Toledo, Ohio, October 15, 1936:

Reference is made to report of Special Agent T. W. Bain, dated at Jacksonville, Florida, August 3, 1936, wherein it is noted that Walter Burwick at Fort Lauderdale, Florida, stated that Henry Dettinger, who has the postal contract for the post office at Toledo, spent considerable time at the Casino Club during 1934.

Henry W. Dettinger, 856 Nesselwood Avenue, Toledo, Ohio, was interviewed at his residence and stated that he has had for some years the special delivery parcel post contract with the post office at Toledo; that he owns a motor boat named the "Sea Gull", which he keeps at Bay View Yacht Club, where he is a member, and has owned this boat for a number of years; that during the summer of 1934, usually on Saturday afternoon and on Sunday he would visit at the Bay View Yacht Club, and he visited the Casino Club on one occasion during 1934 for the purpose of obtaining some lunch, and at that time the club was operated by Bert and Ted Angus; that he does not know either Ted or Bert Angus, but knows Ted from reputation and common gossip, that is, that Ted used to be a bootlegger and was reported to have been a collector of pay off for gambling and other vice during the Thatcher administration in Toledo, although he stated he has no personal knowledge of this.

Mr. Dettinger stated that on occasions he visited the Casino Club, during 1934 and other years, it was usually around one P. M. and he never visited the club at night; that he recalls visiting this place twice in the last two years, and on these occasions there were only a few people in the club, and there was no one there who excited his suspicions that they might be gangsters.

He stated the last and only time he ever visited Middle Island was in 1928, at which time the club house there was operated by Larry Taylor and Guy Tibbles. He stated he is not personally acquainted with Joe Roscoe, but knows him by sight, and the fact that Roscoe has a high powered motor boat which is kept at the Bay View Yacht Club. He further stated that he has seen Ludy Fleming, who was formerly a State Prohibition Agent, and had a motor boat at the Bay View Yacht Club; that he was not at the Bay View Yacht Club when some men are said to have taken a motor boat out before the seams had closed, and as a result they pulled open the seams in the boat and had to beach it, but he heard talk about that instance, and recalls that John Suocki, 1324 Tecumseh Street, Toledo, who is a member of the crew on his boat, mentioned last summer about this occurrence.

Photographs of the Barker-Karpis gang were exhibited to Mr. Dettinger, who stated he is unable to identify any of them as persons he has seen.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents H. B. Dill and J. V. Murphy at Toledo, Ohio, October 15, 1936: b7d

Reference is made to report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, Cleveland, Ohio, August 15, 1936, wherein on page 66, in an interview with [redacted] at Toledo, he advised that a man by the name of Francis Schuchman was formerly a frequent visitor at the Little Casino Club and might be able to furnish information concerning the activities of the Barker-Karpis gang during the time they frequented that club.

Francis R. Schuchman, residence 1931 Superior Street, Toledo, was located at 426 Superior Street, where he operates a lunch room and bar. He accompanied Agents to the temporary office in the Edison Building, where he was interviewed in detail.

Schuchman stated that during 1934 he visited the Little Casino Club approximately fifteen times; that his visits were usually after two A. M., after he had closed his place of business, and the Casino Club was always crowded to capacity, as this was the only spot where drinks were served, which was open after two A. M. (the closing hour designated by State Liquor Control Board). He stated that during his visits at the Casino Club during 1934 he was drinking quite heavily, consuming from one to two quarts of whiskey a day, and it is very unlikely, in the condition he was in, that he would remember just whom he saw at the club. He stated he is personally acquainted with George Timiney and Art Langendorf, whom he has known a number of years, but he does not recall ever seeing either of them at the Casino Club at any time.

He stated he knew Ted and Bert Angus when he saw them, but was not personally acquainted with either; that he never at any time heard anything said that Ted Angus was a collector of pay off for gambling and other vices in Toledo, or that George Timiney was in any way connected with the Angus brothers in their collection of pay off; that he always thought that George Timiney was a clean, honest, trustworthy officer.

Photographs of the Barker-Karpis gang were exhibited to Mr. Schuchman, and he stated, after carefully examining same, he is unable to identify any of them as persons whom he has seen at any place, although the photographs of Fred Hunter and Charles J. Fitzgerald look familiar to him, but he is unable to associate them with any place or time. He stated he has no information regarding the disappearance of Dr. Joseph P. Moran, other than what he read in the Toledo newspapers; that he has never been to Middle Island; that he is not acquainted with Joe Roscoe, although knows him by sight.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents A. J. Norstrom and A. Dickstein on October 13, 1936:

An effort to locate Dr. Jackson, mentioned in the log of the telephone tap on the residence of Edward McGraw, 2011 1/2 Adams Street, Toledo, Ohio, as the physician of Clara McGraw, was made and an inquiry of Dr. John Thomas, at Bradner, Ohio, where Dr. Jackson formerly resided, revealed that Dr. Calvin Franklin Jackson moved about October 1, 1936, to 3410 Baring Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, where he is presently residing. A letter is being addressed to the Philadelphia Bureau office, requesting that Dr. Jackson be interviewed, relative to his association with the McGraws, as well as his knowledge of Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell and Sam Coker frequenting McGraw's place.

As a matter of interest, during a discussion of other matters with Eileen Hathaway, 1711 North 12th Street, Toledo, Ohio, it was determined that Miss Hathaway is a former resident of Bradner, Ohio, and that Dr. Jackson is known to her. She informed that Dr. Jackson is married, but has no children. She advised that his practice has declined because of his habitual use of liquor, and because of the unsavory reputation he has gained as a result of his association with other women around Bradner, Ohio, many of whom he took to Toledo on weekend parties.

She further related that about a year ago, Dr. Jackson associated with one Campbell, who was an oil gauge worker from Wayne, Ohio, who is known to Miss Hathaway to be married, and had two children. However, when shown a photograph of Harry Campbell, she stated positively that this was not the photograph of the individual she had reference to.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents A. J. Norstrom and A. Dickstein on October 13, 1936:

Pursuant to the request of the Cleveland office to search the records of the Algeo Hotel, Toledo, to determine if Edna Murray registered at that hotel under the name of Grace Hansen, on May 7, 1934, with the assistance of Larry Algeo, owner, Agents determined that on Sunday, May 6, 1934, Mrs. J. E. Hansen of Aurora, Illinois, register #1399, registered at that hotel, and was assigned to room 308. She checked out on May 7, 1934, and she was charged \$1.50 for the room.

It should be noted that this hotel does not maintain a separate card for each guest, but that all registrations are made on the old style loose leaf form. Mr. Algeo informed that the registration sheet above-mentioned will be available whenever needed, and that he has custody of such registry records and will produce them when necessary. It should be further noted that the check-out date was determined from the May 1934 cash book.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent E. J. Wynn at Conneaut, Ohio, on October 7, 1936:

William Fearer, home address 441 Walbridge Avenue, Toledo, Ohio, second mate on the steamer Johnson of the Pittsburgh Steamship Lines, was interviewed and stated that he was a ship-keeper on the ships at Bay View, across from the Casino Club in 1934; that he only visited the Casino Club about six times and at such times never spent very much time there; that he does not know the proprietors of this place, Ted and Bert Angus, personally, and doubts if he would recognize them if he saw them.

All photographs of members of the Barker-Karpis gang, who were known to have visited the Casino Club in the summer of 1934, were exhibited to Mr. Fearer, but he was unable to identify the photographs as being the likenesses of any persons observed by him at the Casino Club.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent  
D. P. Sullivan on October 3, 1936, at Milan, Michigan:

Wynona Burdette was interviewed and she stated that during the early spring of 1934, during the time she and Harry Campbell were living at the Jarvis Apartments with William J. Harrison, she, Campbell, and Harrison occasionally visited the Casino Club to have a drink; that at the Casino Club at that time they saw Ted and Bert Angus, Coolie Monroe, and Charlie Becker, who was also known to her as "The Skipper"; that referring to the incident, as set out in her statement dated January 31, 1936, at Chicago, Illinois, contained on page 45 of the report of Special Agent J. L. Madala, dated at Chicago, Illinois, February 6, 1936, after she and Campbell spent the night at the cottage of Bert Angus on the shores of Lake Erie, near Toledo, she and Campbell visited the Casino Club, the following morning, where they had breakfast; that Bert Angus and Coolie Monroe were present at the Casino Club at that time; that Harry Campbell conversed confidentially with Bert Angus and upon leaving the Casino Club, Harry Campbell advised her, in referring to the scare of the previous evening, when he and other members of the gang thought that the local Toledo police were casing his house at 2831 - 131st Street, that "everything was all right," that it was "just a false alarm." Campbell suggested to her at that time that she should, however, ride past the house a few times to see if she noted anything suspicious; that she did so and finding everything apparently was all right she returned and so advised Harry Campbell, and they thereafter moved back into their house.

That upon being shown the photographs of Fred Barker and Alvin Karpis appearing on page 72 of the July issue of the Startling Detective Magazine, she stated that these photographs appear to be the identical photographs, and appear in the same approximate location on the page of the magazine exhibited to her by Madeline Angus on the occasion when she and Edna Murray visited Madeline Angus' apartment during the summer of 1934, as set out on page 47 of the above mentioned report of Special Agent J. L. Madala; that she recalls that during the summer of 1934, Ted Angus owned a speed boat and that members of the gang frequently used this boat; that the keys to this speed boat were kept at the Casino Club; that she recalled that on one occasion Ted Angus, Harry Campbell, Arthur R. "Doc" Barker and some other members of the gang, made a trip to Middle Island; that on their return, Harry Campbell had a cut on his forehead and he stated that he had bumped his head when the boat did a nose dive.

That on occasions both Bert and Ted Angus, in referring to Harry Campbell, would call him by the name of Harry, but they ordinarily called him "Buff;" that members of the gang while frequenting the Casino Club used and were known by the nicknames ordinarily



used in referring one to the other; that Arthur R. "Doc" Barker was known as "Doc"; Fred Barker as Freddie; Karpis as Ray; she, Wynona, as Wynona; Dolores Delaney as Dolores; Paula as Paula, and Russell Gibson as Rusty or Slim; that on various occasions when in the company of Rene and Thelma Holst, and Madeline Angus, in referring to Harry Campbell, she inadvertently called him by the name of Harry.

Wynona Burdette stated that she was at the Casino Club one evening during the summer of 1934 with Harry Campbell and was in the kitchen speaking with Marie (Barley), the cook; that Harry Campbell was outside in the club proper and Bert Angus was on duty; that Captain Timiney and five men dressed in plain clothes, who appeared to be policemen, pulled up in front of the club and Harry Campbell burst into the kitchen and pulled a gun from under his belt; that he closed the door and peeped through a glass aperture in the door; that Bert Angus yelled to Harry Campbell and said that it was all right for him to come in, whereupon Campbell replaced his gun under his belt and went back into the club proper; that at that time he was wearing a coat; that later that night after Timiney and his companions had left, Bert Angus, Harry Campbell, and Wynona laughed about the incident and Bert Angus thereafter kidded Harry Campbell on several occasions about Harry's running into the kitchen.

That on another occasion when either Ted or Bert Angus were tending bar, (she believes it was Ted Angus) George Timiney entered the Casino Club with two strange men, who were dressed in plain clothes; that Marie, the cook, was in the kitchen canning tomatoes; that when Timiney and his two companions entered, Harry Campbell rushed into the kitchen and secreted the pistol he was carrying in a box; that thereafter when Timiney and his companions left, Ted Angus kidded Harry Campbell concerning his hiding his gun, and thereafter laughed about it on numerous occasions.

That Timiney frequently visited the Casino Club alone; that on such occasions members of the gang exhibited no fear; that Harry Campbell would sit at the bar and talk with Timiney and that he and other members of the gang drank with Timiney and bought drinks for Timiney at the Casino Club when he was there alone.

That at the Casino Club she overheard conversations between Harry Campbell and other members of the gang, when they made reference to Ted and Bert Angus and other persons at the Casino Club, and the general situation at Toledo, and they mentioned, in referring to their safety and the possibility of

of arrest, that everything was all right there. She stated that members of the gang spent money lavishly and sat at the bar and left their money in front of them; that on occasions this money would consist of bills of \$10 and \$20 denominations; that she could not recall Bert and Ted Angus ringing up the entire amount of a bill tendered to them, when change was due to members of the gang for drinks purchased.

Wynona Burdette further stated that if she recalls correctly, a girl entertainer at the Casino Club, who was infatuated with Jimmie Wilson, became greatly aroused when Wilson would appear at the Casino Club accompanied by other women; that she remembers that on one occasion this girl entertainer made a scene at the Casino Club and accused Wilson of betraying her; that other members of the gang were present and this girl threatened Wilson with physical harm and Wilson appeared to be frightened.

Wynona Burdette further related that on one occasion the gang was present at a party in the basement of Ted Angus' home and present at the party were Ted Angus, Ruth Wells, Bert Angus, Madeline Angus, Harry Campbell, she, Wynona, William J. Harrison, Charles Becker, James J. Wilson, Rene Holst and her sweetheart, whom Wynona stated she believed was named Ludy. Wynona Burdette described this man as being about 35 years of age, quite tall, heavy build, and having small squinted eyes; that she saw this man on occasions with Rene Holst at the Casino Club; that on the occasion of this particular party members of the gang drank heavily; that a day or so following the party Ruth Wells told her that Ted Angus took a punch at her because of the attention she, Ruth, had paid to Jimmie Wilson.

That on another occasion she, Wynona, and Harry Campbell were drinking at the Casino Club with a man known to her as "Nig" (Harold "Nig" Cousins) and his sweetheart, Ethel, and several other persons, who were unknown to Wynona; that Ruth went behind the bar to put her coat there, and words arose between Ted Angus and Ruth Wells, and Ted slapped Ruth's face.

Further information was obtained from Wynona Burdette to the effect that Ruth Wells was frequently in the company of Jimmie Wilson; that she visited the house occupied by Wynona and Harry Campbell at 2831 - 131st Street on numerous occasions, under the guise of visiting Wynona, but would meet Wilson there; that on one occasion she, Wynona, found Ruth Wells and Jimmie Wilson in a compromising situation in her home.

Wynona Burdette further related that during the summer of 1934 she, Harry Campbell, William J. Harrison, Ted Angus, Bert Angus, Ruth Wells, Madeline Angus, Rene Holst, Dolores Delaney, Paula Harmon, "Doc" Barker, and Thelma Holst visited the 42nd Street Cafe; that she is not acquainted with Joe Roscoe and did not know the owner of the 42nd Street Cafe.

That during the time she and members of the gang were frequenting the Casino Club she spent a great deal of time speaking with Marie, the cook, in the kitchen of the club. It is to be noted that Marie Barley has stated that Wynona Burdette frequently spoke with her in the kitchen of the Casino Club.

That during the summer of 1934 both Ted and Bert Angus visited the house that she, Wynona, and Harry Campbell were occupying at 2831 - 131st Street; that Alvin Karpis, "Doc" Barker, Harry Campbell, visited the Casino Club during the spring and summer of 1934 with bandages on their hands and faces; that she recalls that Doc Barker and Alvin Karpis visited the Casino Club while the bandages were still on their faces; that when they visited the club shortly after they had been operated on, these bandages covered all of their hands; that thereafter when their hands began to heal these bandages covered only their finger tips; that Karpis frequently wore a pair of white gloves in order to conceal the fact that he wore bandages; that his fingers were so sensitive that he was compelled to hold a glass with the palms of his hands when drinking beer; that she recalls that an abscess formed on one of the wounds under "Doc" Barker's ears, compelling him to wear a bandage on this wound for some time after his fingers and face had healed.

Wynona further stated that she recalled the occasion when Jimmie Wilson wrecked Harry Campbell's Ford car, but she could not recall ever having heard that he was accompanied by two women, or that he had obtained the services of two policemen to take him to the Casino Club after the accident occurred; that on the second occasion when she was at St. Vincent's Hospital she was visited by Madeline Angus and her mother; that Madeline's mother had a newspaper containing an account of the killing of John Dillinger, which she read to Wynona; that after reading it, Madeline's mother asked Wynona whether she was scared; that from this Wynona gathered that Madeline's mother also knew the true identity of herself, Wynona, and Harry Campbell, and as a result she became somewhat frightened and advised Edna Murray of the incident. Wynona further stated that during the summer of 1934 she was acquainted with Al Yonkers; that she recalled that the woman who lived with Yonkers was a waitress in a restaurant located in downtown Toledo; that on several occasions she, Harry Campbell, and Willie Harrison visited Yonkers when he was living on the second floor over Ted Angus, and Willie Harrison cooked spaghetti for those present.

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 forth in this report.

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1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

October 18, 1936.

Mr. E. H. Wilson,  
Chief Special Agent,  
St. Louis-San Francisco Railway Company,  
St. Louis, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of October 14, 1936,  
in which you furnished information as to the arrest of JOHN  
BROCK, your file #1856.

I desire to thank you for your cooperation in this  
matter.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFARLAND  
Special Agent in Charge

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, FUGITIVE;  
I. O. #1252; EDWARD GEORGE  
BREMER, VICTIM - KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

Your attention is invited to the teletype message forwarded by your office to the Bureau under date of August 27, 1936, in which you advised the Bureau of the dismissal of the indictments which were returned against Nathaniel Heller.

I know that three of the indictments were dismissed on May 15, 1935 and that the two remaining indictments against Heller were not pressed April 20, 1936. The Bureau files fail to reflect that you previously informed the Bureau of the indictments which were dismissed against Heller more than a year ago and likewise failed to promptly report the dismissal of the final two indictments which were pending against Heller. Matters of this nature should be closely followed by you and I should be kept currently informed of the developments in all important cases in which the Bureau is interested.

Very truly yours,

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John Edgar Hoover,  
Director,

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1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

October 16, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Re: B KID

In connection with the investigation being conducted at Toledo, Ohio, regarding reference case, relative to the harboring of Harry Campbell, Alvin Karpis, and other members of the Barker-Karpis gang, it was determined that a Dr. Calvin F. Jackson, formerly of Bradner, Ohio, and presently residing at 3410 Baring Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, since October 1, 1936, was the physician of Mrs. Clara McGraw, 2011 1/2 Adams Street, Toledo, Ohio, at whose home Harry Campbell and Sam Coker were known to have resided intermittently from May 1935, to May 1936, under the names of Bob Miller, and Tommy Pratt, respectively. It is also known that Alvin Karpis occasionally visited the McGraw residence during that period of time, above mentioned. It should be noted that Dr. Jackson called at the McGraw residence on several occasions, to give medical assistance to Mrs. Clara McGraw.

It is requested that Dr. Jackson be interviewed relative to such visits, in an effort to obtain information from him as to the identities of the persons he met when visiting the McGraws, as well as his general knowledge in regard to the McGraw family, and as to their association with the Barker-Karpis gang, or any of its members.

It is suggested that photographs of members of the Barker-Karpis gang be exhibited to him for identification.

As a matter of interest, it has been alleged that Dr. Jackson is a heavy drinker, and bears an unsavory reputation in Bradner, Ohio, because of his association with women about town, other than his wife.

It is requested that this investigation be expedited.

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RECORDED Very truly yours,

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Special Agent in Charge

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

REPORT MADE AT <b>LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>10/16/36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>10/14/36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>B. L. DALTON</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases; FUGITIVE, I.O. 1252; et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING - OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - HARBORING OF FUGITIVE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Grace Goldstein, Hot Springs, Arkansas, states Milton Lett came to Hot Springs, Arkansas, about November 10, 1935 with Freddie Hunter and remained for several days, which was the first and only time she had ever seen Lett. She further states she received information that Lett was in Hot Springs about April, 1936, and attempted to contact her but she did not see him. No known contacts of Lett in Hot Springs.

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**REFERENCE:**

Report of Special Agent Paul Kitchin, Cleveland, Ohio, dated September 8, 1936.

**DETAILS:**

Grace Goldstein, 233 1/2 Central Avenue, Hot Springs, Arkansas, identified photograph of Milton Lett as being a person known to her under that name and also under the name of "Skeet". She was unable to identify the photograph of Mrs. Milton Lett, nee Lucille Ferris. With reference to Lett, it was stated by Grace Goldstein that soon after the mail train robbery at Garrettsville, Ohio, Freddie Hunter came to Hot Springs, Arkansas; that after remaining a very short time, Hunter proceeded to Tulsa, Oklahoma, by airplane, she believes it was a private plane of John Stover of Hot Springs, and within a day or two Hunter returned to Hot Springs, at which time he was accompanied by Milton Lett, and they were driving Lett's Ford V-8 Sedan with Oklahoma license plates; that Freddie Hunter stayed with her at her house on Third Street in Hot Springs for a short period of time and during this time, Milton Lett stayed at the Coronado.

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Tourist Camp in one of the cabins, that for some reason it was not desired that Lett stay in her house; that she knew very little about the personal history of Lett and his activities and only came in contact with him on this one occasion in Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Grace Goldstein stated that this was the first and only time she had ever seen Milton Lett, but that she understood that Lett returned to Hot Springs about April, 1936, and attempted to get in touch with her to locate Hunter and others but that she did not see Lett and could not recall who told her that Lett was trying to contact her.

Miss Goldstein promised to notify the writer or Special Agent in Charge Chapman Fletcher in the event she should receive any information concerning Milton Lett, or if he should return to Hot Springs; she stated in this connection that she felt sure that Lett had no contacts in Hot Springs and that if he returned he would communicate with her.

There being no further leads in the Little Rock District with the exception of withdrawing automobile stop notices this matter is being

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Re: BREMER

Dear Sir:

It is noted from prior statements obtained from James J. Wilson, who is presently confined in the Northeastern Penitentiary, Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, that Wilson possesses considerable information which would be of value in the contemplated prosecution of the harboring cases at Cleveland and Toledo, Ohio.

The Bureau has been apprised of the attitude of James J. Wilson at the time he was called as a witness at the trial of Myrtle Eaton at Jacksonville, Florida on June 1, 1936. It is believed, however, that further efforts should be made to obtain further detailed information from Wilson concerning the harboring cases at Cleveland and Toledo, Ohio. The Bureau desires that Wilson be interviewed in the near future by an agent who is thoroughly familiar with the facts of the case.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CINCINNATI, OHIO**

REPORT MADE AT: <b>NEW YORK CITY</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>10/19/36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>10/16/36</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>HARRY C. LESLIE</b>
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TITLE: <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.</b>	CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>KIDNAPING</b>
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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:	<p>No such address as 5513-5th Avenue, for Robert Eliasberg. Robert Eliasberg, attorney, located at 565 Fifth Avenue, NYC, advises he does not know nor ever communicated with any such party as Groves or Graysome. Motor Vehicle Bureau at Hartford, Conn., and Automobile Detective Bureau at NYC requested to cancel "flash" on 1935 Ford V-8 Coupe, motor #18-145253.</p>
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REFERENCE:	<p>Letter to all field offices from the Cleveland office, dated September 29, 1936. Letter from Cleveland to Louisville, dated October 12, 1936.</p>
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DETAILS:	<p>In accordance with reference letter dated October 12, 1936, which furnished the name and address of ROBERT ELIASBERG, 5513 Fifth Avenue, New York City, who, according to information, was a correspondent of subject BENSON GROVES when he was confined at the U. S. Northeastern Penitentiary, Lewisburg, Pa., and which requested that Mr. ELIASBERG be interviewed with a view to locating subject GROVES, agent ascertained that there is no number 5513 on Fifth Avenue.</p>
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<p>APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>[Signature]</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE</p>	<p>7-576-13035 OCT 20 P.M. BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE</p>
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and that the highest number on Fifth Avenue is 2340.

The New York and Brooklyn telephone and city directories were consulted, and the New York telephone directory reflects the name of ROBERT ELIASBERG, attorney at 565 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

Mr. ROBERT ELIASBERG was interviewed and was shown the photograph of subject BENSON GROVES alias BENJAMIN GRAYSON. Mr. ELIASBERG advised that he had never heard of GROVES and he had not communicated with him at Atlanta or the Northeastern Penitentiary.

With regard to reference letter dated September 29, 1936, the New York office communicated with the Motor Vehicle Bureau at Hartford, Conn., and the Automobile Detective Bureau at New York City, requesting that "flash" card be withdrawn against 1935 Ford V-8 Coupe, motor #18-1615253, as this car has been recovered.

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October 17, 1936

Time: 1:05 PM

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

RE: Alvin Karpis.

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Colonel Gates stated in the course of a telephone conversation that the Associated Press had a story to the effect that Karpis has been telling Warden Johnston at Alcatraz a lot of information about tracking down criminals. I stated I had heard nothing about it. Colonel Gates stated he had inquired at Mr. Bates' office and they had heard nothing about it.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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Mr. Tolson .....  
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PHONE. BREKID. PROVIDED NOTHING DEVELOPS BY TOMORROW WILL RELEASE  
SEVERAL AGENTS WORKING AT CLEVELAND ON THIS. AGENT GUERIN RETURNED  
TONIGHT TO REGULAR DUTY CLEVELAND. USA FREED IS MAKING JOHN BROCK  
AVAILABLE FOR INTERVIEW TO US AT HIS SUGGESTION TOMORROW. AUTHORITY  
REQUESTED TO PAY CLAYTON HALL FIFTY DOLLARS CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT  
IN THIS CASE. THIS BELIEVED DESIRABLE THIS CASE AND ALSO TO MAINTAIN  
CONTACT AND INTEREST SO HE WILL BE AVAILABLE TO CLEVELAND ON OTHER  
CASES PARTICULARLY NSPA CASES. HALL FINANCIALLY DEPRESSED HALL NOW  
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## MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

With reference to the article entitled "Smashing the Notorious Karpis Mob", published in the September issue of "Daring Detective" magazine, the writer Jack Heil obviously endeavors to create the impression that the Federal Bureau of Investigation could not have captured Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell without certain information having been supplied to the Bureau by the Post Office Inspectors and Joe Anderson of the Kansas State Highway Patrol. The article relates to the solution of the mail robbery committed on November 7, 1935 at Garrettsville, Ohio by alleged "super-detective work" by Post Office Inspectors, Joe Anderson and other police officers, who from time to time cooperated with the Post Office Department.

Throughout the article inferences are made that the Bureau impeded the investigation conducted by the Post Office Inspectors, and further inferences are made that the Bureau did not possess information concerning certain contacts of Karpis and Campbell until the same was furnished by the Postal Inspectors. George "Burrhead" Keady and Milton Lett are principally referred to, as well as Fred Hunter, Grace Goldstein, called Mary Matthews, and Connis Morris, who is mentioned as "The Girl in White". Considerable emphasis is given to the failure of the Bureau to promptly identify the fingerprints of Milton Lett at the time the prints were forwarded to the Bureau under the name of Thomas J. Shaw by the Akron Police Department on October 19, 1935.

George "Burrhead" Keady was well known to the Bureau several months prior to the Garrettsville, Ohio mail robbery on November 7, 1935. The Bureau knew that Keady was a former associate of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, and in August, 1935 efforts were being made by the Oklahoma City Office of the Bureau to develop Keady as a confidential informant. Keady did furnish the Bureau with information concerning the contacts of Karpis and Campbell at the Harvard Club at Cleveland, Ohio. Keady, although

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married, was closely associated with a woman known as Johnnie Sherman, who was also believed to have information concerning the fugitives in the Bremer case. A telephone tap was placed on the telephone of Johnnie Sherman in January, 1936, and it was through this source that the Bureau first learned of the apprehension of Keady at Tulsa, Oklahoma by the Tulsa Police Department on February 22, 1936, Keady later being turned over to the Post Office Inspectors, after which he was taken to Cleveland, Ohio and secretly confined. Information was obtained over this telephone tap indicating the close relationship existing between "Burrhead" Keady and John Brock, which information was obtained independently of the Post Office Inspectors.

Keady and John Brock in the latter part of January, 1936 attended the trial of one Tom Hill at Independence, Kansas, and while in attendance at this trial Joe Anderson of the Kansas State Highway Patrol arrested them and caused their photographs to be taken and immediately sent them to Cleveland, Ohio, where witnesses identified both Keady and Brock as having been participants in the Garrettsville mail robbery. After the photographs of Brock and Keady were taken at Independence, Kansas, they were released and both of them returned to Tulsa, Oklahoma, at which place Keady was apprehended as previously stated.

John Brock remained in Tulsa, Oklahoma and was in almost daily communication with Johnnie Sherman, which fact was well known to Agents of the Bureau. The Bureau learned that the Post Office Inspectors were endeavoring to interview Johnnie Sherman, and this fact caused her to change her residence. Brock remained at liberty in Tulsa, Oklahoma until March 12, 1936, at which time he was apprehended and removed to Cleveland, Ohio, where he was committed to the custody of the United States Marshal under the name of Charles Johnson. Brock, after his removal to Cleveland, Ohio, made a complete statement to the Post Office Inspectors concerning the Garrettsville, Ohio mail robbery, and in this statement Brock informed the Post Office Inspectors of the trip made by Alvin Karpis, Fred Hunter and Brock in a Stinson aeroplane to Hot Springs, Arkansas, which was piloted by John Zetser of Port Clinton, Ohio. This is the manner in which Post Office Inspectors obtained information

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concerning Karpis having gone to Hot Springs, Arkansas after the mail robbery, arriving at the latter place on November 11, 1935, rather than a detailed check of various airports, or other "super-detective work".

It appears that through a confidential informant of Post Office Inspector Hill information was received to the effect that Sam Coker left Tulsa, Oklahoma shortly before the Garrettsville mail train robbery, and confided to the confidential informant that he was going east for the purpose of participating in a mail robbery. As previously stated Keady and Brock were later photographed and identified as participants in the robbery.

In the meantime a gambling place of George Hurford at Tulsa, Oklahoma was raided. On the premises there was found a money sack containing \$3,200, consisting mostly of twenty dollar bills on the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland, Ohio. Hurford informed Post Office Inspectors that the money belonged to Keady, and Keady claimed that he received the money from John Brock, and the money which is alleged to have come from the Garrettsville mail robbery was to have been changed at Hurford's place, Hurford having no knowledge that it came out of the Garrettsville mail robbery.

On October 5, 1935, more than a month prior to the Garrettsville mail robbery, the Bureau obtained information through Chief of Detectives, Herbert Akers, Hot Springs, Arkansas, to the effect that Karpis had been frequenting Hot Springs. Investigation by the Bureau disclosed that three men using the names of Harold King, Fred Parker and Tommy Coleman had been living at Dyer's Landing, near Hot Springs, Arkansas, and were visited from time to time by a man known as George. The Agents learned that Parker drove a Hudson coupe, bearing Ohio license number H-372-H, and it was determined that this car had been purchased by an individual on or about August 1, 1935 from the Manning-Marino Motor Company of Youngstown, Ohio for cash. It was further ascertained that Fred Hunter of Leavittsburg, Ohio accompanied the individual who purchased the car and that Fred Hunter was identical with Fred Parker, who had possession of the coupe at Hot Springs, Arkansas.

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The description of "George" answered the description of Harry Campbell, and George was reported to be driving a Hudson coupe, Ohio license number H-85-M. A tracing of this license number showed conclusively the number which had been furnished to the Agents was incorrect.

After obtaining the above information an exhaustive investigation was made at all the bathhouses in Hot Springs, Arkansas, as it was known that Harry Campbell frequented bathhouses as he was suffering from gonorrheal rheumatism. No definite identification could be made of either Karpis or Campbell at Hot Springs, Arkansas. It has been ascertained within the last month that the number which was given as H-85-M was in fact H-85-S, and was issued to a car which was purchased by Harry Campbell from the Manning-Marino Motor Company at Youngstown, Ohio.

The investigation was continuing of this angle of the case by conducting further investigation at Hot Springs, Arkansas, at Youngstown, Ohio concerning Harry Campbell and at Leavittsburg, Ohio concerning Fred Hunter at the time Post Office Inspectors began their investigation.

On March 21, 1936, Special Agent B. L. Darron obtained information from Detective Herbert Akers that he had learned that Karpis had been at Hot Springs, Arkansas in November, 1935, and had arrived in that city by aeroplane. Agent Darron interviewed John Stover, in charge of the local airport at Hot Springs, Arkansas, and Stover furnished information concerning a Stinson plane which had been used by Karpis, Hunter and Brock after the robbery, which plane had landed at the airport in Hot Springs. Agent Darron learned from Stover that the Post Office Inspectors had previously interviewed Stover, he indicating that these interviews had taken place just a short time prior to Stover being interviewed by Agent Darron. As information was furnished by Brock to the Post Office Inspectors concerning this angle of the case, the interview had to necessarily be subsequent to March 12, 1936, the date of Brock's apprehension. The Post Office Inspectors never furnished the Bureau with this information, and the Bureau by its independent investigation learned that the Stinson plane

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which had been used had been registered at the United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of Aeronautics, on November 7, 1935 to one John Zetser of Port Clinton, Ohio. The records indicated that the plane was purchased from the Cross Sales Air Service of East Toledo, Ohio, and was resold to them by Zetser on January 30, 1936. Zetser was taken into custody by Bureau Agents at Port Clinton, Ohio on March 27, 1936, and after executing the appropriate waivers of removal, he was taken to Cleveland, Ohio where he was held until April 3, 1936. The article in the "Daring Detective" magazine infers that Zetser was held for a greater period of time. Zetser furnished the Agents with further information concerning the trip taken by Hunter, Brock and Karpis after the mail robbery. If a surveillance of Zetser was being maintained by the Post Office Inspectors the Bureau was not informed of this. From the above it will be noted that the Bureau by conducting an independent investigation was obtaining identical information which had been furnished to the Post Office Inspectors by Brock. Brock has never been interviewed by an Agent of the Bureau.

Former Special Agent Paul Hansen developed through Tom Hill of South Coffeyville, Oklahoma in August, 1935 that Milton Lett was a close associate of Harry Campbell and had been in touch with Campbell in April 1934, at the time Campbell contacted Mark Whinnery at Tulsa, Oklahoma, Whinnery being the brother-in-law of Wynona Burdette, furnishing Whinnery with money to be transmitted to Wynona Burdette, who at that time was being held in Ramsey County Jail, St. Paul, Minnesota. Efforts were made by former Agent Hansen to use Lett as a confidential informant, and after interviewing him on several occasions it was apparent that Lett would not cooperate, and the decision was made to take Lett into custody for questioning, but Lett disappeared before this was accomplished.

On December 12, 1935, Special Agent T. M. Birch was interviewed by Postal Inspector S. J. Mettrick, and in his conversation Mettrick advised Birch that one Thomas J. Shaw had been arrested by the Akron Police Department on October 19, 1935, and had been identified as having purchased a Plymouth four-door sedan, which had been used in the Garrettsville mail robbery.

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At this time Hettrick expressed the opinion that the Garrettsville mail robbery had been effected by Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell and others, but at that time a Postal Inspector had not effected a positive identification of Karpis and Campbell. On this occasion Post Office Inspector Casey was also present and he displayed to Special Agent Birch a photograph of Alvin Karpis, among others, and also a photograph of Sam Coker, Tulsa Police Department #6009. Casey advised that one of the witnesses had identified Coker as one of the participants in the robbery, but that was the only identification they had obtained, and in this regard Casey stated that they had no other positive identification inasmuch as witnesses were too frightened to make such identification.

No satisfaction was obtained from Post Office Inspectors by Agents of the Bureau as to the identification of Karpis and Campbell in the Garrettsville mail robbery, and the Agents took it upon themselves to interview the witnesses to the said robbery. Mrs. W. L. Scott of Garrettsville, Ohio, one of the principal witnesses, positively identified Alvin Karpis as the person who was in charge of the robbery. Other persons also identified a photograph of Alvin Karpis, and Mrs. Robert Brockert in addition thereto identified the photograph of Harry Campbell as a participant. Prior to these identifications the Post Office Inspectors had expressed their sincere willingness and desire to cooperate with the Bureau at all times, but they failed to notify any representative of the Bureau that Karpis and Campbell had been identified in the Garrettsville mail robbery.

During the course of the investigation conducted by Special Agents of the Bureau at Akron, Ohio in the early part of January, 1936, Detective Robert Van Steenberg of the Akron Police Department related to the Agents that on October 19, 1935, one Thomas J. Shaw was arrested, at which time he had in his possession money in the amount of \$869.00. Van Steenberg related that his investigation disclosed that Lett on October 19, 1935 went to the Universal Motor Company, 423 South Main Street, Akron, Ohio, for the purpose of buying a Ford automobile for cash, and after making

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preliminary arrangements for the purchase of this car, Lett proceeded to the vicinity of the Portage Hotel, where he was arrested as a suspicious person.

At this time Clayton Hall of Youngstown, Ohio, who was later used as an informant by the Bureau, was in company of Shaw and was also arrested. Approximately three hours following the arrest of Shaw, one J. T. Dunn, a local gambler, called at the Akron Police Department with reference to the arrest of Shaw, and endeavored to negotiate a bond for Shaw's release. It was later determined that Shaw was identical with Milton Lett, and that Dunn had endeavored to secure the release of Lett at the instance of Fred Hunter.

After the release of Lett by the Akron Police Department, he, thereafter, on October 25, 1935, in the name of Carl Baker, purchased from the Knowles-Brown Motor Company, 1440 West 25th Street, Cleveland, Ohio, the Plymouth sedan which was used in the Garrettsville mail robbery, Lett paying \$740 cash for the car.

At the time of the arrest of Lett as Thomas J. Shaw by the Akron Police Department his fingerprints were submitted to the Bureau. The Bureau by letter dated October 24, 1935 advised the Akron, Ohio Police Department that Thomas J. Shaw, Akron Police Department number 26337 had no previous criminal record. The Akron Police Department advised the Post Office Inspectors that Thomas J. Shaw had no prior criminal record pursuant to the information contained in the Bureau letter dated October 24, 1935. On January 4, 1936, the Cleveland Bureau Office wrote the Bureau requesting a complete criminal record of Thomas J. Shaw, and the Cleveland Bureau Office had no information that Thomas J. Shaw was identical with Milton Lett, and the first advice received in this connection was under date of January 13, 1936, when the Bureau submitted to the Cleveland Bureau Office the following criminal records:

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Concerning the failure to identify the fingerprints of Lett a memorandum was prepared under date of May 23, 1936 by Mr. J. J. Edwards advising the search was conducted by Technical employee Thomas McLeod. Mr. Edwards explained that on the print received from the Akron Police Department in the left index finger Mr. McLeod made a ridge count of 14, thus throwing this particular print under the subdivision of "L". The master print appearing in the file had a ridge count of 12, which placed the master print under the subdivision of "M". Had the ridge count on the Akron print been 13, it would have been automatically referenced into the group where the master print was located. As a result the print from the Akron Police Department was not searched in the group where the master print appeared. Mr. Edwards stated that Mr. McLeod properly counted the ridges in the left index finger and there was no error on the part of this Technical employee.

The Akron Police Department upon receipt of the above criminal record from the Cleveland Bureau Office on the afternoon of January 16, 1936 immediately called Post Office Inspector Hettrick of Cleveland, Ohio by long distance telephone, advising him of the identity of Milton Lett, whereupon Inspector Hettrick communicated with the Post Office Inspectors at Oklahoma for the purpose of having them arrest Milton Lett for questioning in connection with the Garrettsville, Ohio mail robbery.

In this connection investigation by the Oklahoma City Office disclosed that Maggie Lett, the mother of Milton Lett, was receiving registered mail at Sana, Oklahoma from an individual in Cleveland, Ohio, and it was believed that the individual forwarding



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this mail was either identical with Milton Lett, or Harry Campbell. For this reason on November 27, 1935 a surveillance was commenced at the registry section of the Cleveland, Ohio Post Office by Agents of the Bureau, which surveillance was continued until January 20, 1936 in the hope of identifying the person responsible for mailing such letters. A surveillance was maintained with the knowledge of Post Office Inspector S. J. Hettrick of Cleveland, Ohio, and it will be noted that the surveillance was instituted prior to the identification of Milton Lett as being identical with Thomas J. Shaw. Despite the fact that Post Office Inspector Hettrick knew of this situation and knew the Bureau was interested in Maggie Lett of Wann, Oklahoma, Post Office Inspectors, without notifying the Cleveland or Oklahoma City Offices of this Bureau, proceeded to Wann, Oklahoma, after the identification of Lett was made by the Bureau, and with the assistance of Joe Anderson and Deputy Sheriffs conducted a raid on the premises of Mrs. Maggie Lett, and this was done in spite of the fact that the Post Office Inspectors had knowledge the Bureau was interested in both Milton and Maggie Lett. The Post Office Inspectors acted in complete derogation and with absolute disregard for the interest of the Bureau in conducting the raid on the Lett home near Wann, Oklahoma.

The article in the "Daring Detective" magazine infers that after the identification of Lett, Joe Anderson suspected that Karpis was in the Garrettsville mail robbery. A sentence from the article is quoted: "To Anderson, L-E-T-T spelled Karpis."

Concerning Clayton Hall, this individual first came to the attention of Agents of the Bureau in February, 1936, his name having been furnished as a contact of Karpis by Archie Negleman, who in February, 1936 was in jail in Akron, Ohio, and was under investigation for violation of the National Motor Vehicle Theft Act. Negleman had also been interviewed by Post Office Inspectors after the Akron Police Department had advised them Negleman possessed information concerning Karpis. It will be noted, however, that Agents of the Bureau obtained information concerning Hall entirely independent from any investigation conducted by the Post Office Inspectors. Investigation was going forward in connection with information furnished by Negleman at the time of the arrest of Keady and Brock at Tulsa, Oklahoma. For the reason that these individuals had been arrested, it was decided that the Bureau Agents should openly interview Hall for the purpose of obtaining information concerning the whereabouts of Karpis and Campbell.

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Special Agents W. B. O'Mahoney and E. J. Kynn interviewed Clayton Hall at Youngstown, Ohio on March 25, 1936, and after obtaining considerable information from him the Agents made arrangements for Hall to proceed to Cleveland, Ohio on the following day, March 26, 1936, where he could be further interrogated to better advantage. To assist Hall in this matter, Agent Kynn provided him with a five dollar bill and also with a slip of paper bearing the name of Special Agent Kynn and the address of the Cleveland Bureau Office. Much concern was experienced by the Cleveland Office when Hall failed to put in his appearance on March 26, 1936 as he had agreed.

Hall not putting in his appearance, it became necessary for Special Agents E. J. Dowd and W. B. O'Mahoney to proceed to the residence of Hall at Youngstown, Ohio on March 27, 1936. These efforts were unsuccessful. Mrs. Hall honestly professed ignorance of the location of her husband. The Agents then maintained a brief surveillance in the thought that Hall might return.

At about 5:00 P. M., March 27, 1936, Post Office Inspector Hettrick telephoned Special Agent in Charge J. P. MacFarland at Cleveland, Ohio from Youngstown, Ohio, advising that Post Office Inspectors had taken Hall into custody, and they were aware of the fact that two of the Bureau Agents were conducting an investigation at Youngstown, Ohio and had Hall's home under surveillance.

On the date of the first interview, March 25, 1936, Hall furnished valuable information concerning Alvin Karpis, and after he was taken into custody by the Post Office Inspectors he refused to furnish information to them without a representative of the Bureau being present. Hall had explained to the Post Office Inspectors that he was on his way to the Cleveland Bureau Office and exhibited to them the slip of paper which had been furnished by Agent Kynn, with the original five dollar bill. Hall then furnished to Mr. E. J. Connelley the information that Karpis was living at a house near Hot Springs, Arkansas, and described the location of the house to Mr. Connelley. This information was then furnished by Mr. Connelley to the Post Office Inspectors. The article in the "Daring Detective" magazine alleges that this information came from the Postal Inspectors' informant and they furnished the same to Bureau Agents. This is a flagrant misstatement of the facts.

Special Agent E. J. Connelley and Special Agent C. E. Smith, together with Post Office Inspectors Mettrick and Cordrey and Joe Anderson of the Kansas State Highway Patrol left Cleveland, Ohio by aeroplane at 3:00 A. M. and proceeded to Little Rock, Arkansas where other Agents of the Bureau were met. The Agents, together with Post Office Inspectors and Joe Anderson arrived at Hot Springs, Arkansas about 4:30 P. M., March 29, 1936, and at about 6:00 A. M., March 30, 1936 a raid was conducted on the house where Karpis, Fred Hunter and Hunter's woman, Connie Hamm, had been living. Sixteen Agents of the Bureau participated in this raid, accompanied by Post Office Inspectors Mettrick and Cordrey, together with Joe Anderson. Gas shells were fired into the house and caused some damage; four windows were broken, two screens were torn, and a mattress, two pillows and two pillow slips and one window shade were damaged by fire caused by exploding gas shells. There was other slight damage to the house and its furnishings.

Mr. Neil relates in his article that the large number of Agents, heavily armed, was a tip off to Karpis and his companions to flee from Hot Springs, Arkansas. This likewise is a gross misstatement of the facts.

Prior to the raid on March 30, 1936, Post Office Inspectors had learned of Grace Goldstein apparently from John Brock, and for several days prior to the raid this woman was under surveillance. The Post Office Inspectors further learned that Connie Morris was an associate of Fred Hunter. This information also no doubt came to them from Brock.

Chief of Detectives Herbert Akers of Hot Springs, Arkansas advised Mr. Connelley, and it was later verified by the statements of Connie Morris, that on or about March 26, 1936, the Post Office Inspectors were using as an informant one Brock, no relation to John Brock, a taxicab driver, and in an effort to obtain information concerning the exact location of the house in which Karpis was living near Hot Springs had caused Brock to contact Connie Morris at the Mettrick Hotel in Hot Springs, Arkansas, which place was operated by Grace Goldstein. Brock became intoxicated and advised Connie Morris that the Post Office Inspectors were in Hot Springs, Arkansas looking for Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter. Connie Morris admitted that she

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immediately furnished this information to Karpis and Hunter, and that they left Hot Springs, Arkansas on March 26, 1936.

Prior to this occurrence, Post Office Inspectors had learned that Connie Morris had relatives residing in San Antonio, Texas and Davidson, Oklahoma. These relatives were interviewed by Post Office Inspectors, and Connie Morris' mother at Davidson, Oklahoma advised her by letter that Post Office Inspectors had been making inquiries concerning her.

Mr. Neil further relates in his article that after the futile raid in Hot Springs, Arkansas, Post Office Inspectors and Joe Anderson believed that Karpis and Hunter might possibly return to Ohio, that the Post Office Inspectors waited a brief time and then visited a farm house between Youngstown and Warren, Ohio, which house Inspector Taveney had been watching for some time. He relates that the Inspectors had known for weeks that the gang had stayed at this place the night before the robbery, but in keeping with their well laid plans they preferred to keep their information to themselves until they could make the most of it.

The farm house referred to is no doubt the home of Clyde Rochat at Newton Falls, Ohio. During the course of the investigation Agents of the Bureau conducted surveillances at the homes of Clayton Hall at Youngstown, Ohio and Clyde Rochat at Newton Falls, Ohio, and numerous other surveillances in Toledo, Ohio. The surveillances at the homes of Hall and Rochat were maintained jointly with the assistance of Postal Inspectors.

During April, 1936, Post Office Inspector Mettrick advised Agent Dowd that the Post Office Department contemplated issuing circulars on the participants in the Garrettsville mail robbery, and that in his opinion the plants being maintained at Youngstown, Ohio and Newton Falls, Ohio would be practically worthless.

Special Agent Birch overheard a conversation between Post Office Inspectors that on the morning of April 30, 1936, it was the intention of Post Office Inspector Mettrick to leave Cleveland, Ohio and proceed to Youngstown, Ohio, accompanied by four Cleveland, Ohio policemen armed with machine guns, several

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newspaper photographers, the United States Attorney at Cleveland and his assistant, with the idea in mind to return Brock to Cleveland with stops at Warren and Garrettsville, Ohio to reenact the robbery of the mail truck at Warren and robbery of the mail train at Garrettsville, Ohio. Pictures were to be taken by the newspaper photographers. The conversation likewise indicated that the newspaper photographers would be furnished with the addresses of the plants being maintained by Bureau Agents and Post Office Inspectors jointly, namely those at the home of Clayton Hall at Youngstown and the farm home of Clyde Kochat near Newton Falls, Ohio. Prior to April 30, 1936, newspaper reporters were observed in company of Post Office Inspectors. On April 27, and 28, 1936, information appeared in the Cleveland, Youngstown and Warren, Ohio newspapers concerning the activities of the Bureau Agents and Post Office Inspectors, which publicity made useless the plants being maintained at the homes of Hall and Kochat. This is the manner in which the Post Office Inspectors kept to themselves the information concerning the plant referred to by Hall.

The article relates the Federal Bureau of Investigation refused to turn Fred Hunter over to the Post Office Inspectors for prosecution of the mail robbery charge after his apprehension at New Orleans, Louisiana on May 1, 1936. The United States Attorney at New Orleans furnished information to the Department concerning the situation. There is nothing in the Bureau files to indicate that any serious attempt was made by the United States Attorney at Cleveland, Ohio to cause the removal of Hunter to his jurisdiction for prosecution. On May 18, 1936, Mr. E. J. Connelley advised Mr. W. R. Briggs, Post Office Inspector in Charge, Cincinnati, Ohio that Hunter would be available to be interviewed by a Post Office Inspector at any time the latter desired to have such interview conducted. No attempts were made by the Post Office Inspectors to interview Hunter at New Orleans, Louisiana, and so far as the records of this Bureau show Hunter has never been interviewed by the Postal Inspectors.

No attempt was made by Post Office Inspectors to interview Alvin Karpis until July 1, 1936, at which time Post Office Inspectors Mettrick and Cordrey interviewed Karpis at the Ramsey

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County Jail, St. Paul, Minnesota, in the presence of Special Agent J. E. Brennan. Karpis was interviewed by them concerning the robbery of the mail truck at Warren, Ohio, the Post Office Inspectors stating that they had all the information they needed concerning the Garrettsville mail robbery. Post Office Inspectors at this time made many derogatory remarks concerning the personnel of the Bureau.

The article states that if it had not been for the information furnished by the Post Office Inspectors, Harry Campbell and Sam Coker would not have been apprehended in Toledo, Ohio by the Bureau. The location of Sam Coker, a known associate of Harry Campbell, was of extreme importance to the Bureau in endeavoring to locate Harry Campbell.

In this connection Special Agent E. J. Dowd on May 6, 1936 held a conversation with Post Office Inspector Claggett at Toledo, Ohio, the latter inquiring the reason for the Agent's presence in Toledo. When Inspector Claggett was advised that the Agent was in Toledo in the hope of ascertaining the whereabouts of Harry Campbell, Inspector Claggett appeared to become very bitter toward Post Office Inspector S. J. Hettrick. Inspector Claggett then confided in Agent Dowd that Harry Campbell was undoubtedly in Toledo, and that the Post Office Inspectors had obtained information from John Brock that prior to the Garrettsville mail robbery on November 7, 1935, Sam Coker had been confined in the Mercy Hospital in Toledo, Ohio. Inspector Claggett did not advise Agent Dowd of the name used by Coker while hospitalized.

Special Agents J. M. Jones and E. J. Wynn on the afternoon of May 6, 1936, called at the Mercy Hospital in Toledo, Ohio for the purpose of checking the hospitalization records in the hope of obtaining further information as to the location of Sam Coker. Upon entering the waiting room of the Mercy Hospital the Agents observed Post Office Inspectors Claggett, Cordrey and Hettrick. A brief conversation was held between the Agents and Inspectors whereupon the Sister Superior called Inspector Hettrick to come into her office, where the Agents observed Hettrick examining certain registration cards. In the belief that Inspector Hettrick had obtained information which was desired by Agent, Special Agent

E. J. Wynn, in the presence of Special Agent J. M. Jones, asked Inspector Hettrick if he desired to furnish to the said Agents the information which he had obtained from the Sister Superior. Thereupon, Inspector Hettrick stated to Agent Wynn, "You had better go in and get it yourself". The Postal Inspectors then left the hospital. As previously stated, Agents Wynn and Jones did not know under what name Sam Coker had been hospitalized. In view of the inquiries that had just been made by Hettrick, the Sister Superior furnished the Agents with information concerning Robert Pratt, who was identical with Sam Coker. With this information Agents located Miss Bobbie Bobbleto, who furnished the information which led directly to the location and apprehension of Sam Coker and Harry Campbell on May 7, 1936.

Prior to obtaining this information Agents of the Bureau had obtained definite information by their independent investigation that Harry Campbell and Sam Coker were in Toledo, Ohio, this information coming from Edith Barry. Edith Barry first came to the attention of the Bureau on June 14, 1935, at which time information was obtained that Edith Barry had been in communication with [REDACTED] b7c b7d

Considerable investigation was conducted concerning Edith Barry from the date this information reached the Bureau until April 8, 1936, which investigation definitely disclosed that Edith Barry had been in contact with Karpis and Campbell from time to time subsequent to their escape from Atlantic City on January 20, 1936. Edith Barry was interviewed by Mr. E. J. Connelley on April 8, 1936 and again on May 3, 1936, at which time she furnished information concerning the association of Harry Campbell with Clara McGraw, and also definite information concerning the association of Campbell with Sheriff James O'Reilly, Toledo, Ohio. This information would have resulted in the capture of Harry Campbell.

It is noted that the inference that Bureau Agents impeded the investigation conducted by Post Office Inspectors is absolutely false, and on the contrary the Post Office Inspectors failed to cooperate with Bureau Agents.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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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:

Geraldine Massiker, also known as Jerry Jordan, 2039 Berdan Ave., Toledo, Ohio, interviewed at Cincinnati and advises was an entertainer at Casino Club in Toledo for two weeks during Summer of 1934; also is acquainted with Bert Angus and Ted Angus and admits acquaintance during two week period with Jimmie Wilson, but fails to identify any other subjects in case; states is acquainted with Timiney and Langendorf of Toledo Police Department through brother, Merel Massiker, who is a Toledo policeman but claims no Toledo officers visited Casino Club while she was there; also knows Lucian Fleming but likewise claims he did not visit Casino Club to her knowledge; states her partner was girl named Connie, who can be located through Ed Slaughter at Toledo.

REFERENCE:

Letter from the Cleveland Office under date of September 30, 1936.

DETAILS:

AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

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On the afternoon of October 17, 1936, Special Agent E. J. Wynn telephoned from the Cleveland Office advising that Geraldine Massiker, also known as Jerry Jordan, was presently in Cincinnati, Ohio, living at the Drake Hotel and that she would be in Cincinnati only a short time.

Agents J. S. Johnson and H. D. Harris located this girl at the Drake Hotel where she was staying under the name of Jerry Jordan and she was interviewed at the Cincinnati Office in the presence of these Agents. This girl advised that her correct name is Geraldine Massiker and that her permanent address is 2039 Berdan Avenue, Toledo, Ohio. She states that her brother, Merel Massiker, who is a Toledo policeman also resides at this same address. She advised that she is presently employed as an entertainer at the 4444 Club located at 4444 Reading Road, Cincinnati, Ohio, and that this employment would continue until approximately October 24. She does not know where she will be located after that date, but states that she always leaves forwarding addresses at the hotels where she stays and that she can always be located through her brother at Toledo.

This girl is twenty-eight years of age and states that she has been an entertainer for a number of years. She was shown the photographs of all subjects in this case and claimed to be unable to identify any of them upon first sight. When particular photographs were called to her attention she finally stated that the photograph of Jimmie Wilson was that of an individual known to her as Jimmie. She stated that during the Summer of 1934 she was employed for two weeks as an entertainer at the Casino Club in Toledo, Ohio, and during this time Jimmie Wilson was frequenting this Club. She states that he took her home several times and that she had in all about three or four dates with him. She claims that he was always by himself at this Club and that she never saw him in the company of any other men, although he did come to the Club on one occasion with another girl. She also advises that she did have a quarrel with Jimmie at the Casino Club as a result of his bringing this other girl there, but she claims that this quarrel took place during the two weeks engagement and that she did not return to the Club after this engagement terminated. When asked who was present at the time of this quarrel she stated that both Bert Angus and Ted Angus were present, but that there were no other people in the company of Jimmie and she insisted throughout the interview that she had never seen him in the company of any other individuals except the girl mentioned. She

furthermore claimed that she could not remember what this girl looked like.

Jerry Massiker advised that she has known both Bert Angus and Ted Angus for a long time and that she has had dates with Ted Angus, prior to the time of this engagement at the Club. She insisted she could not recall just when this engagement at the Club took place but placed it as the Summer of 1934, inasmuch as she recalled she was wearing summer clothes at the time. She stated that the girl who was her partner at that time was using the name "Connie" but that she did not know her correct name as she was only acquainted with her for a short time. She stated they appeared as the Massiker Sisters but that she had met this girl only a short time prior to this occasion, meeting her through one Ed Slaughter (phonetic spelling.) She advises that this girl can be located through Slaughter, who is now running a Club located at the intersection of Sylvania, Martha and Phillips Streets in Toledo. She states that this girl was a blond when she appeared with her but that she saw her about Christmas time last year, at which time she was a brunette and that she was then playing an accordeon and piano in various clubs at Toledo. She describes her further as being about 28 years of age, 5'2 in height, weight 115#, and states that she is very rough talking.

Jerry Massiker advises that during the two weeks' engagement at the Casino Club she and Connie were working from 10:00 P.M., to 5:00 A.M., and were paid \$50.00 per week for the team and in addition their tips amounted to approximately another \$50.00 a week. She stated that these tips came from the "heavy money crowd" but claimed to be unable to state who any of the heavy tippers were. Photographs of the various subjects known to have frequented the Casino Club during the summer of 1934 were again called to her particular attention but she claimed to be unable to identify any of them and stated that she had appeared in so many different clubs and had seen so many different people that she would be unable to identify any of them after this length of time.

This girl advised that she is acquainted with Jack Schmidt (Cum Cum), Arthur J. Pfund and Jack Martha, who were all employed at the Casino Club during the time of her engagement. She stated she could not recall any other employees of the Club at that time.

When the photograph of Lucian C. "Ludy" Fleming was called to her particular attention she identified him and stated that she was well acquainted with him at one time and that he was her "first love" but she claimed that she had not seen him for a number of years and that he positively did not visit the Casino Club while she was engaged there.

She also stated that she is slightly acquainted with Captain George Timiney of the Toledo Police Department and with Detective Art Langendorf of that Department, having met them through her brother, Merel Massiker. She insists however that they did not appear at the Casino Club any time during her engagement there and likewise states that there were no representatives of "the law" who visited the Club during that time. She insists that she knows nothing concerning the girl friends of Timiney and Langendorf and has never heard of a girl named "Flo", who was an associate of Langendorf.

Jerry Massiker states that she is also slightly acquainted with Joe Roscoe but insists that he did not visit the Casino Club during the time she was there. She states that she does not know "Big" Cousins.

Jerry Massiker states that she believes Jimmie Wilson was driving a Ford Coupe at the time she knew him but that she can not be certain of this. She states that Jimmie never did tell her where he was employed or what he was doing but that he made frequent mention of trips to Cleveland, Ohio. She insists that she did not know what his occupation was supposed to be and that he had never claimed to be a gambler or to be interested in any other occupation or profession. She states that he did not appear to have a lot of money although he had enough to lead her to believe he was in comfortable circumstances. She also insists that she never did accompany Jimmie to any other place of amusement in Toledo, stating that she was always at the Club until 5:00 A.M., and that he would then take her home. She insists she never accompanied him to the Forty-Second Street Cafe or any other place. She likewise insists that she did not have dates with any other men who were frequenting the Casino Club at that time.

With respect to the quarrel she had with Jimmie Wilson at the Casino Club she insisted that she could not remember what she said at the time except that Ted Angus and Bert Angus and the other employees at the Casino Club had been "ribbing" her about Jimmie and had been telling her that she could not "get" him and that she told them that she would "get" him, but as it turned out she was unsuccessful and therefore they continued to "ride" her about it, especially after he came to the Club with

another girl. She insisted that at the time of the quarrel with Jimmie, Jimmie was alone and was not accompanied by any other individuals.

UNDEVELOPED LEAD:

CLEVELAND OFFICE at Toledo, Ohio, through Ed Slaughter, operator of a Club located in a bank building at the intersection of Sylvania, Martha and Phillips Streets, will ascertain the identity of "Connie", who was the partner of Jerry Massiker during the summer of 1934, and will locate Connie for interview. Jerry states that Ed Slaughter knows her as Jerry Massiker and will be able to furnish information concerning this former partner of hers.

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Mr. Nichols  
Mr. Quinn  
Mr. Tracy  
Miss Gandy

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DIRECTOR

PHONE. BREKID. JOHN BROCK IN INTERVIEWS GIVES DEFINITE INFORMATION WHICH WILL TIE IN JOE ROSCOE AND JOHN SHARKEY GORMAN. BROCK SHOWS BROCK AND GORMAN ENDEAVORED TO LOCATE HIDEOUT FOR USE AFTER WARREN MAIL TRUCK ROBBERY APRIL NINETEENTH THIRTY FIVE. THIS SHOULD ASSIST IN BREAKING STORY GORMAN WHO CAN ASSOCIATE HEREBRAND POSSIBLY. STORY BROCK WILL ASSIST IN COMBINING SITUATION TOLEDO AND CLEVELAND IN ONE POSSIBLE CONSPIRACY. JOHN AND JOSEPH ZETZER ALSO TO BE INTERVIEWED AND WILL ASSIST PARTICULARLY AS TO ROSCOE. PRESENT DEVELOPMENTS INDICATE AN EARLY CONCLUSION OF NECESSARY FURTHER WORK ON HARBORING

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U. S. Department of Justice  
404 NEW YORK BUILDING  
SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA

October 17, 1936.

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

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Referring to Bureau letter dated September 21, 1936, in connection with the reported telephonic and telegraphic communications between one Paul Gores and the United States Penitentiary, Alcatraz, California, please be advised that Paul Gores, who is presently operating the "Cozy Corner Inn" at Hampton, Minnesota, was recently interviewed and denied having made any telephone call to Alcatraz Island, or having in any way endeavored to communicate with Sawyer, an inmate of the Penitentiary. Gores could give no explanation or reason why anyone should use his name in connection with such an attempted contact, but emphatically denied having had anything whatsoever to do with the matter.

Gores further advised that although he was personally acquainted with both Jack Piefer and Harry Sawyer, he had never been in communication with either one of them or had any contact with them during the past two years.

Very truly yours,

*C. W. Stein*

C. W. STEIN,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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State Bureau, E Lansing,

Date October 15, 1936.

Dear Sir:

Following are the dispositions of cases on which fingerprints have been mailed to the Federal Bureau of Investigation:

Name and Alias	Disposition
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## Disposition

charges dropped

Edw. L. Brainerd

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P. MacFARLAND,  
Special Agent in Charge.  
(Official Title)

(For instructions see reverse side)

Post Office Box 1469  
Little Rock, Arkansas  
October 19, 1936

Special Agent in Charge  
Cincinnati, Ohio

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your circular letter of September 29, 1936, advising that the stop notice may be withdrawn as to 1935 Ford V-8 Coupe, motor #18-1615253.

Please be advised that this stop notice was withdrawn on October 8, 1936, but was inadvertently omitted from the report of Special Agent B. L. Dameron, Little Rock, Arkansas, dated October 16, 1936, in this case and which said report referred the matter upon completion to the office of origin.

Very truly yours,

CHAPMAN FLETCHER  
Special Agent in Charge

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October 12, 1936

Mr. Tolson  
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Mr. Egan  
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Mr. Glavin  
Mr. Harbo  
Mr. Joseph  
Mr. Lester  
Mr. Nichols  
Mr. Quinn  
Mr. Schilder  
Mr. Tamm  
Mr. Tracy  
Miss Gandy

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

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

Dear Mr. Hoover:

As of possible interest to you, I should like to advise that Mr. John A. Moritz, Chief Investigator for the Attorney General's Department, State of Michigan, whom I have met in the course of various investigations here, was in my office today and stated that he was recently down in Ohio, and that it is rumored in that state that you will be replaced as Director of the Bureau after the first of the year and that Mr. Frazier Reams, Prosecuting Attorney at Toledo, Ohio, will be appointed in your stead.

According to Mr. Moritz, certain persons at Toledo, Ohio, are aware of an investigation being made there by Special Agents of the FBI and it is presumed by these people that it is being made with the view of securing incriminating information against certain higher-ups for release prior to the elections in November. In view of this, these higher-ups have become angry at the Bureau and have arranged or are endeavoring to arrange for the appointment of Mr. Frazier Reams as Director.

I am placing no stock in this information myself but am passing it on to you so that it will be available in the interests of the Bureau if any need therefor arises.

I might add that according to Mr. Moritz, Mr. Reams was supposed to have been in Washington recently in this connection.

Very truly yours,

Herold H. Reinecke  
Special Agent in Charge

What is status of Ohio cases? We should press them with vigor so as to make these venal politicians hop.  
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U. S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: BREKID - Harboring

The investigation concerning the harboring cases at Toledo, Ohio has continued and various persons who frequented the Casino Club have been interviewed furnishing positive information concerning various members of the Barker-Karpis gang frequenting the Casino Club operated by Bert and Ted Angus. Edna Murray and Wynona Burdette have furnished valuable information which will indicate guilty knowledge on the part of several subjects. It appears that continued inquiries concerning various persons who frequented the Casino Club will result only in accumulative evidence.

At present it appears that the following individuals will be defendants as to the harboring of Alvin Karpis and Arthur "Doc" Barker at Toledo, Ohio during the years 1934 and 1935, subsequent to the indictment of Alvin Karpis and "Doc" Barker on May 4, 1934 at St. Paul, Minnesota: Bert Angus and Ted Angus, owners and operators of the Casino Club at Point Place, Ohio; Lucian Fleming, former Ohio State Prohibition Officer during 1934; Madeline Angus, wife of Ted Angus; Rene Holst Fleming, wife of Lucian Fleming and sister of Madeline Angus; Thelma Holst, sister of Rene Holst Fleming and Madeline Angus; Joe Roscoe, prominent gambler in Toledo, Ohio; George Timiney, Captain of Detectives, Toledo Police Department and head of the Hoodlum Squad during 1934; Frank Greenwald, operator of the Private Cab Company, Toledo, Ohio; Colin Monroe, an employee of Joe Roscoe, who assisted Karpis and Campbell in their escape from Atlantic City. Of the prospective defendants named, only Bert Angus, Thelma Holst and Frank Greenwald have been interviewed. Bert Angus was interviewed prior to the apprehension of Alvin Karpis and admitted that he knew the identity of Alvin Karpis and "Doc" Barker during the time they were using the Casino Club as a rendezvous. Frank Greenwald likewise has furnished sufficient information to establish guilty knowledge on his part. This is the individual who, after the escape of Karpis and Campbell from Atlantic City, New Jersey, proceeded to La Salle, Michigan and there picked up Karpis and Campbell, driving them from that point to the Casino Club.

Concerning the harboring of Harry Campbell at Toledo during 1935 and 1936, it appears that the following individuals will be defendants in connection therewith: Sam Coker, Clara McGraw, Edward McGraw, Esther

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Memo for the Director

Goulet. A strong case of association has been made against Kathryn and Fred Goulet and Sheriff James D'Reilly, but nothing has been developed which will be evidence of guilty knowledge on the part of these individuals.

At Cleveland, Ohio it appears that the following persons will be defendants for harboring of Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell and Arthur "Doc" Barker during the years 1934, 1935 and 1936: Arthur Hebebrand, James "Shimmy" Patton, John "Sharkey" Gorman, Benson Groves, Milton Lett, John Brock. John Brock has recently been interviewed for the first time by Agents of the Bureau and he has furnished definite information which will tie in Joe Roscoe and John "Sharkey" Gorman with harboring cases at Cleveland, Ohio. In view of the fact that Joe Roscoe was a party to the harboring of Alvin Karpis and "Doc" Barker at Toledo, Ohio during 1934, consideration is being given to the return of one indictment making a continued conspiracy involving all individuals concerned, which would cover the harboring of the fugitives during 1934, 1935 and 1936.

Arthur Hebebrand was interviewed prior to the apprehension of Karpis and Campbell and has denied knowing Alvin Karpis or members of the Barker-Karpis gang. The information to date is that Karpis and other members of the gang frequented the Harvard Club, and it appears that the hope of establishing guilty knowledge on the part of Arthur Hebebrand will probably be through Brock.

Benson Groves was recently identified as a fifth member of the gang which perpetrated the Garrettsville Mail Robbery on November 7, 1935. His present whereabouts is unknown; likewise the present whereabouts of Milton Lett is unknown.

United States Attorney Freed of Cleveland, Ohio has expressed his willingness to cooperate fully in the prosecution of these cases, but he has not been furnished with complete details concerning the evidence which the Bureau possesses. He has indicated that John and Joseph Zetzer of Port Clinton, Ohio will be used as witnesses for the Government in connection with the prosecution of the Garrettsville, Ohio Mail Robbery. These men have not been interviewed concerning the harboring cases, but it is believed that they will be in a position to furnish information which will be of value in the prosecution of the harboring cases, particularly as to Joe Roscoe. It will be recalled that John Zetzer is the individual who furnished the airplane for Alvin Karpis and others of the gang to use in their flight to Hot Springs, Arkansas after the Garrettsville Mail Robbery. Both John

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and Joseph Zetzer are implicated in that robbery by furnishing a place for the division of the loot, and they also shared in this division.

Mr. Connelley has advised that the present developments indicate an early conclusion of the investigation at both Cleveland and Toledo, Ohio. It would appear that the next logical step to be taken in the matter would be to discuss fully the entire case with the United States Attorney, and secure an indictment against the various subjects prior to taking them into custody or questioning them. However, John and Joseph Zetzer will be interviewed in the near future, and there yet remains at Cleveland, Ohio several employees of the Harvard Club to be interviewed.

It is contemplated that other persons who have already been convicted in connection with the kidnaping of Mr. Bremer will also be named as defendants in order that certain evidence in the possession of the Bureau can be admitted. These persons are Volney Davis, Oliver A. Berg, James J. Wilson, Russell Gibson, William Weaver, Myrtle Eaton, and Dolores Delaney. It is expected that William J. Harrison and Dr. Joseph P. Moran will also be named as conspirators in the indictment to facilitate the admission of certain evidence which will be of value in the prosecution of the cases.

A summary report is now being prepared at the Cleveland Office concerning the harboring cases.

Respectfully,

  
E. A. Tamm

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Cincinnati, Ohio

REPORT MADE AT <b>Cleveland, Ohio</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>10/20/36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>10/13 to 19/36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>S. K. McKee EJB</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. 1232; et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

John Brock furnished question and answer statement relative to preliminary plans for Warren mail robbery and involved "Sharkey" Gorman and Tony Amersbach of Harvard Club as Cleveland contacts for Karpis, et al; stated one "Art", possibly Art Hebebrand, financed above robbery; identified apartment in Cleveland occupied by Karpis and Hunter in March-April 1935; stated Gorman made trip to Edith Barry's house in Toledo, Ohio, and met Karpis, et al, in March 1935; furnished data as to "Burrhead" Keady of Tulsa, Okla. being main contact for Karpis and Campbell; admitted participation in Garrettsville mail robbery along with Karpis, Campbell, Hunter, and one Sam, and involved Zetzer brothers of Port Clinton, Ohio, and Joe Roscoe, Toledo, Ohio, in this robbery. Former premises of Twilight Inn, Parma Heights, Ohio, identified by Brock as place visited by Karpis and Hunter. Apartment #4, 4720 Bridge Ave., Cleveland, Ohio, identified as rented by Fred Hunter, 3/25/35. John Zetzer, Port Clinton, Ohio, furnished signed statement admitting his garage used after Garrettsville mail robbery by participants and identifying Joe Roscoe as contact for Karpis; admits airplane trip Port Clinton, Ohio, to Hot Springs, Arkansas. George Zetzer, Port Clinton, Ohio, admits driving Karpis-Hunter-Brock to airport on morning of 11-8-35. Wynona Burdette in interview at Milan, Michigan, unable to furnish assistance as to harboring case at Cleveland, O. Investigation reflects Milton Lett did not reside 1027 E. 147th St., Cleveland, Ohio., address given when Plymouth sedan purchased. Eddie Gallagher, former proprietor of Silver Grill, Cleveland, Ohio, unable to identify photographs of fugitives as having frequented his saloon.

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REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent S. K. McKee, Cleveland,  
Ohio, dated 10-13-36.

DETAILS:

AT CLEVELAND, OHIO

This report represents the investigative activity of the various Agents whose names are indicated herein as to a particular investigation.

In accordance with prior arrangements made with United States Attorney Emerich B. Freed, Cleveland, Ohio, by Special Agent S. K. McKee, as indicated in the report of reference, John Brock was interviewed in the grand jury room in the Federal Building on October 13, 1936, by Inspector E. J. Connelley and Special Agents S. K. McKee, D. P. Sullivan and J. L. Madala, and the results of this interview, which is a question and answer statement taken in shorthand, will be set out hereinafter. This statement will be submitted to John Brock for signature at a later date. The statement is as follows:

Cleveland, Ohio,  
October 13 and 14, 1936.

I, JOHN FRANK BROCK, make the following statement in the presence of John L. Madala, D. P. Sullivan and Ellen J. Bemrick of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, no threats or promises having been made to me. I am willing to make this statement concerning my associations with Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, and Fred Hunter:

Q: How long have you known Burrhead Keady?

A: I met him in 1929, I believe.

Q: Was that after you got out of jail?

A: Yes.

Q: Where did you meet him?

A: In Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Q: After you got out of the penitentiary in 1929, did you go to Tulsa?

A: Yes. I knew Burrhead Keady from his working for George Herford, booking horses.

Q: Did you know Karpis, Campbell or Sam Coker in 1929 and 1930?

A: I knew Sam Coker.

Q: How long had you known him then?

A: He came to McAlester Penitentiary in 1924 or 1925 and I met him there.

Q: When were you released from the penitentiary this last time?

A: July 1934.

Q: Did you see and associate with Keady then?

A: Yes.

Q: Did you operate a place of business in Tulsa?

A: Yes.

Q: What kind of a business?

A: A beer parlor.

Q: Were you in business by yourself?

A: By myself.

Q: What was the name of the beer parlor?

A: The Lincoln Bar.

Q: Where was it located?  
A: At the Lincoln Hotel.  
Q: What was Burrhead Keady doing at that time?  
A: Working for George Herford.  
Q: Doing what kind of business?  
A: Booking horses.  
Q: In Tulsa, Oklahoma?  
A: Yes.  
Q: Did Herford have a store for his place of business?  
A: No he would usually rent a back room, or some time he would rent a house in the country.  
Q: In 1935 where was he?  
A: On South Peoria Street at a pig stand.  
Q: Do you know "Doc" Barker?  
A: Yes.  
Q: Where did you meet him?  
A: At the penitentiary.  
Q: Do you know Fred Barker?  
A: No.  
Q: You met Volney Davis at the penitentiary?  
A: Yes.  
Q: When and where did you meet Bill Weaver?  
A: At McAlester.  
Q: When was that?  
A: I don't remember.  
Q: Was that when you were serving your first sentence?  
A: In 1927, 1928, or 1929; I don't remember.  
Q: Do you know Harry Campbell?  
A: I do now.  
Q: When did you meet him?  
A: In the spring of 1935.  
Q: Do you know Alvin Karpis?  
A: Yes.  
Q: When did you meet him and where?  
A: In the spring of 1935 in Tulsa.  
Q: Under what circumstances did you meet Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell at that time?  
A: Keady came down to the hotel and got me and took me to the house where they were.  
Q: Did you know who they were?  
A: Only what I read.  
Q: What did you read?  
A: Everything in the newspapers about them.  
Q: About the kidnaping, etc.?  
A: Yes.



Q: When did you find out they were wanted for kidnaping?  
A: In the summer of 1935.  
Q: You found out through newspapers?  
A: Yes.  
Q: Did you ever read about the Bremer kidnaping in magazines?  
A: Yes.  
Q: Whom did you learn took part in it?  
A: I don't remember. I remember about both the Bremer and Hamm kidnapings.  
Q: Do you recall that both Karpis and Campbell were in the Bremer kidnaping?  
A: It seems like both were in one, and only one was in the other, but I don't remember which is which.  
Q: Then the situation was that when you came up to Cleveland with Karpis and Campbell you knew they were both wanted for kidnaping.  
A: No, not at that time.  
Q: When was it then?  
A: Well, it must have been after I went back home.  
Q: And that was through newspapers and magazines?  
A: Yes.  
Q: Did you ever discuss the Bremer kidnaping with Burrhead Keady?  
A: I would not say which one it was; I am not straight in my mind which kidnaping.  
Q: Did Keady mention that Karpis and Campbell were wanted in that job?  
A: I can't remember.  
Q: On the occasion that Burrhead Keady told you that Karpis and Campbell were waiting for you on the highway, what was the exact conversation you had at that time?  
A: Well, I cannot remember the exact words, but he came by the hotel along about dark and told me that he was going to the country to see a couple of boys and wanted to know if I wanted to go with him.  
Q: Was that during March 1935?  
A: Yes.  
Q: Will you go ahead please?  
A: When I got in the car I asked him who it was. When thieves came to that part of the country they always hunted Keady up. I wasn't sure who was there, so he told me.  
Q: What did he say?  
A: He said Karpis and Campbell were there and were looking for some help and wanted somebody to go back north with them.  
Q: When you got out to the spot where they were, how did he introduce you to them?  
A: As Karpis and Campbell, and he told them my name was John Brock.  
Q: What did they say in the presence of Keady?  
A: We discussed mutual acquaintances down to the joint; they knew I just come out of there the summer before.

Q: What names were mentioned?  
A: They wanted to know how the Jew was, Glen Roy, and Old Ed.  
Q: Were there any more?  
A: Harry Campbell asked me about a couple of guys, but I forget their names, but I never knew them.  
Q: Was Coker's name mentioned?  
A: I could not say for sure.  
Q: What is the full name of the Jew?  
A: Eddie Snyder, I believe.  
Q: And Glen Roy?  
A: Glen Roy Wright.  
Q: And Old Eddie?  
A: Eddie Krophy.  
Q: Where was this spot located?  
A: Half way between Tulsa and Sapulpa.  
Q: On a farm?  
A: Yes.  
Q: Do you know the name of the owner?  
A: No.  
Q: He has some dogs?  
A: Yes.  
Q: Does he breed them?  
A: He breeds and runs greyhounds.  
Q: Does he live there by himself?  
A: That is his home.  
Q: Did you understand him to be a friend of Keady?  
A: Yes.  
Q: What was said about the contemplated robbery?  
A: They asked me if I wanted to make some money. I told them yes, but that I wouldn't show up.  
Q: By that you mean you wouldn't want to be in a position where someone would recognize you?  
A: Yes. They said I could cover up if I wanted to.  
Q: You mean wear a mask?  
A: Yes. I have never done pistol work and they knew it.  
Q: How did they know that?  
A: Harry Campbell was not a pistol man. He is a burglar. They knew I had never been on a pistol job, and they told me it was a pistol job, and they said I could go if I wanted to.  
Q: Did they tell you at that time what sort of a job it was?  
A: No.  
Q: What instructions were given to you?  
A: Karpis and Campbell gave me \$50.00 each and told me to go to the Lorain Hotel in Toledo and told me what name to use - T. F. Evans, Sandusky, Ohio, and they would contact me there, and I did.

Q: Did you leave immediately?  
A: No, the second day after.  
Q: What assistance did Keady give you at that time?  
A: Not any.  
Q: Did Karpis and Campbell have a car at that time?  
A: Yes.  
Q: What type of automobile did they have?  
A: A 1933 Ford, I believe, a coupe. I am not positive of that.  
Q: With reference to the time you checked into the Lorain Hotel at Toledo, how long before did you leave Tulsa, Oklahoma?  
A: Just as soon as I got here the second day. It takes about 23 or 24 hours to get here.  
Q: The registration records at the Lorain Hotel disclose that you checked in on March 22nd; that means you left Tulsa, Oklahoma, on March 21st. Is that correct?  
A: Something like that.  
Q: How did you proceed from Tulsa?  
A: By bus.  
Q: What time did you arrive in Toledo?  
A: After midnight.  
Q: Did you go directly to the Lorain Hotel?  
A: Yes.  
Q: You registered there under the name of T. F. Evans?  
A: Yes.  
Q: Then what happened?  
A: I was told to wait until they contacted me and I did.  
Q: You mean Karpis and Campbell?  
A: Yes.  
Q: How long was it before they contacted you?  
A: I think it was about the second day I was there.  
Q: How was contact made?  
A: I received a telephone call from a girl posing as Campbell's wife.  
Q: What did she say?  
A: She said she wanted me to meet her on the corner; that George was with her.  
Q: By George you mean Harry Campbell?  
A: Yes.  
Q: Did this meeting take place?  
A: Yes.  
Q: Explain it.  
A: We met on the corner and walked around the block and talked, and Harry Campbell told me that he had an automobile accident coming into town and that the car was in a garage and he wanted me to come down the next day and make arrangements to trade it in on a new car.

Q: You mean Karpis and Campbell?  
A: No, Harry Campbell. This was his car.  
Q: Go ahead.  
A: He told me that this woman who was posing as his wife would call me the next day and make an appointment with me where to meet him and she did.  
Q: What time did she meet you the next day and where?  
A: Well, it was about ten or eleven o'clock.  
Q: Is that now two or three days after you arrived in Toledo?  
A: About the third day.  
Q: What was this girl's name?  
A: I don't know.  
Q: Does the name sound like Lou?  
A: It sounds like Lou, but I wouldn't be positive.  
Q: What did she look like?  
A: She had black hair, built rather husky, nice looking.  
Q: Was she young?  
A: About 24 or 25 years.  
Q: Where did she live?  
A: She was staying at Edith Barry's.  
Q: What do you mean by Edith Barry's?  
A: The best I could tell you is that it was a house of prostitution.  
Q: Can you describe the house?  
A: It was a two-story house.  
Q: Brick or frame?  
A: Frame, and the porch is only half way across the front, if I remember correctly. It had a picket fence in front.  
Q: How about the windows?  
A: The upper windows had a mesh-like screen netting over them.  
Q: Did you trade in Harry Campbell's car?  
A: Yes.  
Q: Describe the details and who was with you.  
A: Well, I met the woman that morning and she told me that George wanted me to come down to Edith's and talk to him, and we went to Edith's. He knew what he wanted and described the kind of car he wanted.  
Q: What was that description?  
A: He wanted a black color, a three-window job.  
Q: A Ford?  
A: A Ford coupe.  
Q: Did he tell you where to purchase it?  
A: He told me where the wrecked car was. I believe it was at L. E. Arnold, Inc., on Adams Street.  
Q: Where did the wreck take place?  
A: In the country. He did not tell me where. The woman had driven the car to the garage.

Q: What happened after you had this talk with Harry Campbell about the car?

A: The woman and me went up to the automobile company to see what kind of a deal I could get on a trade in, and see about getting a new car and how quick they could deliver it.

Q: What did the woman say to the salesman?

A: She said that she had wrecked the car and that her husband was in Youngstown and would be over and they would make some arrangements to buy a new car.

Q: Did she introduce you to the salesman as her husband?

A: Yes.

Q: After the deal was completed did you take immediate delivery on the car?

A: No. They could not give us delivery that day on account of the fact that they could not get one that afternoon and did not have one in stock. We wanted the heater changed and the radio from the old car put in the new car, and they could not make delivery until the next day.

Q: What, if anything, happened to the license plates on the '33 coupe?

A: Well, if I remember right, they were to be transferred.

Q: To the new car?

A: To the new car. I remember asking him and he told me he could not do that; that I would have to go to Cleveland, and I could do it at any time I was over there.

Q: After possession of the new car what did you do then?

A: I never got possession of the new car.

Q: Who picked up the car?

A: The girl picked it up.

Q: What happened to you after the car was purchased?

A: I came to Cleveland that night.

Q: Did you return to Edith's before you came to Cleveland?

A: Yes.

Q: Who was there?

A: Karpis and Campbell, and Lou.

Q: Was Edith there?

A: Yes.

Q: Was Peaches there?

A: I didn't see her.

Q: While at Edith's place what instructions were given to you?

A: By whom?

Q: By anyone.

A: After the girl and me got back to Edith's, Karpis told me he wanted me to go to Cleveland for him.

Q: Did he tell you for what purpose?

A: He told me he wanted me to go to the Harvard Club and see a party by the name of Sharkey, or Tony, whichever one was there.

Q: Did he say what positions they held there?  
A: No. He told me I would probably find Tony on the door.  
Q: What were you to tell them?  
A: I was to tell Sharkey that Sonny Boy wanted him in Toledo.  
Q: Anything else?  
A: And for him to have the kid get an apartment for Karpis as he wanted to come to Cleveland.  
Q: Who was Sonny Boy?  
A: Karpis.  
Q: Who was the kid?  
A: Fred Hunter.  
Q: Did Karpis give you directions to the Harvard Club?  
A: No.  
Q: How were you to find the Harvard Club?  
A: I was to take a train to Cleveland and get a cab and tell the driver I wanted to go to the Harvard Club.  
Q: Did you do that?  
A: I did.  
Q: Do you know whether Karpis or Campbell had any large amounts of money on them at that time?  
A: No, I don't know.  
Q: Was any conversation had by you with Karpis or Campbell concerning the manner in which they came to Toledo after they left Atlantic City?  
A: Not at that time.  
Q: When did you proceed to Cleveland in accordance with Karpis' instructions?  
A: If I remember correctly the train leaves Toledo at 3:30 P. M. and it gets over here about six o'clock. When I got off the train at the Union Station I got a cab and told the driver I wanted to go to the Harvard Club.  
Q: That means you arrived at the Harvard Club after dark?  
A: It was around dark.  
Q: When you got there who did you contact?  
A: I contacted the doorman, trying to find Sharkey, and the doorman was Tony.  
Q: Will you give the conversation you had with the doorman?  
A: I asked him if Sharkey was around, and he said he didn't know, and I asked him if Tony was there, and he said he was Tony, and I said I wanted to speak to him a minute. I told him I just came from Toledo and that I had a message for Sharkey from Sonny Boy, and he said he would see if he could find him.  
Q: Did he seem to know who you meant by Sonny Boy? What did he say?  
A: Apparently he did. I don't think he said a word. I waited a few minutes and he brought a man out and introduced him as Sharkey.

Q: I show you a photograph of John F. Gorman. Who do you say that is?  
A: That looks like Sharkey.  
Q: Can you describe the man?  
A: Yes. He was about 5'8", about 25 or 26 years of age, nice appearance, dark hair (full head of hair) and kind of dark complexion, and had the appearance of being a "pug."  
Q: Did he talk with a brogue?  
A: Yes.  
Q: I show you a photograph of Tony Amersbach. Do you know that man?  
A: I believe I do.  
Q: Who is it?  
A: If I remember right he is the doorman at the Harvard Club.  
Q: Does he appear older than he does in the picture?  
A: Oh, yes.  
Q: Will you go ahead with what happened at the Harvard Club?  
A: Sharkey and I went into that house in front of the Harvard Club and had a drink and we sat there and talked, and I told him who I was and where I was from.  
Q: What did you tell him?  
A: I told him I was John Brock from Oklahoma and that the boys came down there and got me.  
Q: By the boys you meant who?  
A: Karpis and Campbell. And they had been to Toledo and had sent me to see him and that Sonny Boy wanted him to come to Toledo to see him and that the kid should get an apartment for him in Cleveland, and to get it ready as he wanted to come to Cleveland.  
Q: What did Sharkey say?  
A: Well he kind of hesitated and talked about everything, and I told him that he was supposed to go back with me, and he said he only had a coupe, and that there was someone going with him and he didn't have room for me.  
Q: Did he know who you were talking about when you mentioned Sonny Boy?  
A: Yes.  
Q: Were the names Karpis and Campbell ever mentioned?  
A: No. He asked me where they were and I said at Edith's place.  
Q: And he knew what you meant?  
A: Yes.  
Q: What happened after that?  
A: We went out in the yard and he got a car for me to go back downtown.  
Q: One of the club cars?  
A: I imagine so.  
Q: What happened then?  
A: I got a bus back to Toledo.  
Q: That evening?  
A: Yes.

Q: Where did you go there?  
A: The Lorain Hotel.  
Q: You were still registered there?  
A: Yes.  
Q: What happened the next day?  
A: The next day that girl called me again.  
Q: The girl at Edith's place?  
A: Yes and I met her on the corner and we went down to Edith's.  
Q: She said the boys were still down there and wanted to see me.  
Q: What time of day was that?  
A: I don't remember.  
Q: Was it in the daytime?  
A: Yes. In the daytime.  
Q: How did she take you to Edith's place?  
A: We walked.  
Q: After you got there who did you see and what took place?  
A: Well, Karpis, Campbell, and Sharkey were there.  
Q: Was Edith there?  
A: She was downstairs and we were upstairs.  
Q: Was Lou there?  
A: She came with me.  
Q: After you four men got together what was said?  
A: They introduced me to Sharkey and Karpis and Sharkey were talking about something about Karpis moving to Cleveland.  
Q: Did they mention how Sharkey got to Toledo from Cleveland?  
A: No.  
Q: After they introduced you to Sharkey what did Sharkey say?  
A: He apologized for being so suspicious of me the night before, and I told him that was alright, that I did not blame him, that he had a right to be suspicious.  
Q: Did he say why he was suspicious?  
A: He said he thought it might be a trap.  
Q: What was discussed at that meeting in the presence of Sharkey?  
A: What instructions, if any, were given to Sharkey?  
Q: The only thing I heard Karpis tell him was to tell "that boy" to come over.  
Q: Who said that?  
A: Karpis.  
Q: Did either Lou or Edith come into the room upstairs while you were there?  
A: Somebody brought some drinks up and gave them to us, but I don't remember whether it was the maid or Edith.  
Q: How long were you together at that time?  
A: Just a little while.  
Q: Who left first?  
A: I believe Sharkey did.



Q: Did anyone go with him?  
A: Not that I remember.  
Q: Did they talk about the Harvard Club?  
A: Sharkey and Karpis went to the bathroom together and talked about fifteen minutes.  
Q: Did you hear any of the conversation?  
A: No. The door was shut.  
Q: After Sharkey left did Karpis indicate in your presence what arrangements he had made with Sharkey?  
A: No. Campbell told me then that I could stay there that night, or I could go to the hotel. I said I would rather go to the hotel, and he said there would be nothing to do until tomorrow.  
Q: Did you go back to the hotel?  
A: Yes.  
Q: Do you recall anything else that was said in the presence of Sharkey, or what instructions were given to him at this particular time?  
A: No. I don't recall a thing.  
Q: Was there anything said about arranging a plant?  
A: Not at that time.  
Q: You said you went back to the Lorain Hotel that night.  
A: Yes.  
Q: What happened the next day?  
A: I went back to Edith's.  
Q: By yourself?  
A: I believe I did go by myself.  
Q: Who let you in?  
A: Edith.  
Q: Did you say anything to her as to who you want to see?  
A: No.  
Q: What happened?  
A: I spoke to her and she told me to come in and said George was dressing, and she sat me in the room on the left as you go in the doordownstairs, and I sat there for a few minutes and she came down and got me and I went upstairs and they had a card table in the front room and Campbell was getting ready to eat, and Karpis and he wanted me to eat, but I had just had breakfast and I didn't want to eat.  
Q: What, if anything, was said that morning?  
A: Harry Campbell told me that there would be a boy over there from Cleveland who would take me to Cleveland and that was when I met Hunter.  
Q: At Edith's place?  
A: Yes.  
Q: Did he come by himself?  
A: As far as I know.

Q: How was he introduced to you?  
A: As Fred.  
Q: And you were introduced as whom?  
A: As John.  
Q: Was Edith there?  
A: She wasn't in the room where we were.  
Q: Did she speak to Fred?  
A: I don't know.  
Q: After Fred got there what plans were discussed?  
A: Karpis and Campbell had been talking to me about looking for a place to rent that they could run into for a plant, and told me they had two or three places in view and wanted me to look at them and if one was all right to rent it.  
Q: Where did you understand these places to be located?  
A: In the neighborhood of, or on the outskirts of Cleveland.  
Q: Did they indicate who was to take you to these places?  
A: Yes, they told me that Sharkey would show me these places.  
Q: Who told you that?  
A: I don't remember whether it was Karpis or Campbell, one of the two. They told me I was to go to Cleveland with Fred and that he would take me to Sharkey and to tell Sharkey to put me in a hotel where I would be safe, and to take me out and show me that spot and if I could to rent it.  
Q: Did you understand at that time that if you couldn't rent that one spot you were to look at another?  
A: Yes.  
Q: You and Sharkey?  
A: Yes.  
Q: Was there anything said about what Karpis and Campbell were going to do at that time? That is, were they going to Cleveland or were they to remain in Toledo?  
A: Karpis was going to come to Cleveland, and Campbell was to stay in Toledo until Hunter got a place ready for Karpis.  
Q: At the time of the above meeting was either Edith or Lou or Peaches present?  
A: No.  
Q: How long after the above conversation did you leave Edith's place?  
A: Immediately after.  
Q: Whom did you go with?  
A: Fred.  
Q: Did you first go to the hotel to check out?  
A: Yes.  
Q: At about what time was that?  
A: It must have been about the middle of the afternoon.  
Q: The hotel records show you checked out on March 29, 1935. Is that correct to the best of your recollection?  
A: That is about right.

Q: Now tell what happened after you left Edith's place.  
A: I went to the hotel and checked out and got into the car with Fred.  
Q: What kind of a car?  
A: A Ford sedan.  
Q: What model?  
A: A 1933 Ford V8 sedan, two-door, dark colored.  
Q: Did you understand that this car belonged to Fred Hunter?  
A: No, I didn't.  
Q: To whom did it belong?  
A: It seems like it belonged to Karpis.  
Q: Do you know where he purchased it?  
A: Seemed to me like he purchased it in Akron.  
Q: Under what name?  
A: I don't remember. You see when they have a car they put the bills of sale in the dashboard so that whoever drives the car can claim ownership of the car in case they are stopped for traffic violation, and will not have to go to the station.  
Q: You said you went to Cleveland with Fred in the above described car. What happened after you arrived in Cleveland?  
A: We went to the Harvard Club and I got in the car with Sharkey and left Hunter there. He was going back downtown.  
Q: How did you contact Sharkey at the club?  
A: Hunter went in and got him?  
Q: Who drove the car? You or Sharkey?  
A: Sharkey.  
Q: Was it the same car in which you came to Cleveland?  
A: No it was Sharkey's car.  
Q: What kind of a car did he have?  
A: I believe it was a late model Ford coupe, it may have been gray.  
Q: What, if anything, was said between you and Sharkey at this time?  
A: Well, in my presence Hunter told him that he was to take me out and show me a place to see about renting and then to take me to a hotel, which he did. We looked at a place but it wasn't really a nice place for that kind of a thing, and we could not rent it anyway.  
Q: Did Sharkey know these people?  
A: No.  
Q: How did you happen to go to this particular place?  
A: The best I can understand is that someone had told them about the place being for rent.  
Q: By them who do you mean?  
A: Sharkey.  
Q: What was the principal objection?  
A: The main thing was that the man wanted good reference, which we could not furnish.  
Q: Did you talk to the man?  
A: Yes.

Q: Did you tell Sharkey afterwards what that objection was and what did he say?

A: He said, "Well, we can't play with him."

Q: Was anything said about getting another place?

A: It was getting late then and he said he would take me to a place to stay and we would go out tomorrow and look for another place.

Q: So on, what happened?

A: We went to the Gordon Square Hotel and I checked in under the name of T. F. Evans.

Q: Did Sharkey say anything to you with reference to the hotel?

A: He said it was a nice, quiet place and some of the dealers from the club stayed there.

Q: Do you recall what room you had?

A: Number 15. I went up there and registered and left him downstairs, and then went down and told him my room number.

Q: What plans did you make for the next day?

A: I think he and Joe Roscoe came by and got me.

Q: Do you know Roscoe as being the owner of the 42nd Street Cafe?

A: Only that Karpis and Campbell told me he owned it.

Q: Had you met Joe Roscoe previously?

A: I don't remember when the first time was that I met him.

Q: What was said, and what did you do at the hotel that morning?

A: We drove out in the country.

Q: For what purpose?

A: To try to find a spot to rent.

Q: Why was Joe Roscoe with you at that time? What was he supposed to do?

A: He was to help me find a place. They knew the country and I did not, but they couldn't front and I could.

Q: Why did Roscoe take part in that? Why wasn't Sharkey alone with you?

A: It was part of Joe's job to find a place.

Q: Did you understand that from what was said at that time, or from subsequent conversations?

A: I gathered that from that day and days following. There were no discussions between the three of us about what we were to do. We all kept our mouths shut and did not ask the others what they were supposed to do. We looked at two or three places, but none of them was any good.

Q: Did any of these places seem familiar to Roscoe?

A: The neighborhood did.

Q: In whose car were you riding?

A: In Sharkey's car.

Q: What car was that?

A: A Ford coupe.

Q: What was said in the car? That is, in regard to the location of the house to be rented?

A: It had to be on the east side of town so that we would not have to go through town to get to it.

Q: Did you find a place that day?

A: No.

Q: What kind of a place were you looking for?

A: For a place that could be reached easily, no neighbors close, from which you could see a distance, and a place to run a car into.

Q: When you inspected the places mentioned, you spoke about the fact that those places did not have the requirements and for that reason you did not rent any of the places?

A: We did not take any of them.

Q: Did Joe Roscoe indicate to you that he owned a place of business in Toledo?

A: No.

Q: Nothing further was said at that time?

A: No.

Q: Under what name did Joe Roscoe know you?

A: Just as John.

Q: What did you do after failing to find a place?

A: We came back and Roscoe and Sharkey left me out at the hotel.

Q: Did you make an engagement to meet them again?

A: They said, "We'll be seeing you."

Q: Did they indicate that they were going to see the boys?

A: It seemed to me that we had discussed finding a place, and I asked them if they knew a real estate man who could direct us to some property, and they said they did not know anybody. I said, "Well, that is the best we can do. You'll have to tell the boys."

Q: Did they indicate they intended to do that?

A: Yes.

Q: After you arrived at the hotel what was the next thing you did, and who were the next persons you saw?

A: The next person I saw was Fred Hunter. He came up and got me and he was going to take me to Warren and show me the mark. We drove to Warren and he showed me this train coming in with the mail on it. We watched the mail being loaded into the mail truck and he took me up and showed me a tin barn they had looked over to run into. Then we went to Youngstown. We ate and came back to Cleveland.

Q: Was this place in Youngstown a house of prostitution?

A: Yes.

Q: Did Fred know anyone there?

A: He seemed to know them all.

Q: Can you describe that place?

A: Yes.

Q: Describe it.  
A: Coming out of Youngstown on the main highway, moving in the direction of Cleveland, we passed a viaduct and went up a hill, and about half way up the hill we turned to the left about one block, on one corner is a laundry and on the opposite corner is this house of prostitution.

Q: Prior to the time you went to this house of prostitution did you and Fred Hunter stop at any place?  
A: We stopped downtown and had dinner.

Q: Can you describe where this place is?  
A: The only thing I can say is that it is on the main street on right hand side, and I later learned it was the best place in town and is a combination grill and barroom.

Q: Did Fred Hunter have any conversation with anyone in the place?  
A: Yes he spoke to a customer as he was going out the door.

Q: After you left Youngstown that afternoon where did you go?  
A: Back to Cleveland. We went out to the apartment that Fred Hunter had rented, and Karpis was there.

Q: Where was this apartment located?  
A: The best I can tell you is that it was in the 4800 or 4900 block on Lorain in the middle of the block on the right hand side of the street as one leaves the downtown section; the first of a group of apartments in the same block and the apartment was on the first floor. I understand this apartment was occupied by Karpis and Campbell. What, if anything, was said between you, Hunter and Karpis at that time?

Q: Karpis asked me if Hunter had showed me that spot and what did I think of it, and I told him he showed it to me and it could be done, but it was no cinch.  
A: By that spot, do you mean the tin barn?  
A: No, the mark.

Q: What else was said there?  
A: Karpis said he wanted to go to Toledo to see Harry Campbell, and as Hunter was busy he wanted me to go with him.

Q: Do you know why he wanted to see Campbell?  
A: No. I don't know.

Q: At this time did it appear that Karpis had any money?  
A: Well, he seemed to have some.

Q: Was there any discussion had about having borrowed money?  
A: Not at that time.

Q: What else was said on this occasion?  
A: I told Karpis that we, meaning Sharkey and Joe Roscoe, had looked at two or three places, but none of them was any good.

Q: Was there any conversation had about going to see other places?  
A: He said we would have to look some more.

Q: Was there anything said at that time as to just what part Joe Roscoe was supposed to have had in that contemplated robbery?  
A: Not at that time.

Q: What was done that night?  
A: Karpis and I went to Toledo.  
Q: Did you drive?  
A: Karpis drove.  
Q: What car did you use?  
A: A Ford sedan; the one Hunter and I came over in.  
Q: En route to Toledo what conversation, if any, did you have with Karpis?  
A: We talked about the Warren mark. The original plan was to catch that train, but they could not get enough men. Three men can't take that train. We had a general conversation about things in Oklahoma.  
Q: After you arrived in Toledo what did you do?  
A: We went to Edith's.  
Q: Whom did you see there?  
A: There was nobody showed up that night.  
Q: Was Harry Campbell there?  
A: No.  
Q: Was Edith, Lou, or Peaches there?  
A: Peaches was there. Karpis and I stayed all night.  
Q: You stayed with Peaches?  
A: Yes.  
Q: Did you expect to find Campbell there?  
A: Karpis may have expected to find him there.  
Q: Who informed you he moved?  
A: Edith.  
Q: What did she say in connection with his moving?  
A: She said George got mad and left.  
Q: Mad at whom?  
A: I don't think she told me, or I don't think I heard, but Karpis told me that George and his girl had had a falling out and I heard Edith and Karpis talking about it and Edith said she had told George that he should not get stuck on that girl, and not to have anything to do with her; that she was glad they broke up.  
Q: Did she give any reason why they broke up?  
A: Merely that it was safer if he had nothing to do with anyone.  
Q: Do you think at that time Edith knew who Karpis and Campbell were?  
A: Well, I don't know whether she knew who they were, but she knew they were hot.  
Q: What is your understanding as to how Karpis and Campbell became acquainted with Edith.  
A: I never knew. I just took it for granted that Joe Roscoe had connected them.  
Q: What gave you that impression?  
A: Just from the conversations that he was the "big shot" around town.  
Q: Who said that?  
A: Nobody said it, but just from the way Karpis and Campbell talked.

Q: Was it your understanding that Joe Roscoe and Edith were especially close?

A: I got the impression that they were good friends.

Q: Did you ever hear either Karpis or Campbell or Edith or Fred Hunter make any statements which indicated that Roscoe is the one who brought Karpis and Campbell over to Edith's place?

A: No.

Q: Did you ever see Joe Roscoe at Edith's place during the time Karpis and Campbell were there, and around this period?

A: Yes.

Q: How often?

A: Once.

Q: When was that with reference to the time you checked out of the Lorain Hotel on March 27, 1935?

A: Probably three or four days.

Q: You mean on or about April 1, 1935?

A: Something like that.

Q: What took place and who was present at that time?

A: Late the next afternoon after Karpis and I had been over there all night, Harry Campbell came in and Joe Roscoe came in; they did not come together, and we were all talking in the front room.

Q: By that you mean who?

A: Karpis, Campbell, Joe Roscoe and me.

Q: Where were Edith and Lou?

A: I don't know.

Q: What was discussed at that time?

A: We talked about robbing that train, and I told them that three men could not take it and they asked me what I thought about that mail truck. I told them that three men could take it, but it was no cinch.

Q: What, if anything, did Joe Roscoe say, or what was said about him?

A: He just carried on general conversation about taking the train.

Q: Did you understand he was to take an active part?

A: No.

Q: What was he to do?

A: He was to be the finger man and fix the "git".

Q: Go on.

A: It was finally decided that me and Karpis would go back to Cleveland that night and Campbell asked me if I would look out and get him an apartment and I told him I would. He said he would be over in the next day or two.

Q: Was there anything said about what Joe Roscoe was to do? Was there mention made as to money he was supposed to furnish?

A: No.

Q: What did you agree upon as to what Joe Roscoe was to do?

A: It was never said at that time. We discussed everything back and forth and never did come to an agreement because we hadn't got a spot to run into and that is the main thing.

Q: When you left that night what was the definite thing in mind as to what you were going to do.



A: Nothing was definitely settled, only to find a spot to run into.  
Q: How was that to be accomplished?  
A: The only thing they could do was to drive around and look for a place.  
Q: Who was supposed to do that?  
A: It was understood that everybody was to look for a place.  
Q: Was it generally understood that this place was to be somewhere around Cleveland?  
A: Yes; between Warren and Cleveland.  
Q: You said that the above discussion was had in the front bedroom at Edith's place. During the time all four of you men were in this place did Edith or Lou come up to serve drinks?  
A: I believe Edith came up with some drinks.  
Q: After this meeting was completed where did you go and where did the others go, and in what manner did they leave?  
A: I went and got the car, which was parked in front of the Jarvis Apartments.  
Q: Who parked it there?  
A: I parked it there the night before.  
Q: Who was with you?  
A: Lou.  
Q: Who instructed you to park it there?  
A: Karpis.  
Q: Why did Lou go along?  
A: To show me where to park it.  
Q: Had you parked it any place before you parked it in front of the Jarvis Apartments?  
A: Earlier in the evening I parked it in front of the Federal Building, but they wanted it moved from there.  
Q: For what reason?  
A: Well in case anybody knew it or had seen it at any time. They did not want them to see it.  
Q: Did Karpis at that time tell you anything about the Federal Building?  
A: He just said it was the Federal Building, and he told me about an incident about the Federal men having someone arrested four or five days. He never told me who it was.  
Q: Did you understand that this person was there at that time?  
A: No some time before that.  
Q: After you told Karpis that the car was in front of the Jarvis Apartments did that meet with his approval?  
A: Yes.  
Q: Did he say anything about the apartments?  
A: He said that was where they usually parked the cars.  
Q: After you got the car what did you do?  
A: I was not acquainted with the town so Joe Roscoe and George came down when I did and got Joe's car and showed me where a filling station was and I took the car up there and got gas and oil and followed them. They went up the street to a filling station, and I followed them back down to Edith's.

Q: What kind of a filling station was this?  
A: I don't remember.  
Q: Was it close to Edith's place?  
A: Eight or ten blocks away.  
Q: In what direction?  
A: West.  
Q: At that time did Campbell say anything as to where he was living, and why he had moved?  
A: He said he had moved, and Karpis asked him why he had moved, and he said, "They don't know me over there."  
Q: Did he say with whom he was living?  
A: No.  
Q: Did he say it was a rooming house?  
A: The way he talked it was a rooming house.  
Q: Did he say who took him there?  
A: No.  
Q: When Campbell arrived there that day was Joe Roscoe with him?  
A: No.  
Q: But you say they left together?  
A: Yes.  
Q: It is your understanding that Joe Roscoe drove Campbell home that night after the meeting?  
A: Yes. They left in a car and we followed them.  
Q: You said "we". Whom do you mean?  
A: Me and Karpis.  
Q: What car did you have?  
A: 1933 model Ford sedan.  
Q: While this car was being serviced did you wait for it?  
A: Yes.  
Q: After it was serviced where did you go?  
A: We came back to Cleveland.  
Q: Where did you go in Cleveland?  
A: The best I can remember it must have been 25th and Detroit to a saloon, which is about a block beyond a viaduct on the left hand far corner leaving the downtown district.  
Q: Why did you go to this saloon?  
A: Karpis had made a meet before he left Cleveland the night before. He told Hunter to meet him there when we came back.  
Q: After you arrived at this saloon, whom did you see?  
A: Fred Hunter was there and Sharkey and some other man. I don't know who he was.  
Q: Can you describe him?  
A: No, only that he was a big man.  
Q: Whom did you understand this man was?  
A: I never knew.  
Q: What was said in that place?  
A: Discussion came up about Jess Doyle making a statement.

Q: Who brought that subject up?  
A: I don't remember who brought it up.  
Q: What was said with reference to Jess Doyle?  
A: Well, they just said it is liable to get hot around here.  
Q: You recall what was said about Jess Doyle's statement?  
A: Merely that they were afraid that he talked and they didn't know how much he knew.  
Q: Who took part in this discussion?  
A: Karpis was talking to Sharkey, and Fred Hunter and I were having a drink. There was one table in the back and Karpis and Sharkey and this man were at the table.  
Q: I show you a picture of Arthur Hebebrand. Does this look like the man?  
A: I could not say.  
Q: Does the man look familiar to you?  
A: I have seen him somewhere, but I don't know where.  
Q: I show you a picture of James (Shimmy) Patton. Would you say that was the man?  
A: I could not say.  
Q: Does he look familiar to you?  
A: No.  
Q: I show you a picture of Dan Gallagher. Does he look like the man?  
A: No.  
Q: I show you a picture of Fred Hunter. Is that the man you knew as Freddie?  
A: Yes.  
Q: Could it have been possible that Art Hebebrand was the man at the tavern that night?  
A: It could have been possible, but I don't know that it is.  
Q: I show you a picture of Harry Campbell. Is that the man who knew as George and Harry Campbell?  
A: Yes.  
Q: I show you a picture of Alvin Karpis. Is that the man you knew as Sonny Boy and Alvin Karpis?  
A: Yes.  
Q: I show you a picture of James F. (Tip) O'Neil. Does that man look familiar to you?  
A: I know that face, but I can't place him.  
Q: Does the name "Tip" sound familiar?  
A: Yes.  
Q: I show you a picture of Sam Coker. Is that the man known to you as Coker?  
A: Yes.  
Q: I show you a picture of Milton Lett. Do you know that man?  
A: I saw him. He was in my place once in Tulsa.  
Q: What was that?  
A: About the summer of 1935.

Q: What do you know about him?  
A: I don't really know anything about him. When he came in my place he was looking for Coker and I didn't know him, and I told him I didn't know Coker. Afterwards Keady told me that the kid used to hang around Tommy Hill's joint and that he was a friend of Harry Campbell and had been working in Ohio. Did Keady mention where in Ohio Milton Lett worked?

Q: Did Keady mention where in Ohio Milton Lett worked?  
A: No.  
Q: Going back to this meeting at the small saloon at 25th and Detroit, how long were you there on that occasion.  
A: Not over thirty minutes at the most.  
Q: What is your understanding as to who owned this place?  
A: I don't know who owned it? Freddie knew the man.  
Q: Describe the interior of the place?  
A: You go in a side door, or we did, into the back room.  
Q: Is the back room apart from the barroom?  
A: Merely partitioned off.  
Q: What is in this back room?  
A: Only one table and some chairs. From the back room I could see that the bar was on the left hand side of the saloon. We did not go into the saloon as there were people in there drinking, and I do not know what it looked like.

Q: After the above meeting how did the five of you leave the place?  
A: Karpis and Sharkey and this other man left in one car; Fred Hunter and I left in the other car.  
Q: Did Karpis indicate to you and Fred Hunter where he was going?  
A: No. He said these people want to take to me and I am going with them. He told Fred to go to the apartment and take me to the hotel.  
Q: At that time did you know how much money Karpis had? By that I mean, did he have a lot of money?  
A: He had told me when we were coming from Toledo that he was broke and had borrowed money and that he did not know what those people would do if he were killed before he completed this job, as he had borrowed five or six thousand dollars.  
Q: Did he indicate who these people were?  
A: No.  
Q: Who did you understand them to be?  
A: I understood they were the people at the Harvard Club, who owned it or operated it, or managed it.  
Q: Did Karpis say anything to you about the Harvard Club at any time?  
A: Only that he used to loaf there in the office, a year or so before that.  
Q: Did he indicate to you what relationship he had with operators of the Harvard Club?  
A: No, he merely stated that they were good friends of his.  
Q: Did he indicate to you that they knew who he actually was, or that they had assisted him at any time previously?  
A: He never mentioned that they had assisted him, but they knew he was hot.

Q: With reference to the time that Fred Hunter took you to Cleveland, Ohio, did Karpis give Fred any money?

A: Yes.

Q: How much?

A: A hundred or so, to rent an apartment.

Q: En route to Cleveland did Hunter say anything to you as to where Karpis got his money?

A: He said he borrowed money; that he had been borrowing and that he had borrowed another thousand; that he was lucky to have friends who would loan him that money as hot as he was.

Q: What was your understanding as to where he got this money?

A: I don't know why, but I think he got it at the Harvard Club.

Q: Do you know whether Karpis had any money before Sharkey visited Edith's place on the occasion mentioned above?

A: I don't think he had much money. He did not have much in Oklahoma and when Harry Campbell gave me the \$400 to finish paying for the car he said he was about broke.

Q: Did he say anything about Karpis having any money?

A: No, but Karpis told me that he had to borrow some money, and Freddie told me he just borrowed a thousand.

Q: Going back to the time you left the saloon you described, you said that you and Fred Hunter went to the Gordon Square Hotel, and that Karpis left with Sharkey and the other man. What did Hunter say to you when he left on this occasion?

A: He said, "I'll see you tomorrow."

Q: Was there anything planned for the next day?

A: Yes, we were going out and run some of those cat roads.

Q: What happened the next day?

A: Nobody showed up.

Q: The following day?

A: Nobody showed up.

Q: What did you do on those days?

A: I laid around the hotel and the second afternoon I went to the Harvard Club.

Q: Whom did you see there?

A: Sharkey.

Q: What did you ask him?

A: I asked him if Freddie had been there and he said that he had not seen him. I said he was supposed to pick me up and he didn't. He said I could stick around for a while. I stayed there until late in the afternoon and then went back to the hotel, and the next morning nobody called, and I went down by the apartment to see if the car was parked around anywhere. I did not go up to the apartment, as I didn't know what had happened. After dinner I went back to the Harvard Club and saw Sharkey again.

Q: Did you see Tony?  
A: He was on the door.  
Q: Did you talk to him?  
A: Just spoke.  
Q: What did Sharkey say?  
A: He said he hadn't seen Freddie.  
Q: Was he worried?  
A: He said, "What's the matter." I told him I was worried. I just came to the conclusion that they figured I knew too much and had gone under cover someplace. I asked Sharkey if Freddie came out and he said that they would not come out there.  
Q: Did he give you any reason why they wouldn't come out?  
A: He said the place was too hot.  
Q: What made him think the place was hot?  
A: The way he talked the joint had been hot for some time.  
Q: Did he say how they knew that?  
A: He said that there is always some G Men coming out here looking around. He said, "You can't tell whose out here."  
Q: Did you ever have any discussion with anyone concerning our activities in Cleveland at that time?  
A: Karpis told me at one time that the Harvard Club was hot; that the G Men were watching it, and that they had one of the bosses' telephones tapped and were watching his house.  
Q: Did he mention how he obtained that information?  
A: No.  
Q: Did Karpis say anything about Joe Roscoe or Edith's place at that time being hot?  
A: No. The night that Karpis and I were there and when he told Edith to get in touch with Joe, he told her to be sure and tell Joe to be sure he was not tailed. I said, "What's the matter, are the G's wise to him too," and he said he thought so.  
Q: Did you hear Edith telephone that night?  
A: No.  
Q: Did Sharkey say anything to you?  
A: He said he would find out.  
Q: Did Sharkey suggest that you go to Toledo?  
A: No.  
Q: How long did you stay in Cleveland after that?  
A: Three or four days.  
Q: Did you see anybody?  
A: No, I went back to Oklahoma.  
Q: Did you make efforts to contact these persons at Toledo?  
A: No.  
Q: Why not?  
A: I was nutty I guess. I was leery of the job. I wasn't anxious to use a pistol.

Q: After you left Cleveland in April and returned to Tulsa, when did you contact Burrhead Keady after your arrival?

A: The next day or two.

Q: What did you tell him?

A: I said there was nothing doing and told him the circumstances. He said there must be something wrong; that they wouldn't leave me on the spot that way.

Q: Did you mention to him about the possibility of Jess Doyle having talked?

A: He said that all he knew was what was in the paper.

Q: What did he say with reference to the chances they were taking in Ohio after he started to talk?

A: He never said anything.

Q: What did Keady suggest you do?

A: Nothing.

Q: When was the next time you saw Karpis, Campbell, or Fred Hunter?

A: It must have been in May.

Q: With reference to the Warren mail robbery, which occurred on April 25, 1935, how long after that did you see Karpis, Campbell, or Fred Hunter?

A: It must have been the middle of May before they got to Tulsa.

Q: How did they contact you?

A: Keady came by and said the boys were in the country.

Q: Was this place the same place you met them earlier in the year?

A: The same place.

Q: What did Karpis and Campbell have to say at this time?

A: They wanted to know why I left, and I told them and they wanted to know why I didn't go to Toledo and connect with Joe, and I said I must have been nutty and told them I was going blind.

Q: What had they said to you previously about going to Roscoe's place?

A: They told me that if anything happened, if I got in trouble or anything, to connect with Joe Roscoe at the 42nd Street Cafe in Toledo, and that he would take care of me.

Q: Did you have any other discussion at this time with Karpis and Campbell?

A: They just asked me if I read the paper and they said, "See what you missed." They said there wasn't as much as they thought, they figured about one hundred grand, but they only got \$72,000. Campbell said, "We couldn't find you so we went to New York and got a boy."

Q: Do you think they did that?

A: Yes.

Q: Do you know whether Joe Roscoe had any part in the robbery?

A: Not that I know of.

Q: What is your understanding as to how the loot obtained in that Warren robbery was divided?

A: The way they told me they each got fifteen grand. They gave up twenty-five percent.

Q: How do you think this twenty-five percent was distributed?  
A: The finger man got ten percent.  
Q: The finger man? Who do you think he was?  
A: Fred Hunter told me that it was a man in the post office, a former employee. I know that Fred got ten percent.  
Q: Where do you think the other five percent went?  
A: To the bankroll man.  
Q: Who was he?  
A: I don't know.  
Q: Do you think it was the man who loaned money to Karpis?  
A: That was the man.  
Q: How do you know that?  
A: Well from the way things are worked.  
Q: What is your understanding as to why Karpis and Campbell came to Oklahoma?  
A: That part of the country was cooler; this part of the country was hot, and they wanted a cooler spot.  
Q: You gathered they were thinking of hiding out in Oklahoma or somewhere in that vicinity?  
A: Yes.  
Q: What else was said on this occasion?  
A: They just asked how Dutch was getting along, and Keady told them he had been drunk and was sick; that his arm was paralyzed, and Campbell said to Karpis, "How about sending him a couple of hundred dollars so that he can go to a doctor?"  
Q: Who is this Dutch? What does he do?  
A: He is a joint man and bootlegger in Tulsa.  
Q: Did Campbell and Dutch know each other for many years?  
A: They had known each other a long time, but I don't know how long.  
Q: Did Karpis and Campbell put up some money for Bowman?  
A: They gave Keady some money for him.  
Q: Did you have any other conversation that you recall?  
A: No, I got them a dozen bottles of beer on the highway.  
Q: How much money did they give you?  
A: Not any. They gave Keady some but he kept it.  
Q: After this conversation what occurred?  
A: Keady and I came back to town.  
Q: You left Karpis and Campbell at this farm house?  
A: Yes.  
Q: Who was the next person you saw, calling attention to Karpis, Campbell and Fred Hunter?  
A: Hunter came through next.  
Q: When was that?  
A: Possibly a week or so after the visit of Karpis and Campbell.



Q: What was the occasion of Hunter's visit?  
A: He was trying to connect with the boys.  
Q: How did he get in touch with you?  
A: I believe Keady called me up and told me to come out to the house. I had a guy lead me to the bus and put me on the bus. I could see a little bit, but I should not have been out by myself. I knew where to get off; there was a drug store on one corner and the block after that was where I got off. Freddie was at Keady's. He wanted to know what was the matter and I told him.  
Q: That is, why you left Cleveland in April?  
A: Yes.  
Q: What were you doing now?  
A: I had been trying to gamble, but I had to quit when I could not see. Fred said he didn't have any money, and that he hadn't seen the boys, but when he came back through Tulsa he would leave me some money. He and Keady left either that night or the next morning down to where the boys were.  
Q: Did you have any idea where Karpis and Campbell were at that time?  
A: No. They were down in the southern part of the state of Oklahoma, but I don't know where.  
Q: Do you think that Keady secured this place for Karpis and Campbell?  
A: Yes, I think he did.  
Q: Did Fred Hunter tell you anything about the Warren job? Any interesting high lights about it?  
A: No, he just told me that he left up there after it happened. He said he hadn't paid any of his debts yet; that he owed about three grand up there and had to get back to pay it.  
Q: Whom do you think he owed this money to?  
A: He owed Karpis some, and he owed some around the Harvard Club. He had worked there as a dealer.  
Q: Did you ever see him work there?  
A: No.  
Q: Is it your understanding that Fred Hunter did not take part in the Warren job?  
A: Yes.  
Q: Why?  
A: He told me he did not take an active part because he was too well known in Warren, because he was afraid he would get the finger put on him for the job and he wanted to be clean of it.  
Q: Did he indicate to you that he established an alibi for that job?  
A: No, I asked him if they made him, and he said no, and that he had an alibi.  
Q: Did he, or Karpis or Campbell or Burrhead Keady mention where these fellows went after the Warren stickup?  
A: No.

Q: After Burrhead Keady returned to Tulsa, that is from the trip he went on with Hunter, what, if anything, did he say to you with reference to the trip?

A: I believe Dovey Keady took Hunter away from there, but I am not sure. A day or two after that I saw Keady and I asked him if Hunter had been back through there and he said, "No." The next couple of days Keady came by the hotel and said that Hunter came through last night and I asked if Hunter had left any money for me and Keady said he hadn't.

Q: Was it because you didn't see Dovey around town for several days the reason you thought she drove Hunter to Karpis and Campbell?

A: Yes.

Q: Did you hear at that time of her making a trip to southern Oklahoma?

A: Yes, but I cannot recall what it was. I know that about that time, or just a little later, Keady got a telegram that his father was dying, and Keady and Dovey and her niece went to Florida, and while they were in Florida a telegram came to the house that Dovey's brother had died, in the southern part of the state, and after it was over and they came back and I was out to the house, she told me that he was sick when she was down there, in the early spring.

Q: When was the next time you saw Hunter, Karpis and Campbell?

A: Hunter came through in the late summer. I opened up in July, and he came in the latter part of July, or the first part of August.

Q: What kind of a car was he driving?

A: I didn't see it.

Q: How did he get in touch with you?

A: He came to the hotel.

Q: What did he say?

A: He wanted to know how I was getting along. By that time I had borrowed a couple of hundred dollars and had gone into business and was getting along all right, and was making \$75 or \$100 a week and did not need anything. He was down to see Keady.

Q: What about?

A: The best I could figure out they were trying to get a connection to buy some guns.

Q: That is Karpis and Campbell?

A: Yes. Because a day or two after that they asked me if I knew anyone in town who was doing any business, and I said I didn't. Hunter only stayed around a little while that afternoon. He told me that if there was any time he could help me I should let him know. I told him I was getting along all right.

Q: Did you ask him if he had left any money with Keady?  
A: No, but I found out afterwards that the boys had given Keady \$1,500 when they were down there.  
Q: To give to you?

A: I don't know.

Q: Who told you?

A: I don't know who told me; either Coker or Fred Hunter. Something came up and they told me the boys gave Keady \$1,500 when they were down there in the spring of 1935.

Q: Did Fred Hunter mention to you where Karpis or Campbell might be?

A: No, I asked him if he had seen them and he said they were all right.

Q: How long did he stay in Tulsa at that time?

A: I don't think he stayed but that one night.

Q: Do you know if he got any guns?

A: He didn't get any.

Q: Did Keady try?

A: I don't know. He was propositioning everyone in town.

Q: Were there any other visits by Karpis and Campbell and Hunter after that time?

A: Once I think or twice Keady came by the hotel and told me the boys were through last night - just going through. I did not see them.

Q: Did he indicate where they came from, or where they were going?

A: No. He did not know.

Q: Is there anything else you heard about either Karpis, Campbell, or Fred Hunter around this period?

A: I don't know who gave the money to Keady, but he got the dough from some of them to spring Coker.

Q: How much money was that?

A: I don't know. I know that Keady had the dough in a safety deposit box in Tulsa, and he was in Oklahoma City talking to a Senator and the Senator was worried about the money, and Keady told him he would bring the money in cash if he was afraid. I understood it was \$500, but I never knew the actual price.

Q: Do you know the name of that Senator?

A: No. He was from a western district.

Q: Was he a senator at that time, or was he an ex-senator?

A: He must have been a senator at that time; when they went down to get Coker out it was after midnight when they arrived at the jail with the release, and they were told to come back in the morning, and the senator said he was a senator and said he wanted Coker out that night. They turned Coker out that night.

Q: Who was with the senator?

A: Keady.

Q: Was anyone else along?  
A: No just him and the senator.  
Q: After Coker was released from the penitentiary, when did you see him?  
A: It must have been the second day. When he was released they went to Oklahoma City and met Dovey.  
Q: When you say "they", who does that mean?  
A: Keady and Coker and the senator. It must have been the next night about midnight when Dovey drove down to the joint and said Coker and Keady were out to the house and were drunk and she said they wanted me to come down there; that I should get a pint of whiskey and some beer and go out. I had closed up and it was after midnight and while she was in the joint drinking beer a scout wagon came by and shook her car down. Everybody knew that Cord. The policemen would have liked to catch something in it. The porter ran down and told me. He said they are shaking that lady's car down in front. I just took the whiskey back and hid it and put a dozen bottles of beer in a bag and started out to the house. I got out there and both of them were so drunk they couldn't talk to me, so I told Dovey to call a cab for me that I was going to town. I came back the next day and talked to Sam Coker.  
Q: What did Coker say?  
A: I asked him how the boys were at the joint; how my partner was getting along.  
Q: Did he say how he got out of the penitentiary?  
A: No.  
Q: Did he say anything about Karpis and Campbell at that time?  
A: No. We did not talk much. He was pretty sick.  
Q: Did you see Coker there on a number of occasions?  
A: Yes about a half dozen times.  
Q: Was he living with Keady?  
A: He stayed there a night, would go to South Coffeyville, and he came to my place three or four times.  
Q: How long did you say Coker remained in Oklahoma after he was released from the penitentiary?  
A: I should say he was there two or three weeks.  
Q: At any time during this period were either Karpis or Campbell mentioned by either you or him, or by Keady in his presence?  
A: No.  
Q: Did Keady say anything to you about Sam Coker's plans?  
A: He said Coker has gone up north where the boys are.  
Q: Do you know whether Fred Hunter had come to Oklahoma to take him to where the boys were at that time?  
A: One time Coker and Fred were there together.  
Q: When was that?

A: It was around the first of October. He and Sam and Fred came by the hotel one afternoon in a Hudson. That was the first time I had seen the Hudson coupe.

Q: Whose car was that?

A: I don't know. They were leaving town.

Q: Did Fred say anything to you on this occasion as to where they were taking Sam, or where they were going?

A: No.

Q: Was mention made of Karpis and Campbell at that time as to how they were getting along, and as to where they were?

A: While I was talking to them there were people drinking, so I just asked if the boys were all right and Fred said they were.

Q: You said Fred Hunter and Sam Coker left Tulsa on or about October 1st, and it is your understanding that they went to where the boys were located?

A: Yes.

Q: During the month of October, did you hear anything about Karpis, Campbell, Coker, or Hunter from Keady, or anyone else, or did you see anything of those individuals?

A: No, I don't think I saw any of them.

Q: Did you hear anything about them from Keady?

A: I asked him one day if Sam was around and he said he hadn't been there for some time; that Crabtree was trying to connect with Sam.

Q: Who is Crabtree?

A: Norris Crabtree. He is doing a life sentence in McAlester, and was out on parole at that time from McAlester.

Q: Did you speak with Crabtree?

A: He asked me if I knew where Sam was. I said I didn't. He said he wanted to connect with Sam. He said they were getting ready to do something, and he wanted in on it. I said I didn't know anything about them.

Q: Did you leave Oklahoma around the first part of November, 1935?

A: Yes.

Q: How did you happen to leave Oklahoma?

A: Fred Hunter came down and propositioned me about making some money. He said the boys had everything lined up to make a good piece of dough. He said if I wanted to go he wanted me to go.

Q: Did you agree?

A: I did.

Q: Did you ask him what kind of a job it was?

A: Not at that time. He told me I could cover up.

Q: You mean you would wear a mask?

A: Yes.

Q: What plans did you make and what did you do?

A: He asked me if I could make arrangements for a plane, as he was in a hurry to get back up there. I told him I would try to make such arrangements, but if I could not I would make the best train connections. I called the airport, but they were not sure a plane would go out the next day on account of the storm. We took a train.

Q: You and Fred Hunter left by train?

A: Yes.

Q: En route to Cleveland what conversation did you have with Fred Hunter?

A: He told me they had lined up that train and had all the details fixed up. He said there would be five men on the job.

Q: When did you arrive in Cleveland?

A: On the night of November 5th.

Q: What did you do and what did Hunter do?

A: When we arrived at the Terminal we parted there. He left for Youngstown and I left for Toledo.

Q: Do you know why he went to Youngstown?

A: He had to get his car.

Q: Where was it stored?

A: I don't know. He said he would drive over the next day and pick me up and take me out to where Karpis and Campbell were.

Q: Did he tell you what hotel to check in?

A: No he asked me what hotel I was going to check in and I told him the Lorain and he asked me what name I would use, and I told him Evans.

Q: You left Cleveland that night bus?

A: By train.

Q: What time did you arrive in Toledo?

A: Three o'clock.

Q: What time did you check into the hotel?

A: As soon as I arrived there.

Q: Whom did you see the next day?

A: Hunter came by late in the afternoon and got me and said he would take me to where the boys were so we went out on Adams Street and there met Karpis and Campbell.

Q: Can you describe this place?

A: There was some kind of a store downstairs, but I don't know what kind. You go up the stairs and turn to the left and you come to the door leading to the inside and when you open the door you enter a little hall and you turn to the left again to get into the front room. That was the only room I was in.

Q: Where was the dining room?

A: It was back of the hall where we came in.

Q: Where was the kitchen located, toward the rear?

A: Yes.

Q: After you and Fred Hunter arrived at this rooming house who let you in?

A: If I remember right an old man let us in.

Q: Describe this old man.

A: He was an old man, kind of skinny, either limped or was crippled, and was bent over.

Q: Do you recall an elderly woman being in the apartment?

A: While we were there some woman came to the door in the hall and asked the boys what they wanted for supper, but I didn't pay any attention to her.

Q: Where were they?

A: They were in the front room.

Q: Do you think you would be able to recognize the old man if you were to see him again?

A: I may.

Q: Did it appear that Fred Hunter knew the old man? Did Fred address the old man by any name, or vice versa?

A: No, I don't remember the name.

Q: Do you recall whether Fred Hunter asked whether either Karpis or Campbell were there, referring to them by some name.

A: I don't know.

Q: Where were Karpis and Campbell sitting when you walked into the place?

A: They were in the front room sitting next to the front windows.

Q: Did the old man enter the room with you?

A: No, I don't think so.

Q: Did you have a conversation between Fred Hunter, Harry Campbell, Karpis and you at that time?

A: Yes.

Q: What was discussed or planned at that meeting?

A: When we first got in there Hunter asked them where Sam was.

Q: You don't mean Sam Coker.

A: No. Hunter said I'll go get him; it won't take but a few minutes, and Hunter left and while he was gone, Karpis said to me, "Did Hunter tell you what we are going to do?" I said he had and Campbell said that there wasn't any use to talk about it until we all got together.

Q: While you were seated in this room did the man of the house come into the room, or come in to talk with any of you men?

A: He asked them what they wanted to drink and Karpis and Campbell ordered a drink and they told me if I didn't want anything to drink I didn't have to order any. You see it is customary to order drinks in these places.

Q: What kind of a place did you understand this place to be?

A: A rooming house.

Q: Did you understand that they had lived there for any length of time?

A: No, it was just more of a meeting spot for that night.

Q: Was the man of the house present at the time the discussion was had about the contemplated robbery?

A: No. When he would come in everybody would quit talking.

Q: Was the living room shut off from the dining room by means of doors?

A: No.

Q: After Sam arrived with Hunter what was then discussed?

A: We discussed the train robbery; what each man's part was.

Q: What was that?

A: Sam was to take the engineer and fireman; Karpis and Campbell were going in the baggage car, in the mail car, and I was supposed to take care of the express man, and Hunter was to stand out on the platform and take a general view of everybody.

Q: Was anything said about the get-away car?

A: A discussion came up about the car and while they were planning, Karpis said he and Hunter would take me out to the farm house and they would go into Youngstown, and then come back the next day with the get-away car, and they would make arrangements with the man on the farm to take Campbell and Sam and me out to meet them the next day.

Q: Was there anything said about Joe Roscoe in this discussion?

A: At that time Sam said, "Is Joe going to be there." They were talking about the spot before you got into the plant, and Sam said he would go by the hospital and see Coker and go by and see Joe Roscoe to see that he will be at the spot to pick us up.

Q: Was there anything said about the plant?

A: Only thing that was said was that it was ready.

Q: Did they describe it?

A: No. They just said they had a place to run into.

Q: Previous to the arrival of Sam was there any talk about him?

A: Only that one of them said, I don't remember which one, "Do you reckon the old man would go?" and someone had said that Joe had said that he would step, and they agreed that was good enough.

Q: Did you see Campbell's wife at the apartment on this occasion?

A: No, I have never seen her.

Q: Did you know she was at the apartment at that time?

A: At that time I didn't even know he was married.

Q: How long were you at this house at this particular time?

A: Not over an hour or so.

Q: During that time did Karpis and Campbell leave the front room where you were sitting to go to the rear of the apartment for any reason?

A: They went back to eat dinner.

Q: Who ate dinner there?

A: I imagine Karpis, Campbell and Hunter ate, because all three went out of the room and left me and Sam by ourselves.



Q: What conversation, if any, did you have with Sam in the living room?

A: We just sat and discussed things up here and had a general conversation.

Q: Did he say he had served time?

A: No, but he made a remark about not making any money. He asked me how I had been getting along, and I said I hadn't made any money.

Q: Was anything said about Joe Roscoe?

A: Not between me and him at that time.

Q: Did you and Sam leave before Karpis and Campbell and Hunter returned to the living room?

A: No.

Q: Prior to leaving, what definite plans were agreed upon?

A: It was agreed that I was to go to the farm house with Karpis and Hunter, and Sam and Campbell were to come over later that night.

Q: What were you going to do at the farm house?

A: We were going to stay there until the next morning, and we were supposed to meet Hunter and Karpis about a mile and one-half from the house the next day.

Q: Was Joe Roscoe mentioned?

A: Before we left, Sam said he would go by the hospital and see Coker and see how he was getting along, and Karpis gave him \$200 to give to Coker, and told him to go by and see if Joe Roscoe would be on the spot. Campbell said he was going by home.

Q: What was said about visiting Coker after visiting hours at the hospital?

A: I don't think anything was said. I know that Sam visited him after visiting hours because then it was, I imagine six or six-thirty.

Q: Was there any talk about Sam having a connection in the hospital, which would permit him to go in after visiting hours?

A: No.

Q: How did you leave the house?

A: The old man called a cab for me.

Q: By the old man you mean the one who ran the rooming house?

A: Yes.

Q: Where did this cab take you?

A: Lorain Hotel.

Q: What happened then?

A: I checked out, came down on the corner and Karpis and Hunter picked me up in a Ford coupe, Freddie's Ford coupe. We went to the farm house near Garrettsville. We went through Garrettsville, and they said they would show me the depot. They wheeled up in the drive and did not even stop, just drove in and turned around and we went on to the farm.

Q: When you arrived at the farm house did you meet the man who owned the place?

A: Yes.

Q: What was his name?

A: Clyde.

Q: Were the man and his wife in bed when you arrived there?

A: Yes.

Q: What time was that?

A: 10:30 or 11 o'clock.

Q: What was said by Karpis or Hunter upon your arrival at this farm house?

A: Karpis told this guy that he wanted him to let me stay all night; that they were going on to Youngstown, him and Hunter.

Q: Did Karpis say anything to you as to who these people thought you were?

A: No.

Q: Are you sure?

A: Yes.

Q: Did Karpis and Hunter leave immediately?

A: They didn't stay there over five minutes.

Q: What was your information as to where they were going and why?

A: They were to go to Youngstown and were going to stay the rest of the night and pick up the sedan that we were to use on the "git." They told this farmer that he was to take me and Campbell and Sam the next day about one and one-half miles down the road from where he lived and meet Karpis and Hunter there.

Q: How were you introduced to this fellow called Clyde?

A: I wasn't introduced. He said he wanted Slim to stay all night.

Q: Was Karpis apparently acquainted with this fellow before?

A: Yes.

Q: What name did he call Karpis?

A: Sonny Boy.

Q: Did Karpis say that he stayed at this place before?

A: No.

Q: You don't know how Karpis became acquainted with this man Clyde?

A: No, I don't.

Q: After Karpis and Hunter left what did you do?

A: Went to bed.

Q: How long afterwards was it when Campbell and Sam came there?

A: I don't know. I had been asleep some time.

Q: Who stayed with you that night?

A: Sam slept in the bedroom with me and Campbell slept in the front room.

Q: What time did you get up in the morning?

A: It must have been around ten o'clock.

Q: Did you all eat breakfast there?  
A: Campbell and Sam and I did. There was no one there when we got up, but the woman.  
Q: How did Clyde and his wife refer to Campbell?  
A: As George.  
Q: Did they appear to have been acquainted with Campbell before this time?  
A: Yes.  
Q: What time did Clyde go to work that morning?  
A: He left before I woke up.  
Q: What time did he get back to the farm?  
A: Around 12:30 or close to one o'clock. He was a little late. He had just time to wash and get something to eat and take as down the road, where we were to meet, and when we got there they were not there and we wait and they did not show up. We drove back to the house to see if they came by there and they had not. We drove back to the spot and Karpis and Hunter showed up about that time.  
Q: In whose car did you ride to the appointed spot?  
A: In Campbell's Ford coupe.  
Q: At the time Karpis picked you up was Fred Hunter with him?  
A: Yes.  
Q: What car did they have in their possession at that time?  
A: A Plymouth sedan, slate gray in color, trunk on the rear.  
Q: Were the guns in the car?  
A: Yes.  
Q: Where were the guns?  
A: In the back end.  
Q: What kind of guns?  
A: Two machine guns and a shot gun.  
Q: Where had those guns been kept?  
A: I don't know.  
Q: Do you know what town?  
A: I know they didn't have them when they left me at the farm and went to Youngstown and I took for granted that is where they were.  
Q: After you and Campbell and Sam entered the car in which Karpis and Hunter were seated, what happened to the farmer who drove you there?  
A: He drove away in the car in which we came to the spot in.  
Q: What previous conversation was had about the Ford coupe that this man drove you in?  
A: All that I remember him saying is that Campbell said he was going to leave it there and he could use it.  
Q: Do you know what Campbell told this farmer?  
A: No.  
Q: After you all got into the Plymouth car what happened?  
A: We drove to Garrettsville.

Q: How long of a ride was that?  
A: It couldn't have been over twenty or twenty-five minutes.  
Q: What time was the train robbed?  
A: About 2:15 P. M.  
Q: Did you take the appointed places you had previously discussed for each man to take in the robbery?  
A: Yes.  
Q: Did any of you wear masks?  
A: Hunter had a handkerchief over his face.  
Q: Did Sam disguise himself?  
A: He put on a false mustache.  
Q: After the robbery was effected how did you leave Garretttsville?  
A: We left in the Plymouth sedan.  
Q: Do you know how that Plymouth was obtained?  
A: No.  
Q: After you left Garretttsville in this car where did you proceed?  
A: We travelled over back roads until seven o'clock.  
Q: At seven o'clock what took place?  
A: We met Joe Roscoe and we followed his car into Port Clinton.  
Q: Where did you meet him?  
A: It was supposed to be about seven miles out of Port Clinton.  
Q: On the road?  
A: Yes.  
Q: Under what conditions did you meet him at the appointed place?  
A: They had fixed up signals so that they would know who it was and if it was the right car and the signals was flashing the headlights on and off.  
Q: After you recognized the signal then what happened?  
A: We followed Joe Roscoe into Port Clinton.  
Q: Where did you go at Port Clinton?  
A: Into a garage.  
Q: Where is this garage located?  
A: It was on the edge of town next to the water.  
Q: Do you know the name of the man at the garage?  
A: I do now, but I did not at that time.  
Q: Describe the garage.  
A: It was just a big building with big double doors in front.  
Q: It had a little office with a big stove in one corner.  
Q: Was the office partitioned off from the garage?  
A: Yes, it was a room built inside.  
Q: After you arrived at this garage what took place?  
A: We carried the mail bags into the office and opened them up.  
Q: Who was present while these mail bags were being opened?  
A: Karpis, Campbell, Hunter, Sam, and myself.  
Q: Where were Joe Roscoe and the owner of the garage?  
A: Outside of the office standing by a stove, but in the garage.

Q: Then what took place?  
A: We took the money out of the bags and then burned the bags.  
Q: Who burned the bags?  
A: Everybody.  
Q: Did the owner of the garage and Joe Roscoe assist in burning them?  
A: They were standing around, but whether they burned any of them I do not know.  
Q: Did they witness the burning of the bags?  
A: Yes, I guess they did. They were there.  
Q: How much money was taken from those mail bags?  
A: \$34,000.  
Q: What happened after you burned the bags?  
A: We divided the money.  
Q: Can you describe how that money was split?  
A: I don't know how much expense money was taken out. Karpis said they would take out what money had been spent on casing the joint.  
Q: What did that amount to?  
A: \$300.00 or \$1800.00. They gave Joe Roscoe \$1,000 for leading them in to Port Clinton; the garage man got \$1,000, and they cut some out for Sam Coker. Sam was supposed to be in on the caper but was sick.  
Q: How much money did you get?  
A: I got \$5,100.00.  
Q: Did Karpis, Hunter, Campbell and Sam get the same amount?  
A: Yes.  
Q: How much money was actually paid to Joe Roscoe?  
A: If I am not mistaken all I saw him get was two grand. The grand he advanced, and the grand for leading us in.  
Q: How much money in all was given to the garage man?  
A: At that time a grand was all he got.  
Q: For what reason did he get this amount of money?  
A: For letting us use his garage and he was supposed to dispose of the car by putting it in the lake.  
Q: At that time was there any conversation as to how you were to leave Port Clinton?  
A: That discussion came up after we cut the money. Karpis asked Campbell if he was going south with him in the plane, and Campbell said he was going home. Karpis said that I could go south with him in the plane as long as Campbell wasn't going.  
Q: With us you mean who?  
A: Karpis and Hunter.  
Q: Up to this time had there been any talk about Campbell being married?

A: None, only what Karpis had said to me on the way over the night before, at which time he said Campbell was married and didn't want to leave that girl long enough to do anything.

Q: Did you ever hear at that time, or thereafter, anything about the girl Campbell married?

A: Only thing I heard was that he had married a sheriff's daughter.

Q: Who gave you this information?

A: Dovey Keady.

Q: When was that?

A: Some time in the summer of 1935.

Q: Did you ever hear from anyone that Campbell was running around with a sheriff in Toledo?

A: No.

Q: Did you ever hear he was interested in slot machines?

A: I heard some talk somewhere that he was either in that business, or going in it.

Q: Did you hear where he was going in the slot machine business?

A: No.

Q: Did you ever hear he was interested in the slot machines at the Harvard Club?

A: No.

Q: Do you know of any other persons who got a portion of the money split at the garage at Port Clinton?

A: No.

Q: Did you hear on this night at Port Clinton who this man who owned the garage was?

A: No.

Q: Did you hear his name mentioned?

A: Not that night.

Q: Did you hear his first name mentioned?

A: His first name was John.

Q: Did you meet any relatives of his that night?

A: Not that night.

Q: After the money was divided as you indicated, what happened?

A: Joe Roscoe and Campbell and Sam got in Joe Roscoe's car and left for Toledo.

Q: About what time was that?

A: It must have been about 10:30 or 11 P. M.

Q: What did you and Fred Hunter and Karpis do?

A: We went home with John, who owned the garage.

Q: His residence?

A: Yes.

Q: Where did he live?

A: The best I could tell at night it was south of the garage.

Q: Was it far?

A: No. Ten or twelve blocks.

Q: Who took you over to this garage man's house?  
A: He did.  
Q: In his own car?  
A: In the car we came in.  
Q: What did he do with the car?  
A: Put it in his garage.  
Q: Whom did you meet there that night?  
A: No one.  
Q: In what rooms did you stay that night?  
A: Karpis and Hunter and I went into the front bedroom and we all three stayed in there.  
Q: Where were the guns?  
A: With us in hand bags.  
Q: That night what were the plans made for the following day?  
A: John said that he would get early and go to Toledo and get the plane and get back as quickly as he could, and that his brother would come by and pick us up, probably about nine or nine-thirty, and take us out south of town where he was going to land, which he did.  
Q: On the following morning how did the garage man named John go to Toledo?  
A: I don't know.  
Q: After you and Hunter and Karpis got up that morning what took place in the household of this garage man?  
A: We cooked breakfast and sat there and waited.  
Q: By we whom do you mean?  
A: Karpis and Hunter and myself.  
Q: Was the garage man's wife there?  
A: No one was there.  
Q: Was it your understanding that the garage man lived there by himself?  
A: His family was away.  
Q: For that day?  
A: He said his wife was visiting her folks.  
Q: After breakfast what took place at the house of the garage man?  
A: We cooked breakfast and sat and waited.  
Q: What time did John's brother come by?  
A: Around ten o'clock.  
Q: What conversation, if any, did you have with John's brother?  
A: He came in and wanted to know if we were ready to go and we said we were.  
Q: Did he refer to you by name?  
A: No.  
Q: What name did you know him by?  
A: I did not know his name.  
Q: How did he take you to the airport?  
A: In the car he drove up in.

Q: What kind of a car was it?  
A: A sedan. I don't know who owned it.  
Q: You went to the airport?  
A: No, to a field outside of town.  
Q: Was the plane there?  
A: The plane was getting ready to land and just landed when we arrived at the field. On the way to the field the man who drove us out said he was the garage man's brother.  
Q: Did you take the guns with you?  
A: They had two machine guns with them, but they left the shot gun there.  
Q: Whose shot gun was it?  
A: Karpis' I reckon.  
Q: The night before when Campbell left the garage what, if anything, was said by him to Karpis, or vice versa?  
A: When Campbell got ready to leave Karpis asked him when he was going to see him again, and Campbell said what about meeting between Christmas and New Years at the farm house, where we had been the night before, and Karpis said that would be all right.  
Q: Did Karpis and Campbell have a quarrel because Campbell did not want to go down south with Karpis?  
A: No.  
Q: With whom was that shot gun left at the house of the garage man?  
A: They had packed a suitcase and Karpis packed some stuff he had - tools and bullets - in this suitcase and left it in this car used in the "git". The garage man was to take care of it for him until he came back.  
Q: Did the garage man agree to do that in your presence?  
A: Yes.  
Q: Did the garage man's brother say anything else on the way to the landing field?  
A: I don't know. He talked about how many hours his brother had in the air.  
Q: Upon your arrival at the airport just what took place?  
A: We got out of the car and got in the plane and left.  
Q: Who was piloting the plane?  
A: John.  
Q: Anyone with him?  
A: No.  
Q: What assistance did John's brother render at the landing field?  
A: None.  
Q: Did any of you fellows give John's brother any money for transportation to the landing field?  
A: No.  
Q: About what time of day did you leave in the plane?  
A: It was around ten o'clock.  
Q: That was the morning of November 8, 1935?  
A: Yes.



Q: Was there any discussion at that time, or previously that morning, in John's presence as to where you were going?

A: No, it appeared to be previously understood as to where he was to take each of us. The original plan was to only go to Hot Springs, but John was going to Wichita to visit a friend of his and he had to go through Tulsa, so I went to Tulsa with him.

Q: Did you gather that from conversation with him?

A: He told me that in the plane.

Q: On the way did you have any conversation with Karpis after you had taken off from the ground?

A: Yes.

Q: What conversation did you have?

A: He told me the next day that I could give this guy \$500 when I got to Tulsa.

Q: Any other conversation about the cost of the trip, and who put up the money for it?

A: I asked him how much it cost and he said \$2,100, and I said I owed him \$200 and he said for me to keep that as he had taken care of it.

Q: Who paid the money?

A: I did not see it paid.

Q: When you arrived at Hot Springs was it paid?

A: No, it had been taken care of before that time.

Q: Had the pilot purchased this plane?

A: I understood that he had.

Q: From whom did you understand it and how did you understand he obtained the money to purchase the plane?

A: I understood that the guy was supposed to get money from Joe Roscoe to make a down payment on the plane, and Joe was slow giving it to him and Karpis had to go to Joe and tell him to give it to the man.

Q: What was the down payment?

A: I don't know.

Q: With reference to the above, from whom did you gather this impression?

A: From the general conversation between Karpis, Campbell, Hunter and the pilot.

Q: When you mentioned Joe above, you meant Joe Roscoe?

A: Yes.

Q: To whom did you give the \$500 for the trip from Ohio to Oklahoma?

A: To the pilot.

Q: Where did you give him the money?

A: Just before we got into Tulsa.

Q: Did he make any comment on receiving the money?  
A: He made a remark, but I don't recall what it was. He thanked me for it.

Q: Did he indicate to you at that time that he got money from Karpis and Hunter as well?  
A: No, he didn't say anything about that.

Q: On the way to Hot Springs did you have any forced landings?  
A: Twice.

Q: Where were those?  
A: One was in Indiana, I think.

Q: What kind of a field did you land in?  
A: Wheat field.

Q: Why were the landing made?  
A: We were out of gas.

Q: How was gas procured?  
A: The pilot went and got some.

Q: Did you land at any commercial airport?  
A: Memphis, Tennessee.

Q: Did you refuel there?  
A: Yes.

Q: Did any of the three passengers, including yourself, leave the plane on these forced landings and at Memphis?  
A: No.

Q: Who got the gas?  
A: The pilot.

Q: Did you have any conversation among yourselves, either with Karpis, Hunter or the pilot about the danger of being forced to land under those conditions?  
A: We discussed that one time, the first time we went down. I don't know whether Karpis or Hunter, either one, said it was dangerous this way to be forced down in the country because the farmers would comment on it, but there was nothing else to do. We were out of gas.

Q: Was it agreed at that time what should be done in the event you were confronted by any police officers?  
A: No.

Q: Was the pilot present during that conversation?  
A: No, he had gone for gas.

Q: Were any instructions given to the pilot as to what he should tell anyone should he be questioned about the character of his passengers?  
A: I don't know. He knew what kind of people he was hauling and knew what kind of an alibi to put up.

Q: You mentioned that you stayed over night at some place. Did you sleep in the plane?  
A: Yes, in the plane.

Q: Do you recall where that was?  
A: In southern Missouri, but I don't know the town.  
Q: Why did you decide to remain over night?  
A: It was just about sundown and we didn't know where we were, nor where a beacon was and it was dangerous to fly at night.  
Q: Did you have anything to eat?  
A: No, we did not eat until Saturday afternoon, or the following day.  
Q: With reference to West Plains, Missouri, can you recall the approximate location of this place?  
A: It was in that neighborhood, because Karpis made a remark that that country was hot for him.  
Q: What did he refer to?  
A: At some time he had been in trouble, he and Fred Barker. They had jumped a sheriff in a garage and the sheriff or a deputy sheriff was killed.  
Q: Was that conversation had in the pilot's presence?  
A: I don't remember.  
Q: Did Karpis relate this information to you?  
A: No.  
Q: How did you know that then?  
A: Newspapers.  
Q: Did the pilot stay in the plane that night with you?  
A: Yes.  
Q: Did you speak of the possibility of getting rooms at a farm house that night?  
A: No.  
Q: What happened the following morning?  
A: Just as soon as day started to break we took off for Memphis. After we got up a little ways the pilot flew for the river, and the next stop we made was at Memphis.  
Q: How long did you remain at Memphis?  
A: Just long enough to refuel.  
Q: Where did you go then?  
A: Hot Springs.  
Q: What airport did you land at Hot Springs?  
A: I don't know. It was a private airport.  
Q: Was there anyone who was expected to meet Karpis, or anyone else at Hot Springs?  
A: Hunter told me that his and Karpis' girls were supposed to meet them there in a car.  
Q: Were they there?  
A: No.  
Q: What happened at Hot Springs in regard to their leaving the plane?  
A: Hunter said he would ask the airport man if he would take them to town and he got out of the plane, went to the hangar and asked the man to take them to town, and he came back and said the man would take them to town.

Q: Did they leave then?  
A: They got in the car and left.  
Q: Do you know whether Hunter was acquainted with this man at the airport?  
A: I don't know.  
Q: What conversation was had between Karpis and the pilot?  
A: They did not talk before me. They both got out of the plane and the pilot was getting gas. I stayed in the plane. The pilot helped them carry their bags out of the plane and put them in the car. If they did any talking it was done then.  
Q: Did they say anything to you as to when they would see you next?  
A: They just said, "We'll be seeing you."  
Q: Did they intimate how they would get in touch with you?  
A: No.  
Q: How long were you at the airport at Hot Springs?  
A: Just as long as it took us to refuel.  
Q: When you left Hot Springs in the plane to where did you proceed?  
A: We started to Fort Smith, but we were forced down ten or twelve miles out of Fort Smith.  
Q: At an airport?  
A: No, in a field.  
Q: Why were you forced down?  
A: On account of a storm.  
Q: Did you talk to anybody where you were forced down?  
A: We stayed that night at a farm house.  
Q: Do you know the name of the man at the farm house?  
A: Dean, I believe.  
Q: Can you describe the place?  
A: Just an old farm house, a frame house, no fence around it. I believe there was a porch. I don't think there was any one there but a man and a woman.  
Q: What time of day was this?  
A: It was getting along in the middle of the afternoon.  
Q: November 9, 1935?  
A: Yes.  
Q: What did you tell the farmer as to whom you and the pilot were, when you asked whether you could stay for the night?  
A: We just told him we were going from Hot Springs to Tulsa, and wanted to stay all night, and he said we could. That evening I volunteered the information that I was an oil man.  
Q: Did the pilot say anything to the farmer as to whom you or he were?  
A: He merely stated he was piloting the plane and that I had hired him to take me to Tulsa.  
Q: How much did you pay the farmer?  
A: \$5.00.

Q: When you say that was ten or twelve miles out of Fort Smith was that east, west, north, or south?

A: East.

Q: Was this house on a main highway?

A: No.

Q: What time did you arrive in Tulsa?

A: It was about eleven or twelve o'clock on Sunday morning.

Q: Did anyone meet you at the airport?

A: No.

Q: What conversation did you have with the pilot at the time you left him at the airport?

A: I just told him goodbye and told him if he ever came down in that part of the country to look me up.

Q: Under what name did he know you?

A: He didn't know my name.

Q: Then how was he to look you up?

A: I never thought about that until later.

Q: How much money did you have on your person when you arrived at Tulsa?

A: After I paid the pilot I had \$4,500.

Q: That was part of the \$5,100 that you got at Fort Clinton?

A: Yes.

Q: What happened to the other \$100?

A: I gave it to Harry Campbell to give to the farmer where we stayed the night before the robbery.

Q: Do you know whether anyone else gave Harry Campbell any money for the farmer?

A: Sam did.

Q: Did Campbell?

A: Campbell took the money.

Q: Did you understand that Campbell was also to give him \$100?

A: Yes.

Q: Was that a voluntary contribution or was it agreed that he was to receive that amount?

A: I don't know anything about that.

Q: Do you know whether Campbell paid that money to the farmer?

A: I don't know.

Q: By the farmer you mean the man named Clyde?

A: Yes.

Q: When was the next time you heard, either directly or indirectly from these fellows?

A: Either in the latter part of November or the first part of December when Coker came to town.

Q: How did he contact you?

A: He came to the Lincoln Hotel.

Q: What conversation did you have with Coker at that time?

A: I asked him how he was getting along. I heard he had been in the hospital, and he told me he was all right. I asked him if he had seen any of the boys and he said he hadn't seen them lately.

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Q: When you got back to Tulsa, did you have any conversation with Burrhead Keady?

A: Yes.

Q: Did you tell him of the money you made up north?

A: Yes.

Q: The manner in which you had made it?

A: No.

Q: Did you tell him you made it on a job?

A: We didn't discuss the details.

Q: Did you pay him any money you owed him?

A: I had \$4,500 and I told him to take it and hide it for me, that I did not want it around the hotel, and I told him to take a grand for himself, and if he wanted any more to take it.

Q: This grand was given to him for what?

A: I owed him money. He took care of me when I was sick one time and I don't know how much I owed him, \$150 or \$200. I knew he was broke and I told him to take the grand for himself.

Q: Why weren't you anxious to have the money around the hotel?

A: I have a record and if they would catch me with as much as \$10 they would put me in jail.

Q: What did he do with the money?

A: I found out in the newspapers and through him that he had taken it up and put it in George Herford's safe, and they had raided the office, the police I mean, and had confiscated his gambling equipment and during the investigation it came out that \$3,200 of this money in the safe was Keady's and he told me that it was my money.

Q: Did you ever get that money back?

A: No.

Q: Do you know who got that money?

A: Burrhead Keady and his wife, Dovey.

Q: How much did each get?

A: I understood that his wife got \$2,000, and he got \$1,200.

Q: That money was never paid to you?

A: No.

Q: Did Coker remain in Tulsa on the occasion of the above visit?

A: A day or two. Not longer.

Q: Do you know what business he had in Tulsa?

A: No.

Q: When he left did he say where he was going?

A: No. He was gone three or four days before I knew he had left town.

Q: Did you see Coker any time thereafter?

A: Yes. two or three times after that. Nearly every time he came to town he came by and got a drink.

Q: Was he always alone?  
A: Keady was often with him.  
Q: Do you know of any trips Keady made to Ohio during 1935 and 1936?  
A: No, to the best of my knowledge he had never been up here. He made a trip to Kansas City once.  
Q: Did he go to Kansas City to contact any of the boys?  
A: I don't know what he was there for; I just saw him when he came and I asked him where he had been and he said he had been to Kansas City.  
Q: On these later visits of Coker did he say anything about Karpis or Campbell?  
A: No the only conversation I ever had with Coker about them was merely asking him how they were getting along, etc.  
Q: In the Garrettsville robbery there were about \$14,000 or \$16,000 worth of bonds taken. What disposition was made of those bonds?  
A: I understood they were burned at Hot Springs.  
Q: Who told you that?  
A: Coker.  
Q: When did he tell you that?  
A: In January or February 1936.  
Q: Why were they burned, rather than sold?  
A: They were too hot to handle. Karpis did not want them around him so he had Fred Hunter burn them.  
Q: From the conversation you had with Coker at that time did you understand that Karpis and Hunter were staying somewhere around Hot Springs?  
A: No, because during the conversation on the plane Karpis and Hunter talked as though they did not intend to stay around Hot Springs.  
Q: Did Karpis ever make any mention to you about Dutch Akers at Hot Springs?  
A: No, Hot Springs has always been figured a good town.  
Q: By a good town what do you mean?  
A: A good town to lay around in.  
Q: Why is that?  
A: Any resort town is a good town to lay around in. So many people are coming and going all of the time, and when they had races there it was a very good town.  
Q: Did you see Harry Campbell, Alvin Karpis, or Fred Hunter again after Hunter and Karpis left the plane at Hot Springs?  
A: No. That was the last time I saw them.  
Q: What conversation did you have with Coker about these men?  
A: Coker told me, either in January or February, when he was down that they were going to line up a job for the spring, after the roads cleared up, and he said if I wanted in on it, some of them would come down after me.

Q: Did he intimate what kind of a job that would be?  
A: No.  
Q: What did you tell him?  
A: I said I did not know what I would be doing by spring.  
Q: How was it arranged at that time to get word to Karpis and Campbell if you desired to participate in the job?  
A: They were to come for me.  
Q: Did Coker say he would be back?  
A: He said he would be dropping in every once in a while.  
Q: Did you understand who was to take part in that job besides you?  
A: No, other than the ones who had been in the Garrettsville job.  
Q: How much money was given to Coker in the Garrettsville job?  
A: \$3,000 or \$4,000.  
Q: When was this money given to Coker?  
A: On the night of November 7th; when Joe Roscoe left Karpis said, "Give this grand to Sam and that will do him until I see him. I have the rest of his money here."  
Q: Did Coker ever receive the other money?  
A: I don't know.  
Q: Did you know where Coker was staying in Tulsa?  
A: He was not staying anywhere. He was sleeping in the car with Keady. They were going all the time and were drunk all the time. I know Coker was broke. I believe it was right after Christmas when I saw him and he asked me if I had any dough and I told him I didn't get the money back from Keady. I told Keady to get the dough and to give Coker some, but Keady was so drunk I couldn't get him to do anything.  
Q: It was your understanding that Joe Roscoe and Sam Coker were in contact with each other in Toledo?  
A: I came to that conclusion from what Karpis said that night.  
Q: On what day were you arrested?  
A: March 10, 1936.  
Q: You have been in custody ever since that time?  
A: Yes.  
Q: Have you seen Burrhead Keady since that time?  
A: No.  
Q: Going back to the time you were in Toledo and Cleveland, in March and April of 1935, did you ever visit with Fred Hunter a barbecue stand which was operated by three sisters?  
A: Yes.  
Q: Do you recall when that was with reference to the time you left Toledo?  
A: It was after I moved to the Gordon Square Hotel in Cleveland, around the first of April.  
Q: Explain what you saw or what took place on that occasion.  
A: We just went out there and had a drink or two and ordered some sandwiches and played the music box.



Q: Did you see anyone in the place whom you knew, other than Fred Hunter?

A: No.

Q: Did anyone in the place appear to be acquainted with Fred Hunter?

A: The girls did.

Q: All of them?

A: Two of them talked to him. He called them by name like he knew them.

Q: Did Hunter have any conversation with you as to these girls?

A: Only as to one of them. He said he took her to Youngstown when he went once, and while they were there they ran into one of his girl friends from Warren and there was some trouble because the two girls had come together.

Q: Did Hunter indicate to you in his conversation that Karpis and Campbell had been to this place?

A: Karpis was with us the night we were there.

Q: Did Karpis appear to be acquainted with these girls?

A: No.

Q: Was that the first time that Karpis was there, that you know of?

A: It seemed like it was.

Q: Don't you recall what conversation was had between you and Karpis and Hunter in regard to going to this place?

A: No, only that I believe Hunter said, "Let's go out and get a drink and a sandwich." I don't know whether Karpis said anything or not.

Q: Did Hunter say anything about the type of place it was, or whether he had been there before?

A: He said he knew the place. He said it was a nice joint.

Q: Can you recall whether he was particularly friendly with any certain one of the three sisters?

A: No.

Q: Can you describe all, or any of the three sisters?

A: One was a blonde - a little girl.

Q: Did you have any conversation thereafter with Karpis concerning any of these three sisters?

A: Only that Karpis' hand was sore and he told me the blonde, whom I had admired that night in Cleveland, had bit his hand.

Q: Where and when did this conversation take place?

A: In Oklahoma in May, right after the Warren robbery.

Q: Can you describe the place that these three sisters operated near Cleveland?

A: It was a two-story white house, I believe; you enter from the side, there is a porch on the side. I only saw the barroom and the kitchen and the dance floor and the dining room.

Q: What did you understand was on the second floor?  
A: Bedrooms.  
Q: Did you know by whom they were occupied?  
A: No.  
Q: Did you understand that this place was a house of assignation?  
A: No.  
Q: With reference to Toledo, did you ever visit the 42nd Street  
Cafe?  
A: No.  
Q: Did you have conversation with Karpis and Campbell with  
reference to the 42nd Street Cafe?  
A: Karpis said he would not go there any more because the joint was  
hot.  
Q: Was there any mention made of an island supposed to be owned by  
Joe Roscoe?  
A: One conversation I had with Karpis he told me he was on an  
island supposed to be owned by Joe Roscoe.  
Q: When was that?  
A: From the way he talked it must have been a couple of years before  
this conversation.  
Q: Does the name of Guy Tibbles sound familiar to you?  
A: No.  
Q: Regarding the above conversation, what were the approximate  
dates you had that conversation with Karpis?  
A: It was in the spring of 1935.  
Q: Was there any other conversation regarding Joe Roscoe, as to  
what he did at Toledo?  
A: Only that he operated the 42nd Street Cafe.  
Q: Did you understand him to operate a gambling place in Toledo?  
A: No.  
Q: Did you ever see Joe Roscoe at the Harvard Club while you were  
there?  
A: Once.  
Q: Who was present at that time?  
A: Sharkey.  
Q: When was that?  
A: In the spring of 1935.  
Q: What conversation did you have with Joe Roscoe at that time?  
A: Not any.  
Q: How were you introduced to Joe Roscoe?  
A: I was not introduced to him at that time.  
Q: What were the circumstances of that meeting?  
A: I don't remember. Either Sharkey and I drove up and were  
parked at the club, or we were getting ready to leave, and  
Joe Roscoe drove up and was talking to Sharkey.

Q: Did you hear the conversation?  
A: No.  
Q: Had you been introduced to Joe Roscoe before that?  
A: At Toledo.  
Q: Where in Toledo?  
A: At Edith's.  
Q: How long did Joe Roscoe talk with Sharkey on that occasion?  
A: Not over a minute or two.  
Q: Did he drive away by himself?  
A: We left there and he was standing there when we drove off.  
Q: Did Sharkey say anything?  
A: No.  
Q: With reference to that meeting, how long after did you and Sharkey and Joe look for an apartment?  
A: It was along about that time, either the next day or the day after. I can't exactly remember the day, we looked for an apartment to be used as a spot.  
Q: You have indicated that the photograph of Art Hebebrand looks familiar. Where do you think you saw him?  
A: If I did not see him at the Harvard Club, I don't know where it was.  
Q: Did you ever hear the name Art Hebebrand mentioned by either Karpis, Campbell or Hunter?  
A: I think Karpis mentioned the name of Art.  
Q: In what connection?  
A: I don't recall. Maybe Dutch Bowman mentioned the name.  
Q: What makes you think Dutch Bowman mentioned the name of Art?  
A: He worked up here for seven or eight months.  
Q: At the Harvard Club?  
A: Yes.  
Q: When was that?  
A: Last year.  
Q: Did you see Dutch Bowman at the Harvard Club when you went there?  
A: No.  
Q: Where did you get that information?  
A: He was working somewhere here in a gambling joint.  
Q: Did you ever talk to him about Cleveland, or the Harvard Club?  
A: I talked to him in Tulsa, right after Christmas, and he said they got raided and had closed up.  
Q: Did he mention having seen Karpis or Campbell?  
A: No.  
Q: Was Dutch Bowman acquainted with Karpis and Campbell?  
A: He knows Karpis and Campbell, but whether he knows Hunter, I don't know.

Q: How did he meet them?  
A: When Dutch Bowman had a home brew joint in Tulsa, Karpis and Fred Barker and Joe Howard and Coker were all in his house one night when it was raided, and Karpis made Earl Gardner jump out the window and they all got away. I was at the joint at that time.

Q: Have you seen Joe Howard recently?  
A: Not since 1931.

Q: Have you heard anything about his whereabouts?  
A: Nobody knows.

Q: Do you think he might be dead?  
A: I could not say. No one knows. He just disappeared.

Q: What was the last heard of him?  
A: Keady told me he came through Tulsa and he said he was through Tulsa a couple of years ago, going to the coast, and he stopped there to get a drink. He said he was going on to the coast.

Q: Was anyone with him at that time?  
A: I don't think so. Keady laughed and said that someone was down asking for him about an interstate auto theft and the man can't even drive a car.

Q: How long do you think Karpis knew Fred Hunter?  
A: I have no idea.

Q: Do you know how they became acquainted?  
A: No.

Q: Did Fred Hunter ever tell you how he happened to meet Karpis and Campbell?  
A: He told me how he got his job at the Harvard Club. He knew Tony at Columbus; they did time together.

Q: By Tony you mean the door man at the Harvard Club?  
A: Yes.

Q: Were the names of Shimmy and Mitchell ever mentioned in your presence by either Karpis or Campbell?  
A: Not that I recall.

Q: Did you ever hear the name of Summers or Donovan mentioned by Karpis or Campbell or Fred Hunter?  
A: No.

Q: Did you ever hear the name of Phillip, a relative of Tony, the doorman at the Harvard Club?  
A: No.

Q: Did you ever have any conversation with Karpis as to the arrest of Paula, Wynona and Gladys in September 1934 at Cleveland?  
A: I don't remember what he told me about them, but he talked about the girls being downtown playing around and getting drunk and getting arrested and he stated they had to leave. He told me they just got away; that where he had been living was a nice place, and it was close to the airport; that they went to either his or Freddie Barker's house, but I don't remember which house it was.

Q: Did Karpis ever say anything to you which would indicate he had received a tip about the girls' arrest?

A: No, he never told me how he found out about the girls' arrest.

Q: Were any of the three girls' names mentioned by either Karpis or Campbell as to making a statement to Government Agents?

A: No.

Q: Do you recall any conversation had with Karpis and Campbell concerning their women, who were under arrest, and where did such conversation take place?

A: We were over in Toledo. We had read about the arrest of the girls who had been with them in Atlantic City, and I asked Campbell whether they got them a lawyer, and he said they had sent money for a lawyer. They said they thought the girls got too much time.

Q: Where did this take place?

A: At Edith Barry's place.

Q: Was Edith present?

A: No.

Q: Did you have any conversation with Burrhead Keady about the young man whom you have identified from photograph as being Milton Lett, being in touch with Karpis, Campbell, or Coker, or trying to get in touch with these men?

A: The way I understood it he was trying to get in touch with Coker so he could connect Campbell.

Q: Did you hear that he did get in touch with Coker?

A: Keady told me that they went into a joint either in Nowater or Coffeyville, and he happened to be there. Coker and Keady had been in Nowater that day, in January or February 1936.

Q: Did you ever hear of Karpis or Hunter living in Youngstown?

A: No.

Q: What connections did they have there?

A: I don't know.

Q: Did you hear of any persons they were acquainted with in Canton?

A: I heard Hunter mention Canton, but I don't know how, it seems he used to deal for someone in Canton at a gambling joint.

Q: Did you hear any mention made of any connection in Akron?

A: No.

Q: Do you know of any cars purchased in Akron?

A: One car was purchased in Akron, but I don't know which one. It may have been the one I traded in at Toledo, or it may have been the sedan.

Q: Did you ever hear of the name of Manning-Maring mentioned, as an auto dealer in Youngstown?

A: No.

Q: Can you recall ever hearing the following names mentioned by Karpis or Campbell or Hunter?

Archie Neglemen; Siemund; Gilmore; Bert and Ted Angus; Madeline Angus; Rene Holst; Thelma Holst; Ruth Wells; Lady Fleming; George Timiney; "Nig" Cousins; Ed and Clara McGraw; Mr. and Mrs. Goulet; Esther Goulet; Sheriff O'Reilly.

A: No.

I have read the foregoing question and answer statement, which consists of fifty-six (56) typewritten pages, and I swear that the same is true.

WITNESSES:

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

On October 14, 1936, John Brock was taken from the Federal Building, where interview was being held, for the purpose of having him point out the apartment building where Karpis and Hunter resided during the spring of 1935. Two Bureau cars were used at this time and the project was approved by Inspector E. J. Connelley and United States Attorney E. B. Freed. Special Agents E. K. McKee, D. P. Sullivan and J. L. Madala were accompanied by Post Office Inspector S. J. Hettrick and two Deputy United States Marshals. The building in question had been located by Agents on the previous day on data supplied by Brock, but the management had identified photographs of Karpis and Hunter in connection with a different apartment than the one described by Brock.

Brock was taken to the intersection of Bridge Avenue and West 48th Street and he immediately pointed out apartment #4, 4720 Bridge Avenue, as the place to which he referred. He described the physical setup of the apartment and upon examination it was found to tally with the description furnished. Brock was also driven to the establishment at 6698 Pearl Road, Parma Heights, Ohio, and he identified this place as the tavern formerly operated by the three sisters. He was also driven past the intersection of Detroit and West 28th Street and he identified the saloon on the southwest corner as the place to which he had gone with Alvin Karpis as referred to in his statement.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents J. L. Madala and R. T. Noonan:

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd P. Hummer, 1891 West 48th Street, were again contacted on October 15, 1936. It is noted that Mr. Hummer is janitor and caretaker of the addresses 4720, 4718, 4722, and 4724 Bridge Avenue. These people were interviewed on October 15, 1936, by Agents McKee and Kitchin and were shown a group of approximately fifty photographs from which they selected the photograph of Fred Hunter as being that of a man named Roy Murphy, who resided in apartment #6, 4724 Bridge Avenue, and selected the photograph of Mary Yoko as the wife of Murphy, and further selected the photograph of Alvin Karpis as being the brother of Roy Murphy and who resided with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Murphy at this address. Also at this time these people selected the photograph of John F. Gorman, alias "Sharkey" Gorman, as that of an individual named "Sharkey", who resided at this address in September 1934.

When interviewed on October 17, 1936, Mr. Hummer produced records showing that a Mr. Sharkey on September 3, 1934, paid one half month's rent on apartment #4, which is at 4720 Bridge Avenue, and thereafter paid \$11.40 to cover an additional ten days and left on September 29, 1934. At this time Mr. and Mrs. Hummer both again stated that in their opinion the photograph of "Sharkey" Gorman was that of the Mr. Sharkey who resided at this place as above stated. They stated that no woman was with Sharkey and he stated that his wife was in Akron, Ohio, with her sick mother and would not join him unless her mother became well. Mrs. Hummer stated that after the second week Sharkey had some man staying with him, or at least visiting with him, as she saw him through the window, but she was unable to make any identification or furnish a description of this man.

It is noted that at this apartment house, which is only two stories in height, 4720 Bridge Avenue, apartment #4 is on the first floor, and on the first floor next to it on the west is apartment #3, which is 4722 Bridge Avenue. Above apartment #4 is apartment #5, which is given the number of 4718 Bridge Avenue, and above #5 is apartment #6, which is 4724 Bridge Avenue. Tracing through apartment #4, Mr. and Mrs. Hummer, from their meager records, were able to state that on September 28, 1934, or perhaps on September 29, 1934, a Mrs. Vougner, a fortune teller, moved in and remained until October 29, 1934, when she left. The next record shows a Madame LaVenture as coming to that apartment on February 15, 1935, and after she left one Fred Harris moved in. While the records do not show the exact date Harris moved in they do show that he paid one half a month's rent, which paid him up to April 10, 1935, meaning that he came in on or about March 25, 1935. It is shown on the records that he again paid a half month's rent to April 25, 1935, and Mr. Hummer recalled that about that date he came in and said he was transferred and would have to leave at once. Mrs. Hummer recalls that he gave her two dollars at that time to clean up the apartment. Mrs. Hummer also stated that Fred Harris had a woman with him as it is her recollection that the only one who lived in that apartment #4, without a woman, was Sharkey.

Mr. and Mrs. Hunter then again identified the photographs of Fred Hunter as one Roy Murphy who resided at this address, and the photograph of Alvin Karpis as that of Murphy's brother. The Hummers were unable to locate the card record of the Murphys, but as they recalled, he, with his wife and brother, were there about two months and thought it was about the time Harris was there. The Murphys had apartment #6, which is at 4724 Bridge Avenue, when they were



there. Both Mr. and Mrs. Hummer recall that letters came for both Murphy and Harris from the gas company after their departure.

At the time of this interview Mrs. Hummer advised that subsequent to the interview by Agents McKee and Kitchin she had talked to her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Ernest Hummer, who resided there in 1935, and this girl had stated that Harris was a tall, light haired person and not the one known as Murphy, and also that Murphy's wife had light hair while Mrs. Hummer thought it was dark hair.

Inquiry was made at the East Ohio Gas Company offices, 6th and Rockwell Avenue, through Mr. D. E. Maloney, and with the assistance of C. D. Helford. A record was produced showing that Fred Harris applied for gas service at apartment #4, 4720 Bridge Avenue on March 25, 1935, and that the meter was transferred to him on March 26, 1935. A former account at Akron, Ohio, was claimed. He paid a \$10.00 deposit and was given credit account #429200. This meter was transferred from one Beatrice Little, who moved out of this apartment on March 12, 1935, and there is also a notation that it was again transferred to a Mr. Moran on July 7, 1935. On the receipt for deposit of \$10.00 and also on the application for this service, the signature of Fred Harris appears and it is believed to be the signature of Fred Hunter.

An application for service by R. H. Murphy, 4724 Bridge Avenue, apartment #6, was also located, this application being signed by his wife, Mrs. L. H. Murphy. The application is dated October 31, 1935, and the service was begun on November 1, 1935, and on December 3, 1935, was transferred away from Murphy to one Thomas Mulgrew. An address of Murphy appeared as 2172 West 93rd Street, as the place to which he moved. A check was made for an application at this address and it was found that the Murphys moved from this address in January 1936 and left no forwarding or new address.

A further check was made and it was found that Earl L. Sharkey contracted for gas service on September 4, 1934, at 4720 Bridge Avenue, apartment #4, made a five dollar deposit and the service was discontinued on September 28, 1934. Sharkey in signing this application claimed to be employed by the Western Electric Company, New Castle, Indiana, and made notation to send the final bill to him in care of the Indiana Bell Telephone Company. A photostatic copy of this application setting forth the signature of Earl L. Sharkey was secured.

At the offices of the City of Cleveland, Department of Public Utilities, Division of Light and Power, Frank O. Wallens, Director, and Mr. Ledford, produced application #7538 made by Fred Harris, 4720 Bridge Avenue, for light, which application is dated March 29, 1935. A \$2.00 deposit was made and no previous or former address is shown. The signature of Fred Harris, identical with the two signatures found at the East Ohio Gas Company, appeared on this application. An application by Mr. R. H. Murphy and signed by him was also obtained, but inasmuch as later inquiry indicated Murphy had no connection with this case, the details will not be set out. Application #8960 by Earl Sharkey was located, which is dated September 4, 1934, a \$2.00 deposit being paid. This deposit was collected on November 8, 1934, paid by the company under sub-voucher #10324. This application was for service at 4720 Bridge Avenue, apartment #4. A previous address of 14 North, Gary, Indiana, was given. The original records were loaned to Agents for the purpose of making copies of the signatures of Harris and Sharkey.

At the office of the County Clerk, Cuyahoga County, a record was found of transfer of title by bill of sale from the Bass Chevrolet Company, Inc., 2958 Mayfield Road, to Fred Harris, 951 Englewood Road, of Chevrolet coach, motor #M4748569, serial #1 EC 12-1684, dated January 14, 1935. The signature of Fred Harris thereon bears some resemblance to the above signatures of Fred Harris appearing on the applications for gas and light.

At 2172 West 93rd Street, Mrs. Clifford J. Burns advised Special Agent Madala that R. H. Murphy and wife lived in the rear of his place for two months after they moved from Bridge Avenue, and that Mrs. Murphy is the daughter of a family named Rice living at 2152 West 93rd Street; that this daughter is soon to have a child and is living in Toledo, Ohio, with her husband. Photographs of Fred Hunter, Alvin Karpis, and Mary Yoho were displayed to this woman and she stated that none bore a resemblance to the Murphys.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude S. Rice, 2152 West 93rd Street, advised that they are the parents of the wife of Roy Murphy and that the Murphys are now living on Route #7 out of Toledo, Ohio. They also stated that Roy Murphy's brother lived with them while they were living on Bridge Avenue, and that his name is George, and he works at the Midland Steel Company, Cleveland, Ohio. George Murphy owns an old model Hudson coupe.

Mrs. Ernest Hummer, 999 Archer Road, Bedford, Ohio, was interviewed by Agents on October 17, 1936. She stated that she lived at 1891 West 48th Street, with the parents of her husband, Ernest Hummer, during all of 1935 up to June 1936, and that she occasionally helped with the work around the apartments located on Bridge Avenue, which are under the care of Mr. Floyd Hummer. Mrs. Hummer stated that the man she recalled as Mr. Harris was tall and rather slender, more light than dark in complexion and hair, and about 26 or 27 years of age. It was this individual whom she recalled as saying that he had a wife in Akron, Ohio, who was taking care of her sick mother and that he expected her to join him soon. He remained a month or six weeks as she recalled and then left giving no other information except that his mother-in-law had a relapse. Mrs. Ernest Hummer does not recall any woman living with Harris and stated that one day a woman, about 40 years of age, was at his apartment and asked for a dustpan, making the remark that she was cleaning up for Mr. Harris. Mrs. Hummer stated that this woman gave every appearance of being just a woman employed to clean up the place and she did not see her again around there. She does not recall seeing any man living there with him, but stated it could be possible and she would not have known it. Numerous photographs were shown to this woman and she partially identified the photograph of Hunter, full length with straw hat on, as that of the man known to her as Harris. In addition to the above description she stated that Harris had a lisp or some sort of an impediment in his speech, as he would often start to say some words and would be unable to do so and would use some other word or words to express himself. She recalled that some mail came there for Harris after he left, and she thinks one letter, which may have been an advertisement, came from Rosenbloom's Credit Clothing house in Cleveland. Some mail also came once for some one named White at the address 4720 Bridge Avenue, which mail she thinks may have been intended for Harris as there never was a party named White living at that address. She could not recall where this or any other mail might have been from.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent R. T. Noonan on October 19, 1936:

Mrs. M. J. Moran, 4720 Bridge Avenue advised that she has lived in apartment #4 at this address since July 1935, and that when she came there some people by the name of Mahoney were living in the apartment immediately above, but they have since moved. Mrs. Moran did not see any one by the name of Harris. The only information she

had to offer is that about two weeks ago a letter came for Fred Harris from the Ames Store in Cleveland. This letter was not personal but was a letter similar to one that a neighbor of Mrs. Moran received, and therefore she knew it was from the Ames Store. This letter she stated was one of those advertisements sent out to former customers and in which a check is made out payable to the addressee of the letter to be used within a certain period on the purchase of goods at this store, the amount of the trade check in this case being \$3.00. Mrs. Moran advised, however, that some additional mail has come for Fred Harris since she moved into this place, some personal and some of an advertising nature. Mail has also come for half a dozen different people at this address, but she could not furnish any names or addresses as the mail was put in the mail box for the postman to collect and return to the sender. She advised that Mrs. William King, who had resided in the apartment located at the corner of 48th and Bridge for four years, made the remark within the past few days that she remembered Mrs. Harris.

Mrs. William King, 5801 Franklin Avenue, advised that she and her husband and family, consisting of five children, resided at 4730 Bridge Avenue for about four years until August 1935. During this time she remembered a man by the name of Harris having resided at 4720 Bridge Avenue. After looking at several pictures she selected the photograph of Fred Hunter as being very familiar and as being that of a man she had seen in the vicinity of her former home on Bridge Avenue often and as perhaps the man who lived at 4720 Bridge Avenue under the name of Harris. She advised that Harris had a woman with him whom she supposed was his wife. Mrs. King met this woman out in the back one day for a short time and at that time the woman took the initiative in a conversation, stating that she and her mother were taking over apartment #4 at 4720 Bridge Avenue. Mrs. King was questioned as to whether or not this was after Harris had left, and she advised she was certain it was when he was there. This woman she described as 25 to 28 years of age, about 5'3", medium build, not thin and not heavy, auburn or dark blonde hair. She advised that Harris had a light colored car, (tan color or at least darker than a cream color) and it was not a large car, but possibly a Chevrolet or Ford. She knows it was a closed two seated car and not a large car, and not a Terraplane as she is familiar with the make of cars. She was unable to state whether it had an Ohio or out of state license although she often saw it parked on 48th Street near her apartment. Two men and a woman were the ones who left in this car most of the times she saw it being driven away.

Through the 65th and Lorain Post Office branch station and with the help of carrier J. P. Holan, an address of William Mahoney, 3471 West 135th Street, was obtained. At this address Elmer Mahoney stated that William Mahoney and his wife were divorced, that a daughter, Mrs. Margaret Bontempo, 2910 Franklin Avenue, might be able to give some information as she was around Bridge Avenue occasionally when the family lived there. He advised that the elder Mahoney, his father, was not dead.

Mrs. William Mahoney, whose present address is 4005 Franklin Avenue, was located at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Margaret Bontempo, 2910 Franklin Avenue. She stated that her husband, William Mahoney, formerly worked as a railroad man, but lost his position because of the excessive use of liquor and that she had divorced him and did not know where he was now located. It is noted that Elmer Mahoney advised that William Mahoney might get in touch with him any day, but was probably now drunk as he was most of the time. She also advised that she had a son, William, who wrote to the family months ago stating that he was on his way to China and no word has been received from him since.

Mrs. Mahoney recalled a man by the name of Harris living at 4720 Bridge Avenue, and also recalled that once after he moved out of this address a letter came for him and a baby at this place tore it up, but Harris called for it later. When shown various pictures she selected the photograph of Fred Hunter as resembling a man who had lived at 4720 Bridge Avenue, or in one of the nearby apartments and stated that she saw him often after he moved away from there. Further questioning brought forth the information that she had seen him at only one place that being a saloon which was located about a year ago on West 47th Street, just off Bridge Avenue. It is further described as having been located at a point just one house from Bridge Avenue, that is one house intervened between Bridge Avenue and this saloon on 47th Street. At the present time this saloon has moved and is located between two stores on Bridge Avenue at West 45th Street. A boy named Johnnie and his father operate this place. Mrs. Mahoney stated she saw this man who closely resembles the photo of Fred Hunter in this place often when she went there to get a glass of beer.

Mrs. Margaret Bontempo was unable to furnish any information, stating that she did not spend much time with her mother at the Bridge Avenue address as she was married at that time, and she does not recall anyone by the name of Harris.

It is noted that J. P. Holan, postal carrier, when interviewed, stated that he has carried mail for 20 years in the vicinity of 47th and Bridge Avenue, and that he is well acquainted there, but he never became acquainted with people who resided at 4718 to 4724 Bridge Avenue; that he knew of the name Harris, but had no forwarding address, and did not recall ever having met this man and does not recall seeing him in the vicinity, and was unable to make any identification.

On October 15, 1936 Special Agents J. L. Madala and S. K. McKee proceeded to Port Clinton, Ohio, and located John and George Zetzer. These men voluntarily accompanied Agents to Cleveland, Ohio, where United States Attorney E. B. Freed talked with them shortly and told them that he expected their full cooperation in connection with any investigation being conducted by this Bureau. Mr. Freed called their attention to what he termed as apparent falsehoods in stories previously related by them to him, and advised them that he expected them to tell the whole truth as to their associations with Karpis and his companions. Both men insisted that they had told the truth regardless of how absurd their stories appeared, and advised that they could not do anymore. Signed statements as furnished by both men during subsequent interviews will be found herein, as follows:

"Cleveland Bureau Office,  
"October 15, 1936.

"I, JOHN ZETZER, do hereby make the following signed statement to John L. Madala and S. K. McKee, whom I know to be Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, no threats or promises having been made to me.

"I am 35 years of age, married, and have one child, who is seven years of age; I reside at the corner of Laurel and Fremont Streets, Port Clinton, Ohio. I at present own and operate the Marine Garage, 328 W. Perry Street, Port Clinton, Ohio, having had this place of business for the past seven years. In connection with my work at this garage, I repair motor boats, automobiles, sell and weld machine work, and in general do any kind of repair work. I began flying aeroplanes in 1919, and in 1933 I secured a pilot's license, which license I had until December of 1935. I owned aeroplanes off and on up until the first part of 1935, and at such times when I would own these ships, I kept them at the Transcontinental Airport at Toledo, Ohio, and also at the Municipal Airport in Port Clinton, Ohio.

"I have known Joe Roscoe for approximately four or five years, having first met him through some sort of a motor boat deal. There after he occasionally came to my place of business in Port Clinton to have different kinds of mechanical work done. Also, during this period I occasionally transported passengers in my speed boat to Middle Island, which I know is partly owned by Joe Roscoe. I usually saw Joe Roscoe on this Island when I travelled there. Joe Roscoe knew that I was a licensed pilot to fly airships, and on frequent occasions he asked me how I was getting along in my flying and whether I had any crackups. I have heard that Roscoe has some interest in the 42nd Street Cafe in Toledo, Ohio, and have also heard from other sources that his wife and/or father-in-law owns the place.

"About two weeks prior to the time I purchased a Stinson airplane from A. Delbert Gross of the Gross Automotive Service, Inc., which date is November 7, 1935, Joe Roscoe came to my place of business. He was alone and on this occasion asked me whether I still had my airship. I told him that I didn't have it anymore, but that I was looking around for one. He then asked whether I wanted to make some money, stating that he had a fellow who wanted to take a trip down south. I indicated that I was interested in the proposition, whereupon Roscoe drove me in his car to a point opposite the new Post Office. We waited there for possibly five minutes when a young fellow drove up in a Terraplane coupe. Roscoe introduced him to me as Tom, and said that he was the fellow who desired to make the above mentioned trip down south. I have been shown a photograph of Alvin Karpis and I positively identify him as the man whom Roscoe introduced to me as Tom.

"After the introduction Karpis asked me whether I had an aeroplane, and I told him that I had had one, but sold it, and that I was then looking around for another one. He thereupon said that he wanted to make a trip down south soon, and that possibly another fellow or two might accompany him. He then questioned me about the cost of trip, mentioning various places he might want to fly to, but I could not give him a definite price, stating that it depended upon the miles that would be travelled. He then said that I should look around some more for a plane and that he would be back some time later.

"About two or three days later Karpis returned to my place of business in Port Clinton in company with a short fellow. I have been shown a photograph of Fred Hunter and I positively identify him as Karpis' companion on the above occasion. At this time Karpis asked me whether I had been successful in purchasing a plane, and I told him that I was still negotiating for one. He then asked me when I expected to find one and I told him that the ships I had looked at cost too much money. He then gave me \$100.00 and told me to look around some more. It was also

agreed at this time that the trip down south would cost him \$500.00 flat rate.

"About a week or four days later Karpis returned to my place of business and I do not recall now whether he was alone or whether Hunter accompanied him. He again asked me whether I had as yet been successful in securing a plane and I told him that I had one lined up. At this time I had looked at two planes, one in Detroit and one in Toledo, and was seriously thinking of buying one of the two. After giving him the impression that I would have a plane in the next few days, Karpis then made arrangements for me to meet him at the garage at eight or nine o'clock of the night of November 7, 1935. I gathered from what he said that he would make arrangements that night concerning the flight.

"On November 7, 1935 I went to the Transcontinental Airport at Toledo, Ohio and negotiated with Delbert Gross for the purchase of a Stinson plane. He wanted \$1,750.00 for it and it was finally agreed that I pay him \$1,650 or \$1,700.00 for it. I had \$800.00 with me at that time and I offered to leave this amount with Mr. Gross. He refused and said that I should return in the morning at which time he would draw up the bill of sale for the plane, and indicated that he wanted to talk with his son further relative to the deal.

"I returned to Port Clinton, Ohio around 6:30 or 7:00 that night, and was at the garage around 8:15 p. m. A few minutes later Joe Roscoe arrived at the garage by himself, and asked whether the boys had come in yet. I told him that they had not. I then walked into the garage and about this time I saw a car drive up the driveway and one of the occupants called that I should open the garage door, which I did. This car then was driven into the garage, and immediately thereafter either Joe Roscoe or someone else closed the garage door. After the car was in the garage I was going to turn on the lights and Karpis, who was one of the occupants in this car, told me not to do it. He then asked whether there was a small room in the garage and I directed him to my office which is located in the northwest corner of the garage. He and I entered this office and turned on the light. He noticed that there were no shades on the windows and asked whether there was anything around with which to cover them up. I thereupon secured some raincoats from the garage part of the premises and tacked them over the windows.

"Thereafter Karpis and several other men carried a number of bags and guns into the office. I did not see what kind of bags and guns they carried in, as I left the office im-



mediately after I covered up the windows. While these men were in my office I loitered about the back part of the garage and I believe that Joe Roscoe was standing in the front part of the garage. I did not talk with Joe Roscoe at this time. During this period I saw men go in and out of the office and it appeared that they were throwing papers in the stove to burn. It appeared that there were at least five men in the office and the only one I recognized at that time was Alvin Karpis. I did not get a good look at the other men as it was dark in the garage. On one occasion one of the men in the group told me to go outside and look around in the back of the garage to see if anyone was there.

"The men were in my garage until approximately 11:00 P. M. and during this period Karpis asked me whether I had a plane ready. I told him that I would have one in the morning, stating that arrangements have already been made to secure it then. He talked with some of the men who were there and then said to me that they were going to stay at my house that night. I told him that that wouldn't be desirable as my wife and child were there, and he said that I should tell them to stay with one of the neighbors. Karpis also told me at this time to dispose of the car in which they had driven to the garage, suggesting to either burn it up or to drive it into the lake. Later he offered me the bill of sale to the car, stating that I could do with it as I liked; that the car was not 'hot' other than it might be recognized.

"After the above conversation with Karpis I proceeded to my home by myself and talked with my wife about her staying at a neighbor's house that night. She refused to do this and it was then arranged that we were to sleep in the back bedroom. When talking to my wife about staying some place else that night, I told her that I had some friends from out of town whom I wanted to put up for the night. When I returned to the garage I told Karpis that everything was all right for him to stay there. At that time he advanced me \$500.00 for the airplane trip we had previously talked about.

"Around 11:00 P. M. Joe Roscoe and either two or three of the men left the garage and I do not know where they went. I, at no time, got a good look at these men, and, therefore, am unable to identify them. Shortly afterwards, Karpis and two of the men left the garage in the Plymouth sedan in which they came and they followed me to my house at 410 Laurel Avenue. It was at this time that I first recognized Fred Hunter as one of the men in the party. I have been shown a photograph of John Brock

and positively identify him as the third man in this party. When the men walked into the house I observed that they carried something under their coats, and, although I did not see the objects, I know of my own mind that they were some type of guns. The Plymouth car was driven into my double garage located in the rear of my home and I believe that the men left their baggage in the car. After the Karpis, Hunter and Brock trio entered the house I showed them to the front bedroom, which was the only room available in which they could sleep. At this time Karpis and I talked about leaving in the plane the next morning, and he then said that the two men who were with him, identified as John Brock and Fred Hunter, would make the trip down south with him.

"In talking with Karpis at this time I suggested to him that I would get my brother, George, to drive him and the other two men to the airport and also arrange with him to get rid of the Plymouth car while I was away. Karpis intended for me to go ahead with these arrangements and that night I got my brother out of bed and told him that I was in trouble and that I wanted him to help me out. I further told him that there were three men at my house whom I was to fly down south and asked whether he would drive them to the airport in Port Clinton, Ohio the next morning around nine or ten o'clock. I did not indicate to him as to who these men were or what they had done. I also told George at this time about the Plymouth car in my garage and to dispose of it any way he saw fit. I informed him that it was not a stolen automobile. George started to ask questions, but I told him not to ask any.

"The next morning I took my wife and child to Toledo, Ohio in my car. We left the house around six o'clock. I drove direct to Gross Automatic Service, Inc., and contacted Delbert Gross about the Stinson plane we had previously negotiated for. At this time I paid him \$1500.00 in cash, and signed a \$200.00 note for the balance, the price for the plane being \$1700.00. I wish to state that the \$1500.00 cash which I paid down on the plane consisted of \$275.00 which I borrowed from my brother, \$500.00 which Karpis advanced me, \$225.00 which I withdrew from my business and \$500.00 which I had on hand at the time. Mr. Gross drew up the bill of sale which I signed and after the deal was consummated I left the Transcontinental Airport in Toledo in the said plane and flew to Port Clinton, Ohio. Upon my arrival at the airport there the three men whom I have identified as Alvin Karpis, Fred Hunter and John Brock were just arriving in my brother's car. The three men got into my ship as soon as they got there and I did not have any conversation with my brother at this time.

"After Karpis got into the plane he told me to fly to Memphis, Tennessee. I headed the plane in that direction leaving Port Clinton at about 10:00 a.m. We had a forced landing at Evansville, Indiana, when I ran out of gas and had to land in a wheat field. I managed to get someone to put a barrel of gasoline in the plane, after which we had another forced landing in some town along the Mississippi River in Missouri. I was low on gas then and when I learned that an airport was located only sixteen miles away I decided to take off and refuel at that point. In view of the condition of the field in which I had landed, I could not readily take off with the three men in the plane and they thereupon had some one drive them to the airport nearby. When I arrived at the airport the man there told me that there had been a heavy fog the night before and indicated that it would be a risk to fly that night. After it was decided to stay in the ship at the airport all night, Karpis made the remark that if they caught me there with him that they would hang me to the telephone pole the same way that they would do to him.

"While at this airport, it was decided that I was to fly Karpis and Hunter and Brock to Hot Springs, Arkansas, by way of Memphis. We arrived in Hot Springs, Arkansas around noon of November 9, 1935. Karpis and Fred Hunter got out of the plane with their baggage and Karpis said that 'Slim', identified as John Brock, was going on through to Tulsa, Oklahoma. He said that Slim would take care of me upon our arrival there. Karpis and I did not have any further conversation and this was the last time I saw both him and Hunter.

"En route to Tulsa, Oklahoma with John Brock we had a forced landing near Fort Smith, Arkansas, and stayed over night at the farm house of some people named Dean, and who claimed were relatives of Dizzy Dean, the St. Louis Cardinal pitcher. The next morning we stopped at Fort Smith, Arkansas, for gasoline. We, thereafter, arrived at Tulsa, Oklahoma in the afternoon of November 10, 1935. At this time Brock gave me \$500.00 for the trip.

"I returned to Port Clinton, Ohio, on November 14, 1935, it taking me four days to fly back. When I arrived home I observed that the Plymouth car previously left there by Karpis and the others was not in the garage where it was placed on the night of November 7, 1935, and I presumed that my brother, George, disposed of it, although I do not know whether he did or not. I do not recall asking him what he did with the car, and likewise do not recall him telling me anything about it.

"After I returned home on the above occasion I found a sawed off shotgun in the back of a showcase in my office at the garage and I later turned this gun over to Post Office Inspector Hettrick and another man.

"I have read the foregoing statement which consists of six typewritten pages and swear that the same is true.

/s/ JOHN ZETZER

WITNESSES:

John L. Madala  
S. K. McKee,  
Special Agents,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice."

In addition to the above signed statement Agent McKee obtained the following personal history and description of John Zetzer: He was born at Youngstown, Ohio, and attended public schools through the fifth grade. After leaving school he went to work at the Motorcycle Exchange in Youngstown, Ohio, doing repair work on bicycles and motorcycles. He later went to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and worked his way through the Pittsburgh School of Auto Engineering. After completing school he returned to Youngstown and shortly after that opened his own auto welding business. In 1919 he took up aviation and learned to fly. He remained in business for himself until 1923 when he contracted tuberculosis and went to a sanitarium at Mount Vernon, Ohio, remaining away from work until 1926. He advised that in 1926 he and his brother, George, started hauling liquor from Canada to Port Clinton, Ohio, and that they opened an auto and marine garage at Port Clinton in connection with their liquor operations. They have been located in the garage business at Port Clinton, Ohio, ever since, and both have served sentences for violations of the liquor laws.

A description of John Zetzer is as follows:

Name

Age

Height

Weight

Hair

Eyes

John Zetzer

35 years

(born 12-18-00)

5'7"

140 pounds

Dark brown

Brown

Occupation - Garageman - mechanic,  
328 W. Perry St., Port Clinton, O.  
Marital Status - Married - one child  
Criminal Record - Convicted U.S. Dist Ct., Toledo, O.  
1931 (?), NPA, 2 years, USIR,  
Chillicothe, Ohio.  
443 Laurel Ave., Port Clinton, O.

Residence  
Relatives

Mother - Olympia Zetzer, Erie St., Youngstown, Ohio,  
Brother - Alex Zetzer, Gypsy Lane, Youngstown, Ohio,  
Sister - Mary Pitzer, Erie Street, Youngstown, Ohio.  
Brother - George Zetzer, 335 Wilson Ave., Port Clinton, Ohio,  
Wife - Marie Zetzer, 443 Laurel Ave.,  
Son - John Zetzer, Jr., 443 Laurel Ave.,

"Cleveland, Ohio  
"October 15, 1936

"I, GEORGE JOSEPH ZETZER, make the following statement  
to E. J. Wynn and D. P. Sullivan, Special Agents of the  
Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice,  
freely and voluntarily, without promise of reward.

"I was born on October 28, 1902 at Youngstown, Ohio,  
where I was raised and moved to Port Clinton, Ohio, in 1929,  
where I have since resided. - I was married to Delinta Goutcher,  
my present wife, at Frenchtown, Ohio, on March 11, 1930.

"From 1925 until 1934, I was engaged in bootlegging and rum  
running, generally in transporting liquor from Canada into the  
United States. At first I ran this liquor in on boats, and  
later my brother, John, and myself purchased a plane in trans-  
porting liquor.

"In the year of 1922 I was arrested with my brother John  
at Youngstown, Ohio, and investigated with reference to stolen  
automobiles, but was not prosecuted on this.

"In 1932 I was arrested at Port Clinton, Ohio, and was  
charged with violation of the National Prohibition Act, and  
was placed on probation for two years.

"I was again arrested in March 1934, at Port Clinton, Ohio,  
and was charged with violation of the Internal Revenue laws  
with reference to liquor and was sentenced to serve one year  
at Milan, Michigan. I served six months of this sentence and  
was released.

"I recall that one day in the late fall of 1935 John  
mentioned to me that he knew of a party who wanted to charter  
an airplane to the south, and he asked me to loan him some  
money in order to purchase a four passenger plane. A day or  
two following I gave him \$275.00 of my own personal money, and

\$225.00 of money I took out of the business operated by him and myself. I recall that Jon sent telegrams to various cities in the south and eastern part of the country in an effort to locate a plane he could purchase. Replies received at the garage indicated that the cost of planes offered for sale were too high - between \$3000.00 and \$6000.00, and John then mentioned to me that he was going to Toledo to look around for a plane. He was busy for the following few days, and when he returned to the Marine Garage at Port Clinton, he would only stay a few minutes. He told me that he could purchase a Stinson four passenger plane from the Gross Sales at Toledo, Ohio. I knew of this plane having seen it over a period of several years at the Toledo airport. I knew that the plane was worth more than a thousand dollars, but I did not ask John where he intended to get the rest of the money to pay for it, and he did not advise me.

"I recall that he made several trips to Toledo in connection with this plane, and one night at about 11 P. M. he came to my house and was excited and said he was in a jam, and told me to go to his house the next morning at about 8 o'clock, and to take three men who would be there to a field we had previously used for planes. He also told me that there was a car in his garage, and that after I took the men to the field, and he took them away in a plane, that night I was to go to the garage at his home, and to get rid of the car in the garage and that it was to be completely disposed of even if I had to burn it up. He told me that he was going to Toledo that night to get a plane and fly it down in the morning and would meet me at the field.

"The following morning at about 8 o'clock I went over to John's house, and knocked on the door and a man answered the door who I had never seen before, and called to two other men who came out and all three got in my car, and I drove them to the designated field, and on the way we engaged only in general conversation about the condition of the weather, and nothing was said by them as to where they were going, or who they were. As we approached the field, John's plane had just landed. I had never seen any of these men before. From a group of photographs I have just picked out a photograph I am told is that of Fred Hunter, one that I am told is Alvin Karpis, and I identify these photographs as being two of the men. The other man I recall was a homely man with a squinted face. These men had grips with them. Upon arriving at the field, they got in the plane that John had there. I did not talk to John at this time. The plane took off immediately after the men got in, and

I went to the shop operated by John and myself, and that night about 6 p. m. I went to John's house to get the car, and found the garage doors open, but no car in the garage. It was my intention to dispose of the car as John had instructed me to do. I never made any inquiries after I saw that there was no car in the garage, and did not mention about it to anyone except my brother John when he came back to Port Clinton, Ohio, about a week after flying away with the three men. When I saw him then I told him that there was no car in the garage and he merely grunted and did not offer any explanation.

"John told me that he had been to Hot Springs, Ark., and Tulsa, Okla. on the trip. I recall that before leaving he stated that he intended visiting a relative at Wichita, Kansas on the way back from the south. He told me after he got back, he said he did not stop there as he was held up on account of bad weather.

"John kept the plane for about two or three months at the Transcontinental Airport at Toledo, Ohio, and so far as I know he made no other trips in the plane. He sold the plane back to the Gross Sales of Toledo, but I do not know how much he got for it. He never told me how much money he made on the trip to Hot Springs and Tulsa. After he sold the plane he paid me back my \$500.00. He never did tell me where he got the balance of the money to purchase the plane.

"I recall that in the latter part of March or early part of April 1936, my brother was taken from Port Clinton, Ohio, by officers, who I now understand were Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and it was about a week before he returned to Port Clinton, Ohio, and upon his return he told me that he had been questioned about flying Karpis to the southwest, and this was the first information I had as to identity of any of the men that I drove to the airport as stated above. About this time John told me that Joe Roscoe, who is a customer of the Marine Garage, and has considerable work done there, first introduced him to one of the three men at the Marine Garage some time before the purchase of the plane by my brother, John.

"I have read the above statement and signed my initials to the bottoms of pages 1 and 2, and my signature below to this 3rd page, and desire to state that this statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

/s/ GEORGE JOSEPH ZETZER

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

The following is a description of George Joseph Zetzer obtained for reference purposes:

Name  
Age  
Height  
Weight  
Hair  
Eyes  
Occupation  
Marital Status  
Residence

George Joseph Zetzer  
34 years  
(born 10/28/02)  
5'7"  
145 pounds  
Dark brown, receding at temples  
Brown  
Mechanic and welder  
Married - 3 children -  
ages 3, 5, and 14 years.  
335 Wilson Ave., Port Clinton, O.

The signed statements obtained from John and George Joseph Zetzer are being retained in the Cleveland office file.

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Upon instructions of Inspector E. J. Connelley, Special Agent D. P. Sullivan proceeded to Milan, Michigan, where, on October 3, 1936, he interviewed Wynona Burdette at the United States Detention Farm. At that time Wynona Burdette exhibited a friendly and cooperative attitude and she provided valuable information concerning various individuals who harbored Alvin Karpis, Arthur E. "Doc" Barker, and other members of the Barker-Karpis gang at Toledo during the summer of 1934, which matter has been reported in a separate report submitted by Agents working on the harboring charges at Toledo, Ohio.

In connection with the situation at Cleveland, during the summer of 1934, Wynona Burdette stated that after she and Harry Campbell left 2831 - 131st Street, Point Place, and after she was released from the hospital on the second occasion that she was confined there, which was some time around the latter part of July, she and Campbell lived with William Weaver and Myrtle Eaton in a cottage at Grand Forest Beach, near Sandusky, Ohio. Thereafter, at Campbell's suggestion they decided to move to Cleveland; that she did not know any reason why Campbell desired to move to Cleveland; that at that time Fred Barker, Paula Harmon, Alvin Karpis, and Dolores Delaney were already residing in Cleveland; that she and Harry Campbell drove from Grand Forest Beach to Cleveland, and visited with Fred Barker and Paula Harmon at an address which she believes was 10515 Parkhurst Avenue; that Gladys Sawyer was present at this address and Harry Campbell gave her an address, which Wynona believes was the address of the manager of the apartment house located on or about the 7000 block of Franklin Boulevard; that she, Paula, and Gladys went out looking for an apartment and called upon an elderly man and woman at the address given to her by Campbell; that this man showed her an apartment in an apartment building around the 7000 block of Franklin Boulevard, which building was located two or three blocks from the residence of this elderly man and woman, who apparently were the managers or owners of the apartment building, and she looked at the apartment, which appeared to be satisfactory to her; that she, Paula, and Gladys thereupon returned to Fred Barker's house and she advised Campbell that the apartment appeared to be satisfactory to her; that from the conversation she had with Campbell at that time she understood that he had already looked at this apartment; that when he gave her the address he mentioned that some of "the boys" in Cleveland, apparently referring to some acquaintances of Harry Campbell, Fred Barker, or Alvin Karpis, knew the manager of the Franklin Boulevard apartment address, and that the manager was all right; that thereafter the same afternoon she and Harry Campbell went to the apartment located around the 7000 block of Franklin Boulevard, which they had already seen, and paid the rent for same, using the name of George Wolcott; that they thereafter returned to Grand Forest Beach and a few days later again.

came to Cleveland and took up their residence at the Franklin Boulevard address; that Arthur R. "Doc" Barker stayed with them at this apartment.

Wynona Burdette stated that during this period of time she had not yet recovered from her illness and confinement at the hospital and for this reason did not go out; that she heard Harry Campbell and the others at Cleveland, speak of visiting a gambling place, but she cannot recall the name of the Harvard Club in connection with this place; that she had never heard of Art Hebebrand, Shimmy Patton, Smokey or Sharkey Gorman, or Whitey Warner, Tony Amersbach, and was not acquainted with any gamblers at Cleveland and did not meet any persons other than members of the gang who resided in Cleveland; that at this time Wynona Burdette was shown photographs of Art Hebebrand, Shimmy Patton, "Tip" O'Neil, Dan Gallagher, John Brock, Joe Mich, John F. Gorman, alias Sharkey, alias Smokey, Sam Coker, Milton Lett, and Fred Hunter, but she was unable to identify any of the same. She stated that she recalled that Alvin Karpis carried some kind of detective credentials, but she did not know where he obtained them, nor did the name of the Noonan Detective Agency appear familiar to her; that she did not know whether Harry Campbell, or any other members of the gang, obtained custom made shirts from a man named Frambes, and had no information concerning same; that she had no information as to the reason why Alvin Karpis and Fred Barker originally left Toledo, and came to live at Cleveland, and does not know the person or persons with whom they were acquainted in Cleveland; that she did understand that during the summer of 1934, the rest of the women in the gang saw very little of Dolores Delaney, who did not mingle with the gang as much as the others; that she never visited the Harvard Club, and knew no persons employed there; that she first went out to drink on September 5, 1934, when she, Paula Harmon and Gladys Sawyer went to the Cleveland Hotel; that at the Cleveland Hotel they became quite intoxicated; that she recalls that Paula Harmon was waving \$100 bills in her hand; that shortly thereafter, and while she, Wynona, was quite intoxicated, they were placed under arrest by a police woman; that she recalled that Gladys Sawyer was carried from the hotel in a wheel chair; that to her best recollection a large crowd gathered and they were taken to the police department in a taxi cab; that on the way she, Wynona, threw the keys to her apartment out of the window of the taxi cab, because she did not desire to have them found in her possession, but she was surprised when these same keys were shown to her later, and she came to the conclusion that she must have thrown them into the hands of some policeman; that Paula likewise threw a number of articles from her purse; that Paula was in possession of a bracelet at that time, and after throwing several articles out of the cab window, the police woman who accompanied Wynona, Paula and Gladys to the police department, took Paula's purse and stated that the bracelet was therein, but she would not give possession of the purse to Paula; that they were placed in cells at the police department.

and she, Wynona, being quite intoxicated, almost immediately went to sleep; that she did not solicit any of the matrons to be released, nor did she overhear Paula or Gladys talk to anybody; that she believes that it was some time the next day that former Special Agent Peters called at the jail and interviewed her, Paula and Gladys; that she believes that Peters was the first person whom she saw at the jail when she was there, with whom she spoke; that she does recall that a lawyer named Stanton appeared at the jail and she believes it was the day following her arrest; that she did not know how Stanton knew of her arrest, and the arrest of Paula and Gladys.

Wynona Burdette further stated that she thereafter learned from Paula that she, Paula, did not recover the bracelet, which was in her possession, and she heard from Paula, or from Gladys, or from Harry Campbell, that Harry Sawyer had been responsible for sending Attorney Stanton to the jail, in an effort to release Paula, Gladys and her.

Wynona further stated that after Harry Campbell contacted her in Oklahoma during November 1934, and took her to Miami, he, Campbell, told her that he and the other members of the gang at Cleveland knew of the girls' (Wynona, Gladys and Paula) arrest at Cleveland, immediately afterwards. Harry Campbell did not, however, advise her as to how he knew of the same, or who had advised him, and because he did not volunteer the information she did not bother to question him concerning it.

Wynona Burdette was questioned thoroughly concerning her knowledge of contacts of the gang at Cleveland, and their acquaintances and activities, but she stated that she is unable to provide any information in this regard and as above mentioned gave as a reason for her ignorance on this matter, that she was confined to her home at that time and was not travelling around with Harry Campbell and other members of the gang at the various places they may have frequented at Cleveland during the summer of 1934, when they were residing there.

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With reference to the information set out in the report of Special Agent S. K. McKee, dated October 13, 1936, Cleveland, Ohio, as to the purchase of the Plymouth automobile by Milton Lett, Agent A. P. Kitchin made the following inquiries:

It was ascertained that the address given by Milton Lett on October 25, 1935, when he purchased the Plymouth coupe used in the Garrattsville mail train robbery, was given as 1027 East 147th Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

Mrs. J. H. Beck, 1029 East 147th Street, Cleveland, was interviewed by Special Agent Kitchin, at which time she stated she has resided at this place since July of 1935 and that she knows no one by the name or aliases of Milton Lett. She stated that she and her husband have resided in Cleveland all of their lives and have no relatives outside of the city who have visited them since they have resided at this address.

Mrs. Beck was interviewed at length and was shown the photograph of Lett, with negative results. She stated that she had not been previously interviewed by anyone relative to this matter. She also informed that the Tanni family, who reside upstairs and whose address is 1027 East 147th Street, has been living at this address about one week longer than she and she has never seen anyone visiting these people who resemble the photograph of Lett; that they have never had any roomers or boarders. Mr. Beck is employed at the Fisher Body Company, Coit and East 140th Street.

Mrs. S. Tanni, 1027 East 147th Street, informed this Agent that she and her husband, who is employed at the Lake City Malleable Company, 5046 Lakeside Avenue, have resided at this address since July 1935. She stated that they have never had any visitors who have stayed with them and have never had any boarders or roomers. Mrs. Tanni stated that she knows of no one in the community who had a new automobile last fall and has never known anyone by the name or aliases of Lett. The photograph of Lett was exhibited to Mrs. Tanni with negative results.

Mrs. Tanni stated that quite some time ago someone came to her house and asked her if anyone at this address had recently purchased a new Plymouth automobile, but this man did not show any badge or credentials and she presumed he was a salesman.

A lengthy interview was had with both the above individuals and due to the frankness of each, and the small amount of space in each apartment of this duplex, it is thought that this address was just arbitrarily given by Lett and that he never resided in this community. It is also noted that this address is several miles from both the Harvard Club and the sections of the city in which Lett has been reported as having resided.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent R. T. Noonan:

On October 12, 1936, George Ruemele, 2081 West 81st Street, Cleveland, Ohio, was interviewed, it having been reported that Ruemele at one time did some electrical work for the Harvard Club. He stated that he is an electrical engineer by trade and is employed by the Dingle Clark Electrical Company in the Engineers Building, and is a member of Local Union #36 of the Building Trades Union and has been such and has paid dues for the past 25 years. At present he is employed at the Great Lakes Exposition from 9 P. M. to midnight each day.

Ruemele advised that occasionally he picks up work on the outside in order to make some extra money and does not report it to his company, and he sometimes goes out and looks for such jobs. He is not supposed to do this, but all jobs are to be handled through the company. He stated that he has been to the Harvard Club occasionally but not often, and once in a while bets a dollar or two on the horses or in a crap game, and in that manner got to know one Big Benny who appeared to be some sort of a boss in the old place, that is, the large building where the Harvard Club operated before it was closed. Once when looking for work Big Benny, whose last name he claims not to know, asked him if he could put in a couple of fans. He did put in some fans in the club and also strung some lights in the parking lot working a total of about three days and being paid by Big Benny. As near as he could fix the date of this work it was in the fall of 1935 about one year ago, and could not fix it more definitely as he did not keep a record of this work.

The photographs of the Barker-Karpis gang and their associates were shown to Ruemele and he was unable to make any identification of any of them except Art Hebebrand, Shimmy Patton, and Tip O'Neil. He also stated that he knew Billie Mitchell, having worked

with him many years ago. He claimed that he could not definitely say whether or not Hebebrand and Patton were the real owners of the Harvard Club. He stated that he knew Patton about twenty-five years having known him when Patton operated a saloon on West 25th Street that long ago. He also claimed to have known Art Hebebrand for many years, having known him when Hebebrand was in the building business. Ruemele also claimed to have done work for the Sheriff's office off and on for the past two or three years and also to have done some work of an electrical type for the city of Cleveland.

Ruemele advised that he never attended any clam bake at the Twilight Tavern and did not know where this place was. The only clam bake he ever attended he stated was one or two years ago at Fritz Miller's place located on Broadview Road on West 25th Street, and this was one given by the company for which he works.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent R. T. Noonan on October 15, 1936:

In an effort to locate Eddie Gallagher who formerly operated the saloon at 2801 Detroit Avenue, known as the Silver Grill, inquiry was made of the present operator of this place, Paddy Kilbane, who advised that he did not know Eddie Gallagher and therefore could not advise where Gallagher could be located. Inquiry in the neighborhood revealed that one Mamie Salo, formerly operated a restaurant at the location 2801 Detroit Avenue, this being about four or five years ago, and she then moved across the street and two doors down where she opened another small restaurant which she recently sold and the new proprietor calls the place the Texas lunch. It was stated by the proprietor that Mamie Salo lives in the vicinity and eats most of her morning and evening meals there. The information concerning Mamie Salo was furnished by Red Bockman who operates a filling station at Detroit and West 28th Street.

During the time information was being sought as to the location of Eddie Gallagher it was learned from parties leasing part of the building in which this saloon is located, that the building belongs to Shimmy Patton and that they pay him. It is noted that Kilbane stated the place is in the name of Mrs. Patton.

It is noted in report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, dated March 24, 1936, at Cleveland, Ohio, that Special Agent C. E. Smith learned through Agents of the Alcohol Tax Unit that Ed Gallagher when proprietor of the saloon known as the Silver Grill resided at 2464 West 28th Street, and also at one time lived at 1466 West 29th Street. Ed Gallagher was located at 1466 West 29th Street, where he now resides with his mother, Mrs. Barbara Gallagher.

Ed Gallagher, when interviewed, stated that he is now 58 years of age, and it may be said that he looks much older. At the time of the interview he was seriously ill with dropsy and stated that he has been suffering for some time and is going to the hospital within the near future. From his physical appearance it is apparent that this man is in poor health and from the condition of the place in which he is living there was every indication that he is in very poor financial condition. He stated that about four years ago he had a little money saved and hearing that this particular building was for rent he did rent it from James Patton, whom he has known for many years. He was unable to state just how long he stayed in this place, but knows that he paid for two licenses to sell 3.2% beer and believes he was there for approximately two years. He also fixes the time that he has been out of the place at 2801 Detroit Avenue as about two years from the present time. If Kilbane went in the place in February 1935, then he stated it was some short time before that that he went out as he recalls the place was vacant for a time before Kilbane went in. When questioned further concerning just whom he rented from, Gallagher stated that "to be strictly honest" he rented it from Mrs. James Patton and paid the rent to her although he always considered that he was renting it from James, better known as Shimmy Patton.

Gallagher was questioned about various parties being in his place at late hours and he stated that it was true that Patton, Rip O'Neil, and Art Hebebrand, the latter whom he claimed not to know very well, did often visit his place of business, but he could not now recall any persons who were there with them except some local persons whom he can not recall. He could not recall any strangers that might have been with these men, but stated that there were often quite a group around and he could not begin to tell who they were. He stated that the reason he quit business was because business was so poor that he could not make any money. While in this place Gallagher stated that he did all the work except the cleaning up and he had this done by some Finn, who left to go on one of the boats on the lakes and he did not even know his name. Gallagher stated that he also went to work on the lakes for a time after he got

out of business at 2801 Detroit. He verified the fact that the name of this place was the Silver Grill, there being no particular reason for that name.

The various photographs of the Barker-Karpis gang were shown to Gallagher and he was unable to identify any of them. He hesitated a long time on the photographs of both Arthur R. "Doc" Barker and Volney Davis, stating that they both looked familiar, but he could not place them. He readily identified the photographs of Art Hebebrand, Shimmy Patton, and Tip O'Neil, stating that he also knew O'Neil for many years. He also stated that he knows Paddy Kilbane, the present proprietor of the Silver Grill, also known as Paddy's Place, but only has a speaking acquaintance and that Kilbane knows him in a similar manner. It is noted that Kilbane claimed not to know Gallagher.

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At the present time a summary report is being prepared as to the harboring situation at Cleveland, Ohio, for use in presenting this case for prosecution. This summary is intended for use in connection with the summary report which is being prepared as to the setup at Toledo, Ohio, inasmuch as information at hand reflects that fugitives in this case were harbored both at Toledo and Cleveland and the possible defendants in some instances are involved in both cities.

No undeveloped leads are being set out herein inasmuch as additional investigation is being assigned in memorandum form.

- P E N D I N G -



Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

October 20, 1936

Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Confirming the long distance telephone conversation had with Mr. E. A. Tamm of the Bureau by Special Agent E. J. Wynn, Cleveland office, on this date, please be advised that Special Agent J. V. Murphy at Toledo, Ohio called the Cleveland office by long distance telephone and stated that [redacted] had ascertained that Benson Groves, the fifth man in the Garrettsville, Ohio mail train robbery, who has previously been referred to as "Sam", was possibly in Toledo, Ohio, frequenting gambling houses and saloons including the Turf Bar.

It was deemed advisable to acquaint the Bureau with this situation in order to obtain Bureau authority to take Benson Groves into custody, which authority was granted by Mr. Tamm, and the instructions received from him with reference to handling the situation were communicated by Special Agent E. J. Wynn to Special Agent J. L. Madala at Toledo, Ohio, by long distance telephone.

The Bureau will be kept advised as to the progress being made at Toledo, Ohio, [redacted] as to the location of Benson Groves.

Very truly yours,

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

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cc-Chicago  
Cincinnati  
E. J. Connelley - Buffalo

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Edward J. Brennan

Post Office Box 22344  
Boston, Massachusetts

Oct. 21, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Re: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

A review of the file in this office discloses that there are no outstanding leads to be covered and therefore this case is being referred upon completion to the office of origin.

It may be stated that the investigation which formerly was conducted in the Brekid file relative to the murder of F. C. Little is now being conducted in the case entitled:

ARTHUR J. LEMIE, w.a., et al;  
FREDERICK C. LITTLE - victim;  
MURDER AND ROBBERY;  
Conspiracy; Boston file 87-40.

Very truly yours,

C. D. McINN,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Cincinnati, Ohio.

St. L. FILE NO. 7-43

REPORT MADE AT <b>St. Louis, Missouri.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>10-20-36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>10-17, 19-36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>J. S. Bush</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases--FUGITIVE, I. O. 1232; et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER--VICTIM.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>Kidnaping; Obstruction of Justice; Harboring of Fugitives; National Firearms Act.</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:** Adam C. Fritz, also known as Mulepohl, operates several hand books in St. Louis, Mo., and E. St. Louis, Ill., but has never operated a gambling house. Investigation thus far fails to reveal that Lett or Roscoe associated with Fritz at E. St. Louis or St. Louis. Information received that Fritz may open large gambling house in E. St. Louis after the election in November. Lett apparently not employed at Mounds Club, which is large gambling house near E. St. Louis.

**References:**

Letter from Cleveland Office, dated 9-23-36.  
Report of Special Agent A. Paul Kitchin, Cleveland, 9-8-36.

At Saint Louis, Missouri

**Details:**

It was ascertained from Detective Joseph Walker, of the Gambling Squad, St. Louis Police Dept., and by reference to the St. Louis City and telephone directories that the individual referred to as Fritz Mulepohl in the letter of reference is Adam C. Fritz, who is approximately fifty-five years of age and has resided in St. Louis for a number of years at 3917-A Magnolia Av., telephone number Laclede 3480. Information procured from Chief of Detectives George Byrnes, of the E. St. Louis Police Dept., and Detective Walker indicates that Fritz operates the following hand books at St. Louis and E. St. Louis:

1. 3629 Gravois Av., St. Louis, Mo.
2. 706 Pine St., St. Louis, Mo.
3. 417 Franklin Av., St. Louis, Mo.
4. Spivey Building, E. St. Louis, Ill.
5. 400 Broadway, E. St. Louis, Ill.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED <i>J. C. Neuman</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES
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It should be noted that dice games, poker games and other forms of gambling, with the exception of hand books, are not permitted in the city of St. Louis, and the only so called "wide open" gambling houses in the vicinity of St. Louis, Mo., or E. St. Louis, Ill., are as follows:

The Mounds Club which is located near E. St. Louis, Ill., on Highway 40. This club is operated by Harry Murdock and "Bow Wow" McQuillan.

The Biltmore Country Club which is located several miles southwest of St. Louis. This club is operated by a St. Louis Politician known as Jimmy Miller.

John T. Soy, another St. Louis politician, conducts a gambling establishment at Venice, Ill., which is located several miles north of E. St. Louis, Ill.

Detective Walker who is acquainted with the clerks in all of the hand books operated in St. Louis, visited the hand books operated by Fritz in St. Louis with Special Agent D. S. Hostetter, of this office, without disclosing Agent Hostetter's identity, and ascertained that Milton Lett is not employed at any of those hand books. It was ascertained that a clerk is the only person employed at the hand books and Fritz never visits these places.

Detective Walker ascertained from one Kuehnhorn, the clerk employed at 417 Franklin Av., that Fritz had not been engaged in forms of gambling other than hand books for the past ten years, but that in the near future Fritz intends to open a large dice game in E. St. Louis near the Broadview Hotel, and that he, Kuehnhorn, will be employed at the new place in E. St. Louis, when it is opened. In this connection, Kuehnhorn stated that he, Kuehnhorn, is of German extraction and that Fritz has indicated that he will also employ a Jew and an Italian in the E. St. Louis place and probably several additional individuals.

Chief of Detectives George Byrnes, of the E. St. Louis Police Dept., advised Agent Hostetter that several months ago he heard that Fritz was making arrangements to open a dice game on Broadway in E. St. Louis, but for some unknown reason this game has not opened to date; however, he suggested that the game would probably not open until after the November election, in view of the fact that the city administration is controlled by one political party and the St. Clair County administration is controlled by another. Mr. Byrnes stated that he had been unable to ascertain the names of other persons who were interested in the new venture with Fritz; however, he understood that four persons from outside of E. St. Louis would operate this game with Fritz.

It is the opinion of Detective Walker and George Byrnes that one Marty Clancy, of E. St. Louis, an old time gambler who is associated with Fritz, is reliable and would furnish correct information with reference to whether Lett or Roscoe are presently in the vicinity of St. Louis or E. St. Louis; however, in view of the fact that the dice game has not yet been opened by Fritz and his associates, Clancy will not be interviewed, unless such interview is requested by the office of origin. Chief Byrnes ascertained that Lett is not employed at the hand books operated by Fritz in E. St. Louis, and further stated that no dice games are being operated in E. St. Louis at the present time.

It is noted in the letter from the Cleveland office dated April 27, 1936, that the names Joker Kennedy and Ed McGraw are mentioned and that a Jew named Goldstein or Bernstein was alleged to have operated a gambling house with a cigar store front in E. St. Louis; however, these individuals were unknown to Detective Walker or the E. St. Louis Police, and the only person, having a similar name, known to the E. St. Louis Police Dept., is one Louis Goldberg, who operates a hand book in the Metropolitan Bldg., in E. St. Louis. It should also be noted that the individuals referred to as Joseph Morrissey and Edward Wandtke, alias Wahnke, alias Warkne, referred to in the letter from the Cleveland office, dated April 10, 1936, are also unknown to Detective Walker and the E. St. Louis Police.

During the night of Oct. 17, 1936, Special Agents G. B. Morris, H. F. Small and the reporting agent visited the Mounds Club near E. St. Louis, Ill., where several large dice games and various other forms of gambling were being conducted, and observed all of the employees at that establishment; however no one was seen who resembled the photograph of Milton Lett.

#### Undeveloped Leads

ST. LOUIS OFFICE: Will continue the investigation with the St. Louis and E. St. Louis Police Departments and conduct appropriate investigation at Venice, Ill., and at the Biltmore County Club, near St. Louis, Mo.

P E N D I N G

1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

October 20, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

Enclosed is photograph of LOUIS C. FIRMING,  
which was secured by your office from the Department of  
Liquor Control, Columbus, Ohio, and which photograph you  
requested to be returned when it had served its purpose.

Very truly yours,

EJC/EJB  
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CC - Bureau

J. P. MacFARLAND  
Special Agent in Charge

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1448 Standard Building,  
Cleveland, Ohio,

October 20, 1936.

Warden,  
Oklahoma State Penitentiary,  
McAllister, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID.

The criminal record of John Brock, aliases John  
Brack, J. D. Adams, J. C. Creighton, and Harold Johnson,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation No. 255509, reflects that  
this individual was incarcerated in your institution as  
John Brock, your No. 24698, on October 18, 1931, to serve  
five years on a conviction of assault with intent to kill.

In order to complete our records, I will appreciate  
being advised as to the date of Brock's release and whether  
this release was by parole or expiration of sentence.

It is understood that John Brock was also incar-  
cerated in the Oklahoma State Penitentiary for a period of  
years beginning about September 19, 1923. Your courtesy  
in furnishing the information from your records as to this  
particular incarceration will likewise be appreciated.

For your convenience in replying, there is enclosed  
herewith a self-addressed franked envelope, which requires  
no postage.

In replying, please refer to our file 7-1.

Thanking you for the courtesy of your attention  
in this matter, I am

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Very truly yours,

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J. F. MACFARLAN,  
Special Agent in Charge, 1936 A.M.

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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CLEVELAND PLAIN DEALER 9/1/36

# MARSHAL OUT. SO NO RAID ON HARVARD CLUB

Newburg Mayor Angered by  
Woman's Protests About  
Husband's Losses.

POLICEMEN CAN'T ACT  
But Light on Complainant's  
Car Is Found Defective.

Mayor Jerry Sticha of Newburg Heights made plain last night that Marshal Frank Ptak constituted what might be termed practically the be-all and end-all of law enforcement in that suburb.

Because the marshal was not at the village hall the municipal machinery for investigating a reported gambling place could not move.

A woman who said she had witnessed about 300 persons at gaming tables in quarters to which the management of the closed Harvard Club had transferred its paraphernalia returned home from the village hall without satisfaction.

The car in which she was riding was pursued and stopped by a Newburg Heights policeman who found that the tail light was not functioning.

The policeman could not raid the reported gambling club, Mayor Sticha had said. Nobody could raid it, he said, without the presence of the marshal.

Husband Lost \$1,500.  
At the woman's request reporters drove her to the village hall. She had come to the newspaper office almost direct from the club, she said. She had gone to the club to take home her husband and what was left of his bank roll. She said she had encountered little difficulty in getting in.

"He's lost more than \$1,500 at the old place and the new one in the last year and a half," she said of her husband.

The "new place" she pointed out a few hundred yards up Harvard Avenue from the site of the "old place," raided and closed last January by County Prosecutor Frank T. Cullitan and Safety Director Elko Ness.

At the village hall Marshal Ptak was not in. The hall houses the police station. Men in the station office reported that the marshal would come on duty at midnight. An effort to find him elsewhere was unsuccessful. However, it was shortly discovered that the mayor himself was in. The mayor was approached.

Asked if there were not some way investigation could be made without the marshal, Mayor Sticha replied that there was not. Asked if nobody else took charge when the marshal was away, the mayor replied:

"The marshal is in charge. You have to get him."

A patrolman wandered in and out of the office during the conversation. "What if there's a robbery down the street or a murder? Do you have to find the marshal before there can be any arrests?" Mayor Sticha was asked.

"Yes, he's the one that's in charge," said the mayor.

"Are there any particular places you can always find him in case of an emergency?"

"No," said the mayor.

The mayor went into a back room. One of the men in the front office said the marshal might arrive in about 45 minutes. The woman and the reporters went outside and waited. In about 45 minutes the mayor came out.

"Aren't you authorized to issue a warrant when the marshal is away?" he was asked.

"I'm authorized to do a lot of things," he replied. "What do you newspapers come around bothering me for?"

A reporter suggested that, since the woman had come out to the suburb to make her complaint in person and was anxious to go into action right away, something might be arranged.

"Stop loitering, get out of here, or I'll throw you in the can," said the mayor.

At midnight the station was telephoned in an effort to talk to the marshal. The marshal was reported

not in yet. A second telephone call was made at 12:30. Again the marshal was reported not in yet. A third call was made at 1 a. m. "He's not in yet and he probably won't be in tonight," was the answer.

The woman who tried to make the complaint said she was considering filing suit against the club for her husband's losses.

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Mr. Baughman  
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Mr. Coffey  
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Special Agent in Charge,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases,  
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1212; et al -  
EDWARD ALONZO BREMER, VICTIM -  
KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

The Federal Laboratories, Incorporated, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, furnished to the Pittsburgh Office of the Bureau, a list of submachine guns sold by that firm in the State of Oklahoma from 1928 to January 6, 1936, together with a list of submachine guns sold in the State of Kansas for the period from 1928 to January 6, 1936.

Your office has previously made some inquiry concerning the allegation that Joseph T. Miller of Tulsa, Oklahoma, a representative of the Federal Laboratories, Incorporated, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, supplied underworld characters with machine guns. The Bureau file reflects that little has been done to establish the falsity or the truth of the allegations made against Miller. From the lists furnished by the Federal Laboratories, Incorporated, it is noted that in most instances the submachine guns were shipped to law enforcement agencies, and in other instances to various hardware stores in the State of Kansas. At the time these lists were secured from the Federal Laboratories, Incorporated, they were not advised that the Bureau was conducting an investigation concerning Miller, their representative. However, in some manner this information reached Mr. B. H. Barker, Vice President of the concern. In view of the manner in which these lists were secured, it is not known whether Joseph T. Miller, as a representative of the Federal Laboratories, Incorporated, made the sales to the various consignees of the submachine guns. The Bureau desires that an investigation be conducted by your office as well as the Kansas City Office to determine whether Joseph T. Miller was responsible for the sale of the submachine guns to the various individuals and companies listed, and to determine whether the persons who received these guns are as represented by the lists.

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The Bureau has had at least one instance where a submachine gun was supposed to have been shipped to a Deputy Sheriff, and investigation disclosed that the individual in fact was not a law enforcement official, but a person possessed with a questionable reputation.

Photostatic copies of the above referred to lists are being transmitted herewith to your office and the Kansas City Office.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

Enclosure #1030178

cc-Kansas City (with enclosures)  
Cleveland  
Cincinnati  
St. Paul  
Chicago



Mr. Tolson  
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Mr. Clegg  
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DIRECTOR

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INV US DEPT OF JUSTICE WASHN DC  
BREKID USA MIAMI ADVISES COURT TODAY SET NOVEMBER SECOND AS  
DEFINITE DATE ON WHICH A DATE FOR TRIAL OF CASE AGAINST  
ADAMS AND RANDALL WOULD BE DETERMINED

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*Edmond (Brammer)*

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October 22, 1936

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Mr. W. A. Smith,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
1616 Federal Reserve Bank Building,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

I desire that you immediately consult the appropriate state or local officials at West Plains, Missouri, for the purpose of ascertaining the actual merit of the murder case which they have against Alvin Karpis. I do not desire that your inquiries in this matter be confined to an ex-parte statement of the facts by the County Attorney or Sheriff, but believe that if possible you should ascertain the identity of the witnesses available to testify in the murder proceedings and the nature of their testimony.

I believe that this material can be furnished you readily by the County authorities, and in the event you are satisfied that the state authorities have a meritorious case against Karpis, you should suggest to these authorities that they correspond with the Attorney General requesting that appropriate arrangements be made to have Alvin Karpis returned to West Plains, Missouri, for trial on the murder charges. If you are satisfied that the state case is a sound one, upon being so advised the Bureau will request the Department to perfect appropriate arrangements whereby Karpis may be removed to Missouri for trial.

I desire that this matter be given your immediate, careful and personal attention.

Very truly yours,

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION  
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John Edgar Hoover,

Director. OCT 23 1936

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ROBINSON  
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Copy to Mr. Tamm

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

October 21, 1936

Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent D. E. Hall, dated at Detroit, Michigan, August 25, 1934, particularly to page 40 of said report, wherein there is set out the contents of a letter dated at Chardon, Ohio, September 9, 1934, addressed to the Bureau by Fred C. Spohn of the sheriff's office of Geauga County, requesting the criminal record of Charles Carroll, together with information furnished by Mr. Newby of the Bureau to the effect that under date of August 17, 1934 an abstract of the criminal record of Charles Carroll, with aliases, Bureau #30222, was forwarded to the Sheriff at Chardon, Ohio, this being the first abstract of the criminal record of Charles Carroll furnished to any law enforcement agency subsequent to approximately May 26, 1934.

In connection with the preparation of a summary report, the Cleveland office will appreciate being advised immediately by the Bureau as to the name and capacity of the proper Bureau representative to introduce into evidence the original letter written by Fred C. Spohn to the Bureau, mentioned above, and who can also testify to the fact that the criminal record of Charles Carroll, Bureau #30222, was forwarded to Fred C. Spohn on or about August 17, 1934; that between May 26, 1934 and August 17, 1934, an abstract of the criminal record of Charles Carroll was not forwarded to any other law enforcement agency.

Very truly yours,

*J. P. MacFarland*  
J. P. MacFarland  
Special Agent in Charge  
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Special Agent in Charge,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

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

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter dated October 21,  
1936, in the above entitled case.

Please be informed that the Bureau representative competent  
to introduce into evidence the original letter written by Fred C.  
Spohn to the Bureau, dated at Chardon, Ohio, September 9, 1934, is  
Mr. L. C. Schilder, Chief of the Identification Division. Mr. Schilder  
can also testify to the effect that a copy of the criminal record of  
Charles Carroll, Bureau #30222, in the nature of the usual docket sheet  
form, prepared in the Identification Division on August 17, 1934, was  
furnished in response to Mr. Spohn's letter. He cannot, however,  
testify to the effect that between May 26 and August 17, 1934, an  
abstract of the criminal record of Charles Carroll was not forwarded  
to any other law enforcement agency, since the Bureau files reflect that  
on June 1, 1934, a letter was directed to the Chief of Police, Des Moines,  
Iowa, in response to the fingerprint card submitted on this person, as  
Charles Carroll, #298, submitted by that official following Carroll's  
arrest May 26, 1934, charge, concealing stolen property, disposition,  
15 days in jail. A copy of this letter, known as Identification Division  
Form Number 5, together with a copy of the record dated February 12,  
1934, mentioned therein, is attached for your information.

The foregoing advice is set out for your current consideration.  
It is noted in this case that the preparation of this criminal record  
on June 1, 1934, antedated by over three months the request from Mr.  
Spohn for the record of Carroll and this report did not, of course, bear  
the information to the effect that the location of Carroll was desired  
by the Sheriff's Office at Chardon, Ohio, as requested in the letter  
from Mr. Spohn dated August 9, 1934.

Complete facts relative to this matter are outlined in  
order that there may be no misunderstanding in this instance.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

Mr. Nathan .....  
Mr. Tolson .....  
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Enclosure #1045679  
cc-Chicago  
Cincinnati



1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

October 21, 1936

Special Agent in Charge  
Chicago, Illinois

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Please refer to the report of Special Agent D. E. Hall, Detroit, Michigan, dated September 25, 1934, page 23, wherein it is indicated that a copy of the criminal record of Charles Carroll, Bureau #30222 was found on the occasion of the search of 2975 West 140th Street, Cleveland, Ohio, where Karpis lived during September 1934, was delivered to former Inspector S. P. Cowley.

It is presumed that this criminal record is presently in the Chicago files in this case and, if so, it is requested that you forward same immediately to the Cleveland office and in the event this record is not contained in your files, determine its location and advise this office accordingly.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFarland  
Special Agent in Charge

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1 THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT		CINCINNATI, OHIO		FILE NO. 7-45
REPORT MADE AT <b>CINCINNATI, OHIO</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>10-22-36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>10-21-36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>F. J. SMITH MOR</b>	
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases - FUGITIVE I. O. #1232, et al., EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE HARBORING OF FUGITIVES NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>	
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:  Investigation at Dayton, Ohio fails to reveal any death record of Charles Sprout. Benson Groves was sentenced at Dayton, Ohio, June 6, 1931, to serve five years in Atlanta Penitentiary, for Robbery of Post Office at Steubenville, Ohio.				
REFERENCE:  Letter from the Cleveland Office dated October 16, 1936.				
DETAILS:  A thorough search of the death register in the office of Dr. A. C. Peters, Health Department, U. B. Annex, Dayton, Ohio, failed to reflect the name of Charles Sprout. Reporting Agent was informed by an employee of that office that all deaths occurring in the city of Dayton and some of the adjoining townships are immediately recorded therein.  Miss Rachel Atkins, Secretary to Dr. H. H. Pansing, Montgomery County Health Commissioner, advised after a detail search of the records of death for Montgomery County, that they did not contain the name of Charles Sprout. The records were checked for the past three months. Miss Atkins telephonically communicated with the Bureau of Vital Statistics, Columbus, Ohio.				
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and was informed that they had no record of such a person as of September 30, 1936.

Miss Atkins telephonically communicated with all of the hospitals in the city of Dayton and was unable to locate such a name on their death lists.

An examination of the Dayton City Directory for the years 1920 to 1936 failed to reveal the name of Charles Sprout. The Dayton telephone directory also failed to list the name of Charles Sprout.

Inquiry at the Dayton Police Department reflected that Charles Sprout was unknown to that department and not listed in their files. It was however noted that a stop notice had been recently placed against Benson Groves which indicated that he was wanted for train robbery at Cleveland, Ohio.

An examination of the records in the office of the United States Clerk disclosed that Benson Groves with aliases, was indicted by a federal grand jury in company with James F. O'Neill, Eli Stewart, Frank Grabowski and Clarence Webb for robbing the United States Post Office at Steubenville, Ohio, and that Groves was sentenced in the United States District Court at Dayton, Ohio, on June 6, 1931, to serve a term of five years in the penitentiary at Atlanta, Ga.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

You will recall that Dolores Delaney, paramour of Alvin Karpis, was sentenced at Miami, Florida, on March 25, 1935, to serve a period of five years for her activities in connection with the operations of the Barker-Karpis Gang, which sentence Dolores Delaney has been serving in the United States Detention Farm at Milan, Michigan. I have been advised that this woman will shortly request parole, and I desire to express myself as being vigorously opposed to the granting of parole to this woman.

For your information, Dolores Delaney was removed from the Detention Farm at Milan in January of 1936 upon a subpoena issued by the United States Attorney at St. Paul, Minnesota, in order that she might be a witness in behalf of the Government during the prosecution of William Weaver, Harry Sawyer and Cassius McDonald, who were charged with conspiracy to abduct and transport Edward George Bremer. Because of the attitude displayed by this woman at St. Paul, the United States Attorney was unable to use her as a witness, she appearing reluctant to furnish information which was obviously in her possession. While Dolores Delaney was in St. Paul, Minnesota, on this occasion, she furnished some material in the form of a signed statement to Special Agents of this Bureau, which information constituted valuable evidence in connection with the operations of the members of the Barker-Karpis Gang who were then at large. Subsequent to her return to Milan, Michigan, she was again interviewed, at which time she completely repudiated this signed statement and expressed a vehement unwillingness to be of any assistance to the Government in this matter. The information contained in the signed statement was known by Bureau Agents from collateral investigation to be undoubtedly accurate.

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Upon her return to the Milan Detention Farm, Dolores Delaney informed fellow prisoners that Wynona Burdette, likewise incarcerated in the Milan institution, had furnished information to the Bureau in the form of a signed statement and informed the fellow prisoners of the Burdette and Delaney women that Wynona Burdette was

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nothing more than a "squeal". The Delaney woman, I am advised, denied to other prisoners that she had made a statement, and she, of course, injured the position which Wynona Burdette occupied with respect to other prisoners in the institution.

Investigation is presently being conducted in various cities into the activities of the persons who harbored Alvin<sup>o</sup>Karpis and Harry<sup>o</sup>Campbell during the time that these men were fugitives, and it is anticipated that the facts in this regard will be presented to a Grand Jury at an early date. Dolores Delaney will undoubtedly be indicted along with a number of others for her actions in this regard.

The Bureau has obtained copies of personal correspondence being exchanged between Dolores Delaney and members of her family, which correspondence indicates conclusively that Dolores Delaney has not been in any manner reformed by her incarceration, and consequently does not appear sufficiently rehabilitated to justify parole. Correspondence exchanged between this woman and her family shows that she has not changed her attitude toward criminals and their operations since the time of her association with members of the Barker-Karpis Gang.

I desire to repeat that I am strenuously opposed to any consideration being given to this woman's request for parole at such time as this request is filed.

Respectfully,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

October 22, 1936

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**MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,  
MR. JOSEPH B. KEENAN.**

For your information, I am attaching hereto a copy of a memorandum which I have today addressed to the Attorney General pertaining to my opposition to consideration being given any request for parole by Dolores Delaney.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

Enclosure #863495

Mr. Nathan  
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Form No. 1  
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

REPORT MADE AT <b>Louisville, Kentucky</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>10-22-36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>10-19-36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>A. L. MEYER</b> <span style="float: right;">mk</span>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases; I. O. #1232 - FUGITIVE; et al; EDWARD G. BREMER - VICTIM.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING - HARBORING - OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</p> <p style="text-align: right;">.45 Colt Automatic Pistol #C-175221 resold to R. V. Bardon, Pawnbroker, Tulsa, Oklahoma, June 8, 1935.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- P -</p> <p>REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent J. B. Shiley, dated at Washington, D. C., 10-5-36.</p> <p>DETAILS: On June 8, 1935, the Belknap Hardware Manufacturing Company, Louisville, Ky., shipped by Railway Express, to R. V. Bardon, pawnbroker, Tulsa, Oklahoma, one Catalogue No. CA0456, Serial #175221, .45 Colt Automatic Pistol, and on the Belknap Hardware Manufacturing Company's books, Mr. Roy Essley is recorded as buyer for R. V. Bardon's pawnshop.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">UNDEVELOPED LEADS:</p> <p>THE OKLAHOMA CITY OFFICE, at Tulsa, Okla. will contact R. V. Bardon, pawnbroker, as to disposition he made of instant gun. The attention of the Oklahoma City Office is called to copy of letter from the New York Office to the Cincinnati Office, dated June 2, 1936, setting forth list of guns recovered from KARPIS and CAMPBELL.</p> <p>THE LOUISVILLE OFFICE, at Henderson, Ky., will follow out leads set forth in letter from the Cleveland Office, dated October 12, 1936.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- PENDING -</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED:  <i>O. C. Dewey</i>		SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	
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1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

October 24, 1936.

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

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

In answer to Bureau telegram dated October 24,  
1936, there is enclosed herewith one photograph of JAMES  
"SHIRLEY" PATTON.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFarland  
Special Agent in Charge

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JAMES PATTON

Post Office Box 2115  
Detroit - Michigan  
October 13, 1936

Special Agent in Charge  
Cincinnati, Ohio

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent H. C. Suran, Cleveland, Ohio, dated July 11, 1936, in which it was requested that Mrs. Jimmie Hayes be interviewed for information concerning payoffs in the vice and gambling rackets in Toledo, but that this lead should be held in abeyance by the Detroit Office as it was likely that Mrs. Hayes would be interviewed by an Agent especially assigned to the case.

An Agent of this office who was recently in the vicinity of Harbor Springs, Michigan, determined that Mrs. Jimmie Hayes was at that time residing at a cottage at Harbor Springs, and would probably remain there until approximately October 15th, or if the weather was mild, until November 1st; and would then return to 2709 Collingwood, Toledo, Ohio, and remain there for a short time and then proceed to travel South.

This information is being transmitted in the event the location of Mrs. Jimmie Hayes is desired for the purpose of interviewing her.

Very truly yours,

Herold E. Keinecke  
Special Agent in Charge

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Post Office Box 4907,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

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October 23, 1936.

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

Dear Sir:- RE: BREKID

Confirming my telegram of October 19,  
1936, you are advised that the United States Attorney  
at Miami states that on November 2, 1936, a definite  
date for the trial of the cases against Joe Adams and  
Duke Randall will be set by the Court. It is my  
understanding that these cases will probably be set  
for sometime in January or February, 1937.

Very truly yours,

R. B. Nathan  
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R. B. NATHAN,  
Special Agent in Charge.

cc - Chicago  
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FBI CLEVELAND

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DIRECTOR

PHONE. BREKID. WILL COMPLETE MONDAY SUMMARY OF ALL EVIDENCE WHICH IS TO BE SUBMITTED TO U S ATTORNEY AT CLEVELAND. THIS WILL COVER HARBORING SITUATION NINETEEN THIRTY FOUR, FIVE AND SIX, AS TO ALL SUBJECTS. THIS IS A VOLUMINOUS REPORT AND INCLUDES NUMEROUS SUBJECTS. I WILL RETURN CLEVELAND FROM DETROIT MONDAY TO CONVER WITH U S ATTORNEY FREED AND SUBMIT REPORT TO HIM WITH REQUEST THAT EARLY GRAND JURY CONSIDER THIS AND WE WILL SUGGEST THE WITNESSES TO BE SUBPOENED FOR THE GRAND JURY WITH ~~INDEX~~ BRIEF OUTLINE OF WHO THE PRINCIPAL SUBJECTS SHOULD BE. IT IS PLANNED TO ARRANGE WITH THE U S ATTORNEY FOR THE ARREST OF ALL SUBJECTS AT A LATER DATE ON SECRET WARRANTS IN ORDER THAT WE CAN QUESTION THEM UNDER THSE CONDITIONS AS IT IS BELIEVED WE WILL IN THIS WAY MATERIALLY STRENGTHEN THE CASE ON SOME SUBJECTS AS WELL AS TO ENABLE US TO TIE UP OTHER SUBJECTS NOT DEFINIELY TIED IN AT PRESENT. I HAVE IN MIND TO HANDLE THE ABOVE AS PER MY CONVERSATION WITH MR TAMM TODAY. IT IS BELIEVED THE GRAND JURY WILL BE CALLED FOR SOMETIME THE LATTER PART OF THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER SECOND OR FOR ABOUT NOVEMBER NINTH. WE WILL ARANGE WITNESSES IN THE MEANTIME AND WILL TRY TO ARRANGE ARESTS FOR FRIDAY NIGHT OF WEEK IN WHICH GRAND JURY MEETS SO HEARING OF THOSE ARRESTED CAN BE EXTENDED BEYOND THE TIME GRAND JURY RETURNS INDICTMENTS TO AVOID COSTS OF HEARINGS.

AGENT NOONAN WILL RETURN TO ST PAUL HEADQUARTERS SUNDAY OCTOBER TWENTY FIVE PENDING TIME HE IS NEEDED ON ARRESTS COMTEMPLATED

CONNELLEY OCT 27 1936

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Mr. Baughman  
Mr. Clegg  
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PHONE. BREKID PROCEEDING CLEVELAND ONE TEN AM MONDAY ARRIVE CLEVELAND  
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OCTOBER 26, 1936

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Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated October 22, 1936, instructing me to consult the appropriate officials at West Plains, Missouri, for the purpose of ascertaining the actual merit of the murder case which they have against Alvin Karpis.

Immediately upon receipt of that letter I endeavored to communicate with the Sheriff and County Attorney at West Plains, Missouri, and ascertained that both of these individuals were out of town. However, I was able to contact the Sheriff this morning intending to make an appointment to see him and the County Attorney at West Plains tomorrow. He advised me that both he and the County Attorney were leaving West Plains to attend court for a few days at Van Buren, Missouri, and that they would not be available for interview at West Plains until Thursday of this week.

While it would be possible for me to proceed to Van Buren and interview these gentlemen it is believed inadvisable inasmuch as any file they might have on this case, as well as any other individuals whom it might be necessary to interview, would be located at West Plains. Consequently I shall not contact these men until after they have returned to West Plains, Missouri.

In this connection a review of the file in the Kansas City Bureau Office indicates that probably most of the information relative to the case against Karpis there will have to be obtained from ex-county officials who actually investigated the case. Therefore it will, of course, be necessary to contact the Sheriff and County Attorney at West Plains in order to be put in touch with other individuals at that point who may have the necessary information.

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Accordingly, I shall endeavor to contact these men on Thursday, October 29, 1936, unless they shall not have returned

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to West Plains by that time, in which event I shall get in touch with them at the earliest possible date.

Very truly yours,

*W. A. Smith*

W. A. SMITH

SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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ST. PAUL DISPATCH  
OCT 17 1936

# KARPIS LINKED WITH MILL CITY CAMPAIGN

## BARKER GANG PUT IN \$1,000 REPORT STATES

Money Said to Have Gone to  
Help Drive of Candidate  
for Mayor.

### FORMER PUBLIC ENEMY 'CRACKS' AT ALCATRAZ

Alvin Karpis, America's erstwhile Public Enemy No. 1, and the Barker brothers with whom he was associated in a crime gang, were solicited for and made a contribution of \$1,000 or more to the campaign fund of a candidate for mayor of Minneapolis, according to information in the hands of federal authorities.

This was disclosed today in authentic reports that Karpis has "cracked" under rigid discipline at Alcatraz penitentiary where he is serving a life sentence for the kidnaping of William Hamm Jr.

The Dispatch learned Friday that Karpis had talked extensively with federal authorities regarding activities of crime gangs in the Twin Cities and the Northwest and has disclosed their connections with politicians, certain business men and officials. He made his disclosures, the Dispatch was informed, in an attempt to obtain some relief from the rigid discipline in the penal institution.

Karpis and the Barkers, according to reports to the Dispatch, were offered a "cut" on illicit revenue from slot machines and gambling in Minneapolis in return for the contribution asked of them by campaign workers. They debated the question.

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Karpis is reported to have told the federal authorities that the contribution, but declined the offer of a "cut" in the rackets on the ground that such an arrangement would involve "too much work."

Karpis is reported to have told the federal authorities, and finally a contribution finally was made as a "loan" to be repaid if the candidate were successful in being elected.

Karpis is reported to have told the federal men that the candidate was elected, but information as to whether or not the "loan" was repaid was not forthcoming. Karpis told the campaign fund solicitors, he is reported to have told the federal authorities, that he and the Barkers only wanted to be "let alone."

The brothers are Arthur (Doc) Barker, convicted burglar of the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, and Fred Barker, who was shot and killed by Department of Justice agents when he and his mother, armed with machine guns, resisted arrest after being surrounded in Florida. Kate (Ma) Barker, the mother, also was killed then.

Evidence in trials of members of the Karpis-Barker gang showed that they lived in St. Paul and surroundings intermittently from 1932 until after the kidnaping of Mr. Bremer in 1934.

Federal officials here declined again today to make any comment on reports that Karpis has talked, except to say they are not surprised.

The information given to Federal officers by Karpis, according to reports, has not yet been relayed to officials in St. Paul for action. Much of it, the reports said, involves offenses and gang connections over which federal authorities have no jurisdiction. As a result, the report said, federal authorities at Washington have not yet decided on a policy and course of action as a result of the disclosures.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, BUREAU OF PRISONS

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I am herewith transmitting to you a letter addressed to the Department by Mrs. Emily Newbold, 2722 Logan Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois, requesting permission to sign parole papers for Dolores Delaney, who is presently serving a five year sentence at Milan, Michigan, as a result of her association with Alvin Karpis. Mrs. Newbold is a sister of Alvin Karpis.

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I am today addressing a memorandum to the Attorney General, expressing my views as being opposed to any parole being granted Dolores Delaney.

Mrs. Newbold's letter has not been acknowledged.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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Mr. Tolson  
Mr. Clegg  
Mr. Glavin  
Mr. Ladd  
Mr. Nichols  
Mr. Rosen  
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Chicago, Ill.

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Dear Sir:-

Not knowing just who to write to I hope this reaches the right department. I am writting about Dolores Delaney. I am Alvin Karpis sister Mrs. Emily Newbold, 2722 Logan Blvd. She wrote to my folks saying she has to have a first friend sign for her. I am trying to do all I can for the girl not only for sake alone but also for my mother. You know she is raising their boy Raymond who will be 2 years soon. He is very active and she must watch him all day. At her age its a big job the strain is beginning to tell on her. She has been waiting for Dolores to get paroled so she can come live with them and help take care of the boy. I hope you will consider me signing her paroled papers. I havent any property but no one seems to own any these days. I will give her a job here doing my housework. She can bring the boy here during the day and go to school at night untill she gets some thing worth while. Job are scarce these days and her comming out of a place like will not make it easier.

We are going to help her as much as possible and if you let me sign the papers I dont think she will fail me. I want you to know this if in any way she violates her parole I will not hesitate in writting in I know I am taking a great responsibility I know all her past life but if she lives with my people and stays away from hers I am she will straighten out.

We both work steady and our incomes amount to \$240.00 a month. We can afford to have her work here and pay her a salary.

I hope to hear from you soon I hope you can see your way clear to let me sign. I will come to Washington if necessary, if that will help any.

Yours very sincerely,  
Mrs. Emily Newbold  
2722 Logan Blvd.  
Chicago, Ill.

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Mr. E. J. Connelley,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
1448 Standard Building,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Mr. Connelley:

I am attaching hereto a copy of the suggested  
press release to be issued when the subjects of the harboring  
investigations being conducted in the Bremer Case at Cleveland  
and Toledo are taken into custody. I desire that this release  
be available for possible use in making a local release in  
Cleveland or Toledo at the time that this material is released  
in Washington.

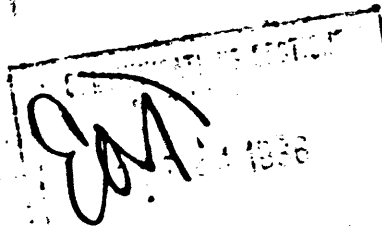
It is suggested that you furnish any observations  
concerning the contents of this release to Mr. Tamm by telephone.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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October 22, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
San Francisco, California.

Dear Sir:

I was recently advised that the Associated Press had obtained a story to the effect that Alvin Karpis had been furnishing Warden Johnston of Alcatraz with considerable information relative to criminal activities. It is suggested that when an agent is next at Alcatraz discreet inquiries be made to determine the nature of the information furnished to Warden Johnston.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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

There are transmitted herewith two vouchers for the Hertz Drivervelf Stations, Toledo, Ohio, in the amounts of \$23.30 and \$18.70, which represent payment for the automobiles by Special Agents of this Bureau. ats

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Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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CLEVELAND, OHIO

October 26, 1936

Re: GEORGE TIMINEX, ET AL

EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM

KIDNAPING, HARBORING OF FUGITIVES,

OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE, NATIONAL

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<p><b>SUMMARY REPORT</b></p> <p><u>BERT ANGUS;</u></p> <p><u>JOSEPH ROSCOE</u>, alias Joe Roscoe;</p> <p><u>LUCIAN C. FLEMING</u>, alias Ludy Fleming;</p> <p><u>REE HOLST;</u></p> <p><u>MADELINE ANGUS;</u></p> <p><u>RUTH WELLS</u>, aliases Ruth Angus, Mrs. John J. Burns;</p> <p><u>THELMA HOLST;</u></p> <p><u>COLIN MONROE</u>, alias Coolie Monroe;</p> <p><u>FRANK P. GREENWALD</u>, alias Greenie;</p> <p><u>JAMES J. WILSON</u>, aliases: Jimmie Wilson, James Jackson, James Ryan, "Dr." Jim Wilson, E. J. Powell, Thomas Barrowman;</p> <p><u>CHARLES JOSEPH FITZGERALD</u>, aliases: Charles Morgan, J. C. Hammond, W. H. Funk, Slim Williams, Frank West, Charles Logan, Charles Lowe, Philip Fitzgerald, W. M. Frank, J. C. Adams, W. D. Fitzgerald, J. C. Adams, Daniel Mathias Logan, Charles Jordan, W. E. Fitzgerald, Chf Slim, Big Charley, Big Ben, Big Fitz, Long Charley, Old Charlie, William Funk, C. J. Murphy, Charles Joseph Murphy, J. C. Foster, James Charles Foster, Judge Fitzgerald, G. W. Wilson;</p>			
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R. A. Nelson, T. J. Nelson, P. J. Nelson,  
Bill Scott, W. C. Weaver, Charles W. Lucas,  
Charles E. Bolling, Bill Weaver, Felix Donald,  
P. O. Donald, Phoenix O'Donald, W. G. Weaver,  
P. O. Scott, J. A. Orhood, Bill Thornton,  
Phoenix Donal, Lapland Willie, George E. Weaver,  
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Claire Lucas, Felix Donal, Clair Lucas, Heavy,  
W. A. Weaver, W. Lucas, Clarence Eaton, Clarence  
Lucas, J. W. Osborne;

VOLNEY DAVIS, aliases: Curley Davis, Cotton Davis, E. V. Davis,  
J. H. Lockwood, S. E. Lockwood, C. E. Moore,  
Jimmie, Curley Moore, Everett Davis, Curley Hansen,  
J. E. Hansen, Curley Hanson, George Lawrence Harper,  
George LaFrance, Roy Green;

DOLORES DELANEY, aliases: Mrs. S. A. Green, Louise Graham,  
L. O. Wood, A. B. Graham, Mrs. E. M. Waggoner,  
Mrs. H. G. Wagner, Mrs. E. A. Caulley,  
Dolores Wagner, Mrs. E. N. Wagner;

WILLIAM J. HARRISON, aliases: Willie Harrison, J. B. Bolton,  
W. J. Ryan, Elmer Howe, (deceased);

DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, aliases: "Doc" Moran, Joseph B. Moran,  
Joseph C. Moran, J. Hammond,  
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1232;

RUSSELL GIBSON, aliases: Rusty Gibson, R. Gray, Bradford Evans,  
Roy Gray, Roy Gray Evans, Andrew Allen, Slim Evans,  
Slim Gray, (deceased);

FRED BARKER, aliases: F. G. Ward, Ted Murphy, J. Darrows,  
R. E. Davis, J. E. Blackburn, T. C. Blackburn,  
A. S. Hunter, J. Earl Matterson, J. Stanley Smith,  
Fred E. Gordon, Bradford, Earl J. Matterson,  
F. C. Blackburn, F. B. Lang, Shorty, A. G. Bradford,  
(deceased);

ALVIN KARPIS, aliases: Albin Francis Karpavicz, A. Carter, Raymond Handley, George Haller, Alvin Karpis, A. Karpis, Earl Peel, Alvin Kapis, George Dunn, R. E. Hamilton, Ray Hunter, Ray Karpis, E. L. Burns, R. L. Burns, J. J. Burns, William Lohman, William B. Lohman, R. E. Nelson, Earl Lyman Burns, Merion Bradford, Marion Bradford, H. J. Milgreth, H. G. Milgreth, Howard Milgreth, E. L. Burnes, Ray Hall, Dan Murphy, "Chi" Karpis, Raymond Hadley, Albin Karpis, "James", Charles M. Bronson, Leroy Morrison, E. M. Wagner, H. G. Wagner, H. G. Waggoner, Elmer Wagner, E. N. Wagner, Edward H. Wagner, L. O. Woods, A. S. Green, S. A. Green, Ray Green, E. N. Green, Charles A. Richards, W. B. Lohman, "Slim", Raymond Alvin Karpis, Ray Carson, T. N. Nelson, R. J. Burns, Ray Hadley, R. S. Carson, Hayes, Elray N. Beaudry, C. W. Brand, W. H. Lohman, William C. Lohman, N. O. Bell, Doc Day, Doc, Ed Woods, Frank Guthrie, Ray Miller, Ed King, E. F. Collins, Edw. O'Hara, Frank A. Gleason E. Collins, Sonny Miller, O. Ames, Chas. Miller, H. L. Burns, F. M. Dawson, R. G. Hayes, Jr.;

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EDWARD FRANCIS MCGRAW;

CLARA MCGRAW;

MILTON LETT, aliases: J. M. Lett, J. M. Letz, Thomas J. Shaw; Carl Baker;

JOHN BROCK, aliases: John Brack, J. D. Adams, J. C. Creighton, Harold Johnson, T. F. Evans;

SAM COKER, aliases: Robert Pratt, Tommy Pratt, Tommy Coleman, Ralph Pool, Ralph Nelson;

JOSEPH H. ADAMS, aliases: Joe E. Adams, Joe Adams;

HENDRY RANDALL, aliases: Henry Randall, Duke Randall,  
Henry Stern;

ARTHUR R. BARKER, aliases: "Doc Barker, Claude Dale,  
Bob Barker, E. L. Murray, J. H. Murray,  
A. S. Hunter, Dock Barker, Claude Barker,  
Arthur Barker, F. E. Gordon, H. J. Harvey,  
James, Ray Gordon, Joe, Shorty, Henry,  
Dock Barker, H. J. Morley;

JOHN F. GORMAN, aliases: Sharkey Gorman, Sharkey, Smokey Sharkey.

FRED JOHN HUNTER, aliases: Fred John Henderson, Fred Harris,  
Gred King, H. J. King, Harold King, Edward  
O'Hara.

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Burns Garby, B. G. Grayson, Benson Graves,  
Benjamin Grayson, B. J. Greyson, Burns Corby,  
"Soup" Groves.

EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, VICTIM.

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This report is supplementary to the summary report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn dated at Cleveland, Ohio, October 25, 1936.

During the late spring and summer of 1934 the various members of the Barker-Karpis gang moved from Toledo, Ohio, and Grand Forest Beach, Ohio, to Cleveland, Ohio, as has been stated hereinbefore.

On May 20, 1934 Fred Barker and Paula Harmon, as Mr. and Mrs. J. Earl Matterson, rented an apartment in a building known as 10515 Parkhurst Avenue, and also 10615 Florian Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio. They resided at this place until August 16, 1934 and during part of July and August Harry Sawyer and his wife, Gladys Sawyer, lived with them.

During May 1934, Alvin Karpis and Dolores Delaney came to Cleveland and resided in an apartment building, the location of which is unknown. On June 8, 1934 Alvin Karpis and the Delaney woman, as Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Milgreth, rented a house at 18109 Flamingo Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, from the William J. Mitchell Real Estate Organization, and continued to live at this address until July 6, 1934.

On July 6, 1934 Alvin Karpis and Dolores Delaney, as Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Milgreth, rented a house at 3973 West 140th Street from the Arthur W. Hebebrand Real Estate Organization. William J. Harrison resided with them at this address.

Fred Barker and Paula Harmon, as Mr. and Mrs. J. Earl Matterson, rented a house at 4419 West 171st Street, Cleveland, Ohio, on August 16, 1934, from the William J. Mitchell Real Estate Organization. Harry Sawyer, his wife and their small child, Francine Sawyer, also resided at this address.



On about August 21, 1934, Harry Campbell and Wynona Burdette, as Mr. and Mrs. George Wolcott, rented an apartment in the building at 7009 Franklin Boulevard, Cleveland, Ohio. Arthur R. "Doc" Barker also resided at this address with them.

During the late spring and summer of 1934, the fugitives, Alvin Karpis and Arthur R. "Doc" Barker, and other persons associated with them, frequented the Harvard Club, a notorious gambling establishment in Newburgh Heights, Ohio, a suburb of Cleveland, where they were apparently friendly with James "Shimmy" Patton, and Arthur W. Hebebrand, operators of the place. It is to be stated that Hebebrand was president of the Arthur W. Hebebrand Real Estate Organization and that Karpis rented his house at 3973 West 140th Street from this firm. It is also to be stated that Fred Barker rented his house at 4419 West 171st Street, and Karpis rented his house at 18109 Flamingo Avenue from the William J. Mitchell Real Estate Organization, and that William J. Mitchell, president of this firm, not only worked at the Harvard Club but had a financial interest in the place.

On September 5, 1934 Paula Harmon, Wynona Burdette, and Gladys Sawyer were arrested in the cocktail room of the Hotel Cleveland for drunk and disorderly conduct and on the night of their arrests their consorts and other men residing with them, fled after apparently having been furnished with information as to the arrests of the three women. Search of the premises occupied by the fugitives revealed data concerning their connections in Cleveland and vicinity. The three women were taken into custody by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and questioned at Chicago, Illinois, after which they were released.

An abstract of the criminal record of one Charles Carroll as issued by the Federal Bureau of Investigation at Washington, D. C. was found in the house at 3973 West 140th Street, which place had been occupied by Alvin Karpis. This record had been obtained by the Sheriff's office at Chardon, Ohio, for Frank J. Noonan of the Noonan Detective Agency, Cleveland, Ohio. Twelve pay envelopes of this agency were also found in the house, which had been occupied by Karpis.

A receipt for tailored shirts issued by the Thomas Shirt Company of Columbus, Ohio, was also found during a search of the house at 3973 West 140th Street, Cleveland, Ohio. G. S. Frambes, Sr. of this shirt company took orders for shirts from Fred Barker, Harry Campbell, and another man at the Harvard Club in Newburgh Heights, Ohio, on May 19, 1934, after a long distance telephone call had been received by him from Arthur W. Hebebrand requesting that he come to Cleveland to take such orders.

On November 28, 1934 Fred Barker, under the alias of T. C. Blackburn, wired some flowers to Arthur W. Hebebrand and "Shimmy" Patton at the Harvard Club through a florist in Ocala, Florida. At this time Fred Barker and his mother, Kate Barker, were residing in a house at Oklawaha, Florida, under the name of T. C. Blackburn.

During the late spring of 1934 the fugitives, Alvin Karpis and Arthur R. "Doc" Barker, as well as Charles J. Fitzgerald, William J. Harrison, Fred Barker, Dr. Joseph P. Moran, James J. Wilson, Harry Campbell frequented the house of prostitution operated by Edith Barry at 524 Southard Street, Toledo, Ohio, and availed themselves of the services of the prostitutes at this place, also drinking in the house and spending the night there on occasions.

During the spring, summer and fall of 1935 Milton Lett and Fred Hunter were employed at the Harvard Club in Newburgh Heights, Ohio, and while at this place they were in close contact with Arthur W. Hebebrand, James "Shimmy" Patton, John F. "Sharkey" Gorman, and Anthony "Tony" Amersbach, all of whom were connected with the operation of the gambling establishment.

On or about January 22, 1935 after they had shot their way out of the Danmor Hotel in Atlantic City, New Jersey, Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell went to Toledo and lived in the house of prostitution operated by Edith Barry at 524 Southard Street, for a period of ten days. During this period John F. "Sharkey" Gorman visited them on three different occasions and on the last visit he was accompanied by Fred Hunter, who remained over night.

During the early part of March 1935, Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell returned to the Barry house in Toledo, where they remained for two or three days.

On or about March 22, 1935, Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell again went to the house of Edith Barry in Toledo, where they remained for approximately one week or ten days.

John Brock arrived in Toledo, Ohio, from Tulsa, Oklahoma, on the early morning of March 23, 1935, and registered at the Lorraine Hotel under the name of T. F. Evans, where he remained until March 26, 1935. On about March 24, 1935, Harry Campbell and Lillian Merea, who is also known as Lou Poole, one of the inmates of the Barry house, contacted Brock, and Brock later visited the Barry house where he talked with both Karpis and Campbell. On March 26, 1935 John Brock and Lou Poole purchased a 1935 model Ford coupe for Harry Campbell from L. D. Arnold, Inc., Toledo, Ohio, trading in a 1933 model Ford coupe which Campbell had wrecked.

Some time between March 23, 1935 and March 26, 1935, John Brock made a trip to Cleveland, at the request of Alvin Karpis, and contacted John F. "Sharkey" Gorman at the Harvard Club relative to Gorman making a trip to Toledo to see Karpis, and concerning the rental of an apartment in Cleveland for Karpis. As a result of this contact John F. "Sharkey" Gorman visited Karpis and Campbell at the house of Edith Barry at Toledo.

On or about March 26, 1935 Fred Hunter visited Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell at the Barry house and on the occasion of this trip, John Brock returned to Cleveland with Hunter and Brock registered at the Gordon Square Hotel in Cleveland under the name of T. F. Evans, the date of this registration being March 26, 1935.

On March 26, 1935 Fred Hunter rented apartment #4, 4720 Bridge Avenue, Cleveland, and thereafter for a period of several weeks Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter resided in this apartment. During this period John Brock visited the apartment on several occasions.

During the period of March 23 to 26, 1935, while John Brock was registered at the Lorraine Hotel, Toledo, he visited the house of Edith Barry on several occasions and on the last two occasions he met Joe Roscoe at the house in the company of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell.

During the period of March 26 to 31, 1935, Joe Roscoe, John F. "Sharkey" Gorman and John Brock visited numerous buildings in and about the vicinity of Cleveland, in an effort to locate a hideout to be used by Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell and others after the robbery of the mail truck at Warren, Ohio, which robbery was actually perpetrated on April 25, 1935.

Early in June 1935, Lou Poole visited with Alvin Karpis and Edith Barry at the Barry house in Toledo, and on this occasion Edith Barry gave Lou Poole \$50.00, which she said was from Harry Campbell, and on this same date these two women visited with both Karpis and Campbell at the Barry house.

On September 17, 1935 Fred Hunter traded the 1935 Ford coupe which had been purchased for Harry Campbell at Toledo, Ohio, to the Manning-Marino Motor Company, Youngstown, Ohio, on a Hudson coupe, this car being obtained for Harry Campbell.

On October 25, 1935 Milton Lett purchased at the Knowles-Browne, Inc., Plymouth dealers, Cleveland, Ohio, a Plymouth sedan, gray in color, with a trunk on the rear, this car being used in the robbery of a mail train at Garrettsville, Ohio, on November 7, 1935, by Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, Fred Hunter, John Brock and Benson Groves.

During the latter part of October 1935, and the first few days in November 1935, Alvin Karpis lived at the house of Edith Barry in Toledo for several days and during this period he was visited by a man named Joe and by Benson Groves, Edith Barry and Lou Poole being at the house on the occasion of these visits.

During the last week in October 1935 Joe Roscoe arranged a contact between Alvin Karpis and John Zetzer at Port Clinton, Ohio, as to the chartering of an airplane to be used on a trip down south and at the time Karpis talked

with Zetzer, Roscoe was present.

On November 1, 1935 Fred Hunter sold the Hudson coupe which he had purchased on September 17, 1935 for Harry Campbell to the Manning-Marino Motor Company at Youngstown, Ohio.

On or about November 4, 1935 Fred Hunter contacted John Brock at Tulsa, Oklahoma and they travelled to Cleveland, Ohio, via train, together, Brock going to Toledo from Cleveland, where he registered at the Lorraine Hotel on November 6, 1935 under the name of T. F. Evans, and Hunter going to Youngstown, Ohio, where he secured an automobile, and then proceeded to Toledo, arriving during the day of November 6, 1935.

During the early part of November 1935 Fred Hunter and Alvin Karpis contacted John Zetzer at Port Clinton, Ohio, regarding the chartering of an airplane for a trip to the south.

On November 6, 1935 Fred Hunter and Alvin Karpis visited John Zetzer at Port Clinton and gave him \$100 to be used in the purchase of an airplane and made arrangements to meet him at the garage on the night of November 7, 1935.

On the late afternoon of November 6, 1935 Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, Fred Hunter, John Brock, and Benson Groves met at the home of Edward McGraw, 2011 $\frac{1}{2}$  Adams Street, Toledo, Ohio, where they planned the robbery of the mail train to be committed on the following day.

On the night of November 6, 1935 Fred Hunter, Alvin Karpis and John Brock drove to the farm of Clyde Rochat located near Newton Falls, Ohio, where arrangements were made for Brock to spend the night.

On the night of November 6, 1935 Benson Groves and Harry Campbell drove from Toledo, Ohio, to the farm of Clyde Rochat near Newton Falls, Ohio, and spent the night at this place, together with John Brock.

On the afternoon of November 7, 1935 Harry Campbell, John Brock, and Benson Groves were driven from the Rochat farm

by Clyde Rochat to a nearby point on the road known as Four Corners where they met Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter and thereafter on the same afternoon proceeded to Garrettsville, Ohio, where they robbed a mail train. On the night of November 7, 1935 Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, Fred Hunter, John Brock and Benson Groves met Joe Roscoe at a point on the road near Port Clinton, Ohio, and all of these persons proceeded to the garage at Port Clinton, Ohio, operated by John Zetzer, where, in the presence of Zetzer and Joe Roscoe, the loot of the mail robbery at Garrettsville, Ohio, was divided and the mail bags and mail were burned.

Joe Roscoe, Benson Groves and Harry Campbell drove from the Zetzer garage at Port Clinton to Toledo on the night of November 7, 1935 in Roscoe's automobile.

Fred Hunter, John Brock and Alvin Karpis spent the night of November 7, 1935 at the home of John Zetzer on Laurel Avenue in Port Clinton, Ohio.

On the morning of November 8, 1935, Fred Hunter, John Brock and Alvin Karpis were driven by George Zetzer, brother of John Zetzer from the house where they had spent the night to the airport on the outskirts of Port Clinton, Ohio.

On November 8, 1935 Fred Hunter, John Brock and Alvin Karpis left Port Clinton, Ohio, in an airplane piloted by John Zetzer and thereafter travelled to Hot Springs, Arkansas for the purpose of avoiding apprehension. Karpis and Hunter left this plane at Hot Springs, Arkansas, and Brock thereafter proceeded in the plane piloted by John Zetzer to Tulsa, Oklahoma, where he paid Zetzer for the trip.

- SUMMARY OF EVENTS BY DATES -

1932 and 1933	Fred Hunter lived at home of Clyde Rochat in Leavittsburg, Ohio.
Late Spring 1934	Karpis, Doc Barker, Fitzgerald, Harrison, Fred Barker, Doc Moran, Wilson and Campbell frequented Edith Barry house, Toledo.
May 17, 1934	Art Hebebrand called Thomas Shirt Company, Columbus, Ohio, re some friends ordering shirts.
May 19, 1934	Fred Barker, Campbell and third man ordered shirts at Harvard Club.
May 20, 1934 to August 16, 1934	Fred Barker and Paula Harmon had apartment at 10615 Florian Avenue, Cleveland. Gladys and Harry Sawyer lived with them part of time.
June 8, 1934 to July 6, 1934	Alvin Karpis and Dolores Delaney had house at 18109 Flamingo Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.
June 23, 1934	Harry and Gladys Sawyer arrived at Cleveland and registered at Hotel Cleveland.
Summer of 1934	Karpis and Harrison frequented speakeasy operated by Charles Sellers near Harvard Club.
July 6, 1934 to Sept. 5, 1934.	Alvin Karpis and Dolores Delaney had house at 3977 W. 140th Street, Cleveland. Harrison lived with them.
July and Aug. 1934	Gladys Sawyer was referred to Dr. John E. Hannibal by person at Harvard Club and was treated by him.
July 11, 1934	Shirts from Thomas Shirt Company, Columbus, Ohio, delivered to consignee at post office, Cleveland, Ohio.

About July 23, 1934	Frank J. Noonan requested Fred Spohn, Deputy Sheriff, Chardon, Ohio, to secure criminal record of Charles Carroll and same was secured and delivered to Noonan.
Aug. 16, 1934 to Sept. 5, 1934	Fred Barker and Paula Harmon had house at 4419 West 171st Street, Cleveland. Harry and Gladys Sawyer lived with them.
Aug. 21, 1934 to Sept. 5, 1934	Harry Campbell, Wynona Burdette and Doc Barker had apartment at 7009 Franklin Boulevard, Cleveland, Ohio.
Sept. 5, 1934	Gladys Sawyer, Paula Harmon, and Wynona Burdette arrested in Hotel Cleveland following which their consorts fled.
Sept. 5, 1934	Paula Harmon called <sup>for</sup> Shimmy Patton while under arrest in Cleveland jail.
Sept. 5, 1934	Detectives Hugo and Jacobs of Cleveland Police Department interviewed Hebebrand and Patton at Harvard Club regarding identities of consorts of three women under arrest.
Sept. 7, 1934	Criminal record of Charles Carroll; twelve pay envelopes of Noonan Detective Agency, and shirts made by Thomas Shirt Company found during search of house at 3973 West 140th Street, Cleveland, where Karpis lived.
September 7, 1934	Shirts made by Thomas Shirt Company, Columbus, Ohio, found during search of house at 4419 West 171st Street, Cleveland, where Fred Barker lived.
Nov. 28, 1934	Fred Barker telegraphed flowers to Hebebrand and Patton at Harvard Club from Ocala, Fla.
Jan. 22, 1935 to Feb. 1, 1935	Karpis and Campbell lived at Edith Barry house, Toledo; Sharkey Gorman visited them three times in company with Fred Hunter on one occasion.



February 1935	Karpis and Campbell lived at Rochat home in Leavittsburg, Ohio, for about one week.
Early March 1935	Karpis and Campbell spent two or three days at Edith Barry house, Toledo.
March 1935	John Brock introduced to Karpis and Campbell near Tulsa, bu Burrhead Keady.
March 22-26, 1935	John Brock registered at Lorraine Hotel, Toledo.
March 22-26, 1935	Karpis and Campbell lived at Edith Barry house, Toledo, and were visited by Brock, Roscoe, Gorman and Hunter.
About March 24, 1935	Brock contacted Sharkey Gorman, Harvard Club, Cleveland, Ohio, and Gorman visited Karpis and Campbell at Edith Barry house, Toledo.
March 26, 1935 to April 2, 1935	Brock registered at Gordon Square Hotel, Cleveland, Ohio.
March 26, 1935	Fred Hunter rented apartment for Karpis at 4720 Bridge Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.
April 25, 1935	Warren, Ohio mail truck robbery perpetrated.
Spring, summer, fall of 1935	Fred Hunter and Milton Lett in employ of Harvard Club, Cleveland, Ohio.
Early June 1935	Karpis and Campbell spent short time at Edith Barry house, Toledo.
Sept. 17, 1935	Fred Hunter traded in 1935 Ford coupe for Harry Campbell at Manning-Marino Motor Co., Youngstown, Ohio, on 1935 Hudson coupe.
Oct. 19, 1935	1934 Ford coupe, motor #18-888666 purchased at Universal Motor Sales Co., Akron, Ohio.
Oct. 25, 1935	Lett, purchased Plymouth sedan used in Garrettsville mail train robbery at Knowles-Browne, Inc., Cleveland, Ohio.

Late Oct. and early November 1935.	Karpis lived at Edith Barry house, Toledo, and was visited by Joe Roscoe and Benson Groves.
Late Oct. 1935	Joe Roscoe introduced Karpis to John Zetzer at Port Clinton, Ohio.
November 1, 1935	Fred Hunter resold 1935 Hudson coupe to Manning-Marino Motor Co., Youngstown, Ohio.
Early Nov. 1935	Fred Hunter and Alvin Karpis contacted John Zetzer at Port Clinton, Ohio, regarding chartering of airplane.
November 4, 1935	Fred Hunter contacted John Brock at Tulsa, Oklahoma; travelled to Cleveland, Ohio, with him, later proceeding to Toledo, Ohio after securing automobile.
Nov. 5-6, 1935	John Brock registered at Lorraine Hotel, Toledo.
November 6, 1935	Hunter and Karpis contacted John Zetzer at Port Clinton; made arrangements for chartering of airplane for trip to south; paid him \$100 at this time.
November 6, 1935	Karpis, Campbell, Hunter, Brock and Groves met at home of Edward McGraw, 2011 1/2 Adams Street, Toledo, and planned mail robbery.
November 6, 1935	Hunter, Karpis and Brock drove from Toledo to Rochat farm near Newton Falls, Ohio, where Brock spent the night.
November 6, 1935	Harry Campbell and Benson Groves drove from Toledo to Rochat farm near Newton Falls, Ohio, where they spent the night.
November 7, 1935	1934 Ford coupe, motor #18-888666 left at Rochat farm by Harry Campbell.

November 7, 1935	Karpis, Campbell, Hunter, Brock and Groves participated in Garrettsville mail robbery; proceeded to Port Clinton, Ohio, where they met Joe Roscoe and divided loot.
November 7, 1935	Roscoe, Campbell and Groves drove from Port Clinton, Ohio, to Toledo, Ohio.
November 7, 1935	Karpis, Hunter and Brock stayed at John Zetzer home at Port Clinton, Ohio, over night.
November 8, 1935	Karpis, Hunter and Brock left Port Clinton, Ohio, via airplane for Hot Springs, Ark.
May 1, 1936	Fred Hunter arrested with Alvin Karpis by Agents of Federal Bureau of Investigation at New Orleans, La.
May 27, 1936	Fred Hunter sentenced to two years at Atlanta, Georgia penitentiary for conspiracy to harbor Alvin Karpis.

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(THIS REFERS TO THE PRIOR  
ACTIVITY OF BUREAU  
CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT  
EDITH BARRY BEFORE SHE  
ACTED AS AN INFORMANT)

LILLIAN MERECA

Haddon Road,  
Toledo, Ohio

This witness will testify with reference to:

ALVIN KARPIS  
CHARLES J. FITZGERALD  
WILLIAM J. HARRISON  
FRED BARKER  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN  
JAMES J. WILSON  
HARRY CAMPBELL  
FRED HUNTER  
JOHN F. "SHARKEY" GORMAN  
JOSEPH ROSCOE  
BENSON GROVES  
JOHN BROCK  
EDITH BARRY  
FRANK P. GREENWALD  
TED ANGUS  
BERT ANGUS

Will testify that she is presently twenty six years  
of age and living with her husband, Charles Merea, whom she  
remarried on January 18, 1936, having previously divorced  
him on July 19, 1935.

That she worked as a prostitute in the house of  
prostitution owned and operated by Edith Barry at 524  
Southard Street, Toledo, Ohio, from about January 1, 1934,  
until about April 9, 1935, and from about August 1, 1935  
to November 15, 1935.

That while working as a prostitute in the house of  
Edith Barry in the late Spring of 1934, on one occasion

three men called at the house to avail themselves of prostitutes, whom she is now able to identify as being ALVIN KARPIS, CHARLES J. FITZGERALD and WILLIAM J. HARRISON. That about two weeks later CHARLES J. FITZGERALD and WILLIAM J. HARRISON came to the house with another man whom she is now able to identify as being FRED BARKER. That these men availed themselves of prostitutes in the house, including herself. That further during the late Spring of 1934, the persons she now knows as DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN and JAMES WILSON visited this house of prostitution for the purpose of having sexual relations with the prostitutes there and that most of these men mentioned by her during this particular period of the late Spring of 1934 paid several visits to the house.

That during this period EDITH BARRY, DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, FRANK GREENWALD and she went to the Casino Club, operated by Bert and Ted Angus, on the occasion of the grand re-opening celebration of that Club in May 1934 and that it is her best belief that both BERT ANGUS and TED ANGUS were present at the Club on this night. That one night during this period FRANK GREENWALD brought two men to EDITH BARRY'S place in one of his Private Cabs, both of whom were quite intoxicated and on this occasion GREENWALD came upstairs and told her not to recognize him in front of these two men. That she did not get a very good look at one of the men, who left almost immediately, but is able to identify the other man, who was known as "Buff" or "Buck", as HARRY CAMPBELL. That she entertained HARRY CAMPBELL that night.

That FRANK GREENWALD and EDITH BARRY were very close friends and that the Private Cabs of GREENWALD were used almost exclusively by EDITH BARRY and by patrons of EDITH BARRY'S house of prostitution. That EDITH BARRY told her that TED ANGUS had OK'd the bill of DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN at the BARRY woman's house of prostitution, but that after he had run up quite a bill, TED ANGUS repudiated this obligation.

That following the late Spring and Summer of 1934, she next saw HARRY CAMPBELL and ALVIN KARPIS at the EDITH BARRY house in late January 1935, and that when they arrived at the house at about 1:00 A.M., they were both very haggard in appearance, were unkempt and unshaven and not fully clothed for winter in that they did not wear topcoats or overcoats, nor did they have hats or ties. That they were admitted to

the house by EDITH BARRY who immediately ushered them into EDITH BARRY'S room and remained with them for sometime. That on this particular occasion she finished her tour of duty at 4:00 A.M. and went home.

That she returned to the EDITH BARRY house of prostitution the next night at about 7:00 P.M. and that that night HARRY CAMPBELL purchased her services for the night. That KARPIS and CAMPBELL thereafter remained at EDITH BARRY'S house of prostitution for approximately ten days and remained in the room they were occupying almost constantly with the door closed and their meals were served to them in their room. That she spent practically all of her time at EDITH BARRY'S house during this period of time, waiting on ALVIN KARPIS and HARRY CAMPBELL.

During this ten day period a man she is able to identify from a photograph as JOHN F. "SHARKEY" GORMAN and who was called "SHARKEY", visited KARPIS and CAMPBELL, coming to the house in a Green Graham Sedan and on this occasion she drove this Graham Sedan away from in front of the EDITH BARRY house of prostitution and parked it elsewhere. That "SHARKEY" talked to KARPIS and CAMPBELL in their room for an hour or so and then left. That he returned alone a night or two later and stayed overnight, going to bed with a prostitute who was called "Peaches". That on this occasion GORMAN talked with KARPIS and CAMPBELL alone in their room. That he again appeared at the EDITH BARRY house a day or two later and on this occasion, he was accompanied by a man whom she is able to identify from a photograph as being FRED HUNTER and who was called "Freddie". That GORMAN and HUNTER engaged in private conversation with CAMPBELL and KARPIS in a bedroom. That GORMAN on this occasion did not remain overnight but HUNTER, however, remained overnight, sleeping with the prostitute known as "Peaches".

That a day or two thereafter KARPIS and CAMPBELL left EDITH BARRY'S place in the evening and both she and EDITH BARRY told them goodbye in the parlor downstairs. That some person called for them but she did not see this person inasmuch as the individual did not enter the house. That on this occasion KARPIS and CAMPBELL told EDITH BARRY that they would return within twenty-one days.

That during the above mentioned ten day period of time that KARPIS and CAMPBELL were at EDITH BARRY'S house she heard them talking with reference to a person called "Coolie", but that she never ascertained about whom they were talking.

That also during this ten day period KARPIS, CAMPBELL and EDITH BARRY frequently talked of "GREENIE" (FRANK P. GREENWALD) who operated the Private Cab Company and he called at the house on several occasions in response to telephone calls from EDITH BARRY at the request of KARPIS and CAMPBELL; that on these occasions GREENWALD endeavored to get in touch with a man called JOE at the 42nd Street Cafe, who, EDITH BARRY told her, was the husband of Ganey Broadway. That GREENWALD had difficulty in getting in touch with JOE and returned on several occasions stating that he had been unable to find him. That during this period, however, a man called JOE did come to the BARRY house and talk with KARPIS and CAMPBELL, but that she did not see this man JOE; that he remained with KARPIS and CAMPBELL for about an hour and left.

That it is her opinion that this man referred to as JOE is JOE ROSCOE of Toledo, Ohio, but that she cannot state this positively, never having personally seen this man at the house. That about March 1, 1935, KARPIS and CAMPBELL again came to EDITH BARRY'S house of prostitution, at which time they were both griny, unshaven and apparently worn out. That on this occasion they remained two or three days and they had no visitors during this period. That about three weeks after, on or about March 22, 1935, KARPIS and CAMPBELL again came to EDITH BARRY'S house where they remained about a week or ten days, arriving there in the evening, at which time HARRY CAMPBELL was noticeably intoxicated. That they mentioned that they had been involved in an automobile accident and that at their request she drove their damaged Ford coupe from in front of EDITH BARRY'S house of prostitution to the garage of the Lyman D. Arnold Company at 10th and Adams Streets.

That on the following day she at the request of EDITH BARRY, ALVIN KARPIS and HARRY CAMPBELL, went to the Lyman D. Arnold Company and obtained an estimate of the trade in value of the damaged car and the cost of a new Ford coupe.

That on this day, after it had gotten dark, she went out with HARRY CAMPBELL and at his request called a T.F. Evans at the Lorain Hotel, requesting him to meet her on the corner, which he did, and was talked to by HARRY CAMPBELL.

That she is now able to identify this individual as being JOHN BROCK. That after talking with him for awhile, she and HARRY CAMPBELL returned to EDITH BARRY'S place where they spent the night.

That the following morning at the suggestion of HARRY CAMPBELL, she contacted JOHN BROCK at the Lorain Hotel and he accompanied her to the Lymand D. Arnold Ford Company, where a new 1935 model coupe was purchased by JOHN BROCK for HARRY CAMPBELL, trading in the damaged Ford coupe. That previous to leaving the house on that morning, HARRY CAMPBELL had given her \$400.00, which she gave to JOHN BROCK, who in turn paid for the car with it. That they secured the new car and she drove JOHN BROCK to EDITH BARRY'S house, where he went upstairs and talked in the bedroom with KARPIS and CAMPBELL and EDITH, and after remaining for two or three hours, left the house.

That she and HARRY CAMPBELL became very attached to each other and she decided to leave with HARRY CAMPBELL, at the latter's request, but that EDITH BARRY objected to this and stated that it would be necessary for JOE (JOE ROSCOE) to sanction this and that as a result of this objection, she never left with HARRY CAMPBELL. That during this period she recalls that a man who was called JOE came to visit HARRY CAMPBELL, but that she did not see this man on this occasion, merely hearing his name called. That on the occasion of this visit of JOE, KARPIS left the house with him and that later in the evening EDITH BARRY left the house, stating that she was going on an automobile trip to Chicago, Illinois, with her niece, Rose, and that thereafter she and HARRY CAMPBELL proceeded to become intoxicated.

That on the following day EDITH BARRY and her niece, Rose, returned to the house. That very shortly thereafter, CAMPBELL left.

That a day or two thereafter, which was in the early part of April 1935, KARPIS and CAMPBELL again returned to EDITH BARRY'S house, arriving separately and remained a day or two at this time and left together one morning, each carrying a suitcase.

That during the occasions of the visits of KARPIS and CAMPBELL to EDITH BARRY'S house, she observed them in possession of revolvers and she also saw a submachine gun on the floor under the bed in their bedroom.



That during the last visit of CAMPBELL and KARPIS to EDITH BARRY'S house, when they remained for a few days in the early part of April 1935, they were visited by GORMAN, who arrived at the house late one evening, remained for a couple hours and then left. That FRED HUNTER also called at the house to visit them and remained overnight with the prostitute named "Peaches". That during this period she observed a magazine at EDITH BARRY'S house of prostitution, containing an article dealing with ALVIN KARPIS and HARRY CAMPBELL, which magazine article contained photographs of these two men and mentioned the fact that they were wanted for kidnaping by the Government, as well as also being wanted for other crimes, and that she recognized these photographs as being the photographs of ALVIN KARPIS, who was generally called "Sonny", and HARRY CAMPBELL, who was generally called "Buff" at the EDITH BARRY house.

That about this time she was having domestic troubles with her husband and went to Detroit, Michigan, with EDITH BARRY and the latter's niece, Rose, and secured a position as a prostitute there. That on this occasion the three of them had lunch at Detroit, Michigan, and she showed EDITH BARRY a photograph of Wynona Burdette, which she found in her bedroom at EDITH BARRY'S house shortly after KARPIS and CAMPBELL left on the occasion of their last mentioned visit there and on the occasion of her showing this photograph to EDITH BARRY at Detroit, EDITH BARRY told her, "Now you know why I didn't want you to get mixed up with 'Buff'." That on Easter Sunday in April 1935, she visited EDITH BARRY'S house of prostitution, at which time EDITH BARRY told her that "Sonny" (ALVIN KARPIS) was in the house, but she did not see him on this occasion.

That in the first part of June 1935 she visited EDITH BARRY at Toledo, Ohio, and met ALVIN KARPIS in the house. That on this occasion EDITH BARRY gave her \$50.00 which she said CAMPBELL had left for her to help finance her divorce proceedings from her husband. That she and KARPIS drank considerable beer on this occasion and he asked her if she would like to see CAMPBELL and when she replied in the affirmative, he went upstairs and after about two hours HARRY CAMPBELL arrived at the house. That she, KARPIS and CAMPBELL drank beer until about 10:00 o'clock that night and went upstairs. That shortly thereafter HARRY CAMPBELL left the house, stating he could not remain overnight. That KARPIS, however, did remain overnight.

That on or about July 19, 1935, she received her final divorce papers from her husband and about three weeks thereafter returned to work at EDITH BARRY'S house of prostitution, at which time EDITH BARRY told her that she, EDITH BARRY, had been leading a very hard life during the past four months, stating that she had been couped up in the house with ALVIN KARPIS all during that period. That in the last part of October 1935, ALVIN KARPIS returned to EDITH BARRY'S house and remained there several days and shortly after KARPIS arrived, she was in her room one night when two men called and she heard EDITH BARRY address these men as JOE and BEN and these two men talked with KARPIS in the front bedroom for about an hour. That during this period she observed a man come into the house who looked very much like JOHN BROCK, although she cannot positively state that it was BROCK. That ALVIN KARPIS, after remaining a few days, left the house.

That a few days after KARPIS left, an elderly man came, whom she is able to identify positively from photograph as being BENSON GROVES. That this man was called "Ben" by EDITH BARRY and on the occasion of this visit, she was sexually intimate with "Ben". That EDITH BARRY told her that GROVES had very recently gotten out of some penitentiary and was practically penniless. That thereafter GROVES called at the house about three times during the ensuing two weeks. That he was always alone on the occasions of these visits and generally spoke privately with EDITH BARRY. That on one of these subsequent visits, she, LILLIAN MEREA, had sexual relations with this man.

That about this time, which would be somewhere around the latter part of October 1935, at EDITH BARRY'S suggestion, she, EDITH BARRY and GREENWALD went to the 42nd Street Cafe on at least two occasions, where she observed BENSON GROVES. That, however, JOE ROSCOE, was not present in the 42nd Street Cafe at any of these times.

That in the latter part of October 1935 or the first part of November 1935, EDITH BARRY left the house and stated that she expected "Freddie" (FRED HUNTER) and another man, who would call at the house and described the latter man as having a number of gold teeth in front and being half Indian and who was supposed to be wealthy, having an interest in oil wells; that that night about 9:00 o'clock, FRED HUNTER and a middle aged man, answering the description given by EDITH

BARRY, came to the house. That later that evening EDITH BARRY returned and talked with them in the front room. That both of these men remained overnight, but did not avail themselves of any of the prostitutes of the house.

That about November 15, 1935, she gave up her job at EDITH BARRY'S house and has not returned to that place since that time.

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(The pertinent information furnished by LILLIAN MEREA is contained in the signed statement dated at Toledo, Ohio, October 21, 1936, secured from her by John L. Madala and D.P. Sullivan, Special Agents, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice, 1448 Standard Building, Cleveland, Ohio. This signed statement is contained in the files of the Cleveland Bureau Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and will be available to the United States Attorney at the time of the trial.)

MARIE GALLUP

2711 W. Wells St.,  
Milwaukee, Wis.

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(THIS REFERS TO THE PRIOR ACTIVITY OF  
BUREAU CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT EDITH  
BARRY BEFORE SHE ACTED AS AN INFORMANT.)

Will testify with reference to the following named  
individuals:

EDITH BARRY  
CHARLES J. FITZGERALD  
WILLIAM J. HARRISON  
ALVIN KARPIS  
HARRY CAMPBELL  
BERT ANGUS

as follows:

That she is 37 years of age and a widow, her husband having died in 1921; that she came to Toledo, Ohio, in 1923 and went to work in a house of prostitution operated by Clara Miller; that shortly thereafter she became acquainted with EDITH BARRY and went to work at her house, located at 524 Southard Ave., Toledo, and worked as a prostitute at EDITH BARRY's place from that time until April 7, 1935, when she left Toledo, Ohio, and established residence in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

That she is able to identify photographs of CHARLES J. FITZGERALD and WILLIAM J. HARRISON as those of two individuals known to her as "the old man" and "Willie" respectively; that they called "Willie" a golf professional and "the old man" was lame and walked with the aid of a cane; that she first saw these two men some time during the month of June 1934, on the occasion of their coming to EDITH BARRY's house of prostitution to avail themselves of girls; that she prostituted herself with CHARLES J. FITZGERALD and a prostitute of the house by the name of Lu entertained WILLIAM J. HARRISON; that on this first occasion CHARLES J. FITZGERALD gave her \$30.00 for her services.

That she next saw WILLIAM J. HARRISON and CHARLES J. FITZGERALD approximately one month later when they again came to EDITH BARRY's house of prostitution; that they remained over night on this occasion with Lu and herself; that on the following day the four of them went to the Casino Club at the suggestion of CHARLES J. FITZGERALD and WILLIAM J. HARRISON; that they stayed

at the Casino Club only about two hours and that on this occasion BERT ANGUS tended bar and waited on them; that on this occasion they all became intoxicated and FITZGERALD at the Casino Club threw a ham sandwich against a mirror behind the bar.

That some time during the month of August 1934, CHARLES J. FITZGERALD again came to EDITH BARRY's place; that on this occasion he was accompanied by two individuals whom she had never seen before and who she now identifies from photographs as being ALVIN KARPIS and HARRY CAMPBELL; that these three men, namely CHARLES J. FITZGERALD, ALVIN KARPIS, who was known to her at that time as "Sonny Boy", and HARRY CAMPBELL, who was known to her as "Buff", arrived at the house about 11 P.M. and that EDITH BARRY let them in; that thereafter EDITH BARRY called Lu and herself downstairs to entertain the men.

That CHARLES J. FITZGERALD went to bed with her and that HARRY CAMPBELL went to bed with the girl prostitute known as Lu; that on this occasion KARPIS said he was very tired from shooting craps and so he went to bed by himself; that all three of the men remained over night and left the following morning; that on this occasion EDITH BARRY said that KARPIS did not avail himself of a girl because he was suffering from gonorrhea which he had contracted from some prostitute and as a result felt very bitter towards prostitutes in general and that further KARPIS was very much in love with his wife.

That on Saturday, January 19, 1935, at Toledo, Ohio, she broke her wrist; she recalls that within a day or two thereafter, KARPIS, whom she knew as Sonny Boy, and CAMPBELL, whom she knew as Buff, were in the kitchen of EDITH BARRY's place when she entered the house; that on this occasion EDITH BARRY told her that she was glad that the "boys" came back as they were good spenders.

That at this time KARPIS and CAMPBELL remained at EDITH BARRY's place for approximately one week, occupying the spare bed room located on the east side in the front of the house; that her bathroom connected with their room; that during this period of time KARPIS and CAMPBELL remained in their room most of the time but occasionally came downstairs to drink and play the phonograph and radio; that during this time EDITH BARRY frequently served them drinks in their room and on occasions would serve them their meals there; that on occasions KARPIS and CAMPBELL would eat downstairs;

that EDITH BARRY made up their bed and cleaned their room; that she did not see them leave but recalls that they did stay about a week and that when she missed them she asked EDITH BARRY if they had gone and EDITH replied in the affirmative.

During this particular time in January 1935, the prostitute named Lu had frequent sexual relations with HARRY CAMPBELL and that as a matter of fact HARRY CAMPBELL was apparently infatuated with this prostitute Lu and "bought" her at such times as he came to the house and brought her presents; that KARPIS however never had anything to do with any of the prostitutes in the house at this time; that during this period of time KARPIS and CAMPBELL usually remained in the house all day but would go out at night between 8 and 9 o'clock but would return within an hour.

That she next saw KARPIS and CAMPBELL at EDITH BARRY's place about two days prior to her birthday, which was on March 29, 1935; that at this time KARPIS and CAMPBELL remained at EDITH BARRY'S place approximately 3 or 4 days; that ALVIN KARPIS gave her \$20.00 on her birthday as a present and HARRY CAMPBELL and Lu bought her a silk night gown.

That on or about April 5, 1935, she purchased a quantity of detective magazines and in one of these observed and immediately recognized the photograph of ALVIN KARPIS as the man who had been frequenting EDITH BARRY's place and known to her as Sonny Boy; that this particular magazine article referred to ALVIN KARPIS as public enemy No. 1 and that he was wanted for the Bremer kidnapping; that this was the first intimation she had of the identity of the man known as Sonny Boy and that she naturally became very greatly frightened and left EDITH BARRY's place two days later, going to Milwaukee, Wisconsin; that she did not discuss this matter with any one at EDITH BARRY's place; that upon leaving EDITH BARRY's place she left the magazine behind her in the house.

That she was known at EDITH BARRY's place by the name of "Peaches" and that in addition to her name as Marie Gallup, she is also some times known as Marie Butler, the latter being a stage name used by her husband, deceased, - he was an actor.

(The pertinent information provided by Marie Gallup, alias Marie Butler, alias "Peaches", set out above, is contained in a signed, sworn statement, dated at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, September 22, 1936, witnessed by John L. Madala and T. G. Melvin, Special Agents, Federal Bureau of Investigation, who interviewed this woman.)

Will, in addition to those facts set out above which are in her signed statement, testify to the following information which she provided to Special Agents John L. Madala and T. G. Melvin;

That on such occasions as KARPIS and CAMPBELL visited the EDITH BARRY house of prostitution in Toledo, Ohio, she observed EDITH BARRY and the prostitute Lu playing cards with them in their room; that these men spent a great deal of money at EDITH BARRY's place; that EDITH BARRY charged them \$1.00 a drink for whiskey and \$.50 for a bottle of beer or coca cola; that KARPIS and CAMPBELL were usually drunk every night while at the EDITH BARRY house.

That EDITH BARRY told her that KARPIS and CAMPBELL were gamblers from the Jovial Club; that EDITH BARRY at no time explained why KARPIS and CAMPBELL were living at the BARRY home as they did; that on the whole their presence at the EDITH BARRY house under the circumstances that surrounded their presence there was most unusual; that inasmuch as KARPIS had no sexual relations with any prostitute in the house he spent a great deal of his time in his room and also in the living room of the house, playing the nickel phonograph machine or the radio.

MYRTLE LOIS PRICE

c/o Marie Gallup,  
2711 W. Wells St.,  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

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BUREAU CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT EDITH  
BARRY BEFORE SHE ACTED AS AN INFORMANT.)

Will testify

That she first went to work for EDITH BARRY, Toledo, Ohio, as a prostitute in the early part of the year 1930; that at that time EDITH BARRY had from four to six girls working in a house; that she recalls meeting Marie Gallup, who was known as Peaches Butler, for the first time at the EDITH BARRY house, where Peaches was working as a prostitute; that she, Myrtle Price, remained with EDITH BARRY at that time for only about a year, when she went to work prostituting in Pittsburgh, Pa.; that she returned to Toledo in either 1932 or 1933, and again went to work for EDITH BARRY; that on this occasion she stayed six months and returned to Pittsburgh; that thereafter EDITH BARRY corresponded with her regularly and on or about April 10, 1935, EDITH wrote and asked her to come to Toledo and she arrived at EDITH BARRY's place on or about April 20, 1935, and remained there until the latter part of June 1935; that during this period she observed at the house of EDITH BARRY:

EDITH BARRY  
HARRY CAMPBELL  
ALVIN KARPIS

That while working as a prostitute at EDITH BARRY's house during this last period of time, namely April 20, 1935, until the latter part of June 1935, she lived in the house and did most of the cooking; that a girl prostitute by the name of Lu also worked at this house during this period for a few weeks; that she is able to positively identify the photographs of ALVIN KARPIS and HARRY CAMPBELL as two men she saw at EDITH BARRY's place, who were called "Sonny" and "Buff" respectively, but that she never knew their true identity while she was working for EDITH BARRY; that she recognized the photograph of KARPIS in a newspaper about a year ago and that she recognized CAMPBELL's photograph in a newspaper when he was arrested at Toledo, Ohio, on May 7, 1936.

That she was introduced to KARPIS and CAMPBELL by EDITH BARRY shortly after she arrived there in April 1935, and, as stated before,



knew them under the names of Sonny and Buff; that she saw them at EDITH BARRY's place on at least three different occasions during April and May 1935, and that on one occasion CAMPBELL came to the house by himself.

That EDITH BARRY told her that KARPIS and CAMPBELL were gamblers and good spenders and in fact were her best customers; that after these men would leave EDITH BARRY would tell her when business was dull that she wished that Sonny and Buff would return as they always spent considerable money at the house.

That to her knowledge ALVIN KARPIS while at the EDITH BARRY house never indulged in sexual relations with any of the prostitutes, it being their understanding that he was supposed to be very much in love with his wife.

That at times KARPIS and CAMPBELL came to EDITH BARRY's place while she was there, they would stay for a day or so, and then leave, never indicating their destination; that she observed that HARRY CAMPBELL was somewhat infatuated with the girl prostitute named Lu.

That she does not know in what manner KARPIS and CAMPBELL came to and left EDITH BARRY's place inasmuch as the door bell was never answered by any one other than EDITH BARRY and that the prostitutes were never permitted downstairs while customers were in the house except when EDITH BARRY would ring for them.

That KARPIS and CAMPBELL when they remained over night occupied the east front upstairs bed room; that she frequently observed EDITH BARRY serve drinks and meals to them in this room.

(Myrtle Lois Price was interviewed at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on September 23, 1936, by Special Agent John L. Madala; she refused to divulge any information with reference to her family history and likewise refused to furnish her address, stating that she was no longer engaged in commercial prostitution and that she did not desire her sister, with whom she lives, to learn of her previous activities as a prostitute. She agreed at the time of this interview to keep in touch with Marie Gallup, who is a friend of hers, and assured the interviewing agent that she could be contacted at any time in the future in care of Marie Gallup.)

A. J. NORSTROM and A. DICKSTEIN

Special Agents,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
1448 Standard Building,  
Cleveland, Ohio,

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OF BUREAU CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT  
EDITH BARRY BEFORE SHE ACTED AS AN  
INFORMANT.)

Will testify that they interviewed

FRANK P. GREENWALD

at Toledo, Ohio, on October 8, 1936, and secured from him a  
signed statement wherein mention is made of

EDITH BARRY  
SAM COKER

That he stated that one night during the winter subsequent  
to January 1936, he visited Johnny Thomas' Market Business Men's  
Club at 216 $\frac{1}{2}$  Superior Street, with his girl friend, Anna Pierce;  
that when they arrived EDITH BARRY and SAM COKER, whose photograph  
he is able to identify and who at that time was known to him as  
Tommy, were there and asked GREENWALD and his girl friend to have  
a drink and they joined in the party; that on this occasion  
EDITH BARRY and SAM COKER played the slot machine all evening;  
that it was proposed that they all go to EDITH BARRY's house at  
524 Southard, to get more drinks; that EDITH BARRY and SAM COKER  
were driven to EDITH BARRY's house in one of the Private cabs  
owned by FRANK GREENWALD and that GREENWALD and Anna Pierce followed  
in his car.

That GREENWALD stated that upon arriving at EDITH BARRY's  
house they all four went into the house, where GREENWALD and his  
girl friend remained for only about five minutes and left .

(The results of the interview with FRANK P. GREENWALD, in which the  
above information appears, were reduced to writing in a statement  
dated at Toledo, Ohio, October 8, 1936, which was signed by GREENWALD  
and witnessed by A. J. Norstrom and A. Dickstein.)

J. L. MADALA and V. E. CRISS

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Special Agents,  
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OF BUREAU CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT  
EDITH BARRY BEFORE SHE ACTED AS AN  
INFORMANT.)

Will testify that FRANK P. GREENWALD, in a  
signed statement dated August 31, 1936, in addition to  
that appearing in the regular summary report, stated  
with reference to the following:

HARRY CAMPBELL  
SAM COKER  
EDITH BARRY

That about five or six weeks prior to the arrest  
of HARRY CAMPBELL at Toledo, Ohio, on May 7, 1936, he re-  
ceived a telephone call to go to the home of EDWARD McGRAW,  
2011½ Adams Street; that upon ringing the bell at this ad-  
dress a man he is able to identify from photograph as SAM  
COKER, came down and got into the taxi cab; that COKER  
told him to drive to Edith Barry's place at 524 Southard  
Street; that COKER invited him, GREENWALD, in for a couple  
of drinks; that it appeared from the conversation that  
EDITH BARRY had previously met SAM COKER as she referred to  
him as Tommy; that as a matter of fact on the way to EDITH  
BARRY's place, COKER requested that GREENWALD not refer to  
him as "Mr." but merely to call him Tommy; that on this oc-  
casion they remained at EDITH BARRY's place for approximately  
an hour or so, after which COKER told him to drive to Goulet's  
Grill on Monroe Street; that upon arriving at Goulet's Grill  
he went in with COKER, who insisted on buying him some drinks;  
that after about an hour in this place a man came in, whom  
GREENWALD stated he recognized as HARRY CAMPBELL; that  
CAMPBELL and COKER had a conversation for a few minutes  
and then CAMPBELL invited him to have a few drinks, after  
which CAMPBELL engaged GREENWALD to drive him to EDITH BARRY's  
place; that upon arriving at the BARRY house he accompanied

CAMPBELL inside and had a few drinks with him; that EDITH BARRY referred to CAMPBELL as "Buff"; that he never thereafter saw HARRY CAMPBELL.

(The above facts appear in signed statement of FRANK P. GREENWALD, dated at Toledo, Ohio, August 31, 1936.)

WILLIAM WILSON WIRICK

415 3rd Street,  
Toledo, Ohio.

- CONFIDENTIAL -

(THIS REFERS TO THE PRIOR ACTIVITY OF  
BUREAU CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT EDITH  
BARRY BEFORE SHE ACTED AS AN INFORMANT.)

Will testify, in addition to those facts set out  
in the regular summary report, to the facts set out below as to

EDITH BARRY  
SAM COKER  
FRANK GREENWALD  
HARRY CAMPBELL  
JAMES J. WILSON  
WILL WEAVER

Will testify that in 1934, he was a taxi cab driver  
working for the Private Cab Company, operated by FRANK GREENWALD;  
that he drove JAMES J. WILSON, WILLIAM WEAVER and HARRY CAMPBELL,  
all three of whom he is able to identify from photographs, to  
the call house of prostitution of EDITH BARRY, 524 Southard Street,  
in the summer of 1934.

That in January 1936, he answered a call one night at  
about 11 P. M. at EDITH BARRY'S house of prostitution; that he  
picked up EDITH BARRY and a man who was called Tommy, who he is  
now able to identify from photographs as being SAM COKER; that  
he drove them to Johnny Thomas' Market Business Men's Club at  
216 1/2 Superior Street, Toledo, Ohio; that EDITH BARRY invited  
him up to Thomas' Club to have a drink; and that while he was  
there FRANK GREENWALD and the latter's girl friend, Anna Pierce,  
came in and joined the party, as did Johnny Thomas and the latter's  
bartender, Ircing; that they drank all the vat 69 whiskey that  
Thomas had in stock and that Sam Coker paid the entire bill;  
that during the course of the night SAM COKER consistently played  
the 25¢ slot machine; that about 2 A. M. he drove EDITH BARRY and  
SAM COKER back to EDITH BARRY'S house and FRANK GREENWALD and  
Anna Pierce followed in GREENWALD'S car and joined the party at  
EDITH BARRY'S place; that SAM COKER paid the taxi cab bill on  
this trip.

That about a week later, he received a call from the  
Johnny Thomas' Market Business Men's Club, and proceeded there

and picked up EDITH BARRY and SAM COKER; that on this occasion he had several drinks with EDITH BARRY and SAM COKER before leaving the place; that Johnny Thomas was drinking with them; that SAM COKER appeared to have a large number of \$20.00 bills inasmuch as he would change one every 15 or 20 minutes; that on this occasion he drove EDITH BARRY and SAM COKER to King Hong Lows Chinese Restaurant and discharged them.

That up until the time he quit working for GREENWALD on April 7, 1936, he drove HARRY CAMPBELL three or four times and every time he picked up HARRY CAMPBELL, it was either at EDITH BARRY's house of prostitution or Johnny Thomas' Market Business Men's Club; that CAMPBELL was a good taxi-cab customer and tipped generously.

That FRANK GREENWALD told him that he, GREENWALD, had driven SAM COKER one night and the taxi bill amounted to \$13.00 and SAM COKER gave a \$20.00 bill in payment for the cab.

That on one occasion subsequent to his first meeting SAM COKER in January 1936, he drove EDITH BARRY to the Market Business Men's Club and entered the place with her; that he noticed HARRY CAMPBELL, who was called Bob, and COKER sitting at the bar and either Johnny Thomas or Irving, the bar tender, was talking to them; that on this occasion EDITH BARRY bought him a drink at the bar.

(The facts given by WILLIAM WILSON WIRICK are contained in the signed statement secured from him, dated at Toledo, Ohio, October 2, 1936, by A. J. Norstrom and A. Dickstein, Special Agents, Federal Bureau of Investigation, 1448 Standard Building, Cleveland, Ohio.)

A. L. ALLEN

10615 Florian Ave.  
Cleveland, Ohio,

Will testify with reference to

PAULA HARMON  
FRED BARKER  
ALVIN KARPIS  
WYNONA BURDETTE  
HARRY SAWYER  
GLADYS SAWYER

Will testify that he has charge of the renting of the apartments in the apartment building located at 10615 Florian Ave.; that about May 20, 1934, to approximately August 18, 1934, a couple by the name of Mr. and Mrs. J. Earl Matterson occupied an apartment; that he is able to positively identify the photographs of FRED BARKER and PAULA HARMON as being those persons known to him as Mr. and Mrs. J. Earl Matterson.

That this apartment was rented by PAULA HARMON; that during the period of their tenancy there, FRED BARKER and PAULA HARMON had numerous visitors who acted in a very suspicious manner; he noting particularly that when the visitors would arrive in different cars, they would never park these cars on the same side of the building; that he is able to positively identify the photograph of ALVIN KARPIS as a man who visited at the apartment and who he understood to be the brother of PAULA HARMON; that on or about July 4, 1934, he saw a man in the apartment occupied by FRED BARKER and PAULA HARMON, who he is able to positively identify from photograph as being HARRY SAWYER, and that he also observed a woman at about this time visiting in the apartment, who he is able to identify positively from photograph as being GLADYS SAWYER; that HARRY SAWYER and GLADYS SAWYER had a small child who was called Francine.

That he is able to positively identify the photograph of WYNONA BURDETTE as a woman who he saw at the apartment on two or three occasions in company with ALVIN KARPIS.

MRS. A. L. ALLEN

10615 Florian Ave.  
Cleveland, Ohio,

Will testify that she is the wife of A. L. Allen,  
and will testify that she observed

FRED BARKER  
PAULA HARMON  
GLADYS SAWYER  
HARRY SAWYER

at the apartment building at 10615 Florian Ave.; that FRED BARKER and PAULA HARMON as Mr. and Mrs. J. Earl Matterson rented an apartment in this building on or about May 20, 1934; that in this apartment she has observed a woman who she is positively able to identify from photographs as GLADYS SAWYER and was introduced to GLADYS SAWYER and given to understand that GLADYS SAWYER was PAULA HARMON's sister; that she also observed a man who she understood was GLADYS SAWYER's husband and will positively identify the photograph of HARRY SAWYER as being this individual; that HARRY SAWYER and GLADYS SAWYER had a little girl named Francine.



CORNELIUS NEIL MITCHELL

13029 Lorain Ave.  
Cleveland, Ohio,

Will testify with reference to the rental of the premises at 4419 W. 171st Street to

PAULA HARMON  
FRED BARKER

Will in answer to subpoena duces tecum produce a duplicate receipt of the Wm. J. Mitchell organization, dated August 16, 1934, issued in the name of John E. Madderson, in the amount of \$40.00 for rent of premises located at 4419 W. 171st Street, from date of receipt to September 30, 1934.

He will testify that he rented these premises personally and that on one occasion he called at this house to make repairs on an electric light fuse and saw a woman who he is now able to identify as being PAULA HARMON; that other than this identification he is unable to recall the identity of the other tenants of the house.

Will also produce under subpoena duces tecum a duplicate rent receipt, dated June 8, 1934, of the Wm. J. Mitchell organization, reflecting that H. G. Milgreth paid \$50.00 as one month's rent, starting June 10, 1934, for the premises at 18109 Flamingo Ave., which premises were occupied by

ALVIN KARPIS  
DOLORES DELANEY

That he is unable to recall any details with reference to this rental except that the man who rented the house and who was later ascertained by him to be ALVIN KARPIS, this being the result of newspaper publicity following the arrest of WYNONA BURDETTE, PAULA HARMON and GLADYS SAWYER in September 1934, came to the office and asked the rental price and when advised it was \$50.00, he immediately, without asking any further questions, paid this amount and rented the house.

That he is able to identify the photographs of  
ALVIN KARPIS and DOLORES DELANEY as being the parties occupy-  
ing this residence.

MRS. E. MAMERE  
18100 Flamingo Avenue  
Cleveland, Ohio

Will identify the photographs of

ALVIN KARPIS  
DOLORES DELANEY

as being persons who occupied the address, 18109 Flamingo  
Avenue for about a month in the early summer of 1934.

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MRS. JESSE VANDERSLIUS  
18108 Flamingo Avenue  
Cleveland, Ohio

Will testify that she is able to identify  
the photograph of

DOLORES DELANEY

as being the occupant of the house at 18109 Flamingo  
Avenue in the early summer of 1934, living there for  
only a short time.

RALPH W. PIERCE

LeRoy, Ohio.

Will testify with reference to

ALVIN KARPIS  
DOLORES DELANEY

Will testify that in 1934, he was a vacuum cleaner salesman for the Sears-Roebuck Co. in Cleveland, Ohio, and that he sold a vacuum sweeper to a woman who he now identifies from photograph as DOLORES DELANEY, who paid for same with four \$10.00 bills, all on some bank in California; that he carried the sweeper from the store and placed it in an automobile occupied by a man on the street, who he is able to identify from photograph as being ALVIN KARPIS; that the woman gave an address on Flamingo near Rocky River Drive (10819 Flamingo is but a few doors off Rocky River Road).

That he was suspicious of the transaction because of the four \$10.00 bills and replaced one of them with a bill of his own when making payment to the store, thus retaining one of the California \$10.00 bills in his possession; that a few days later he called at the address occupied by the people who purchased the cleaner for the purpose of inspecting it; that DOLORES DELANEY was at the house and he made several adjustments on the machine; that at that time he recognized the house as being one in which the Mitchell Realty Co. was interested and later upon meeting Neal Mitchell, he told the latter about the purchase of the vacuum cleaner and that he was suspicious of the people, ALVIN KARPIS and DOLORES DELANEY, and exhibited to Mr. Mitchell one of the \$10.00 bills on the California bank, whereupon Neal Mitchell told him that the people were all right and that they had been purchasing a great many new things; that a few days later he called at the address on Flamingo for the purpose of again inspecting the machine and was met at the door by a person he now identifies as being ALVIN KARPIS, who would not permit him to enter the house; that a short time thereafter KARPIS came into the Sears-Roebuck

Store and "bawled him out" and asked him if he thought he was an amateur detective and made it plain to him that he, KARPIS, was displeased because Mr. Pierce made inquiries of Neal Mitchell concerning him; that at that time ALVIN KARPIS reached in his pocket and pulled out a card and shoved it under Mr. Pierce's nose and stated: "For your information, I am a detective too"; that this card which ALVIN KARPIS flashed was an identification card of a private detective agency, however, the witness is unable to state what agency it was from.

EDWIN P. SLADE

1445 Prospect Avenue,  
Rocky River, Ohio.

This witness will furnish testimony concerning

ALVIN KARPIS

This witness will state that he has been employed by the Beachcliff Building Company of Rocky River, Ohio, as a salesman since June 1, 1936, and that for approximately six years prior to this date he was in the employ of Arthur W. Hebebrand at the real estate organization which bore his name.

He will state that on the date, which he recalls to be July 6, 1934, a man who gave his name as Milgreth, and who advised he was in the concession business, came into the offices of the Hebebrand Realty Organization at 9713 Denison Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, and advised that he was interested in renting the house at 3973 West 140th Street; that he, Slade, knew this house had been occupied by a family by the name of Mraz and that some negotiations had been under-way to dispossess this family because of defaults in payments on their land contract, but that the keys to the house had not been turned in to the office; that he rented the house to Milgreth at the figure of \$37.00 a month, telling him to come back later in the day for the keys. This witness will identify the photograph of Alvin Karpis as being the man named Milgreth to whom he rented this house.

He will state that after renting the house to Karpis he communicated with Arthur W. Hebebrand, by telephone, at which time Hebebrand advised him that rental in the sum of \$40.00 per month would have to be obtained for the property in question and he will state that when he discussed the renter of the place with Hebebrand he referred to him by the name of Milgreth. He will state that on the afternoon of the day in question Karpis again came to the real estate office; that between these two visits the keys to the house in question had been delivered to the office by Mr. Mraz; that when Karpis came to the office in the afternoon he was told of

the additional \$3.00 rent which would have to be paid and that he paid this balance in cash without making any remarks, except that it was all right; that on his first visit he had paid the \$37.00 rent in the form of cash.

This witness will state that he had no further contact with Alvin Karpis until the next installment of rent was due and when Karpis did not come in to the office to make this payment he went to the house and not finding anyone there, put a note under the door concerning the rent and that Alvin Karpis came to the office the next morning and paid the rent and apologized for his oversight. He will state that about the time the next month's rent was due, Alvin Karpis disappeared from the house following the arrest of three women in a downtown hotel in Cleveland. This witness will also state that he has no knowledge of the method used by Alvin Karpis in locating this particular house at the time he came to the Hebebrand real estate office and rented it, and in this connection will state that he is positive that the house was not advertised in the newspapers as being for rent, and had not been placarded with a "For Rent" sign.



FRANK M. SMITH

3843 Silsby Road, S.W.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

This witness will testify that for a number of years prior to June 1, 1936, he was employed by Arthur W. Hebebrand as manager of the real estate organization which bore his name; that in addition to this employment he worked as a clerk in the office of the Treasurer of Cuyahoga County, from approximately September 1, 1933, until November 30, 1935; that in addition to the above employment from some time in about 1932 or 1933, he worked for Art Hebebrand at the Harvard Club, a gambling establishment in Newburgh Heights, Ohio, where his work consisted of figuring payments to be made as a result of bets on horse races. This witness will state that for some years prior to the summer of 1934, a family named Mraz had been purchasing the residence at 3973 West 140th Street from the Hebebrand Realty Organization under a land contract; that they were a considerable period in default in their payments and the situation had arrived at the point where it was necessary to foreclose, and after numerous negotiations with them foreclosure action was taken; that the condition of the finance arrangements on this house were such that it was necessary to obtain as much as \$40.00 per month rental for the house, if it were to be rented, and that he discussed the details as to this house on numerous occasions with Mr. Slade, who maintained the Hebebrand Realty Organization offices, and with Mr. Hebebrand himself. He will state that during the summer of 1934 he spent very little time at the real estate offices for the reason that he was working in the office of the County Treasurer.

This witness will state that one day during the summer of 1934 Mr. Slade communicated with him by telephone and advised that he had rented the house at 3973 West 140th Street for \$37.00 a month, and he at this time advised Slade that the least rental which could be accepted would be \$40.00 a month. He stated that he knows the premises were rented at a price of \$40.00 a month, but that he at no time came in contact with the renters. This witness will state that he does not know whether this house was advertised in the newspapers or posted with signs as being for rent; that he cannot state how long it was vacant prior to being rented and has no idea how the persons who rented it secured information to the effect that it was available for rental purposes.

MRS. O.W. BLACKMAN

3969 West 140th Street,  
Cleveland, Ohio

This witness can testify with reference to the house  
occupied by

ALVIN KARPIS and  
DOLORES DELANEY

at 3973 West 140th Street, Cleveland, Ohio, and can identify  
the following as having frequented this address during the  
time ALVIN KARPIS resided thereat:

WILLIAM J. HARRISON  
HARRY SAWYER  
GLADYS SAWYER  
WYNONA BURDETTE;

that prior to June 15, 1934, she was residing in Lakewood,  
near her sister, Mrs. Peter Karcher, and on that date re-  
ceived a notice to vacate the premises at that time occupied  
by her, and as a result of this notice, she arranged for  
the rental of the house located at 3969 West 140th Street,  
which rental was effected June 19, 1934, but she did not  
move into this house until June 30, 1934; that on or about  
June 20, 1934, she met Mrs. Walter Mraz, who was at that  
time residing at 3973 West 140th Street, which address is  
located next to 3969 West 140th Street; that on this date  
she learned from Mrs. Mraz that she, Mrs. Mraz, was being  
ejected from these premises and that she was to vacate in  
the next few days; that she immediately got in touch with  
her sister, Mrs. Peter Karcher, and advised her that the  
house next door would be vacant and suggested that she  
inquire as to the rental thereof; that on or about the  
same day or the day following, she went with her sister,  
Mrs. Karcher, to the Mraz residence, at which time it was  
ascertained that this house was owned by the Hebebrand  
Realty organization; that her sister made a telephone  
call from the Blackman residence to the Hebebrand organ-  
ization with reference to the rental or purchase of the  
Mraz house; that her sister had made arrangements for the

rental of another house previous to the above discussion with Mrs. Mraz and that due to the fact that no agreement could be reached with reference to the house located at 3973 West 140th Street, her sister moved into the place where she now resides at 1580 Larchmont Avenue.

Mrs. Blackman can further testify that on June 28, 1934, the above mentioned premises were vacated by Mrs. Mraz, and that on June 29, 1934, a man whom she can identify as ALVIN KARPIS came to her house and asked if she had the keys to the house at 3973 West 140th Street; that she advised him that she did not have the keys and also that the premises at 3973 West 140th Street were not for rent, whereupon KARPIS advised, "I know it, but the owner is a friend of mine and he is going to let me live there"; that she was away from town during the following week, but on her return noticed that the same person whom she identifies as ALVIN KARPIS and a girl whom she identifies as DOLORES DELANEY were occupying the premises at 3973 West 140th Street; that they continued to occupy this house until about 5:45 A.M. the morning of September 6, 1934, at which time she observed two coupes and one sedan hurriedly leaving the premises.

Mrs. Blackman can further identify the following as having visited with ALVIN KARPIS and DOLORES DELANEY at 3973 West 140th Street: WILLIAM J. HARRISON, who resided at this place almost constantly during the period this place was occupied by the above named two people; HARRY SAWYER, who visited this place on one or two occasions and whom she has since identified in person as St. Paul, Minnesota; GLADYS SAWYER and WYNONA BURDETTE, who visited on at least one occasion when they left a chow dog and a little girl, about five or six years old, with KARPIS and drove off in an automobile with DOLORES DELANEY and one or two other women.

This woman can further testify that prior to the time this house at 3973 West 140th Street was rented by KARPIS, there were no placards or signs of any kind exhibited on the premises designating that this property was for rent or sale, or otherwise showing that this property had been vacated.

MRS. PETER KARCHER

1560 Larchmont Avenue, Lakewood,  
Cleveland, Ohio

This witness will testify as follows with reference to the house at 3973 West 140th Street, Cleveland, Ohio, which house was occupied by

ALVIN KARPIS and DOLORES DELANEY

from about July 6, 1934 to September 5, 1934.

That prior to June 15, 1934, she was residing in Lakewood near her sister, Mrs. O.W. Blackman, and on that date received a notice to vacate the premises at that time occupied by her; that on or about this same date her sister, Mrs. Blackman, had made arrangements to rent the premises located at 3969 West 140th Street, Cleveland; that she was desirous of obtaining a residence in the vicinity of the place rented by her sister and in furtherance of this desire, her sister, having advised her that the house at 3973 West 140th Street was to be vacated, she contacted Mrs. Walter Kraz, who was at that time occupying the house at 3973 West 140th Street, and ascertained from her that she, Mrs. Kraz, was being ejected by the Hebebrand Realty Company, owner of these premises; that this contact with Mrs. Kraz was on or about June 20, 1934, and that on this same date she communicated with the Hebebrand Realty Company, which at that time was located on Denison Avenue, and ascertained from them that they were the owners of the premises at 3973 West 140th Street; that she inquired as to whether or not the premises were for rent or for sale and was advised by some man over the telephone that the premises could not be rented under any circumstances, but that the place was for sale; that she personally talked, subsequently, to a Mr. Slade in the offices of the Hebebrand Realty organization, at which time she was advised by Mr. Slade that they could not rent this residence at this time due to the fact that either a friend of his or a friend of the organization was going to move into this house, but that the place was for sale for \$5400.

Mrs. Karcher will further testify that she, after having been informed that the place was not for rent under any circumstances, and thinking the price quoted to be exorbitant, dismissed the idea of renting this house and moved into the house, where she is now living, on June 28,

1934; that she had no further dealings with Slade nor any members of the Hebebrand organization until the Sunday following September 5, 1934, when Slade telephonically contacted her and asked whether or not she was still interested in the purchase of the house at 3973 West 140th Street; that she advised in the affirmative and on the same Sunday she was accompanied by Slade and viewed the premises both on the inside and outside; that at that time the furniture, allegedly belonging to ALVIN KARPIS, was still in this house; that she inquired of Slade whether or not she could purchase some of this furniture and was advised by Slade that none of this could be sold until a lapse of one year. She can further testify that Slade, at this time, quoted her a price of \$5100 for this residence; that Slade was the only representative of the Hebebrand Realty organization with whom she discussed these premises, either for rental or for purchase.

W. E. PETERS

1340 Russ Building,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Will testify that in September 1934, he was a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice; that on or about September 6, 1934, he conducted a search of the premises located at 3973 W. 140th Street, Cleveland, Ohio, formerly occupied by

ALVIN KARPIS  
DOLORES DELANEY

and that in this search he found the following articles:

A package of 12 pay envelopes having printed thereon the name of the Noonan Detective Agency, 1900 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, said envelopes having the name H. G. Milgreth written thereon in long-hand.

A copy of the criminal record of Charles Carroll  
FBI No. 30222.

Letter head of the A. W. Hebebrand Organization, Inc. 971 Dennison Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, which contained the following writing: "Received from H. G. Milgreth \$37.00 for one month's rent for five room bungalow located at 3773 W. 140th St., starting July 6th, subject owner's approval. The A. W. Hebebrand Organization, per E.P.Slade."

Calling card of the Thomas Shirt Co., 240 E. High St., Columbus, Ohio, G. S. Frambes, President. On the reverse side of this card there is the following quoted pencil notation: "Cleveland, Ohio, 8-19-34, received E. Bronson \$50.00 deposit on three orders shirts. (signed) Thomas Shirt Co. per G.S.F."

J. K. COLLINS

Special Agent,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
1448 Standard Building,  
Cleveland, Ohio,

Will testify that shortly after the premises at  
3973 W. 140th Street, Cleveland, Ohio, were abandoned by

ALVIN KARPIS  
DOLORES DELANEY

on or about September 5, 1934, he made an inventory of certain  
personal property found at this house and among other things  
located two men's shirts with the name of the Thomas Shirt  
Co., Columbus, Ohio, in the neck band; that these shirts were  
size 15 $\frac{1}{2}$  and had the initials "DJH" on them.

FRED POHLMAN  
4411 West 171st Street  
Cleveland, Ohio

Will testify that he lived at the above-mentioned address in August and September 1934 and that he observed during the month of August at the address, 4419 West 171st Street, Cleveland, Ohio, the following named individuals:

ALVIN KARPIS  
WYNONA BURDETTE  
GLADYS SAWYER  
PAULA HARMON  
FRED BARKER  
HARRY CAMPBELL

and that a day or two following the arrest of Wynona Burdette, Paula Harmon and Gladys Sawyer in Cleveland he observed a man whom he believes to be

ARTHUR W. HEBE BRAND

call at the house, 4419 West 171st Street, but that, however, he cannot be positive in the identification of the photograph of Hebebrand, stating with reference to this man, however, that he observed him drive up in front of the house at 4419 West 171st Street in either a Ford or Chevrolet automobile, get out of the car in which a woman was sitting and walk part way up to the front porch of 4419 West 171st Street and then turn around and walk back to his car and drive away.



MRS. CARRIE POHLMAN  
4411 West 171st Street  
Cleveland, Ohio

Will testify that in the month of August 1934  
she observed the following named individuals at the  
house, 4419 West 171st Street, making her identifica-  
tions from the photographs exhibited to her.

ALVIN KARPIS  
WYNONA BURDETTE  
GLADYS SAWYER  
PAULA HARMON  
FRED BARKER  
HARRY CAMPBELL

MR. WILLIAM KLINGER,  
MRS. WILLIAM KLINGER,  
4415 West 171st Street,  
Cleveland, Ohio

Will testify with reference to

GLADYS SAWYER  
PAULA HARMON  
WYNONA BURDETTE  
ALVIN KARPIS  
HARRY CAMPBELL

Will testify that they recognize from photographs  
those individuals mentioned above as having resided or  
visited the premises at 4419 West 171st Street in the early  
fall or late summer of 1934.

MR. GEORGE WILLARD  
4423 West 171st Street  
Cleveland, Ohio

Will testify that he is able to recognize from photographs the following individuals as having lived or visited at 4419 West 171st Street in about August of 1934:

WILLIAM J. HARRISON  
WYNONA BURDETTE  
HARRY SAWYER  
HARRY CAMPBELL  
FRED BARKER  
PAULA HARMON  
GLADYS SAWYER  
MILTON LETT,

that he is also able to state that the photograph of

ARTHUR W. HEBERBRAND

somewhat resembles a man whom he saw at the house on one occasion, at which time he was there in company with Milton Lett; that, however, he cannot be positive as to this identification of Hebebrand.

MRS. GEORGE WILLARD  
4423 West 171st Street  
Cleveland, Ohio

Will corroborate the testimony of her husband, Mr. George Willard, with reference to seeing the following persons at 4419 West 171st Street in the month of August 1934:

WILLIAM J. HARRISON  
WYNONA BURDETTE  
HARRY SAWYER  
HARRY CAMPBELL  
FRED BARKER  
PAULA HARMON  
GLADYS SAWYER

MRS. OLIVE ROWE  
4418 West 171st Street  
Cleveland, Ohio

Will testify that in about August 1934 at the  
premises, 4419 West 171st Street, she saw

PAULA HARMON  
GLADYS SANYER

whom she is able to identify from photographs.

W. E. HOPTON

Special Agent,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
1448 Standard Building,  
Cleveland, Ohio,

Will testify that he made an inventory of certain personal property found at the premises 4419 W. 171st Street, Cleveland, Ohio, shortly after these premises were abandoned on or about September 5, 1934 by

FRED BARKER  
PAULA HARMON

and that among other articles found by him, he found six shirts marked with the name of the Thomas Shirt Co., Columbus, Ohio.

MRS. J. CULLEN

7916 Franklin Blvd.  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Will testify with reference to

FRED BARKER  
ARTHUR R. "DOC" BARKER  
WYNONA BURDETTE

Will testify that in the year 1934, she was the owner of the apartment house located at 7009 Franklin Blvd., Cleveland, Ohio; that on either August 21st or 22nd, 1934, a woman, who she identifies from photograph as being WYNONA BURDETTE, in company with two other women, whose identity she is not able to establish, rented an apartment in the apartment building at 7009 Franklin Blvd., paying at that time a \$20.00 deposit; that WYNONA BURDETTE gave the name Mrs. Geo. Wolcott and that WYNONA BURDETTE at this time stated that her husband was employed by the Lake Erie Dredge Co. and that he and her brother were to live in the apartment.

That the following day a man, she is able to identify from photograph as being FRED BARKER came to her home in a Ford sedan automobile and paid her the balance of the rent and at that time she noticed there was another man who remained in the automobile, who she is able to identify from photograph as being ARTHUR R. "DOC" BARKER.

That following the publicity with reference to the arrest of

GLADYS SAWYER  
PAULA HARMON  
WYNONA BURDETTE

in Cleveland, Ohio, on September 5, 1934, she observed the photograph of WYNONA BURDETTE in the newspaper and recognized it as being the woman who was known to her as Mrs. Wolcott, who had rented the apartment at 7009 Franklin Blvd., and that she observed in the newspaper the name of Special Agent W.E. Peters and she called him and furnished this information.

WYNONA BURDETTE

United States Detention Farm,  
Milan, Michigan.

This witness will furnish testimony concerning

HARRY CAMPBELL  
WILLIAM WEAVER  
MYRTLE EATON  
FRED BARKER  
PAULA HARMON  
ALVIN KARPIS  
DOLORES DELANEY  
GLADYS SAWYER  
ARTHUR R. "DOC" BARKER

This witness will testify that during the summer of 1934 she and Harry Campbell left 2831 - 131st Street, Point Place, Ohio, where they had been living after she was released from the hospital on the second occasion, which was some time around the latter part of July 1934; that they went to Grand Forest Beach near Sandusky, Ohio, where they lived for a short time in a cottage with William Weaver and Myrtle Eaton; that later at Campbell's suggestion they decided to move to Cleveland; that she did not know any reason why Campbell desired to move to Cleveland; that at that time Fred Barker, Paula Harmon, Alvin Karpis, and Dolores Delaney drove from Grand Forest Beach to Cleveland and visited with Fred Barker and Paula Harmon at an address which she believes was 10515 Parkhurst Avenue; that Gladys Sawyer was present at this address and Harry Campbell gave her an address which she believes was the address of the manager of an apartment house located on or about the 7000 block of Franklin Boulevard; that she, Paula Harmon and Gladys Sawyer went out looking for an apartment and called upon an elderly man and woman at the address given to her by Campbell; that this man showed her an apartment in an apartment building around the 7000 block of Franklin Boulevard, which building was located two or three blocks from the residence of this elderly man and woman, who apparently were the managers or owners of the apartment building, and she looked at the apartment, which

appeared to be satisfactory to her; that she, Paula and Gladys thereupon returned to Fred Barker's apartment and she advised Campbell that the apartment appeared to be satisfactory to her; that from the conversation she had with Campbell she understood that he had already looked at this apartment; that when he gave her the address he mentioned that some of "the boys" in Cleveland, apparently referring to some acquaintances of Harry Campbell, Fred Barker, or Alvin Karpis, knew the manager of the Franklin Boulevard apartments, and that the manager was all right; that thereafter the same afternoon she and Campbell went to the apartment in question and paid the rent for same, using the name of George Wolcott; that they thereafter returned to Grand Forest Beach and a few days later again came to Cleveland and took up residence at the Franklin Boulevard address and that Arthur E. "Doc" Barker stayed with them at this apartment.

This witness will also state that during this period of time she had not recovered from her illness and confinement at the hospital in Toledo and for this reason she did not go out; that she heard Harry Campbell and others at Cleveland speak of visiting a gambling place, but she cannot recall the name of the gambling place in question, or any individuals connected with this establishment. She can state that she recalls that Alvin Karpis carried some kind of detective credentials, but she is unable to state where he obtained them, or what detective agency name appeared on them; that she does not know why Alvin Karpis and Fred Barker left Toledo and came to live in Cleveland, and does not know the person or persons with whom they were acquainted in Cleveland. This witness will testify that after coming to Cleveland she first went out on September 5, 1934, which was when she and Paula Harmon and Gladys Sawyer went to the Hotel Cleveland to have a few drinks; that on this occasion they became quite intoxicated and she remembers that Paula was waving \$100 bills in her hand, and that shortly thereafter the three of them were placed under arrest by a policewoman; that she remembers Gladys Sawyer was carried from the hotel in a wheel chair, and that her recollection is that a large crowd gathered and they were taken to the police department in a taxi cab; that on the way she threw the keys to her apartment out of the window of the cab, because she did not desire to have them found in her possession, but she was surprised when these same keys were shown to her later and she came to the conclusion



that she must have thrown them into the hands of some policeman; that she remembers Paula Harmon likewise threw a number of articles from her purse and after throwing several articles out of the car window the policewoman took Paula's purse away from her; that Paula was in possession of a bracelet at that time and the policewoman said she would give possession of the purse to Paula later; that they were placed in cells at the police department and that she, Wynona, being quite intoxicated, went to sleep almost immediately. This witness will testify further that she did not solicit any of the matrons or policewomen to be released, nor did she overhear Paula or Gladys talk to anybody; that on the following day she recalls that a lawyer named Stanton appeared at the jail and talked to her and on the same day she was also interviewed by former Special Agent Peters.

MRS. GLADYS SAWYER

825 Park Street,  
Omaha, Nebraska.

This witness will furnish testimony concerning

HARRY SAWYER  
ALVIN KARPIS  
DOLORES DELANEY  
FRED BARKER  
PAULA HARMON  
CHARLES J. FITZGERALD  
WILLIAM J. HARRISON  
WILLIAM WEAVER  
MYRTLE EATON  
VOLNEY DAVIS  
EDNA MURRAY  
HARRY CAMPBELL  
WYNONA BURDETTE  
JAMES "SHIMP" PATTON

This witness will testify that during the month of May 1934, she and her husband were living at the Boulder Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada; that on or about May 13, 1934, which she recalls was Mother's Day, she proceeded to St. Paul, Minnesota, where she and her husband had previously resided, and where her husband ran a saloon, to attend to some business, and remained there approximately one week; that when she left St. Paul, Minnesota to return to Las Vegas, Nevada, she called upon one Jack Peifer and told him that if any of "the boys" desired to get in touch with her husband that he could be reached at the Boulder Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada.

She will state that on or about June 20, 1934, her husband, Harry Sawyer, received a letter from Alvin Karpis postmarked at Cleveland, Ohio, in which Karpis requested that she and Harry come to Cleveland to visit with him; that Karpis advised that if they desired to come to Cleveland to send a letter to him in care of general delivery, Cleveland, advising of their plans; that Karpis mentioned in his letter that she

and Harry should register at the Hotel Cleveland under the name of Mr. and Mrs. Frank James, and that he would contact them at the hotel; that she and her husband and little girl, Francine, left Las Vegas, Nevada on the night of June 21, 1934, by train and arrived in Cleveland two days later; that upon arrival they registered at the Hotel Cleveland as Mr. and Mrs. Frank James and daughter, and were assigned to room 1038; that on the afternoon or evening of their arrival she wrote a letter to Alvin Karpis for her husband, advising of their arrival in the city, and stating that they were located at the hotel; that this letter was addressed to Karpis in care of general delivery, Cleveland, Ohio.

This witness will state further that about two or three days later Alvin Karpis and Dolores Delaney paid them a visit at the hotel; that Karpis and the Delaney girl were living together at the time; that Karpis invited her and Harry to live with them during their stay in Cleveland, which invitation was readily accepted; that Karpis was living at the time in a house on Flamingo Street; that after going to this house Karpis and Dolores Delaney drove her and Harry to an apartment at 10515 Parkhurst Avenue, occupied by Fred Barker and Paula Harmon; that she and Harry continued to live at the Hotel Cleveland for two or three days, after first making contact with Karpis, and that she remembers that Dolores Delaney and Paula Harmon helped her move from the hotel; that during the next few days she was not feeling very well and that she decided to go to St. Paul, Minnesota for a physical examination.

This witness will state that on July 3, 1934, Karpis drove her husband, child and her to Fred Barker's place in Cleveland and upon arrival at the apartment she saw Charles J. Fitzgerald, whom she had known for many years, and William J. Harrison whom she met for the first time on this occasion; that both of these men had just arrived from a place on the lake at Sandusky, Ohio, where William Weaver, Myrtle Eaton, Volney Davis, Edna Murray, Harry Campbell, and Wynona Burdette were living; that she recalls that both Fitzgerald and Harrison were somewhat drunk, and a short time thereafter, during the morning, Fred Barker, Fitzgerald, Harry Sawyer, the little girl Francine, and she drove to Chicago, Illinois, in Fitzgerald's Packard sedan; that she recalls that Fred Barker wanted to see his mother

who at that time was living in an apartment at 73rd Street and South Shore Drive, Chicago, Illinois; that shortly after their arrival in Chicago, Belle Born, who for many years had been living with Fitzgerald, without being married to him, visited them at Ma Barker's apartment; that she stayed over night with Ma Barker and on the following morning took a plane out of Chicago and went to St. Paul, Minnesota, where she had Dr. Henry Hall examine her; that he told her that she needed an immediate operation, whereupon she returned to Chicago by plane to advise her husband of the operation, and also to get a few clothes which she thought she would need at the hospital; that she returned to St. Paul by train on the same night and that Belle Born and her little girl, Francine Sawyer, accompanied her.

She will state that she remained in the hospital in St. Paul from July 7, 1934 to July 23, 1934, and that during this period Belle Born was taking care of Francine on her farm near Mankato, Minnesota; that while in the hospital she was visited on one occasion by Paula Harmon, who flew up from Cleveland to visit her; that she was released from the hospital on July 23, 1934, and left St. Paul on the same date, together with Belle Born and Francine; that Belle Born left the train at Toledo, Ohio, stating she was going to stay with some friends, and indicated that Charles J. Fitzgerald was waiting in the city for her; that she and Francine continued to Cleveland and upon their arrival took a taxi cab to the apartment occupied by Fred Barker and Paula Harmon, at which place her husband had been living while she was in the hospital; that Paula invited them to stay at the apartment, she feeling that she could take care of her while she was recuperating and that she, her husband, and little girl did stay at this apartment; that during the first part of August, Fred Barker and Paula Harmon moved to a house at 4419 West 171st Street, Cleveland, Ohio, which was much larger than the apartment and that she, her husband and little girl moved with them.

This witness will state that after she had been in Cleveland for several days she discovered that she had left the hospital too soon and that she had to take treatments from a local physician; that she asked Fred Barker whether he knew a good doctor in Cleveland, and he said that some boy at the Harvard Club had just undergone an operation; that he apparently had a good doctor as he frequently heard the boy talk about him; that Fred Barker stated that he had forgotten

the doctor's name, but volunteered to contact this individual at the Harvard Club and get the doctor's name from him; that on the same afternoon Fred Barker drove Paula Harmon and her to the Harvard Club and Fred went into the club and apparently contacted the above referred to individual, while she and Paula remained in the car outside of the club; that Fred Barker returned and gave her the name of Dr. John Hannibal; that on the same day Paula Harmon accompanied her to Dr. Hannibal's office and she recalls that she told the doctor that some employee of the Harvard Club recommended him to her; that she thereafter visited this doctor frequently up until the time of her arrest on September 5, 1934; that on frequent occasions Paula Harmon drove her to the doctor's office, and on other occasions she was driven there by Dolores Delaney.

This witness will testify that shortly after she and Harry Sawyer moved to Cleveland, she asked her husband on one occasion why Alvin Karpis and Fred Barker were living in Cleveland in preference to some other city, and he replied that they had a connection in the city, but did not indicate who this connection was; that around this time she heard frequent mention made of the Harvard Club and from conversations which she heard she gathered that Karpis and Fred Barker were frequent patrons of the club; that in these conversations between Alvin Karpis and Fred Barker, mention was made of one "Shimmy", but she does not recall any definite statements which were made relative to this individual; that, however, she was able to gather from the conversations that he was either the owner or the manager of the Harvard Club and was very friendly with "the boys"; that on several occasions when Fred Barker and Paula Harmon would go out in the evening by themselves they would say they were going to see "Shimmy", but they never indicated what they were going to see him about.

She will state that shortly after she returned to Cleveland from the hospital in St. Paul, that she, Fred Barker, Paula Harmon, and Harry Sawyer drove to the Harvard Club where Fred Barker and Harry Sawyer apparently had a meeting with Karpis; that after they arrived at the club she and Paula went inside to play Keno and Fred and Harry remained in the car; that she and Paula had a cup of coffee there at the lunch counter, and at this time Paula introduced her to "Shimmy" Patton as Harry's wife; that she can identify the photograph of "Shimmy" Patton as the man to whom she was introduced on this occasion; that she had no conversation with Patton at the time; that she and Paula

played a couple of games of Keno after which they returned to the car and found Karpis there talking with Fred and Harry; that she went to the Harvard Club on only one other occasion after that and on that visit she and Paula played Keno; that she cannot recall whether the boys accompanied them on the occasion of the latter visit; that while at the club she observed that Paula was well acquainted with some of the employees at the club, but that she could not recall the names of any of them; that she never saw either Fred Barker, Alvin Karpis or her husband talking with "Shimmy" Patton privately or otherwise either at the club or elsewhere.

She will state that on about August 15, 1934 Harry Campbell, Wynona Burdette and "Doc" Barker moved to Cleveland from the lake cottage near Sandusky, Ohio, where they had lived during the summer; that she recalls that Wynona came to Paula's house on her arrival in Cleveland and thereafter she and Paula assisted Wynona in renting a house at 7009 Franklin Boulevard; that she does not remember from whom Wynona rented this place but faintly recalls that it was from an old couple who lived next door to the apartment building; that in regard to the house in which Fred and Paula were living she recalls that on one occasion either Fred Barker or Paula Harmon told her that the property belonged to one of Shimmy Patton's partners and that a man by the name of Mitchell was the renting agent.

This witness will testify that while living with Fred and Paula at 4119 West 171st Street, Alvin Karpis, Dolores Delaney, William J. Harrison, Harry Campbell, and Wynona Burdette, visited the house on several occasions; that she, Gladys, never had occasion to visit Alvin Karpis and Dolores Delaney at their home on West 140th Street after she returned from the hospital; that on the last two occasions she, Fred Barker, Paula Harmon and Harry Sawyer went to the apartment occupied by Harry Campbell and Wynona Burdette for dinner; that "Doc" Barker visited the Fred Barker house from time to time; that she understood that "Doc" Barker was living with Harry Campbell and Wynona Burdette and that Willie Harrison was living with Alvin Karpis and Dolores Delaney.

This witness will state that it was her understanding from conversations she overheard that her husband, Harry Sawyer,

was introduced to "Shimmy" Patton as a gambler from St. Paul; that after the Bremer kidnaping Fred Barker and Alvin Karpis agreed to set up her husband in business, either in a saloon or some gambling establishment; that she remembers that while living in Cleveland, Fred Barker and Alvin Karpis were negotiating with "Shimmy" Patton to open a gambling place, or acquire a concession on slot machines in the county next to Cuyahoga County for her husband; that Patton was supposed to be able to "fix" the sheriff of this particular county and that it required \$15,000 to get started; that Harry discussed the proposition with her, but she objected to it strenuously, telling him that she did not want him to be obligated to that extent to the boys, meaning Fred Barker and Alvin Karpis.

She will state that on or about September 1, 1934 her husband and William J. Harrison left Cleveland, but she did not know where they went; that she has since been told by her husband that they went to Miami, Florida, but when he departed he only told her that he would be back in a few days, and that she should pack their clothes and be ready to leave for Las Vegas, Nevada, upon his return to Cleveland.

She will state that on September 5, 1934, Wynona Burdette came to Paula's house during the afternoon and thereafter the three of them, taking the little girl Francine along, went on a shopping tour downtown; that none of the boys were at home when they left and she did not know where they were at the time; that they went downtown in Fred Barker's Ford coach; that after they finished shopping they stopped at several places for drinks and around 4:30 P. M. they went to the cocktail room of the Hotel Cleveland for more drinks; that while at the Hotel Cleveland she and Paula got into an argument and apparently became very noisy; that she "passed out" and she recalls that when she came to she was in a police car on the way to the police station; that she remembers Wynona Burdette and the little girl were sitting in the back seat and Paula Harmon was in the front seat with a policewoman, who was driving the car; that en route to the station a uniformed officer jumped on the running board of the car and rode with them to the police station; that upon arrival at the station they were booked for disorderly conduct and she gave the name of Mrs. Frank James; that Paula gave her name as Mrs. Matterson, and that Wynona gave her name as Wynona Wolcott; that she recalls that Paula told the police that her husband was employed as a

gambler at the Harvard Club; that she was fairly certain that the officers did not know who they were at the time and she does not believe there was anything in their purses which would identify them; that they were placed in separate adjoining cells around six P. M. and she immediately fell asleep; that late that night she was taken from her cell and taken before a policewoman who asked her for her correct name; that she replied that her name was Mrs. Frank James, whereupon the policewoman stated that her little girl had told them that her name was Francine Sawyer and that her mother's name was Gladys; that she advised the policewoman that the little girl must know what she was talking about, and that the policewoman left; that about a half hour later some uniformed officer came to her cell and told her that someone from the Department of Justice would talk with her in the morning.

This witness will testify further that during the middle of the night she, Paula and Wynona were taken to the identification unit at police headquarters to be fingerprinted and photographed; that on the way Paula advised her that she had an attorney coming to see her in the morning; that Paula did not indicate to her how she had been able to contact the attorney or how she knew he was coming to see her; that on the following morning she was questioned for a few minutes by a Department of Justice Agent named Peters.

This witness will also state that on the same morning the matron came to her cell and told her that an attorney wanted to talk with her; that she, Paula and Wynona were taken to a conference room and Paula went into the room alone while she and Wynona waited outside; that shortly thereafter Paula called them into the room and introduced them to an attorney named Edward Stanton; that Paula told this attorney that her husband was employed at the Harvard Club; that she and Paula were living at 4419 West 171st Street; that at this time Mr. Stanton pulled a newspaper from his coat pocket and showed it to them and asked if they were the girls referred to in the paper; that they looked at the paper and read about their arrests and about a police raid on a house at 4417 West 171st Street, in connection with which no one was found at the house; that they told Mr. Stanton that they were the women in question; that she remembers that Paula told Stanton that they were friends of "Shimmy" Patton of the Harvard Club and asked that he get in touch with Patton relative to a bond for their release; that in



this connection Paula told Stanton that he should tell Shimmy Patton that Mrs. Matterson sent him and that Patton should know who she was; that she, Gladys Sawyer, also told Stanton at the time that he should get word to the boys to get out of town; that Mr. Stanton asked whom she meant by the boys and Paula told him that he should get word to Patton and Patton would know who they meant.

This witness will state that she and Paula turned over all of their jewelry to Mr. Stanton; that later she and the two girls were turned over to the Department of Justice and were questioned in the Department of Justice offices at Chicago, Illinois, and that after being questioned they were released.

DR. JOHN E. HANNIBAL

Marshall Building,  
West 55th Street and Lorain Avenue,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

This witness will furnish testimony concerning

GLADYS SAWYER  
PAULA HARMON

Subpoena duces tecum should issue against this witness to produce records of his office relative to the treatment of Mrs. Frank James during July and August 1934.

This witness will testify from his records that he treated a Mrs. Frank James, 3812 West 159th Street, on July 26, 1934, July 30, 1934, August 14, 1934, and August 16, 1934; that on the latter two occasions this woman used the name of Mrs. Matterson; that the difference in names might be a mistake made by his nurse, or might be the name of another woman who came to his offices in company with the woman known to him as Mrs. James. This witness will identify the photograph of Gladys Sawyer as the woman known to him as Mrs. Frank James, and whom he treated professionally and he will identify the photograph of Paula Harmon as a woman who accompanied Gladys Sawyer to his office. He will state that when Gladys Sawyer came to his office she mentioned the name of the Harvard Club, but he cannot recall whether she mentioned the names of any individuals at the club; that the mention of the Harvard Club did not appear of any significance to him at the time inasmuch as Mrs. Arthur W. Hebebrand, Mr. and Mrs. James J. Patton, and Louis Monica, as well as possibly ten other individuals employed at the Harvard Club had been his patients from time to time; that he cannot recall whether or not he received a telephone call from anyone at the club advising him that the Sawyer woman was coming to see him, although he will state that he may have received such a call.

CHARLES SELLERS

3113 Harvard Avenue,  
Newburgh Heights, Ohio.

This witness will testify concerning

ALVIN KARPIS  
WILLIAM J. HARRISON

This witness will state that he resides at 3113 Harvard Avenue, Newburgh Heights, Ohio, and that he has operated a beer parlor and restaurant at this address since May 1932; that he was operating at this place during the summer and fall of 1934; that his place is located directly in front of the old Harvard Club, which place was operated as a gambling house from about December 1933, to the early part of January 1936, when it was raided and closed.

This witness will state that some time during January 1935, he read in the local newspapers, either the Plain Dealer or the News, of the escape of Alvin Karpis in Atlantic City, New Jersey, and that Karpis' picture was published in the paper; that upon seeing this picture he recognized it as a man who had been in his place and was known to him as "Slim"; that "Slim" came to his 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, who was called Harry; that a crap dealer at the Harvard Club who had only been employed there about two weeks and who was known only as Bill, brought these fellows into the place and said they wanted something to drink and asked that he take care of them; that he asked Bill if they were all right and he said they were; that he asked Bill one day where these fellows were from and he advised that they were "out of Toledo"; that these fellows came into the house and stayed in one of the front rooms on the first floor where meals are served; that he would estimate that they came to his place at least twenty times during the late summer of 1934; that they would usually come about one or one-thirty in the afternoon and remain an hour or two and would always stay on

the first floor, and would not go to the basement portion of the place; that the man known to him as "Slim" would always come to the door and ask if anyone was in there; that at that time of the day there was usually no one on the first floor and he would come in and would wave at the others to come in and they would occupy one of the smaller rooms on the first floor.

This witness will state further that he can identify the photograph of Alvin Karpis as the man who came to his place on numerous occasions and who was known to him as "Slim"; that he can identify the photograph of Willie Harrison and state that this is the individual who was known to him as "Red"; that he also recalls that the man whom he knew as Harry referred to Harrison on one occasion by the name of Willie; that he has viewed numerous other photographs, but is unable to identify any of them as being the likeness of the man whom he knew as Harry. This witness will state further that when Karpis came to his place he always had his shirt collar open and never wore a tie or coat; that he came to the place on a couple of occasions at about ten or eleven o'clock in the evening, and took away four or five pints of whiskey; that when Karpis came in he always came and departed the same way, that is, coming from the west side of Cleveland, and departing in the same direction.

GEORGE TALBOT

1385 Manor Park Avenue,  
Lakewood, Ohio.

This witness will furnish testimony concerning

ARTHUR W. HEBEBRAND  
JAMES "SHIMMY" PATTON  
FRED HUNTER  
MILTON LETT

This witness will testify that he has been in the employ of the Harvard Club in Newburgh Heights, Ohio, since December 1933, and that for the past several years he has been a floorman at the club; that the club has been operated, during the period he has worked there, as a gambling establishment and that the owners of the place are Art Hebebrand and "Shimmy" Patton. He will state that the club is operated through virtue of a "fix" through the mayor and marshal of Newburgh Heights, Ohio, and will state that the details of the payoff to these officials are handled by Hebebrand and Patton. He will identify the photographs of Art Hebebrand and "Shimmy" Patton and state that they are the owners and operators of the Harvard Club. He will state that Tony Amersbach and "Sharkey" Gorman have been employed at the club for the past several years, both of these individuals having worked on the door and Gorman having also worked as a black jack dealer. He will identify the photograph of Fred Hunter and will state that he was employed as a black jack dealer by him, the circumstances being that Hunter came to the place and asked for a job and being short of dealers at the time he gave him a job after first finding out he could deal the game. He will state that Hunter was only in the employ of the place for a short time and that later the club purchased dice from him as a representative of one Joe Handy. He will identify the photograph of Milton Lett and state that Lett worked at the club as a shiller for some months prior to the fall of 1935, the

circumstances of his employment being that Lett came into the club one day and said he was sent there to go to work as a shiller; that from this statement he, Talbot, assumed this order to put Lett to work came from higher up and for this reason he did not ask any questions but put Lett to work at a salary of \$7.00 per day.

GEORGE A. CONWAY

3787 West 136th Street,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

This witness will furnish testimony concerning

ARTHUR W. HEBEBRAND  
JAMES "SHIMMY" PATTON  
FRED HUNTER  
MILTON LETT  
JOE ROSCOE  
JAMES "TIP" O'NEIL

This witness will testify that he went to work for Art Hebebrand and "Shimmy" Patton at the Harvard Club a gambling establishment in Newburgh Heights, Ohio, about six years ago; that during the year 1934 he was working at the club running a roulette wheel; that during 1935 he was working at the place as a ladder man; that since the big club was closed as a result of a raid during January 1936, he, together with "Toots" Talbot, have been "fronting" for Art Hebebrand and "Shimmy" Patton at the present club.

This witness will identify the photograph of Art Hebebrand and "Shimmy" Patton and state that they were the owners and operators of the old Harvard Club, and are the owner of the present establishment which operates under that name. He will identify the photograph of Milton Lett and state that he worked as a shiller at the Harvard Club during the year 1935, and was known around the club under the name of Willie. He will identify the photograph of Fred Hunter and state that he dealt black jack at the club having worked on the day shift. He will identify the photograph of "Tip" O'Neil and state that he has known this individual for possibly fifteen years and state that he is employed as a floorman at the Harvard Club. This witness will state that he is acquainted with Joe Roscoe of Toledo, Ohio, and will state that Roscoe comes to the Harvard Club occasionally to see either Hebebrand, Patton or "Tip" O'Neil; that he has never seen Roscoe gambling at the club, and he is positive that the purpose of his visits there is to see the above-mentioned persons.

KARL R. BRAZZIL

Gordon Square Hotel,  
65th Street and Detroit Avenue,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

This witness will furnish testimony concerning

ALVIN KARPIS  
WILLIAM J. HARRISON  
MILTON LETT  
FRED HUNTER  
JOE ROSCOE

This witness will state that he has been employed at the Harvard Club, a gambling establishment located in Newburgh Heights, Ohio, for the past two years as a crap dealer, and that he is employed at the place at the present time. He will state that during the years 1934 and 1935 the operators of the club were Art Hebebrand and "Shimmy" Patton. He will identify the photograph of Alvin Karpis and state that he has seen Karpis drinking beer in a speak-easy operated in a house in front of the Harvard Club by a man named Sellers; further that he dealt to Karpis at a crap table in the Harvard Club about two years ago. He is unable to fix the time when he saw Karpis at the speak-easy and at the club, other than to say that it was while the club was being operated in the old Walkathon Building. He will identify the photograph of William J. Harrison and state that he has seen this individual in the Dutch Royal Night Club in Toledo where he, Brazzil, was employed for about one year prior to coming to Cleveland in 1934; that Harrison and three or four other men, all of whom were rather tough looking, began throwing ash trays around the club one night and he had to ask them to stop.

He will identify the photograph of Milton Lett and state that he was employed as a shiller at the club when it was being operated in the large building, and that he was known by the name of Willie. He can state that he



has seen Lett and "Sharkey" Gorman associating together and that he has also seen Lett talking with "Shimmy" Patton and Art Hebebrand on several occasions.

This witness will identify the photograph of Fred Hunter and state that he was employed as a black jack dealer at the club when the place was being run in the large building. This witness will also identify Joe Roscoe and will state that he was acquainted with this person in Toledo, Ohio, prior to coming to Cleveland, and that during the course of his employment at the Harvard Club he has seen Roscoe on the premises a few times.

JAMES F. O'NEIL

11835 Lake Avenue,  
Lakewood, Ohio.

This witness will furnish testimony concerning

ARTHUR W. HEBEBRAND  
JAMES "SHIMMY" PATTON  
WILLIAM J. MITCHELL  
FRED HUNTER  
MILTON LETT  
GEORGE TIMNEY  
JOE ROSCOE

This witness will state that his correct name is James Francis O'Neil, although he is generally known as "Tip" O'Neil; that he has served two sentences in the United States Penitentiaries at Leavenworth, Kansas, and Atlanta, Georgia, for mail robbery and that these sentences were served from 1914 to 1917, and from 1931 to 1935, respectively, both being for terms of five years each. He will state that he has been engaged in gambling and other criminal rackets all of his life with the exception of a period from 1917 to 1920, when he operated a hotel in Lorain, Ohio; that in 1929 he started to work at the Harvard Club in the capacity of a floorman and has been so engaged ever since, with the exception of the period from 1931 to May 1935, when he was an inmate of the United States Penitentiary at Atlanta, Georgia; that at the present time he owns a small interest in the Harvard Club, together with Arthur W. Hebebrand, James "Shimmy" Patton, William J. Mitchell, Bill Fergus, and Nate Weisenberg.

He will state that he has known Shimmy Patton practically all of his life and regards him as the best friend he has; that he has also known Arthur W. Hebebrand for the past ten or twelve years and that both Hebebrand and Patton provided for his family while he was serving his recent sentence at Atlanta.

This witness will identify the photograph of Fred Hunter and state that he recalled that Hunter sold dice to the Harvard Club and was seen by him at the club frequently during the summer and fall of 1935. He will identify the photograph of Milton Lett and state that when he returned to the club from the Atlanta Penitentiary in May of 1935, that Lett was working at the club as a shiller, and continued in this capacity until September or October of 1935. He will state that he is acquainted with Captain George Timiney of the Toledo Police Department; that he is also acquainted with Joe Roscoe of Toledo, Ohio, and can state that Joe Roscoe frequently came to the Harvard Club; that the Harvard Club, and a gambling house operated by Roscoe in Toledo, used to exchange dealers and that the two gambling establishments were closely connected in that respect.

CHARLES C. STORES

3999 East 26th Street,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

This witness will furnish testimony concerning

JAMES "SHIMMY" PATTON  
ARTHUR W. HEBERBRAND  
FRED HUNTER  
ANTHONY J. AMERSBACH

This witness will testify that since 1905 he has served sentences in the Elmyra Reformatory at New York for grand larceny, the Auburn Prison at New York for grand larceny, the Western Penitentiary at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania for grand larceny, and the Ohio State Penitentiary at Columbus, Ohio, for armed robbery; that he was last released from a penitentiary in 1932; that following his release from prison he worked in a furniture factory at Brockton, New York, until his parole period had expired, and at that time, which was about November of 1934, he came to Cleveland and through Tony Amersbach, whom he had met while confined in the Ohio State Penitentiary, he secured a job as a car parker and watchman at the old Harvard Club, and continued in that employment until the place was closed in January 1936; that he is now employed at the present Harvard Club in the coop and that his duties consist of operating the buzzer which controls the front door to the club. He will identify the photographs of James "Shimmy" Patton and Art Hebebrand as the operators of the Harvard Club. He will identify the photograph of Tony Amersbach as the doorman at the Harvard Club and as being the person through whom he obtained his employment. He will identify the photograph of Fred Hunter and state that he was a black jack dealer at the club for a short time in 1935.

ALLEN G. FOERSTER

793 East 88th Street,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

This witness will furnish testimony concerning

ARTHUR W. HEBEBRAND  
JAMES PATTON  
MILTON LETT  
JOHN F. "SHARKEY" GORMAN  
ANTHONY J. ALIERSBACH  
FRED HUNTER

This witness will testify that he has been employed at the Harvard Club, a gambling establishment in Newburgh Heights, Ohio, as a crap dealer since the early part of 1935; that the club was operated at the big establishment in the Walkathon building during 1935 and until the time of the raid in January 1936, when the place was closed; that the establishment is presently operated in a building at the intersection of 42nd Street and Harvard Avenue in Newburgh Heights, Ohio. He will identify the photographs of Art Hebebrand and "Shimmy" Patton, and state that they were the active operators of the old Harvard Club and are the silent operators of the present establishment, stating in this connection that "Toots" Talbot and "Shorty" Conway are fronting at the present place for the real owners. He will identify the picture of Milton Lett and state that he was employed as a shiller at the old club in 1935, and will say that he talked with this individual on several occasions and knew him under the name of Willie; that on any number of occasions he saw Lett kibitzing with persons who worked on the door and who are known to him as Sharkey and Tony. He will identify the photograph of Fred Hunter as a person who worked at the club during part of the year 1935 as a black jack dealer.

FRANK WARNER

1132 Allerton Hotel,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

This witness will furnish testimony concerning

GLADYS SAWYER  
JAMES J. WILSON  
WILLIAM J. HARRISON  
MILTON LETT  
ALVIN KARPIS

This witness will testify that his true name is Stephen Wosnis, but that he is generally known as Frank Warner. He will state that since February 1934, he has been employed at the Harvard Club, a gambling establishment in Newburgh Heights, Ohio, as a dealer at a crap table; that this club during 1934 and 1935 was owned and operated by Art Hebebrand and "Shimmy" Patton.

He will identify the photograph of Gladys Sawyer and state that she is a person whom he has seen, but that he is unable to state where or when he came in contact with her. He will identify the photograph of James J. Wilson and state that he is positive that he has seen him someplace, but that he could not fix the date or place. He will identify the photograph of William J. Harrison and state that he saw him at the Harvard Club during the summer of 1934, and that he also drank a glass of beer with him on one or two occasions at the beer parlor operated by a man named Sellers, which is located in a house directly in front of the Harvard Club. Warner is unable to state with whom William J. Harrison associated at the Harvard Club and denied that he saw him in company with Karpis, or any other members of the gang, or that he ever saw him visiting or talking with Art Hebebrand or "Shimmy" Patton. He will identify the photograph of Milton Lett and state that he has seen him at the Harvard Club on

several occasions. He will state that around Thanksgiving Day of 1935 he, Warner, was playing the roulette wheel; that he placed a bet; that Lett was also playing the wheel and that at the turn of the wheel Warner's number came up and Lett moved his, Warner's, chips from the number, causing Warner to lose; that he told Lett to keep his hands off of chips that did not belong to him; that they exchanged a few words over this incident and left. This witness will state that he is unable to say whether Lett was employed at the club, or whether he associated with anybody around the place. This witness will identify the photograph of Alvin Karpis and state that he has seen him at the Harvard Club on several occasions, but that he did not know his name or anything about him; further that the occasions when he saw him were during the summer of 1934. Warner will state that the first time he noticed Karpis, Karpis walked up to the crap table where he, Warner, was dealing, and threw a \$20.00 bill on the table, without saying anything; that he had to call the throw; that he called Karpis on the play and warned him that if he wanted change he should say so, or he was liable to lose his money; that in response to this warning, Karpis just smiled and pulled out a large roll of bills from his pocket and started to play.

RAYMOND MULCAHEY

2229 Scranton Avenue,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

This witness will furnish testimony concerning

ARTHUR W. HEBEBRAND  
JAMES "SHIMMY" PATTON  
MILTON LETT  
JOE ROSCOE

This witness will state that he went to work at the Harvard Club, Newburgh Heights, Ohio, for Art Hebebrand and "Shimmy" Patton as a dealer on August 6, 1934, and has been employed at the club since that time; that the Harvard Club is operated as a gambling establishment. He will identify the photographs of Art Hebebrand and "Shimmy" Patton and state that they were the owners and operators of the Harvard Club during the years 1934 and 1935. He will identify the photograph of Milton Lett and state that he was employed at the club during the summer and fall of 1935 as a shiller and was generally known as "Willis from St. Louis." He will state that he is acquainted with Joe Roscoe of Toledo, Ohio, having met him when he, Mulcahey, was employed as a dealer in a gambling establishment at Toledo; that he saw Roscoe on some six or seven occasions at the old Harvard Club in 1934, in company with "Shimmy" Patton and Arthur W. Hebebrand.



ANTHONY J. AMERSBACH

7124 Clark Avenue,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

This witness will testify concerning

ARTHUR W. HEBEBRAND  
JAMES "SHIMMY" PATTON  
MILTON LETT  
FRED HUNTER  
JOE ROSCOE  
JOHN F. "SHARKEY" GORMAN

This witness will testify that his true name is Anthony J. Amersbach, although he is generally known as Tony Amersbach; that he has served two sentences in the Ohio State Penitentiary at Columbus, Ohio, on charges of auto theft and burglary; that he was last released from this institution in 1932, at which time he obtained a job through Art Hebebrand as a doorman at the Harvard Club, a gambling establishment located in Newburgh Heights, Ohio, and that he is still engaged in this employment. He will state that he has known Art Hebebrand and "Shimmy" Patton all of his life; that these two individuals are the persons who operated the Harvard Club when he first entered the employ of this establishment, and that they are the owners of the place which is still being run under the same name. He will identify the photograph of Milton Lett as a person known to him as Willie, who worked at the black jack tables in the club as a shiller during 1935. He will identify the photograph of "Tip" O'Neil and state he is connected with the Harvard Club in some capacity, is an ex-convict, and is a close friend of "Shimmy" Patton. He will identify the photograph of Fred Hunter as a man known to him as Freddie, who worked at the Harvard Club as a black jack dealer during 1935. He will state that he is acquainted with Joe Roscoe of Toledo. He will also state that he is acquainted with "Sharkey" Gorman and that Gorman has worked at the Harvard Club as a doorman and black jack dealer for several years. This witness will testify further that during the year 1935 he was the owner of a Graham Paige sedan.

MILDRED H. WILCOX

6710 Hough Avenue,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Will testify in regard to the following individuals:

JAMES PATTON  
PAULA HARMON  
WYNONA BURDETTE  
GLADYS SAWYER

This witness will testify that for the past six years she has been employed as a policewoman by the Cleveland Police Department; that on September 5, 1934, in connection with her official duties, she was sent to the Hotel Cleveland on an emergency call in connection with three drunken women, a small child with them, who were raising a disturbance; that when she reached the hotel she found the women had been taken to an upstairs room by the manager; that she was told by the manager that the hotel did not wish to take any action against these women, but felt that they should not go out in their intoxicated conditions with the child.

She will state that she was taken to the room in question and found three women, whom she can identify from photographs as Gladys Sawyer, Paula Harmon, and Wynona Burdette, and she can also state that a small girl with these women was supposed to belong to the Sawyer women. She will state that she found the women in a partially intoxicated condition, but they were more ugly than drunk; that she told them she would have to take them to jail, and that the Harmon women immediately took off a diamond bracelet and told her that she could have it if she would let them go; that she paid no attention to this offer and told the women that they would have to go along; that the Sawyer woman was pretending to be very drunk and it was necessary to take her downstairs in a wheelchair with the assistance of several hotel employees.

She will testify that when the three women had been taken to her car they started to fight with her; that she was hit in the eye and the women began using their feet on her;

that she yelled for help and several traffic officers came to her assistance; that the Burdette woman and the little girl were placed in the front seat of her car and the other two women were placed in the rear seat with a traffic officer; that en route to police headquarters two additional traffic officers got on the running boards of the car to pick up various articles and papers which the women took from their pocketsbooks and threw onto the street.

This witness will state further that after placing the three women in jail she reported the matter of their arrests to Inspector Cody, advising him that she 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 her, and because they appeared tough in that they used violent profanity. She will state that she then went to the doctor to receive attention for her eye.

This witness will state that Detectives Hugo and Jacobs were in the Detective Bureau at the time she made her report to Inspector Cody, and that they went upstairs at police headquarters to question the three women. She will state further that while talking with the three women the Harmon woman asked her to telephone "Shimmy" Patton at the Harvard Club and tell him that Ethel Matterson was in jail; that both the Harmon woman and the Sawyer woman said their husbands were gamblers and worked at the Harvard Club; that they told her to get in touch with their husbands, if possible, by telephone and that if their husbands could not be reached to simply tell Patton that they had been drinking and were in jail. This witness will testify that she refused to make any telephone calls for these women, but that while in the jail, matron Molly Bartelheim suggested that she get in touch with an attorney named Stanton to represent the woman; that she, Mrs. Wilcox, only knew Stanton by sight at the time; that she told Mrs. Bartelheim that she would not telephone anybody and warned her not to do so inasmuch as the women were being held under an investigation charge.

This witness will state that she had talked to the little girl, who was being held at the Women's Bureau, and that she told the names of the three women, who had furnished fictitious names themselves, and stated that they had come

downtown during the afternoon in an automobile; that the story told by the little girl conflicted with the stories of the three women, and for this reason she and Detectives Hugo and Jacobs took the little girl around the downtown section in a police car in an effort to locate the automobile belonging to the women; that they were successful in finding the car in a parking lot and the little girl identified it through a coat on the rear seat, and a dress that belonged to her.

This witness will state that around nine or ten o'clock that night the Sawyer woman sent for her and talked to her in a conference room in the city jail; that this woman apologized to her for having been so nasty, also for hitting her, and asked if she would help her get out of jail and in this connection offered to let her go downtown and buy anything she wanted at the stores, if she would help her. She will state that she was trying to get information from the Sawyer woman as to the identity of the three women, where they lived, and who their husbands were, and for this reason she told her that she would give her a break if she would tell the truth as to their identities. She will state that neither the Harmon woman nor the Burdette woman was brought to a conference room to talk with her that night.

She will also state that the detectives had secured an address from the Harmon woman and that she and the two detectives took the little girl with them in a police car to look at the place; that they found it to be an apartment building where the Harmon woman and her supposed husband had moved away from about a month previously; that through talking with the janitor at this building they ascertained that these people had moved and they took the little girl to look at the new place; that they rode around in the vicinity of the address, which had been given to them, but could not find the house; that at about this time the child became sleepy so Detectives Hugo and Jacobs drove her and the child back to the Women's Bureau; that upon leaving them at the Women's Bureau they advised that they were going to continue their efforts to find the place. This witness will state that it was some time around midnight when she and the child were left at the Women's Bureau; that she went off duty at this time and had nothing further to do with the case; that upon her arrival on duty the next day she was told that the women were being handled by the Federal authorities and were not at the city jail.



and that a couple additional employees of the hotel assisted in taking the other two women and the child along with Mrs. Sawyer; that in the meantime a police officer had been contacted by someone and had made a telephone call to police headquarters; that he remained with Mrs. Sawyer on account of her condition and the maid kept cold towels on her head; that Assistant Manager Carr came to the service hall and assisted in looking after the women, and in a very few moments a policewoman arrived; that 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; that the policewoman had quite a struggle with the three women, particularly Mrs. Sawyer, in getting them into the car, and they continuously cursed and fought; that the women were finally loaded into the police car, however, and were taken from the hotel.

H. D. CARR

Assistant Manager,  
Hotel Cleveland,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

This witness will testify concerning

WYNONA BURDETTE  
PAULA HARMON  
GLADYS SAWYER

This witness will state that he is employed as an assistant manager by the Hotel Cleveland, and was so employed during September 1934; that at about this time three women were arrested during the middle of the afternoon in the Bronze Room at the hotel for creating a disturbance; that he can identify these women from photographs as Paula Harmon, Wynona Burdette and Gladys Sawyer and can state that the Sawyer woman had a small child with her.

This witness will state that he first came in contact with these 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; that as a result of these instructions he went to the service hall and found the Sawyer woman in a wheel chair in an intoxicated condition and sick at her stomach; that she had been taken there in order to get some air, and to apply cold towels to her head; that a policewoman arrived shortly after he did and they 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; that the Sawyer woman raved and cursed, but that the other two women were behaving themselves; that in addition to himself he recalls the policewoman, house officer Gunderson, an employee named Callahan, and a colored maid were upstairs with these women.

He will testify that the policewoman decided to take the women to jail and they were loaded into the freight elevator for this purpose; that Mrs. Sawyer still remained in the wheel chair on account of her apparent drunken condition; that she seemed to come to while going down in the elevator and raved and ranted and considerable difficulty was experienced in keeping her in the wheel chair; that the employees who had been upstairs accompanied the women down in the elevator while the policewoman went to get her car and pick the women up at the Third Street door of the hotel; that after the women were brought downstairs considerable difficulty was had in getting Mrs. Sawyer into the automobile, as she put up quite a struggle and attacked the policewoman by pulling at her clothes and striking her in the face; that while the policewoman and the hotel employees were trying to get the Sawyer woman into the car, the Harmon woman started toward Euclid Avenue with the little girl and that he, Mr. Carr, ran after her, accompanied by either Mr. Alguire, who was then present, or Mr. Callahan; that they caught up with her and she pleaded with them to let her go, stating that she would give them \$500.00 if they would let her go, and she opened her pocketbook and asked them to look in it and see that she had the money; that they ignored her offer and she became very angry when they insisted upon taking her back to the car, and began to curse them with exceptionally vile language; that he believes a uniformed policeman came to the hotel entrance while the women were being loaded into the car and assisted in handling them.



C. H. CALLAHAN

Assistant Steward,  
Hotel Cleveland,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

This witness will testify concerning

PAULA HARMON  
WYNONA BURDETTE  
GLADYS SAWYER

This witness will state he is employed at the Hotel Cleveland as an assistant steward, and that during September 1934, he was on duty in the service section of the Bronze Room at the hotel when three women were arrested for drunk and disorderly conduct; that on this occasion he was in charge of the room in the absence of the steward; that during the middle of the afternoon on the date in question, which he is unable to recall, 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 \$15.00 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; that the waiter advised them that they could not buy any more drinks and that they became very nasty and noisy and created considerable disturbance; that when the disturbance started he, Callahan, went to the women and assisted several other employees, including house officer Gunderson, in getting the women out of the cocktail room; that from photographs he can identify the three women as Gladys Sawyer, Paula Harmon and Wynona Burdette; that he will state that the fat woman, whom he indicated as being Mrs. Sawyer, became ill in the foyer and had to be taken upstairs in a wheel chair; that he took care of the child and accompanied the three women and 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 the woman's head. He will state 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 as they appeared to be tough inasmuch as they continuously cursed everybody who had anything to do with them; that they 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 while going down in the elevator and commenced hollering about being in a jail; that when the women were brought outside a struggle was had about getting the Sawyer woman into the police car, and the policewoman had a fight with her; that the Harmon woman started toward Euclid Avenue with the little girl and that he and Assistant Manager Carr ran after her and the woman offered Mr. Carr \$500.00, or some such sum of money if he would let her go, but she was returned to the police car and driven off in it between policewoman and a policeman along with the other two women and the child.

EDWARD C. STANTON

606 Terminal Tower,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

This witness will furnish testimony concerning

WYNONA BURDETTE  
PAULA HARMON  
GLADYS SAWYER

This witness will state that he is an attorney at law and maintains offices at 606 Terminal Tower, Cleveland, Ohio; that he can identify photographs of Paula Harmon, Gladys Sawyer and Wynona Burdette as persons with whom he talked during the early part of September 1934 at the city jail in Cleveland, Ohio. He will state that on what he later learned was the morning following the arrest of these women he found a message upon his arrival at his office, to the effect that he should call Mrs. Matterson at the city jail; that he had no idea as to whom this woman might be; 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 and that he made no inquiry concerning the identity of the person who called him, and had no idea whom she might be; that shortly thereafter he went to see Inspector Cody at Central Station and after waiting approximately one hour obtained an interview with Ethel Matterson. He will testify that Ethel Matterson 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 for the purpose of delivering a message, but she did ask him to talk with two women who had been arrested with her; that as a result of the above request he did talk with Gladys Sawyer and Wynona Burdette, although they were being held at the police station under different names, and that these women likewise simply asked him to

represent them in connection with the intoxication charges under which they were held, and that neither of them asked him to deliver a message on the outside for her.

This witness will state that on the following day he again talked with Inspector Cody and at this time was advised that the women were Paula Harmon, Gladys Sawyer, and Wynona Burdette, and that they were connected with men who were wanted by the Government for the Bremer kidnaping; that on this occasion he also learned that the police had filed against all three women under the suspicious person law, and in this connection he talked with them in order to make appropriate arrangements to represent them in court; that while talking with them on this occasion they requested him to take care of their jewelry and that he did take into his possession numerous pieces of diamond set jewelry which he retained until some time in the latter part of September or October 1934, when the three women called at his office and secured same.

MRS. MOLLY BARTELHEIM

17502 Woodbury Avenue,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Will furnish testimony concerning

JAMES PATTON  
WYNONA BURDETTE  
PAULA HARMON  
GLADYS SAWYER

This witness will testify that she is employed at the city jail as a matron and has been employed in that capacity for approximately thirteen years; that she can identify photographs of Gladys Sawyer, Wynona Burdette, and Paula Harmon as three women who were arrested in some hotel for being disorderly and who were later found to be connected with the Karpis gang; that she was on duty when these three women were booked at the city jail by policewoman Mildred Wilcox, and she recalls that Wilcox talked with them in a conference room across the hall from the cells in which the women were held. This witness will state that the Harmon woman was a small woman who acted very ugly and who complained of a diamond brooch, ring or bracelet having been stolen from her en route to the jail, which alleged loss was later investigated by Lieutenant Johnson; that the Harmon woman was particularly hard to handle in that she continuously cursed; that she demanded that someone telephone Shimmy Patton; that the Sawyer woman kept crying about her child and seemed to be more concerned about the child than anything else; that the Burdette woman was very quiet and did not have anything to say; that none of the women appeared to be very drunk, but they had had enough to drink to make them ugly and nasty.

She will state that the three women were separated as they were under investigation; that she believes she took the Harmon woman to a conference room for interview with policewoman Wilcox, but could not recall having taken either of the other two women to Wilcox for interviews; that while

these women were held at the jail the only request she had from any of them that she telephone anybody or deliver any message, was the request of the Harmon woman that she telephone to Shimmy Patton; that she did not communicate either with Patton or anybody else on behalf of these women.

HARRY HUGO

Detective Sergeant,  
Cleveland Police Department,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Will testify regarding the following individuals:

JAMES PATTON  
ARTHUR W. HEBERBRAND  
PAULA HARMON  
WYNONA BURDETTE  
GLADYS SAWYER

Will testify that he is employed as a detective sergeant by the Cleveland Police Department and that during the year 1934 he was a detective assigned to Central Police Station, and was working with Detective Joe Jacobs, who is now deceased; that during the early part of September, 1934, some time shortly after he and Jacobs came on duty, they met policewoman Wilcox in the hall near the Detective Bureau and she told them about having arrested three women at the Hotel Cleveland, the women being arrested on an intoxication charge, and it being mentioned that they had a lot of jewelry and money on them and would not furnish information about themselves; that one of the women had a little girl with her, who was then being held at the Women's Bureau, and he and Jacobs were asked to question the women.

He will state that he and Detective Jacobs went to the women's section of the jail and talked with three women; that from a group photograph he can identify Wynona Burdette, Paula Harmon, and Gladys Sawyer as the three women to whom he and Jacobs talked, and who furnished their names as Wynona Wolcott, Ethel Matterson, and Gladys Sawyer. He will state that Wynona Burdette did not talk to them; that the Matterson woman told them her husband was from Toledo and worked at the Harvard Club as a black-jack dealer; that if they want to know who she was to call Shimmy Patton at the Harvard Club and he

would tell them; that she later advised that she and her husband lived at an address on Parkhurst Avenue; that the Sawyer woman also claimed her husband worked at the Harvard Club, and she also wanted them to telephone to Patton. He will state that the three women were partially intoxicated; that he remembers the Sawyer and Matterson women being very profane in their talk; that he and Jacobs endeavored to find out from these women where they lived, but they would not furnish any information and only kept insisting that they telephone to Patton.

This witness will state that he talked to the little girl of the Sawyer woman and she told a story which conflicted with the stories told by the three women; that she advised of an automobile parked downtown which belonged to one of the women, while the story related by the women was that they came downtown in a taxi cab; that after talking with the child they again talked to the three women who stuck to their original story. He will state that while in jail talking with these women, matron Molly Bartelheim suggested that they telephone to Shimmy Patton, but she was advised that they had no intention of doing so. He will state that shortly thereafter he, Jacobs and Mrs. Wilcox, took the little girl in a car to the downtown parking lots with the final result that they located a Ford coach which the child identified through some of her clothing, as being the property of one of the women; that later during the night a traffic officer brought a bill of sale and a bunch of keys to headquarters and the bill of sale was in the name of Matterson with an address on Jefferson Avenue in Toledo; that the same group drove to the address on Parkhurst Avenue, which the Matterson woman had furnished, and investigation at the apartment house located at the address, resulted in the information that the Matterson woman and her husband had moved from the address about a month previously.

This witness will state that Detective Jacobs had been acquainted with Shimmy Patton and Art Hebebrand at the Harvard Club for some time and believed that he could ascertain the identity of the women through them; that he, Hugo, had also known Patton for some time; that they decided to talk with Patton and Hebebrand; that they drove Mrs. Wilcox and the little girl back to the Central Station and then drove to the Harvard Club, where they talked with both Patton and Hebebrand; that they asked



for information concerning some black-jack dealers from Toledo, advising that three women by the names of Sawyer, Matterson and Wolcott were under arrest on a charge of being intoxicated and that they would not tell anything about themselves except that their husbands worked at the Harvard Club; that 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; that they mentioned they had one black-jack dealer from Toledo and were asked to bring him out front inasmuch as they could not enter the building; that a red-headed fellow was brought out and they talked with him and satisfied themselves that he was not connected with the women.

This witness will state that he and Detective Jacobs later conducted an investigation concerning the Parkhurst Avenue apartment and learned through the janitor of the place that the people had moved to an address which was later learned to be 4419 West 171st Street; that it was well after midnight by this time and they secured the detective cruiser from Central Station and some officers from the 17th Precinct and went to this house; that they secured entrance to the house by means of one of the keys which had been found by the traffic officer; that they found nobody in the house, but he recalls finding a Chicago newspaper which had been folded and he could tell by the folds that it had been used in wrapping a machine gun; that he and Detective Jacobs remained in the vicinity of this house all night watching it and waiting for the occupants to return; that nobody returned, however, and on the following morning he and Jacobs were relieved by Detective Cowles and his partner; that inquiry of neighbors in the vicinity of this house above mentioned resulted in the information that at about 8:30 P. M., on this night some man had been at the house, had stayed about ten minutes, and had then left in an automobile.

This witness will further state that he and Detective Jacobs had nothing further to do with the case involving the arrests of the three women except to investigate the Ford coach, which had been found in a downtown parking lot, and also to conduct some investigation concerning a Packard sedan which some neighbors advised had been parked

near the 171st Street house. He will state that at no time during the course of the investigation conducted by Detective Jacobs and him did they learn anything concerning the identities of the husbands of the three women. He will also state that neither he nor Jacobs had any contact with Shimmy Patton or Art Hebebrand, other than the visit to the Harvard Club on the night following the arrest of the women and that he did not telephone any lawyer on behalf of these women and can state that Jacobs did not do so to his knowledge.



"STATE OF KANSAS  
Kansas State Penitentiary  
Lacey M. Simpson, Warden,  
Lansing, Kansas.

July 26th 1934.

"Mr. Fred S. Spohn,  
F.P.E. Sheriff's Office,  
Chardon, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

"I have your letter of July 24th, relative to our Charles Carroll. Be advised that this man was not paroled from this institution, but was discharged by expiration. He served two terms in the Oklahoma Penitentiary, the first one being 1 year, 3 months and 25 days. The second one being of 2 years, 5 months and 9 days duration. He was discharged on both these terms. At the time he entered this institution he asserted that his parents were both dead and gave no other relatives. The last report we have on this man was his arrest in St Paul, Minn. April 13, 1933, same name.

Yours very truly,

C. W. Wilson (signed)  
Record Clerk."

"Dear Fred-

Kindly follow this up.

F.J.Noonan (signed)".

Will testify that he forwarded the above letter to FRANK J. NOONAN and that it was returned to him by mail with the notation as indicated in the letter: "Dear Fred - Kindly follow this up. F.J.NOONAN."

That upon receiving the above letter back from  
FRANK J. NOONAN, he sent the following letter to FRANK J.  
NOONAN:

"H. O. HILL  
Sheriff of Geauga County,  
Chardon, Ohio.

"Dear Frank:

"In re- to Charles Carrol send me the finger print  
class, you will find it on the back of the card  
and dont make any mistake in the copy, and send  
his alias, also I will drop a line to the State  
Bureau, he may be locked up in some jail in this  
state, and we may be liable to locate him.

Yours truly,

Fred C. Spohn (signed)

"Copy the same as on this card.

"Dear Fred-

"Enclosed find photo of Charles Carroll,  
if you will write to St Paul and also Washington  
we might get some dope on him.

Frank J. Noonan  
per E. Cook (signed)

"P.S. Am anxious to find out where he is now.  
Will have another job for you as soon as the  
Dog track opens."

which was returned to him with the notations placed thereon as  
is indicated in the letter which is is quoted above

(The letters quoted above are in the files of the Cleveland office  
of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and will be available to  
the U. S. Attorney at the time of trial.)

W. E. PETERS

1340 Russ Bldg.,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Will testify that he was a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation in the year of 1934; that on November 17, 1934, he interviewed

FRANK J. NOONAN

of the Noonan Detective Agency, Cleveland, Ohio, and that NOONAN stated that he had caused a thorough check of his office to be made but was unable to ascertain how the pay envelopes which were found at the address 3973 W. 140th St., Cleveland, Ohio, had gotten out of the possession of his agency.

That on November 19, 1934, he again interviewed FRANK J. NOONAN, who stated that he had been thinking over the matter with reference to the Federal Bureau of Investigation abstract of the criminal record of Charles Carroll which was found at the address 3973 W. 140th Street, Cleveland, Ohio, and that he had arrived at the opinion that Carroll was involved in some way with a counterfeit ring which was laying down a great deal of counterfeit money at the Bainbridge Track during the spring meeting and that he had received a tip that this money was going to be laid down and when it started to appear he gave his information to the United States Secret Service and assisted that organization in apprehending a number of counterfeiters; that he was uncertain as to whether he received information that Carroll was a member of this alleged counterfeiting ring or whether he picked him up for questioning, but that at any rate he did recall requesting Fred Spohn of the Sheriff's Office of Geauga County, Chardon, Ohio, to check up on the criminal record of Charles Carroll.

Will testify that on this occasion he exhibited to FRANK J. NOONAN the letters written by FRANK J. NOONAN to Fred Spohn of the Sheriff's Office, Geauga County, Chardon, Ohio, which letters were turned over by Fred C. Spohn to the Federal Bureau of Investigation, (and which letters are presently in the Cleveland Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and will be available at the time of trial); and that on this occasion FRANK J. NOONAN stated that the letters were in the handwriting of Ed Cook, his first assistant, but that Cook had his permission to sign the name of FRANK J. NOONAN and that he, NOONAN, would accept full responsibility for these letters as he had no doubt instructed Cook to write them.

Will testify that FRANK J. NOONAN stated that he had no knowledge whatsoever as to how the copy of the criminal record reached the premises at 3973 W. 140th Street.

That on November 21, 1934, he again interviewed FRANK J. NOONAN in the presence of Ed Cook and that the correspondence written by the Noonan Detective Agency to Fred Spohn was exhibited to both FRANK J. NOONAN and Ed Cook and that at this interview Ed Cook stated that he had written the letters but that he had no personal knowledge as to the reason for the request for the criminal record of Charles Carroll and that everything he had done with reference to securing this criminal record had been done at the express direction of FRANK J. NOONAN; that he did not recall receiving or seeing a photograph of Charles Carroll. The witness will testify that FRANK J. NOONAN was present at this interview and acquiesced and agreed in all statements made by Ed Cook in his presence.

Will further testify that on this occasion he also interviewed FRANK J. NOONAN privately, at which time NOONAN stated that in June and July 1934, he had a suite of rooms at the Carter Hotel in Cleveland, which he was using as an office in connection with private detective work on a case involving most of the breweries in Cleveland; that in this suite of rooms he set up an office, having a private telephone, a typewriter, stationery and pay envelopes of the Noonan Detective Agency; that in view of his previous connection with the Carter Hotel,

he was able to obtain the suite of rooms at a ridiculously low price; that the brewery cases wound themselves up in the early part of July 1934, at which time NOONAN decided to vacate the rooms; that however Art Hebebrand, who was known to NOONAN as one of the operators of the Harvard Gambling Club, approached NOONAN and told him that he would like to take over the suite of rooms to use for entertainment purposes and requested NOONAN to keep the rooms in his, NOONAN's, name inasmuch as he had secured such a low rate; that these plans were worked out and NOONAN vacated the suite of rooms and Art Hebebrand moved in; that when he moved out he forgot to take the stationery and pay envelopes of the Noonan Detective Agency and that no doubt Art Hebebrand took the pay envelopes which were subsequently found in the premises at 3973 W. 140th St., Cleveland.

The witness will further testify that on December 6, 1934, he again interviewed FRANK J. NOONAN, with further reference to the criminal record of Charles Carroll found at the address 3973 W. 140th St.; that FRANK J. NOONAN stated that during the spring of 1934 a night club known as the Keystone Club, was opened by one Art Andrews and two others, and that on the opening night there was a row between the door man, Ruddy Duncan, and Shadow Burns and one Katz; that before this row was over, Duncan shot Katz and Burns, and that shortly thereafter Duncan was shot down in front of a theatre at 105th and St Clair Streets, Cleveland, and that Burns was later arrested in connection with the shooting but was acquitted upon trial; that some outside hoodlums participated in this fight as a result of a telephone call from the Keystone Club and that during the summer of 1934, the person who made the telephone call from the Keystone Club was located at the Bainbridge Race Track near Cleveland and his presence at the track was revealed to NOONAN, who was policing the track, by some member of the management and that accordingly he, NOONAN, was checking up on all hoodlums frequenting the race track and in this connection received information from some source that Charles Carroll was there and that he was a killer and might attempt to kill the person who made the telephone call from the Keystone Club, and that for that reason he, NOONAN, requested Carroll's criminal record in order to have it avail-



able in case of any trouble; that however he could offer no explanation as to how this criminal record, after it was received by him from the Federal Bureau of Investigation through Fred Spohn, got out of his possession.

G. S. FRAMBES, SR.

Thomas Shirt Company,  
Columbus, Ohio.

This witness will furnish testimony concerning

ARTHUR W. HEBEBRAND  
FRED BARKER  
HARRY CAMPBELL

This witness will state that he is president of the Thomas Shirt Company of Columbus, Ohio, and has been connected with the organization for the past thirty-five years; that this company is engaged in the manufacture and sale of tailor made shirts. He will state that approximately four years ago he became acquainted with Art Hebebrand, who, together with others, was operating a gambling place immediately outside of Columbus, Ohio; that after meeting Hebebrand, he, Hebebrand, began to buy tailor made shirts through him, and after his initial purchase he thereafter referred many persons to him as customers, many of whom are now employed at the Harvard Club in Cleveland. This witness will state from records that on May 17, 1934, which he recalls as being a Saturday, he received a long distance telephone call at Columbus from Cleveland, and the party calling identified himself as Hebebrand of the Harvard Club; that he cannot state at the present time whether he recognized the voice on the telephone as being that of Art Hebebrand; that this person advised that some of his friends at the club desired to be fitted for some shirts and it was suggested that he come to Cleveland that day, stating that his friends wanted the shirts as soon as possible; that he told Hebebrand that he did not contemplate a trip to Cleveland for another month or so, but that if it would be worth his while he would make a special trip to Cleveland on the following Monday, stating then that it was impossible for him to come that day; that Hebebrand assured him over the telephone it would be worth his while, and accordingly he said he would be at the club about noon the following Monday, which was May 19, 1934, and that his friends should be there at that time.

This witness will state that he went to the Harvard Club shortly before noon on May 19, 1934, and inquired for Art Hebebrand, not seeing him in the club; that the individual from whom he made inquiry stated that Hebebrand was in New York City; that shortly after making inquiry for Hebebrand, three individuals whom he had never seen before, approached him and asked if he was the shirt man; that when he disclosed his identity they advised that they desired to be fitted for shirts; that he recalls that one of the men had a factory made shirt with him and referred to it in describing what changes and alterations he desired in the shirts he was ordering; that he recalls that this particular individual was not measured for any shirts, but that he did take the measurements of the other two men; that he recalls two of these men as being short and the third as being somewhat taller; that after taking the measurements of these men one of them gave his name as E. Bronson and placed an order for twelve shirts, the other placed an order for eight shirts, and some third individual ordered six shirts; that the price of each shirt as he recalls was \$6.00.

This witness will identify the snapshot photograph of Fred Barker as the man who did all the talking and who furnished his name as E. Bronson, and will state that he clearly recalls that this man was short and dapper looking. He will identify the photograph of Harry Campbell as a good likeness of the other short man. This witness will also state that he has examined numerous other photographs, but is unable to identify any of them as the likeness of the third man in the group. This witness will testify that he does not recall any of these men as having indicated to him that Art Hebebrand, or any other person at the Harvard Club, referred them to him, or made reference to the telephone conversation of the previous Saturday, nor does he remember that any employees of the club, who are known to him, were present at the time he talked with these three men.

This witness will state that while writing the orders for the shirts he asked the man named Bronson and the other two men what initials they desired on their respective shirts, and they all specifically informed him not to place any marks of identification on any of the shirts. He will state that Bronson instructed him to mail the shirts when ready to him, in care of the Harvard Club, 3111 Harvard Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, and that

same were to be mailed C.O.D., and he assured that someone at the club would accept them. This witness will state further that he asked for a \$50.00 deposit on this order, and that Bronson gave him a \$50.00 bill from a roll that would "choke a horse"; that he gave Bronson a receipt for this money, writing it on the back of one of the company's regular calling cards. This witness will also testify from his records that the above order of shirts was shipped to E. Bronson, 3111 Harvard Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, on July 6, 1934, by parcel post, C.O.D., for the balance due, which he recalls being around \$127.00; that the shirts were apparently accepted as the company received the money shortly thereafter and that this was the only time he ever saw these three men.

This witness will also testify that he has never discussed the telephone call he received or the sale of these shirts with either Art Hebebrand, Shimmy Patton, or any other person at the Harvard Club.

FRANK DOUDA

Superintendent,  
Money Order Section,  
U. S. Post Office,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Subpoena duces tecum should issue against this witness to produce five tags relating to C.O.D. packages in the amount of \$25.40 each, mailed by the Thomas Shirt Company, 240 North High Street, Columbus, Ohio, on July 6, 1934, to E. Bronson, 3111 Harvard Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, and which were delivered to the addressee on July 11, 1934, the clerk who made the delivery having initialed each tag "G.J.", and the C.O.D. package numbers and the money order numbers referring to each package being as follows:

C.O.D. Package #

81202  
81203  
81204  
81205  
81206

Money Order #

629675  
629676  
629677  
629678  
629679

GEORGE JIRONSEK

Clerk,  
Money Order Section,  
U. S. Post Office,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

This witness will testify from the records of the post office as referred to under the name of witness Frank Douba, that he is employed as a clerk in the money order section of the post office and was so employed during July 1934, and that in his official employment he delivered the five C.O.D. packages referred to in the records to an individual who called at the post office window with a notice which had been mailed to E. Bronson, advising that the packages were ready for delivery upon payment of the specified amounts. This witness will identify the five C.O.D. tags in question through his initials "G.J.", which appear near the center of the tags as being the initials of the person making delivery of the packages.

DOROTHY LEAVENGOOD

c/o Kruger Florist Co.,  
Silver Springs Blvd.  
Ocala, Florida.

Will testify with reference to

FRED BARKER  
ARTHUR HEBERBRAND  
JAMES PATTON

Will testify that on November 28, 1934, a man who used the name of T. C. Blackburn, who she is able to identify from photograph as being identical with FRED BARKER, ordered a dozen roses from her, requesting that they be sent to Art Hebebrandt and James Paxon, in care of the Harvard Club, 539 Harvard Ave., Cleveland, Ohio; and that this person requested that the name of the sender be indicated as T.C.Blackburn.

HENRY KRUGER

Kruger Florist Co.  
Silver Springs Blvd.  
Ocala, Florida.

Will testify with reference to

FRED BARKER  
ARTHUR HEBERBRAND  
JAMES PATTON

Will testify that on November 28, 1934, a man giving the name of T. C. Blackburn, and whose photograph he is able to identify as being identical with FRED BARKER, appeared at his florist shop and ordered flowers sent to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Adams at the El Comodoro Hotel, Miami, Florida, and then left; that shortly thereafter he saw him come back into the florist shop and talked with Dorothy Leavengood, an employee, and that this individual ordered a dozen roses to be sent to Art Hevebrandt and James Paxon, in care of the Harvard Club, 539 Harvard Ave., Cleveland, Ohio, requesting that the name card on the flowers be shown as T. C. Blackburn.

Will under subpoena duces tecum produce all his records with reference to this transaction, showing that he sent a telegram to the Guenther Flower Co., 3238 Lorain Ave., Cleveland, Ohio, on November 28, 1934, requesting the Guenther Flower Co. to fill the order as requested.



J. F. GUENTHER

Guenther Floral Co.  
3238 Lorain Ave.  
Cleveland, Ohio,

Will testify concerning

ARTHUR HEBERBRAND  
JAMES PATTON

Will identify the following telegram, which he  
received from Ocala, Florida:

"Ocala, Flo 1934 Nov 28 PM 5 58

Gunther Floral Co. Inc.  
3238 Lorain Ave  
Cleve

Sent to Art Hevebrandt and James Paxton  
five thirty nine Harvard Ave care Harvard  
Club roses three dollars Card T C Blackburn

Henry Kreuger Ftd."

Will testify that invoice No. 7753 of the Guenther  
Floral Company reflects that \$3.00 worth of roses were delivered  
to "Art Heberbrand and James Patton, 539 Harvard, on November  
29, 1934".

Will testify that he is unable to state who made the  
delivery of the flowers inasmuch as his company had a number of  
extra employees at this particular period.

(The original telegram quoted above, as well as the original  
invoice No. 7753 of the Guenther Floral Co., mentioned above,  
are contained in the files of the Cleveland office of the  
Federal Bureau of Investigation, having been turned over to the  
Federal Bureau of Investigation by Mr. J. F. Guenther. They  
will be available to the U. S. District Attorney at the time  
of trial).

HUGH KANE

Managing Editor,  
The Cleveland News,  
Cleveland, Ohio,

Will in answer to subpoena duces tecum produce the following issues of the Cleveland News, containing the articles indicated below:

May 7, 1934 - page 1 - an article captioned "Warrants name ten in Bremer Kidnaping". This article names ALVIN KARPIS and ARTHUR R. "DOC" BARKER as two of those hunted as the actual kidnapers of Edward George Bremer.

Sept. 7, 1934 - page 1 - an article stating that ARTHUR R. "DOC" BARKER and his brother FRED and ALVIN KARPIS escaped from Toledo, Ohio; that the police arrived at 4419 W. 171st St. at 10 P.M. on Wednesday, September 5, 1934, and found that their quarry had fled an hour before. The article mentions the address 10515 Parkhurst Drive as a previous address of the gang. The article states that FRED BARKER was wanted on two murder charges and describes ALVIN KARPIS as an escaped convict wanted for murder in Oklahoma and as being wanted in the Bremer kidnaping. On page 4 of this article photographs of ALVIN KARPIS, FRED BARKER, ARTHUR R. "DOC" BARKER, PAULA HARMON, WYNONA BURDETTE and GLADYS SAWYER appear.

Nov. 29, 1934 - a news article dealing with the death of BABY FACE NELSON, wherein it is stated that ALVIN KARPIS was being hunted as one of the Bremer kidnapers.

Jan. 17, 1935 - page 14 - an article captioned "U. S. Agents Tighten Net on ARTHUR BARKER and KARPIS". The article mentions "DOC" BARKER and ALVIN KARPIS as robbers and kidnapers and as the

country's outstanding public enemies and as participants in the kidnaping of Edward George Bremer.

Jan. 19, 1935 - a news article carrying a photograph of ARTHUR R. "DOC" BARKER with a story that he was arrested in Chicago, charged with being a kidnaper of Edward George Bremer. Also a news story relating that the Federal Grand Jury at St Paul would go into the case to clarify the previous indictments and mentions that the Federal public enemy list is topped by ALVIN KARPIS, wanted for the kidnaping of Edward George Bremer.

Jan. 21, 1935 - page 1 - an article captioned: "Believe KARPIS pal trapped after battle". This article refers to KARPIS as being wanted in the Bremer kidnaping case and describes him as public enemy No. 1. On page 13, photographs of ALVIN KARPIS and HARRY CAMPBELL appear, as well as a photograph of WYNONA BURDETTE. This article states: "KARPIS and his companions are believed to have driven to Florida from Cleveland".

Jan. 24, 1935 - page 1 - a news story captioned "Bremer kidnaping Jury indicts 22". Among the persons indicted are mentioned the names of ARTHUR BARKER, HARRY CAMPBELL, and ALVIN KARPIS.

Apr. 15, 1935 - page 1 - a news article stating that KARPIS and ARTHUR BARKER were the actual kidnapers of Edward George Bremer.

June 3, 1935 - page 1 - an article dealing with the Bremer kidnaping, in which it is stated that only one important member of the gang was still at large and names ALVIN KARPIS and refers to him as public enemy No. 1.

LOUIS B. SELTZER

Editor,  
Cleveland Press,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Will in answer to subpoena duces tecum produce those issues of the Cleveland Press, a newspaper of Cleveland, Ohio, designated below and identify the articles on the dates indicated:

May 1, 1934 - page 12 - an article dealing with the kidnaping of Edward George Bremer, mentioning that ALVIN KARPIS and FRED and ARTHUR BARKER were being sought by the Government in connection with the kidnaping.

Sept. 7, 1934 - photographs of PAULA HARMON, WYNONA BURDETTE, GLADYS SAWYER and ARTHUR BARKER appearing on page 1. This article states that the three women are suspected companions of ARTHUR BARKER and other members of the gang wanted for the kidnaping of Edward George Bremer of St Paul. This article mentions definitely as members of the gang ARTHUR and FRED BARKER and ALVIN KARPIS.

Sept. 28, 1934 - page 1 - an article captioned: "Hunt two leaders of Bremer captors". The article states that Federal Agents have identified ALVIN KARPIS and FRED BARKER as leaders of the band who kidnaped Bremer and that these two men are the object of an extensive hunt by Department of Justice Agents.

Oct. 23, 1934 - an article relating that following the killing of PRETTY BOY FLOYD, the Government is concentrating on the capture of other criminals, including the Bremer kidnapers, ALVIN KARPIS and ARTHUR BARKER.

- Nov. 29, 1934 - an article dealing with the killing of BABY FACE NELSON. The article states: "Search now turns to Bremer kidnapers. Immediate quarry is ALVIN KARPIS, St Paul gangster, wanted for kidnaping of Bremer". A photograph of ALVIN KARPIS appears on page 6 of this issue.
- Jan. 9, 1935 - page 4 - an article captioned "Slay Bremer kidnaper suspect in gun battle". This article deals with the death of RUSSELL GIBSON and the arrest of BOLTON, naming them as members of the notorious ARTHUR BARKER-ALVIN KARPIS gang, charged with the \$200,000 kidnaping of Edward George Bremer.
- Jan. 16, 1935 - front page article dealing with the killing of FRED BARKER and his mother in Florida by Federal Agents. The following quotation is taken from the article: "The gang is led by ALVIN KARPIS and ARTHUR R. "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 - page 20 - an article captioned "DOC BARKER-KARPIS quarry of Uncle Sam". This article names ALVIN KARPIS and "DOC" BARKER as the remaining big time desperados at large.
- Jan. 21, 1935 - page 1 - an article captioned: "Order KARPIS slain on sight - kidnaper escapes trap". This article deals with the extended search for KARPIS and CAMPBELL, who are named as the last surviving members of the BARKER-KARPIS gang and states that both are wanted for the Bremer kidnaping. This article also states details of the escape of KARPIS and CAMPBELL from Atlantic City, N.J. police.

May 4, 1935 - page 1 - an article captioned: "SAWYER, Key man in kidnaping gang seized. Long sought Bremer figure trapped by U.S. Agents". This article calls SAWYER "a member of the BARKER-KARPIS gang which splashed the nation with murders, kidnapings and other crimes".

Nov. 8, 1935 - an article dealing with the Garrettsville, Ohio mail train robbery, states that the Post Office Inspectors remarked that they were taking no chances and that the photographs of KARPIS would be shown to victims of the hold-up.

PAUL BELLAMY

Editor,  
Cleveland Plain Dealer,  
Cleveland, Ohio,

Will in answer to subpoena duces tecum produce those issues of the Cleveland Plain Dealer newspaper indicated below and identify the news articles appearing therein as mentioned opposite the dates of the issues indicated:

Mar. 23, 1934 - an article captioned: "Trail chiefs of gang in kidnap case". This article relates that Government agents named ARTHUR R. BARKER and ALVIN KARPIS as joint leaders of a notorious gang responsible for the kidnaping of Edward George Bremer.

May 1, 1934 - an article captioned: "Snare four with hot kidnap cash". This article relates that JOHN J. (BOSS) MC LAUGHLIN confessed to possession of \$53,000 in Bremer kidnap ransom money. The article states that ARTHUR BARKER and ALVIN KARPIS are being hunted by the Government as the actual kidnapers of Edward George Bremer.

Sept. 7, 1934 - an article captioned "Hunt for Bremer kidnap gang here". This article deals with the arrest of WYNONA BURDETTE, PAULA HARMON and GLADYS SAWYER in Cleveland, Ohio. On the front page there is a large photograph of ARTHUR R. BARKER and Edward G. Bremer. This article states that BARKER and KARPIS are wanted for the kidnaping of Bremer and Hamm at St Paul.

Sept. 28, 1934 - an article under Cleveland, Ohio, date line, captioned: "U. S. hunts pair here in kidnaping". The article states that ARTHUR BARKER and ALVIN KARPIS, fugitives in the Bremer kidnaping case, are believed to be in hiding in Cleveland and that the Department of Justice Agents were centering their search in Cleveland.

Nov. 29, 1934 - page 1 - an article dealing with the death of BABY FACE NELSON. This article links ALVIN KARPIS as being connected with BABY FACE NELSON and mentions that KARPIS is being sought by the Government as one of the kidnapers of Edward George Bremer.

Jan. 17, 1935 - an article captioned "Get BARKER and KARPIS is order". This article deals with the slaying of FRED BARKER and his mother "MA" BARKER in Florida. Photographs of FRED BARKER and MRS. KATE BARKER appear. The article states that orders from the Department of Justice instruct that the hunt for ARTHUR (DOC) BARKER and ALVIN KARPIS, kidnapers of Edward George Bremer, St Paul banker, be pressed.

Jan. 19, 1935 - page 1 - an article captioned "U.S. smashes kidnaping as gang racket". This article states that ALVIN KARPIS and ARTHUR (DOC) BARKER, top the public enemy list and are wanted for the abduction of Edward George Bremer.

Jan. 21, 1935 - page 1 - an article captioned: "Outlaw KARPIS escapes in gun fight". This article states that ALVIN KARPIS, public enemy No. 1, accompanied by his companion, HARRY CAMPBELL, both of whom are wanted in the Bremer kidnaping case, shot their way out of a police trap in Atlantic City. Photographs of ALVIN KARPIS and WYNONA BURDETTE appear in connection with this story.



Feb. 26, 1936 - an article captioned: "KARPIS reported  
sought in Ohio". This article states that  
the Post Office Inspector mentioned ALVIN  
KARPIS, Public enemy No. 1, as one of the  
gang who participated in the Garrettsville,  
Ohio train robbery on November 7, 1935.

JOHN FRANK BROCK

Cuyahoga County Jail,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

This witness will furnish testimony concerning the following named individuals:

ALVIN KARPIS  
HARRY CAMPBELL  
FRED HUNTER  
JOE ROSCOE  
BENSON GROVES  
JOHN BROCK  
JOHN F. "SHARKEY" GORMAN  
TONY AMERSBACH  
JOHN ZETZER  
CLYDE ROCHAT  
GEORGE "BURRHEAD" KEADY  
SAM COKER  
ARTHUR R. "DOC" BARKER  
VOLNEY DAVIS  
WILLIAM WEAVER  
EDITH BARRY

This witness will testify that he is a native of Oklahoma; that he has served time in the Oklahoma State Penitentiary at McAlester, Oklahoma, and was last released from this institution in July 1934; that after his release he went to Tulsa, Oklahoma, and opened a beer parlor in the Lincoln Hotel. He will identify the photographs of Sam Coker, "Doc" Barker, Volney Davis, and William Weaver, and state he became acquainted with them at McAlester Penitentiary. He will testify that he has known "Burrhead" Keady of Tulsa, Oklahoma for a number of years as a gambler and contact for thieves and was very friendly with him after being released from the penitentiary.

He will state that during March 1935, Keady came to the Lincoln Hotel and told him a couple of the boys were out in the country; that he was going out to see them, and asked if he wanted to go along; that he did go with Keady in Keady's automobile to a farm located on the Tulsa-Sapulpa road, the farm being owned by a man who had some greyhound dogs, where Keady introduced him to Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell. Brock will identify the photographs of Karpis and Campbell as the men he met on this occasion. He will state that he had read about Karpis and Campbell in various newspapers and magazines and knew they were criminals and were wanted for a kidnaping and in this connection will state that during the summer of 1935 he and Keady discussed the kidnapings and were unable to decide whether Karpis had taken part in both the Hamm and Bremer kidnapings and Campbell in only one, or whether Campbell was involved in the two kidnapings and Karpis in only one of them.

Brock will state that Karpis and Campbell discussed mutual acquaintances with him and he recalls the names of Eddie Snyder, Glen Roy Wright, and Eddie Brophy being mentioned. He can testify that both Karpis and Campbell knew he had been released from the penitentiary only the summer before as they mentioned this fact. He will state that they asked if he wanted to make some money and he told them he did, but would not work without a mask for fear of being recognized, and they told him that was all right; that there was no conversation about what sort of a job was to be pulled; that Karpis and Campbell each gave him \$50.00, and told him to go to the Lorain Hotel in Toledo, Ohio, and register as T. F. Evans of Sandusky, Ohio, and that they would contact him at the hotel.

Brock will state further that he left Tulsa via bus on the second day after his meeting at the farm house, and went to Toledo, Ohio, and checked into the Lorain Hotel, as directed, and on about the second day he received a telephone call from a girl who said she was George's wife, and she asked that he meet her and George on the corner. He will state he went to the corner and met Harry Campbell and a girl; that they walked around the block and Campbell told him he had an automobile accident coming into town; that his car was in a garage and he wanted him to come down the next day and make arrangements to trade it in on a new car; that the girl would telephone the next day and make an appointment where she would meet him. Brock describes this girl as being about twenty-four years of age, black hair, husky build, and nice looking.

He will state that the girl telephoned him at the Lorain Hotel about ten or eleven o'clock the next morning; that he met her on the corner, and she told him George wanted him to come down to Edith's place. He will state he went with the girl to a house in the vicinity which was a house of prostitution operated by Edith Barry; that it was a two-story house of frame construction with a porch half way across the front, with a picket fence in front, and with mesh-like screen over the upper windows; that Karpis and Campbell were living in a room on the second floor and he also met Edith Barry. He states Campbell wanted a black, three-window Ford coupe and told him the wrecked car was at L. E. Arnold, Inc., on Adams Street. He will state that he and the girl went to the automobile company and he learned during conversations with her that she had driven the wrecked car to the place; that they wanted to see what kind of a deal could be secured on a trade-in and how quick a delivery could be made; that the girl introduced him as her husband, and the wrecked car was traded in, but delivery could not be made until the next day as the radio and heater from the old car were to be installed in the new one. Brock also recalled that the license plates from the old car were to be transferred and he was told the transfer would have to be made in Cleveland.

Brock will state that he returned to Edith's house with the girl and again went to the room occupied by Karpis and Campbell; that Karpis told him he wanted him to go to Cleveland that night and go to the Harvard Club and see a party named Sharkey, or Tony, whichever was there; that Tony would probably be on the door; that he was to tell Sharkey that Sonny Boy wanted him in Toledo, also that he should have the kid get an apartment for Sonny Boy in Cleveland. He states he took a train to Cleveland and, in accordance with instructions from Karpis, got a cab and told the driver to take him to the Harvard Club, and that he arrived at the club around dark. Brock states he asked at the door for Sharkey and the doorman said he did not know if he was around; that he then asked for Tony and the doorman replied that he was Tony. Brock states that he told Tony he had just come from Toledo and had a message for Sharkey from Sonny Boy; that Tony seemed to understand what was meant and said he would see if he could find Sharkey, and in a few minutes brought a man out and introduced him as Sharkey. Brock can identify photographs of John F. Gorman and Anthony Amersbach as the individuals he has referred to as Sharkey and Tony.

Brock states that he and Sharkey went into the house in front of the Harvard Club and had a drink and that he told Sharkey his name was John Brock; that he was from Oklahoma, and the boys had come down there and gotten him; that they were in Toledo and Sonny Boy wanted him to come to see him and also wanted him to tell the kid to get an apartment in Cleveland. Brock states he told Sharkey they were supposed to return to Toledo together and in response to questions advised Sharkey the boys were at Edith's place. He states Sharkey talked about various subjects, mentioning that he only had a coupe and someone else was riding with him, and that he gave the impression that he distrusted him, Brock. The witness states that Sharkey and he left the house and he rode downtown in one of the large club cars and returned to Toledo the same night by bus, where he went to his room in the Lorain Hotel.

He states that he received a telephone call at his hotel room the next day from the same girl, who had contacted him previously, and again met her on the corner where she advised the boys were still at Edith's place, and wanted to see him, and that he walked around to the house with the girl. He says he saw Edith on the first floor and again found Campbell and Karpis in their room on the second floor, but that Sharkey was with them. He was introduced to Sharkey and Sharkey apologized for having been suspicious of him the night before and he told Sharkey he did not blame him a bit. He says he heard Karpis and Sharkey talking about Karpis moving to Cleveland, and later Karpis and Sharkey went into the bathroom and talked. He remembers that someone, possibly a maid, brought some drinks to the room. Brock also recalls that Karpis told Sharkey to tell "that boy" to come over to Toledo. He states that Sharkey departed alone shortly and that he returned to the Lorain Hotel with the understanding that he was to meet Campbell and Karpis at Edith's place on the following day.

He states he returned to the house on the following morning alone and was admitted by Edith. He found Karpis and Campbell eating breakfast on a card table in their room, but he did not eat with them as he had already had breakfast. Campbell told him that a boy would arrive from Cleveland to take him back there and later on Fred Hunter came to the house. They were introduced to each other as Fred and John. Brock can

identify the photograph of Fred Hunter as the man he met on this occasion. Brock states that prior to the arrival of Hunter, Campbell and Karpis told him that Hunter would take him to Cleveland to look for a plant to run into after the job had been pulled; that it was to be in or about the outskirts of Cleveland; that Hunter would take him to Sharkey; that Sharkey knew of two or three places to look at and would drive him around; and that if a suitable place was found he should rent it. During the conversation either Karpis or Campbell stated that Karpis was going to Cleveland and Campbell was to remain in Toledo until Hunter got a place ready for Karpis to live in.

Brock states that he and Hunter immediately left the house and went to the Lorain Hotel where he checked out, and they drove in a 1933 Ford V8 sedan to the Harvard Club in Cleveland, Ohio. Hunter went into the club and contacted Sharkey and as soon as Sharkey came out he and Brock left in a gray Ford coupe, which was the property of Sharkey, and looked at a place to rent for a plant, but the place was not rented as the owner desired references. He stated Sharkey then drove him to the Gordon Square Hotel in Cleveland, Ohio, where he registered under the name of T. F. Evans, and was assigned to Room #15, and that he then went back to the automobile and advised Sharkey of his room number.

Brock stated that on the following day Sharkey and Joe Roscoe came by the Gordon Square Hotel for him and the three of them drove out into the country to try to find a spot to rent. He states it was part of Joe Roscoe's duties in the contemplated job to find a plant, and that three places were inspected, but none was believed to be suitable and none was rented. Brock said that Sharkey and Roscoe took him back to the hotel on this day and did not make any engagement to meet him later, but that he told them they should tell the boys they had done their best and they indicated that they would do so.

He stated that possibly the next day Fred Hunter came by the hotel for him and drove him to Warren, Ohio, to show him the mark. They watched the train come in with the mail on it, watched the mail being loaded into the mail truck, and then looked at a tin barn which had been looked over as a place to run into after the robbery. He stated that Hunter drove to Youngstown, Ohio, where they both visited a house of prostitution, had supper,

and then returned to Cleveland where they went to the apartment which Hunter had rented and found Karpis there. Brock stated the apartment was located in a group of buildings which looked alike and which had dirty sandstone work on the lower parts; that he went to this apartment by leaving the Gordon Square Hotel and walking east to a large school house at about 48th Street, turning right to the next street with a car line on it, and then turning right again for a portion of a block where the group of apartment buildings was located. He said the individual apartment which the boys had was the first floor apartment in the building nearest to downtown.

Brock states that he talked with Karpis on this occasion and Karpis wanted to know if Hunter had shown him the mark. He replied that he had and advised that it could be done, but was no cinch. Karpis told him that Hunter was busy and he wanted Brock to go to Toledo with him to see Campbell. Brock states he also told Karpis that he, Sharkey, and Roscoe had looked at two or three places for plants, but none of them was any good and Karpis said they would have to look at some more.

Brock will testify that he and Karpis drove to Toledo that night and en route talked of the Warren mark and had a general conversation about Oklahoma. Upon arrival in Toledo they went to Edith's place, but did not find Campbell there. They both spent the night at the house and Brock stayed with a girl named Peaches. They learned from Edith that Campbell, whom Edith called George, had gotten mad with his girl and had left the place. Brock states that he understood Karpis and Campbell became acquainted with Edith Barry through Joe Roscoe; that he was never told this directly, but gathered the impression from conversations he heard between Karpis and Campbell, and from the conversations he also understood that Roscoe was the big shot around Toledo.

Brock will also testify that while at Edith Barry's house on this occasion with Karpis that Roscoe and Campbell came to the place, arriving separately, and the four of them had a talk in the front room about robbing the mail train. His opinion was asked and he stated that three men could not take the train, but that they could take the mail truck, but it would not be a cinch. Brock states that Roscoe participated in the discussion and the setup was that Roscoe was the finger man and was to fix the getaway. Brock states that things were

not definitely decided as it was necessary to find a spot to run into after the robbery, but everybody was to help look for a place. He states that Campbell also asked that he find him an apartment in Cleveland.

Brock states that he and Karpis left together and returned to Cleveland, while Roscoe and Campbell left together and Roscoe was to drive Campbell to a rooming house where he was living. He states that upon arrival in Cleveland he and Karpis drove to a saloon on Detroit Avenue, a short distance west of 25th Street and Detroit Avenue, where Karpis had a meeting arranged with Fred Hunter. When they arrived at the saloon they found Hunter, Sharkey, and some other man who was unknown to Brock. At this time there was a discussion about Jess Doyle having made a statement, and the men were worried as to how much he knew and whether things would get hot around Cleveland. Brock states they remained in this saloon only about a half hour; that he did not know the owner, but that Hunter knew the man. He states that Karpis, Sharkey, and the unknown man left in one car without saying where they were going, and that he and Hunter left together and Hunter dropped him at the Gordon Square Hotel saying he was to see him on the following day.

This witness can also state that in conversations during this period of time with Karpis he learned that Karpis was broke and had been living for some time on money he borrowed from the people who operated the Harvard Club; that he owed five or six thousand dollars to these people; that they were good friends of his and knew he was hot; that he used to loaf around the office of the club about a year previously. During conversations with Hunter he learned that Karpis had just borrowed another thousand dollars from his friends, and Hunter remarked he was lucky to have friends who would loan him money when he was as hot as he was.

Brock states that nobody got in touch with him at the hotel on the following day and on the second day he went to the Harvard Club and saw Sharkey as he was worried, but he learned from Sharkey that he had not seen any of the boys and Sharkey told him they would not come to the club as they felt the place was being watched by the Government. Brock says he also went by the apartment to see if the car was



there but he could not find it and that he did not go to the apartment itself as he felt something might be wrong. He states he waited three or four days without hearing from any of the boys and then checked out of the Gordon Square Hotel and returned to Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Brock states he saw Burrhead Keady within a day or two after his return to Tulsa and related to him what had happened in Cleveland and they both figured that something must have gone wrong. He states he talked over the possibility of Jess Doyle's having talked, but that Keady knew nothing in addition to what had appeared in the newspaper.

Brock states that during the middle of May 1935, Keady again came to him and told him the boys were out in the country and the two of them again drove to the same place on the Tulsa-Sapulpa road. Karpis and Campbell were at the farm house and they inquired why he had left and why he had not gone to Toledo and connected with Joe. He told them that he guessed he had just gone nutty. Brock states that he had been told before to get in touch with Joe Roscoe at the 42nd Street Cafe in Toledo in the event anything went wrong. He says that they asked him if he had read the paper and then said, "See what you missed?" They said there wasn't as much as they thought; that they had figured the job for a hundred grand, but they only got \$72,000. He states Campbell told him, "We couldn't find you so we went to New York and got a boy." He states Karpis and Campbell told him the loot from the Warren robbery was divided as follows: each man got fifteen grand after deducting twenty-five percent, ten percent for the finger man who was a former employee in the Warren Post Office, ten percent for Fred Hunter, and the remaining five percent for the bankroll man, who was the man who had loaned the money to Karpis.

Brock states that Karpis and Campbell told him they had come to Oklahoma as they figured it would be cooler down there after the robbery. He states he went out on the highway and brought some beer back to the house for them and then left the place in company with Keady.

Brock states that about a week or ten days later Keady telephoned to him and he went to Keady's house and found Fred Hunter there; that Hunter was trying to connect

with Karpis and Campbell; that he wanted to know why he, Brock, had left Cleveland and the circumstances were related to him. Brock states that Hunter was about broke and either that night or the following morning Hunter and Keady left to connect with the boys. Brock does not know where the boys were located, however, he believes they had a place somewhere in the southern part of Oklahoma.

Brock states that Hunter came through Tulsa, again either in the latter part of July, or the first part of August 1935, and came to see him at the Lincoln Hotel; that from what he said he was trying to make a connection to buy some guns; that he stayed in Tulsa over night and went to see Keady while there; that in response to questions as to how the boys were he answered that they were all right.

Brock will state that in about September 1935, Sam Coker was released from the Oklahoma State Penitentiary at McAlester; that Keady told him he was responsible for the release and that Coker was going up north to join the boys; that about October 1, 1935 he saw Hunter and Coker together in Tulsa in a Hudson coupe and Hunter told him the boys were still all right.

This witness will state further that about November 1, 1935, Fred Hunter came to Tulsa, and propositioned him about making some money; that he said the boys had everything lined up to make a good piece of dough and if he wanted to go it was all right; that Hunter told him he could wear a mask on the job; and that he agreed to go. Brock states that Hunter wanted to take an airplane to Cleveland, but inquiry at the airport showed the weather to be bad so they both left the same night by train and arrived in Cleveland on the night of November 5, 1935. He states that en route Hunter told him the boys had a train job lined up and five men would be on the job. He stated they parted at the Terminal Station, Hunter going to Youngstown to get a car, and he going to Toledo via bus and checking in at the Lorain Hotel under the name of Evans, however, there was an understanding that Hunter would meet him at the hotel on the next day and take him to where the boys were staying. Brock states he arrived in Toledo around three o'clock in the morning and registered at the Lorain Hotel, and Hunter came to the hotel late in the afternoon and got him and took him to where Karpis and Campbell were staying. He described the place

as being on Adams Street, as having a store downstairs, living quarters upstairs; that it appeared to be a rooming house; that an old man and his wife lived at the place, and that the old man was skinny, either limped or was crippled, and bent over. He stated he and Hunter were admitted to the house by the old man.

Brock stated that Karpis and Campbell were in the front room which appeared to be the living room and that he and Hunter joined them; that shortly after their arrival some woman came into the room and inquired what they wanted for supper; that the old man did not come into the front room; that Hunter inquired where Sam was and, when he found he was not present, volunteered to go after him; that while Hunter was gone Karpis inquired if Hunter had told him what they were going to do and when it was indicated that he had, Karpis said there wasn't any use talking about it until they were all together. Brock states the old man came into the room and Karpis and Campbell ordered drinks, but that he did not order anything; that if the old man came in while they were talking everybody would stop talking so the old man would not hear.

Brock states that when Hunter and Sam returned they discussed what each man's part was to be in the train robbery; that Sam was to take the engineer and fireman, Karpis and Campbell were going into the baggage and mail car, Hunter was to stand out on the platform and take a general view of everybody, and he was to take care of the express man. At this time Karpis said he and Hunter would take him, Brock, out to the farm house and would then go into Youngstown to get the getaway car; that Sam and Campbell would also spend the night at the farm, and arrangements would be made with the man at the farm to take all three out to the meet on the following day. Brock states that at this time Sam asked if Joe was going to be there, and the others talked about the spot before going into the plant. Sam then said he would go by the hospital and see Coker and then go to see Joe Roscoe to make sure that he would be at the spot to pick the group up. There was mention of the plant and somebody said it was ready. Brock states the plant was not described other than to say it was a place to run into.

Brock states that the group was not at the rooming house over an hour; that Karpis, Campbell, and Hunter had supper at the place and while they were eating he and Sam held a general conversation; that before leaving Karpis gave Sam \$200.00 to give to Coker and told him to be sure to see Roscoe about being at the spot.

Brock will testify that the old man at the house called a cab for him and he went to the Lorain Hotel and checked out and met Karpis and Hunter on the corner; that they were in a Ford coupe believed to belong to Hunter; that they drove to Garrettsville, Ohio, and wheeled up in the drive at the depot to show the place to him and then drove to the farm house where they arrived about 10:30 or 11:00 o'clock. He states the man at the farm, whose name was Clyde, and his wife were in bed when they arrived, but that he got up; that Karpis told him to let Brock stay at the farm all night and told him that he and Hunter were going on to Youngstown. Brock states that Karpis also told Clyde that Campbell and Sam would be at the farm that night and that he was to take the three of us on the next day to a point about a mile and a half down the road, where we would meet Karpis and Hunter. Brock states that Karpis was apparently acquainted with the man Clyde before as he called him Sonny Boy.

Brock states that he went to sleep before Sam and Campbell arrived, but that later he and Sam slept in the bedroom while Campbell slept in the front room. He states they all slept until around ten o'clock and then had breakfast, same being served by the woman. He states Clyde was away from the house when they got up, but that he returned around 12:30 or 1:00 o'clock and drove the three of them to the appointed spot in Campbell's Ford coupe. Karpis and Hunter had not arrived yet so they returned to the farm house and then returned to the spot again and found Karpis and Hunter just driving up. He states Karpis was driving a Plymouth sedan, slate gray in color, with a trunk on the rear; and that they had the guns in the back of the car. He described the guns as being two machine guns and a shot gun. He states the three of them got in the rear of the Plymouth sedan and the man Clyde drove away; that Campbell said he was going to leave the Ford coupe with him and that he could use it.

Brock states the five men drove on to Garrettsville and robbed the train as planned at about 2:15 P. M. He said that Hunter had a handkerchief over his face during the robbery, while Sam wore a false mustache. He states they left Garrettsville in the Plymouth sedan after the robbery and travelled over back roads until about 7:00 o'clock when they met Joe Roscoe at an appointed place on the road about seven miles out of Port Clinton and followed his car into a garage at Port Clinton. He states the occupants of the two cars were able to recognize each other through a prearranged signal of flashing the headlights on and off.

Brock describes the garage at Port Clinton as being on the edge of town, as being a big building with big double doors in front, as having a little office built into one corner, with a big stove located just outside of the office. He states they carried the mail bags into the office and opened them up; that Karpis, Campbell, Hunter, Sam and himself were present; and that Roscoe and the garage man were standing around the stove in the garage. He states \$34,000 in money was taken from the bags and then the bags and the remainder of their contents were burned in the stove. He states he does not know whether Roscoe and the garage owner helped in burning the bags, but they were at least present. The money was then split up by Karpis with expenses being taken out, \$2,000 going to Roscoe, half of which was money he had advanced and the remainder for leading them to the garage, \$1,000 going to the garage man for the use of the garage, and later disposing of the Plymouth sedan by putting it in the lake, \$5,100 to each of the actual participants, and an unknown share for Sam Coker, who was supposed to have been in on the job, but was sick.

Brock states that a discussion came up about leaving Port Clinton and Karpis asked Campbell if he was going south with them in the plane and Campbell replied that he was going home. Karpis then advised that he, Brock, could go in Campbell's place. He states that a short time later Campbell, Sam, and Joe Roscoe left the garage in Roscoe's car for Toledo, and it was around 11:00 P. M. when they left. After Roscoe and the others had left the garage man, whose first name was John, said he would get up early the next morning and go to Toledo to get the plane; that his brother would come by to pick them up probably around nine-thirty, and take them to the field south of town where he was going to land. John drove them to his home

located about ten or twelve blocks from the garage and he put the Plymouth in his garage at the house. Karpis, Hunter, and Brock slept in the front bedroom at the house. They had the guns with them in hand bags.

Brock will state that John's brother came by the house around ten o'clock the next morning and drove them to a field outside of town and the plane was just landing as they drove up. The three of them left in the plane with John piloting it. After two forced landings they arrived at Hot Springs, Arkansas, after spending one night sleeping in the plane. En route Karpis told Brock to give the pilot \$500 after reaching Tulsa, Oklahoma, where he was to take Brock. Karpis and Hunter left the plane at Hot Springs and Brock continued on to Tulsa. Brock and the pilot had another forced landing in a field near Fort Smith, Arkansas, and did not reach Tulsa until the next day. They arrived at the airport in Tulsa around 11:00 or 12:00 o'clock Sunday morning and Brock paid the pilot \$500 as instructed and said goodbye to him.

During the latter part of November or the first part of December 1935, Sam Coker came to Tulsa and contacted Brock at the Lincoln Hotel, and Brock found out from him that the boys were all right. Brock told Burrhead Keady of the money he made up north and gave him the money to keep for him, but the police raided Herford's gambling place, where Keady had the money in a safe, and confiscated it. Brock stated he saw Sam Coker on three or four occasions afterwards in company with Keady and the only conversations he had with him about the boys was about how they were getting along. The last time Brock saw any of the boys was when Karpis and Hunter left the plane at Hot Springs.

Brock will state that during March and April 1935, when he was in Cleveland staying at the Gordon Square Hotel that he visited a tavern operated by three sisters; that Karpis and Hunter were with him and that two of the sisters appeared to be acquainted with Hunter and that he called them by their names like he knew them. He will state that one of the girls was a blonde and from conversations with Hunter he gathered that Hunter was keeping company with her.

A. W. SCHWANBARGER

Chief Auditor,  
Commodore Perry Hotel,  
Toledo, Ohio,

Will testify with reference to the registration of

JOHN BROCK

at the Lorain Hotel in Toledo, Ohio, on March 22, 1935 and  
November 5, 1935.

Will testify that the Lorain Hotel in the year 1935  
was operated by the Commodore Perry Hotel and that all records  
of the Lorain Hotel are under his custody.

Will identify Lorain Hotel registration card, dated  
March 22, 1935, showing the registration of T. F. Evans,  
Sandusky, Ohio, indicating this party registered in at 4:30  
A.M., was assigned to room 616, and checked out on March 26, 1935.

Will also identify as a record of the Lorain Hotel  
a registration card dated November 5, 1935, showing the registra-  
tion of T. F. Evans, Sandusky, Ohio, the card indicating  
that the person who registered as T. F. Evans checked out of  
the hotel on November 6, 1935.

(The original registration cards mentioned above are in the  
Cleveland Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and will  
be available to the U. S. Attorney at the time of trial for the  
purpose of being identified by the witness.)

MRS. E. J. WAGNER, Manager,

Gordon Square Hotel,  
65th and Detroit Avenues,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

This witness will identify registration sheet of the Gordon Square Hotel for a part of the month of March 1935, containing the registration of T. R. Evans, Toledo, Ohio, on March 26, 1935 and showing his departure on April 2, 1935, and state that the sheet is a permanent record of the hotel maintained in the regular course of business. She will state further that this record was delivered by her to Special Agent S. K. McKee.

(NOTE: This registration sheet is located in the Cleveland office file in this case.)



CARL KLEBER

Gordon Square Hotel  
65th Street and Detroit Avenue,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

This witness will testify from the registration sheet of the Gordon Square Hotel for a portion of the month of March 1935, that he was employed as night clerk at this hotel during March 1935; that one T. F. Evans of Toledo, Ohio, was registered into room number fifteen on March 26, 1935, and that he, Kleber, was on duty when the person named Evans registered at the hotel.

This witness will identify the figures "15" in the column headed "ROOM" as being his writing; will identify the figures "3/26" in the column headed "DATE OF ARRIVAL" as being in his handwriting; and will identify the figures "4/2" appearing in the column headed "TIME OF DEPARTURE" as being his handwriting.

MRS. FLOYD P. HUNTER

1891 West 48th Street,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Subpoena duces tecum should issue against this witness to produce rental records in her possession relative to the rental of apartment #4, 4720 Bridge Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, to one Fred Harris.

This witness can testify from the above rental records that a man named Fred Harris moved into apartment #4 at 4720 Bridge Avenue on or about March 25, 1935, and that upon moving in he paid rent up until April 10, 1935; that he again paid a half month's rent running to April 25, 1935, and that he moved out of the apartment on or about this date; that she recalls that when he moved out he gave her \$2.00 at the time for her services in cleaning the apartment.

FLOYD F. HUMMER

1891 West 48th Street,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

This witness can testify from the rental records with respect to apartment #4, at 4720 Bridge Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, that a man who gave his name as Fred Harris moved into this apartment on or about March 25, 1935, at which time he paid one-half month's rent, same running up to April 10, 1935; that he later paid another half month's rent, same running to April 25, 1935; that he recalls that about the latter date Harris came in and said he was transferred and would have to leave at once.

MRS. ERNEST HUMMER

999 Archer Road,  
Bedford, Ohio.

This witness will furnish testimony concerning

FRED HUNTER

This witness will testify that during the entire year of 1935, and up to June 1936, she resided at 1891 West 48th Street, Cleveland, Ohio, with the parents of her husband, Ernest Hummer, and that she occasionally helped with the work around the group of apartments located at the intersection of Bridge Avenue and 48th Street, which are under the care of her father-in-law, Mr. Floyd Hummer. She will state that she recalls a Mr. Harris who resided in apartment #4, at 4720 Bridge Avenue and she can identify the photograph of Fred Hunter, full length and wearing straw hat, as being the likeness of Harris. She can also state that she talked with Harris on several occasions and noticed that he had a lisp, or some sort of an impediment in his speech as he often started to say some word and being unable to do so would use some other word to express himself.

JOHN FRANK BROCK

Cuyahoga County Jail,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

This witness will state that on or about October 14, 1936, he was taken in an automobile by Special Agents S. K. McKee, J. L. Madala, and D. P. Sullivan, together with Post Office Inspector S. J. Hettrick to the vicinity of 48th Street and Bridge Avenue in Cleveland, and that he pointed out apartment #4, at 4720 Bridge Avenue, as an apartment occupied by Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter during the latter part of March and the early part of April 1935; that he is able to recall this apartment building inasmuch as he visited the place on several occasions while Karpis and Hunter were residing in it; that he remembers the lower portion of the building was constructed of gray colored sandstone blocks; that he recalls that after entering the apartment and facing toward the rear in the living room that a small bedroom was located immediately to the left after leaving the living room, and that in the near right hand corner of the dining room was located a small closet.

CLYDE ROCHAT

Rural Route No. 3,  
Newton Falls, Ohio.

Will testify with reference to the following named individuals:

ALVIN KARPIS  
HARRY CAMPBELL  
JOHN BROCK  
FRED HUNTER  
BENSON GROVES

Will testify that he first became acquainted with Fred Hunter about fifteen years ago at Warren, Ohio; that thereafter he saw him several times and in 1932 and 1933 Fred Hunter lived with the witness and the latter's wife at their home in Leavittsburg, Ohio, this being shortly after Fred Hunter was released from the Ohio State Penitentiary.

That he is able to identify a photograph of Alvin Karpis as a man known to him by the name of Ray Miller and Sonny Miller; that Alvin Karpis first came to the witness' home at Leavittsburg, Ohio, in February 1935, at which time he was alone and talked about buying a bird dog from the witness; that a few minutes after Karpis arrived, Fred Hunter came and talked with Alvin Karpis, it appearing that these two were acquainted; that Karpis informed the witness that he was a representative of the Standard Oil Company and was working in the Warren and Youngstown, Ohio, territory; that shortly thereafter Fred Hunter requested the witness to permit Alvin Karpis and a friend of the latter's to live at the witness' home.

That shortly thereafter Alvin Karpis returned with a man he introduced as Carl Atkins, who is now known to the witness as Harry Campbell; that he is able to positively identify a photograph of Harry Campbell as being identical with the man he knew as Carl Atkins; that Karpis and Campbell arrived at his home in a 1935 model Ford coupe.

That Karpis and Campbell lived at the Rochat home for approximately one week, during which period of time Fred Hunter visited the two men almost daily.

That during the months of March and April 1935, Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell visited the Rochat home on three or four occasions and on some of these visits Fred Hunter was with them and that during this period of time Karpis and Campbell stayed over night at the house.

That on or about October 15, 1935, he, Rochat, moved to his present location, Rural Route No. 3, Newton Falls, Ohio, and that two or three days thereafter Karpis and Campbell paid him a visit, Karpis at this time driving a Terraplane coupe automobile; that on this occasion Harry Campbell purchased a bird dog from the witness for \$150.00 but did not take the dog with him at that time.

That on the night of November 6, 1936, at about 11 P. M. Alvin Karpis came to the house in company with a tall, slender man, whom he can now positively identify from photographs as being John Brock; that on the occasion of this visit Alvin Karpis told the witness that John Brock was his friend and that he would like to stay at the house all night and further that Harry Campbell and another man would be at the house some time later and that he should permit them to remain over night; that Alvin Karpis left immediately after this conversation, stating that he was going to Youngstown, Ohio.

That about 2 A. M., November 7, 1935, Harry Campbell and an elderly man whom he can identify from a photograph as Benson Groves, came to the house in a 1934 model Ford V8 coupe, bearing 1935 Ohio license plates H 732 V; that he was not introduced to the stranger who accompanied Harry Campbell and that he has no recollection as to the name he was called; that Benson Groves and Harry Campbell remained at the house over night with John Brock; that Alvin Karpis, prior to the time he left the Rochat farm on November 6, 1935, requested the witness to drive the three men, namely Harry Campbell, John Brock and Benson Groves to the place known as the Four Corners, about two miles from the Rochat Farm, on November 7, 1935.

That he returned to his farm from his work in the steel mills about 12:15 P. M. on November 7, 1935, and Harry Campbell, John Brock and Benson Groves were waiting for him and he drove them in Harry Campbell's 1934 Ford coupe, license

number H 732 V, to the place known as the Four Corners; that shortly after they arrived there, a gray sedan drove up and he observed Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter in this car; that John Brock, Harry Campbell and Benson Groves got out of the Ford coupe and entered the gray sedan, which was immediately driven off in a westerly direction on a cinder road, in the direction of Garrettsville, Ohio, after which the witness returned home in the Ford coupe; that he never saw any of the men after this occasion; that he kept the 1934 Ford coupe at his farm, but that thereafter none of the men returned to claim it.



AMANDA ROCHAT

Rural Route No. 3,  
Newton Falls, Ohio.

Will corroborate the testimony of her husband,  
Clyde Rochat, with reference to the presence of

FRED HUNTER  
ALVIN KARPIS  
HARRY CAMPBELL  
JOHN BROCK  
BENSON GROVES

at the Rochat farm under the circumstances related by Clyde Rochat.

A. R. MARINO

Manning Marino Motor Co.  
907 Wick Ave.  
Youngstown, Ohio

Will testify to facts with reference to

FRED HUNTER  
HARRY CAMPBELL

Will produce under subpoena duces tecum sales record of the Manning Marino Motor Co., dated September 17, 1935, covering the sale of a 1935 Hudson coupe, motor 68021, serial 546629, to Charles Miller.

Will also produce under subpoena duces tecum used car purchase records showing that 1935 Ford deluxe coupe motor 18-1615253 was traded to the Manning Marino Motor Co. on September 17, 1935, as part payment on the 1935 Hudson coupe mentioned in the preceding paragraph.

Will under subpoena duces tecum produce his records showing that the above described Hudson coupe was purchased by the Manning Marino Motor Co. on November 1, 1935, from a person by the name of Charles Miller, being the same person to whom this car was sold on September 17, 1935.

Will testify that he is able to identify the photograph of FRED HUNTER as being the person who represented himself at the Manning Marino Motor Company to be Charles Miller, and the person who traded the 1935 Ford deluxe coupe mentioned above to the Manning Marino Motor Co. on September 17, 1935, as part payment on the 1935 Hudson coupe described above, and will further testify that FRED HUNTER is the person who resold the described Hudson coupe back to the Manning Marino Motor Co. on November 1, 1935.

(The testimony of this witness establishes that the 1935 Ford deluxe coupe described in his testimony, which was purchased

by John Brock at Toledo, Ohio, on March 26, 1935, for HARRY CAMPBELL was the identical car traded in by FRED HUNTER on the Hudson coupe. Reference to the testimony of GERTRUDE BILLETTER MILLER reflects that to her knowledge HARRY CAMPBELL came into possession of a Hudson coupe on or about September 17, 1935, and that he subsequently claimed to have sold this Hudson coupe on or about November 1, 1935.

This indicates that FRED HUNTER in fact purchased the Hudson coupe for the use of HARRY CAMPBELL).

R. W. BRIGHTMAN

Sales Manager,  
Universal Motor Sales Co.  
391 S. Main St.  
Akron, Ohio.

Will under subpoena duces tecum produce invoice No. 6634 of the Universal Motor Sales Co., dated October 19, 1935, and will testify that this invoice reflects that on October 19, 1935, a Carl Atkins, giving the address of the Howe Hotel, Akron, Ohio, purchased a 1934 model Ford coupe, motor 18-888666, for which he paid a cash consideration of \$383.40 plus \$11.55 State sales tax, filing fee of \$2.00 and the license fee of \$3.65.

Will testify that the records indicate that Martin Strause was the salesman who sold the car.

Will identify original used car order blank covering the sale of the above described automobile, said used car order blank being dated October 20, 1935; will testify that the date of October 20, 1935, is apparently in error inasmuch as this was on Sunday and business is not conducted by the Universal Motor Sales Co. on Sunday.

(The original used car order blank mentioned in this testimony is in the files of the Cleveland office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, having been turned over by R. W. Brightman. It will be available to the U. S. Attorney at the time of trial).

MARTIN STRAUSE

c/o John Stucker Motor Co.  
275 E. Market St.,  
Akron, Ohio;

Will identify the original used car order blank mentioned in the testimony of Mr. R. W. Brightman and using this original used car order blank to refresh his recollection will testify that he sold 1934 model Ford coupe, motor 18-888666 described therein on October 19, 1935; that two men came to the used car company known as the Universal Motor Sales Co. on that date and that he transacted business with one of these men and that this man purchased the car, leaving an initial deposit of \$50.00, \$45.00 of which was to be considered as a deposit proper and the remainder to be applied against the expense of filing fees and registration of the car; that later that day the man called for the car and paid the rest of the consideration in cash.

Will testify that he is positive that MILTON LETT was the man who purchased the car under the name of Carl Atkins.

(It is believed that Mr. Strause is mistaken in the identification of MILTON LETT as the purchaser of this automobile inasmuch as it has been established that MILTON LETT was actually in custody of the Akron, Ohio, police on October 19, 1935, at such times of the day as Mr. Strause alleges that the car was sold. Other information tends to indicate that FRED HUNTER was actually the person who purchased this automobile.

This particular Ford coupe is the one which was left at the CLYDE ROCHET farm on the date of the robbery of the mail train at Garrettsville, Ohio, November 7, 1935, and which was brought to the ROCHET farm by HARRY CAMPBELL.)

JOHN ZETZER

Marine Garage,  
328 West Perry Street,  
Port Clinton, Ohio.

Will furnish testimony concerning

JOE ROSCOE  
ALVIN KARPIS  
FRED HUNTER  
JOHN BROCK

This witness will testify that he owns and operates the Marine Garage at 328 West Perry Street, Port Clinton, Ohio, having been in business at this place for the past several years; that in addition to his garage business he is a licensed airplane pilot and from 1933 through 1935 owned airplanes from time to time, and flew passengers for hire at times.

He will state that he has known Joe Roscoe of Toledo, Ohio, for approximately four or five years, having first met him through a business deal in connection with a motor-boat; that he, Zetzer, owns a speed boat and on occasions he has transported passengers in his speed boat to Middle Island, which he knows to be partly owned by Joe Roscoe; that when he would take passengers to Middle Island he usually saw Joe Roscoe at this place; that Roscoe knew he was a licensed airplane pilot and on numerous occasions asked him how he was getting along with his flying and whether he had ever had any crackups.

This witness will state that about the last week in October 1935, Joe Roscoe came to his place of business at Port Clinton, Ohio, alone and inquired whether he still had an airplane; that he told Roscoe that he did not have a plane, but was looking for one; that Roscoe asked whether he wanted to make some money, stating that he had a fellow who wanted to take a trip down south; that he indicated to Roscoe that he was interested in the proposition, whereupon

Roscoe drove him in his car to a point opposite the new post office in Port Clinton where the two of them waited for possibly five minutes until a young fellow drove up in a Terraplane coupe; that Roscoe introduced the young fellow to him as Tom, and said that he was the man who desired to make the trip down south by plane; that he can identify the photograph of Alvin Karpis as the person who was introduced to him by Roscoe under the name of Tom; that after the introduction Karpis inquired whether he had an airplane and was told that he had had one but sold it and was looking around for another one; that Karpis advised that he wanted to make a trip down south soon and that possibly another fellow or two might accompany him; that Karpis inquired about the cost of the trip, mentioning various places he might want to fly to; that he did not give Karpis a definite price, advising him that the price would depend upon the miles traveled; that Karpis on this occasion told him to look around further for a plane and that he would be back later.

This witness will state that approximately two or three days later Karpis returned to his place of business in Port Clinton in company with a short fellow; that he can identify the photograph of Fred Hunter as Karpis' companion on this occasion; that at this time Karpis inquired whether he had been successful in purchasing a plane and he answered that he was still negotiating for one; that Karpis asked him when he expected to find a ship and was told that the planes he had looked at cost too much money; that Karpis then gave him \$100 and told him to look around some more; that on this occasion an agreement was also made with Karpis that the proposed trip down south would cost a flat rate of \$500. This witness will state that possibly four days to a week later, Karpis again returned to his place of business at Port Clinton, Ohio, and that he does not recall whether Karpis was alone on this occasion or whether Hunter was with him; that Karpis inquired whether he had been successful in securing a ship and was told that one was lined up; that at this time he had looked at two planes, one in Detroit, and one in Toledo, and was seriously thinking of buying one of the two; that he gave Karpis the impression that he would have a plane in the next few days; that Karpis then made arrangements with him to meet him at the garage at eight or nine o'clock the night of November 7, 1935, and that he understood from this arrangement that plans for the proposed flight would be made that night.

This witness will state that in connection with his negotiations with Karpis, he went to the Transcontinental Airport at Toledo, on November 7, 1935, and negotiated with Delbert Gross for the purchase of a Stinson plane; that Gross wanted \$1,750. for this ship and it was finally agreed that he would pay either \$1,650. or \$1,700. for it; that he had \$800. in cash with him at the time and offered to leave this amount with Mr. Gross, but that Gross refused the money and stated that he should return in the morning at which time the bill of sale would be drawn up for the plane and he indicated at this time that he also wanted to talk with his son relative to the deal.

He will state that he returned to Port Clinton, Ohio, around 6:30 or 7:00 o'clock that night, and was at his garage around 8:15 P. M.; that a few minutes later Joe Roscoe arrived at the garage by himself and asked whether the boys had come in yet; that he told Roscoe they had not arrived; that Roscoe walked into the garage and at about this time a car drove up in the driveway and one of the occupants told him to open the garage door, which he did; that the car was driven into the garage and immediately thereafter either Joe Roscoe or someone else closed the garage door; that after the car was in the garage he started to turn on the lights and Karpis, who was one of the occupants of the car, told him not to turn on the lights; that Karpis asked whether there was a small room in the garage and he was directed to the garage office, which is located in the northeast corner of the building; that he and Karpis entered the office and turned on the light, and Karpis noticed there were no shades on the windows and asked whether there was anything around with which to cover the windows; that he, thereupon, secured from the garage part of the premises, some raincoats and tacked them over the windows.

That Karpis and several other men carried a number of bags and guns into the office; that he did not see what kind of bags and guns they carried in as he left the office immediately after he covered the windows; that while these men were in his office he loitered around the back part of the garage and he believes that Joe Roscoe was standing in the front part of the garage; that he did not talk with Joe Roscoe at this time; that during this period he saw men go in and out of the office and it appeared that they were throwing papers in the stove to burn; that it appeared that there were at least



five men in the office and the only one he recognized at the time was Alvin Karpis, as he did not get a good look at the other men as it was dark; that on one occasion one of the men in the garage told him to go outside and look around in the back to see if anyone was there; that the men remained in the garage until approximately eleven P. M. and during this period Karpis inquired whether he had a plane ready; that he told Karpis that he would have one in the morning, advising that arrangements had already been made to secure it; that Karpis talked with some of the men and then told him that they were going to stay at his house that night; that he told Karpis that would not be desirable as his wife and child were there, and that Karpis said he should tell his wife and child to stay with one of the neighbors; that Karpis told him at this time to dispose of the car in which they had driven to the garage, suggesting that it either be burned or driven into the lake; that later Karpis offered him the bill of sale to the car, stating that he could do what he liked with it; that the car was not "hot", other than it might be recognized.

That after the above conversation with Karpis he proceeded to his home by himself and talked with his wife about her staying at a neighbor's house for the night; that she refused to do this and it was arranged that he and his wife would sleep in the back room; that when talking to his wife about her staying someplace else that night, he told her that he had some friends from out of town whom he wanted to put up for the night; that after talking to his wife he returned to the garage where he told Karpis that everything was all right for him to stay at the house; that at this time Karpis advanced him \$500. for the proposed airplane trip.

He will state that around eleven P. M. on this night Joe Roscoe and either two or three of the men left the garage and he does not know where they went; that he at no time had a good look at these men as it was dark; that shortly thereafter Karpis and two of the men left the garage in the Plymouth sedan, which was the car in which they had driven to the garage, and followed him to his home at 410 Laurel Avenue in Port Clinton; that at this time he first recognized Fred Hunter as one of the men in the party; that he can identify the photograph of John Brock and positively state that he is the third man in the party; that when the

men walked into the house he observed that they carried something under their coats and although he did not see the objects he knew in his own mind that they were some type of guns; that the Plymouth car was driven into his double garage located in the rear of his home and he believes the men left their baggage in the car; that after Karpis, Brock and Hunter entered the house he showed them to the front bedroom, which was the only room available in which they could sleep; that at this time he and Karpis talked about leaving in the plane the next morning and Karpis told him that Brock and Hunter would make the trip down south with him.

He will state that in talking with Karpis at this time he suggested that his brother, George Zetzer, drive the three men to the airport in the morning and also arrange to get rid of the Plymouth car while he was away; that on this night he went to his brother's home and got him out of bed and told him that he was in trouble, and that he wanted him to help him out; that there were three men at his house whom he was to fly down south and he asked whether he would drive these men to the airport in Port Clinton the following morning around nine or ten o'clock; that he did not indicate to his brother who these men were, or what they had done; that he told his brother at this time about the Plymouth sedan in his home garage and asked him to dispose of it in any way he saw fit; that he informed his brother that the car was not stolen and that his brother started to ask questions but he told him not to ask any questions.

That the next morning around six o'clock he drove his wife and child to Toledo, Ohio, and went directly to the Gross Automatic Service, Inc., and contacted Delbert Gross about the Stinson airplane concerning which they had previously talked; that at this time he paid Gross \$1,500. in cash and signed a note for \$200. for the balance of the total purchase price of \$1,700. This witness will state that the \$1,500 cash payment which he made on the plane consisted of \$275. which he borrowed from his brother, the \$500. which Karpis advanced him, \$225. which he withdrew from the garage business, and \$500. which he had on hand at the time. He will state that Mr. Gross drew up the bill of sale and after

the deal was consummated he left the Transcontinental Airport in the plane and flew to Port Clinton, Ohio; that upon his arrival at the airport at Port Clinton, Alvin Karpis, Fred Hunter, and John Brock were just arriving in his brother's car; that the three men got into the plane immediately and he did not talk with his brother on this occasion.

That after the men had entered the plane Karpis told him to fly to Memphis, Tennessee; that he took off from the Port Clinton Airport at about ten A. M.; that they had a forced landing at Evansville, Indiana, where he ran out of gas and had to land in a wheat field; that he managed to get someone to put a barrel of gasoline in the plane after which they had another forced landing in some town along the Mississippi river in Missouri; that he was low on gas at that time and when he learned that an airport was located only sixteen miles away he decided to take off and refuel at the airport; that because of the bad condition of the field in which he had landed he could not readily take off with the three men in the plane and that they secured someone to drive them to the airport; that when he arrived at the airport the attendant told him that there had been a heavy fog the night before and indicated that it would be a risk to fly that night; that because of this situation the four of them decided to spend the night in the plane at the airport and that at this time Karpis remarked that if they caught him there they would hang him to the telephone pole the same way they would do with him, Karpis; that while at this airport it was decided to fly to Hot Springs, Arkansas by way of Memphis; that they arrived in Hot Springs, Arkansas around noon on November 9, 1935; that Karpis and Fred Hunter got out of the plane with their baggage and Karpis said that "Slim", identified as John Brock, was going on through to Tulsa, Oklahoma; that "Slim" would take care of him upon arrival at Tulsa; that Karpis and he did not have any further conversation and that he last saw either Karpis or Hunter at the Hot Springs airport.

He will state that en route to Tulsa, Oklahoma with John Brock they had another forced landing near Fort Smith, Arkansas, and stayed over night at the farm house of some people named Dean, who claimed they were relatives of Dizzy Dean, the St. Louis Cardinals' pitcher; that they took off the next morning stopping at Fort Smith, Arkansas for gasoline, and arrived at Tulsa, Oklahoma, on the afternoon of November 10, 1935, and that at this time Brock gave him \$500. in cash for the trip.

This witness will testify that he returned to Port Clinton, arriving on November 14, 1935; that when he arrived at home he observed that the Plymouth sedan which had been left in his garage by Karpis and the others, was not in the garage and he presumed that his brother, George, disposed of it, although he did not know in fact whether he had done so; that he does not recall asking his brother what he did with the car and likewise does not recall whether his brother told him anything about it. He will state that after he returned home he found a sawed-off shot gun in the back of the showcase in his garage office and later turned this gun over to Post Office Inspector Hettrick and another man.

GEORGE J. ZETZER

335 Wilson Avenue,  
Port Clinton, Ohio.

This witness will furnish testimony concerning

ALVIN KARPIS  
FRED HUNTER  
JOHN BROCK

This witness will state that he resides at Port Clinton, Ohio, and is in the garage business along with his brother, John Zetzer; that one night around eleven P. M. during the early winter of 1935 his brother came to his house at which time he was excited, and recited that he was in a jam and told him to go to his house the next morning at about eight o'clock and to take three men who would be at the house to a field which he had previously used for landing airplanes; that he also told him there was a car in the garage at his home and that after he took the three men to the field and he, John Zetzer, took them away in a plane, that he was to go to the garage at his brother's home and get rid of the car in the garage in such a way that it was completely disposed of, even if he had to burn it; that his brother stated he was going to Toledo to get a plane and would fly it back to Port Clinton in the morning and meet him at the field.

This witness will state that on the following morning some time around eight o'clock he went to his brother's house and the door was answered by a man whom he had never seen before; that this man and two other men came out of the house and all three got into his car and he drove them to the designated field; that en route they conducted a general conversation; that as the car approached the field his brother's plane had just landed; that the men entered the plane and the plane immediately took off with the three men in it; that from photographs he can identify two of the men whom he drove to the field as Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter, and that he can only recall the third man as being homely, and had a squinted face.

G. E. HUTCHISON

Knowles-Browne, Inc.,  
1440 West 25th Street,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

This witness will furnish testimony concerning

MILTON LETT

Subpoena duces tecum should issue against this witness to produce invoice records of the Knowles-Browne, Inc., dated October 25, 1935, showing the sale of Plymouth four-door touring sedan, motor #PJ 322772, serial #2619857, to Carl Baker, 1027 East 147th Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

This witness will testify from the invoice records of Knowles-Browne, Inc., Cleveland, Ohio, that on October 24, 1935, a man who gave his name as Carl Baker, came into the showrooms of the company and ordered Plymouth four-door sedan, motor #PJ 322772, serial #2619857; that Baker was waited on by him, Hutchison, and former salesman Willis Ross; that he came into the showroom around noon on this date and ordered the car, making a deposit of \$20.00 at the time; that when asked for an address he said he was moving and would telephone in his new address as soon as he had moved; that he did telephone the agency on the same night at which time he furnished his address as 1027 East 147th Street, Cleveland; that on the following day, which was October 25, 1935, he took delivery on the Plymouth sedan, paying the balance of the purchase price in cash; that the total purchase price of the car was \$714.15, which included the price of the car, sales tax and new license plates.

This witness will testify that Plymouth sedan, motor #PJ 322772 was a four-door touring sedan of a slate gray color and had a built-in trunk on the rear. This witness will identify the photograph of Milton Lett as being the picture of Carl Baker, who purchased the automobile in question.

MRS. S. TANNI

1027 East 147th Street,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

This witness will furnish testimony concerning

MILTON LETT

This witness will testify that she resides at 1027 East 147th Street, Cleveland, Ohio, with her husband, who is employed at the Lake City Malleable Company, and that she has resided at this address since July 1935. She will state that she and her husband have never had any visitors who have stayed at their home, and that they have never taken in any boarders or roomers.

She will testify that she does not know anyone named Carl Baker, or Milton Lett; that the photograph of Milton Lett does not resemble anyone known to her and that he has never lived in her home.


SECRETARY OF STATE  
(or his authorized agent)  
Columbus, Ohio.

Subpoena duces tecum should issue against this witness to produce the automobile registration records of the state of Ohio, covering the issuance of 1935 automobile license number LU 671, to Carl Baker, 1027 East 147th Street, Cleveland, Ohio, for use on Plymouth sedan motor # PJ 322772, serial #2619857.



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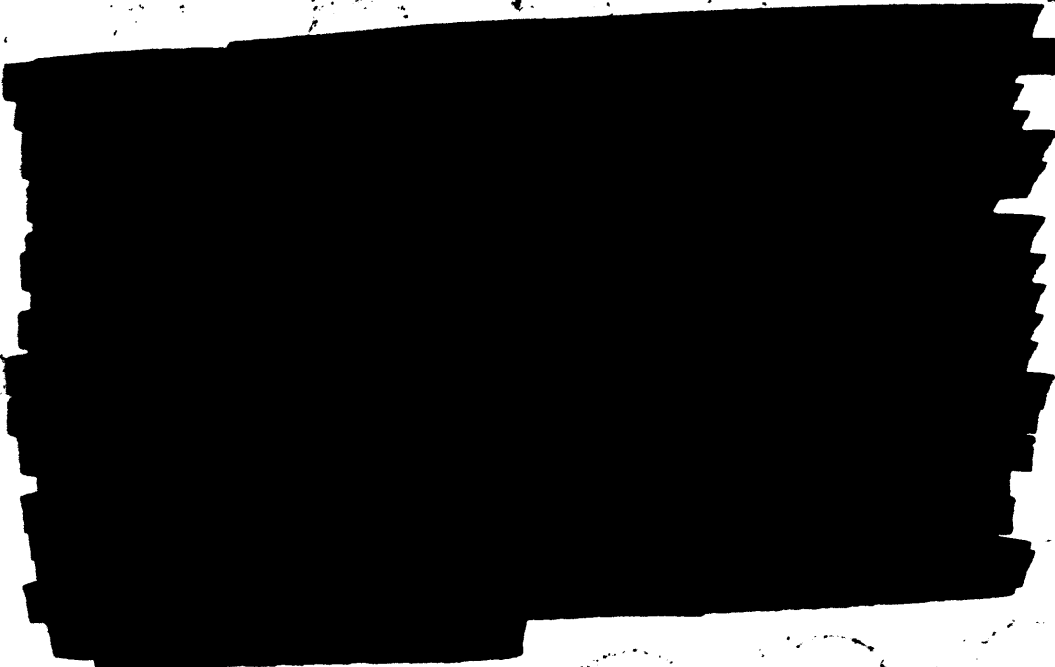
The following is the criminal record of BENSON GROVES  
with aliases as shown in the files of the Federal Bureau of  
Investigation under FBI No. 10577:



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Following is the criminal record of FRED JOHN HUNTER  
as shown in the files of the Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
under FBI-54440:



FRED JOHN HUNTER was indicted by the United States Grand Jury for the Eastern District of Louisiana, New Orleans, La., on May 27, 1936, said indictment charging that

FRED JOHN HUNTER  
HARRY CAMPBELL

(the said HARRY CAMPBELL not being indicted) did on or about January 22, 1935, and continuously thereafter up to and including May 1, 1936, at Warren, Ohio, and other places in the United States, conspire with each other to commit an offense against the United States, to-wit: violate Section 141 U.S.C., Title 18 U.S.C. Section 246, in that they conspired to harbor and conceal ALVIN KARPIS, for whom a warrant had been issued on January 22, 1935, by the United States District Court for the District of Minnesota, said warrant being issued on an indictment returned by the Federal Grand Jury for the District of Minnesota, charging ALVIN KARPIS with conspiring with other persons to kidnap and transport in Interstate Commerce and hold for \$200,000 ransom one, Edward George Bremer, (Title 18 U.S.C. 408 a), so as to prevent the arrest of ALVIN KARPIS upon said warrant, FRED JOHN HUNTER and HARRY CAMPBELL knowing that the warrant for the apprehension of ALVIN KARPIS had been issued.

The following overt acts are charged in the indictment:

1. On or about January 22, 1935, HUNTER and CAMPBELL met KARPIS at Warren, Ohio.
2. On or about January 30, 1935, HUNTER and CAMPBELL met with KARPIS at Warren, Ohio.
3. On or about April 2, 1936, HUNTER drove KARPIS into the city of New Orleans, La. in HUNTER's automobile.
4. On or about April 3, 1936, HUNTER returned to New Orleans, La. with ALVIN KARPIS.

5. On or about April 3, 1936, HUNTER, using the alias of H. J. King, sold a 1936 Ford coupe to the Evans Motor Co. in New Orleans, La.

6. On or about April 9, 1936, HUNTER and KARPIS registered at a tourist camp at Fernwood-By-The-Sea between Biloxi and Gulfport, Miss.

7. On or about April 10, 1936, HUNTER, under the alias of Edward O'Hara, rented an apartment at 3343 Canal St., New Orleans, La.

8. On or about April 14, 1936, HUNTER accompanied ALVIN KARPIS to the garage of the Quality Motors Company, New Orleans, La.

9. On or about April 27, 1936, HUNTER permitted ALVIN KARPIS to use the apartment, 3343 Canal St., New Orleans, La., as an asylum in eluding arrest by Federal authorities.

10. On or about May 1, 1936, HUNTER permitted ALVIN KARPIS to use his apartment, 3343 Canal Street, New Orleans, La.

FRED JOHN HUNTER entered a plea of guilty to the above indictment in the United States District Court at New Orleans, La. on May 27, 1936, and on that date was sentenced by the United States District Court to serve two years in a Federal Penitentiary.

In so far as it is known, James F. "Sharkey" Gorman  
has no criminal record.

— P E N D I N G —

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October 22, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

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RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, FUGITIVE,  
I. O. #1232, et al; EDWARD  
GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM -  
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

The Bureau is in receipt of a newspaper article from the Miami Tribune, Miami, Florida, dated October 6, 1936, concerning the trial of William Elmer Meade at Miami, Florida, which began on October 5, 1936.

The Bureau desires to be advised as to the status of this trial.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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From the Miami Tribune, Miami, Fla., 10/6/36

# AGE 'CON' MAN'S TRIAL OPENS IN U. S. COURT

## \$11,300 SWINDLE LANDS BILL MEADE IN FEDERAL TOILS

JACKSONVILLE, Oct. 5. (Special)—After 13 years, William Elmer Meade, 59, named by department of justice operatives, "America's Con Man No. 1," faced a Federal court jury here today on charges of swindling Arthur G. Maylon of Whitman, Mass., out of \$11,300 in a stock market wire-tapping scheme in 1921.

The trial started this morning with the early part of the session devoted to a selection of the jury, which was not completed until noon. When court re-convened at 2 p. m. a parade of preliminary governmental witnesses began with apparently a three-day trial in prospect.

Meade first was arrested in 1923, following his indictment on charges of illegal use of the mails, and a \$2,500 bond. He was later, and his bond

Arrested last at Omaha, Neb., in July, his bond was fixed at \$50,000, which he was unable to raise. Since that time he has been in federal custody awaiting trial. Meade originally was indicted with H. C. Howard and William A. Shaw, both of whom pleaded guilty and were sentenced.

The government witnesses taking the stand this afternoon were

Parker C. Morton, Belton Lanier, Randall B. Cooke and Herbert N. Graham. The case is being prosecuted by William A. Paisley, district attorney. Meade is defended by Charles M. Durrance and M. H. Myerson. Federal Judge Louie W. Strum is presiding.

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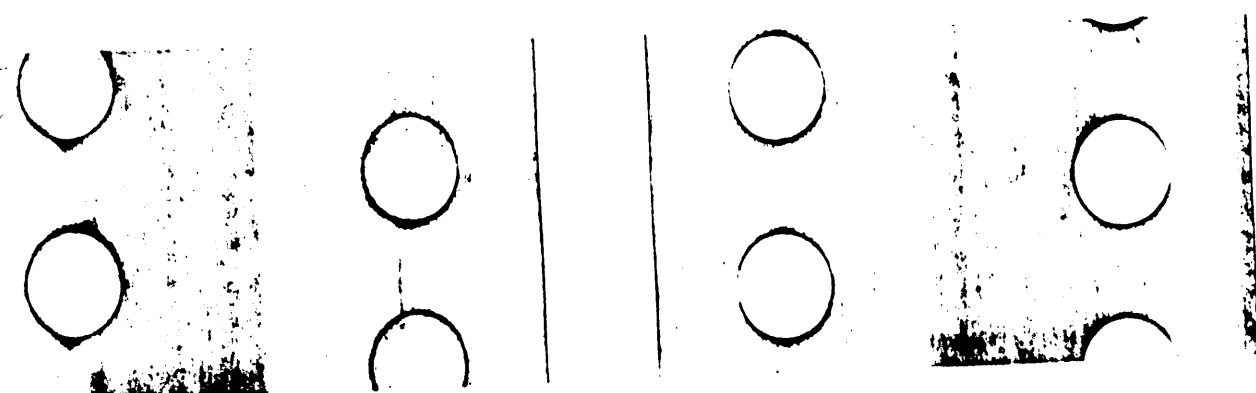
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Chicago, Illinois

October 26, 1936

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Special Agent in Charge  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Sir:

Re: BREXID

In reply to your letter of October 21, 1936, relative to the original criminal record found on the occasion of the search of 1371 West 140th Street, Cleveland, Ohio, I desire to advise that this original criminal of C. I. Winterhalter, FBI-30422, was forwarded to the Bureau from this Office for appropriate examination and by letter dated September 20, 1936 the Bureau advised that they had examined this record and had not been able to develop any latent fingerprints thereon.

It is therefore suggested that you may be able to secure the original record from the Bureau's Technical Laboratory.

Very truly yours,

DML:LJM  
cc - Bureau  
St. Paul  
Cincinnati

D. E. LADD  
Special Agent in Charge

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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 the letter to your office from the Chicago Bureau Office, dated October 26, 1936, relative to the above-entitled matter, suggesting that your office might be able to obtain the original criminal record of one C. E. Winterhalter, FBI-30282, from the Bureau's Technical Laboratory.

In accordance with the suggestion of the Chicago Bureau Office, there is transmitted herewith to your office the original criminal record indicated above, photographic copies of this record having been made for the completion of the Bureau's file.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

Inclosure #1063126.

REGISTERED MAIL

cc-Chicago  
Cincinnati  
St. Paul

*[Handwritten signature: J. Edgar Hoover]*  
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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 4907  
Jacksonville, Florida  
October 26, 1936.

Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, FUGITIVE,  
I.O. #1232; et al. Edward  
George Bremer - Victim.  
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

With reference to Bureau letter dated October 22, 1936, (7-576), you are advised that William Elmer Head went to trial at Jacksonville on October 5, 1936, and was found guilty under the mail fraud indictment on October 7, 1936. On October 14, 1936, he was sentenced to serve two years in the United States Penitentiary, Atlanta, Georgia, and to pay a fine of \$5,000.00.

Very truly yours,

*R. B. Nathan*

R. B. Nathan  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

October 27, 1936.

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

Dear Sir:

RE: B. E. M. D.

In reply to Bureau letter dated October 22, 1936,  
(7-576) addressed to the Cleveland, Ohio office, there is  
enclosed herewith one copy of the photograph of LUCIAN C.  
FLEMING, probable defendant in the harboring case now under  
investigation by this office.

Very truly yours,

JEM/2JB  
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*J. P. MacFarland*  
J. P. MacFARLAND  
Special Agent in Charge

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Fleming, Lucian C  
1715 Walnut St  
Toledo, Ohio



1446 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

October 27, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Indianapolis, Indiana.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

Enclosed herewith is copy of a letter addressed to  
the Chicago Bureau office under date of October 10, 1936, which  
copy was requested by you in your telegram dated October 26,  
1936.

Also enclosed herewith is copy of photograph of  
Benson Groves, Atlanta Penitentiary #78808.

Very truly yours,

J. J. MacFarland  
Special Agent in Charge

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Enclosures (2)  
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1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

October 27, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

RE: BARKID

Transmitted herewith will be found copy of the report of Special Agent C. K. McKee, dated at Cleveland, Ohio, October 20, 1936, which contains a question and answer statement made by John Brock relative to his associations with Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, and others.

This statement reflects that Brock was contacted at Tulsa, Oklahoma, on several occasions and that the intermediary between him and the fugitives in every instance was George "Burrhead" Keady, formerly of Tulsa, Oklahoma, and who is now thought to be operating a gambling establishment in or around Dallas, Texas. It is indicated that Karpis and Campbell were harbored on several occasions at a farm located about half way between Tulsa and Sapulpa, Oklahoma, the farm being owned and operated by a man who also owned a number of greyhound dogs. It is also indicated that both Karpis and Campbell were probably harbored during the summer of 1935 at a place in the southern part of Oklahoma, which was obtained for them by Keady. Indications are that Dovey Keady, the wife of "Burrhead" Keady, was instrumental to some extent in aiding these two fugitives.

It is desired that you undertake an immediate investigation of the situation in and around Tulsa, Oklahoma, which enabled the fugitives, Karpis and Campbell, to obtain harbor and assistance, and in this connection it is suggested that an early interview with George "Burrhead" Keady, as well as with his wife, would be beneficial.

Any and all necessary details should be worked out to show to the effect of harboring these fugitives and after submission to the Bureau, and the Bureau being agreeable, the United States

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Attorney should be consulted as to instituting suitable prosecution.

Very truly yours,

SWJ/UB

Enclosure (1)

CC - Bureau

- Chicago

- Cincinnati

- Dallas

E. J. CONNELLEY  
Inspector.

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

RES:MFS

Post Office Box 4907,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

October 27, 1936.

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

Dear Sir:-

RE: BREKID

Reference is made to teletype from the Bureau to this office, and teletype from the Jacksonville office to the Bureau of this date concerning the results of the trial of William Elmer Mead at Jacksonville, Florida.

Inquiries at the Office of the United States Marshal at Jacksonville disclosed that Mead was delivered to the United States Penitentiary at Atlanta, Georgia, on October 17, 1936; also that no detainers were filed with the Marshal here prior to Mead's transfer to Atlanta. Assistant United States Attorney William A. Paisley advised that during Mead's incarceration in Jacksonville awaiting trial on the Mail Fraud charge, a request was received from the United States Attorney for the Northern District of Illinois that a detainer be filed against Mead's release in the event of an unsuccessful prosecution of him in Federal Court at Jacksonville. It was learned that the charge pending in the Northern District of Illinois related to Income Tax evasion. It was also learned that a Fugitive complaint was filed accordingly at Jacksonville, Florida, by the United States Attorney but that same was not executed in view of the successful prosecution of Mead at this point.

Under date of October 26, 1936, a letter was directed to the Bureau advising as to the results of the trial of William Elmer Mead at Jacksonville. It appears that this communication had not been received in the Bureau prior to the forwarding of the teletype to this office on this date.

Very truly yours,

R. B. NATHAN,  
Special Agent in Charge.

cc - Chicago  
Cincinnati  
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

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

October 28, 1936.

Bu. file #-----.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Sir:

Referring to fingerprints forwarded by you, please be advised that an examination of the fingerprint records of the Federal Bureau of Investigation fails to disclose any data concerning the following:

--- Frank Greenwald

It is noted that the fingerprints of the above individual received from Bureau Office, Cleveland, Ohio, contain no criminal data. Because of the desirability of having the fingerprint files of this Bureau complete in every detail, you are kindly requested to furnish the details of the arrest of this individual, in order that the same may be placed on the fingerprint card in the Bureau's files.

The following is the fingerprint classification of the above individual:

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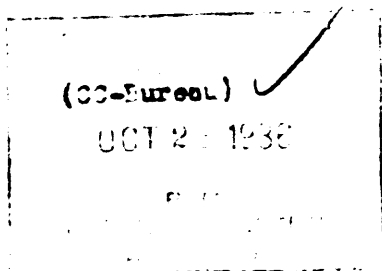
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Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.



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For completion of our records, please supply dispositions to this Bureau in any of the foregoing cases where they do not appear.

REGISTERED MAILS

**Post Office Department**  
THIRD ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL  
Washington

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO

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October 27, 1936.

The Honorable  
The Attorney General,  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of (October 24, 1936,) which the Postmaster General has referred to me, I am pleased to advise you that instructions this date have been issued to the postmaster at Cleveland, Ohio, to permit the authorized representative of the Cleveland Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, to make photostatic copies of the delivery records covering the five C. O. D. parcels described in your letter as having been mailed by the Thomas Shirt Co., 240 North High St., Columbus, Ohio, to E. X. Ersonson, 3111 Harvard Ave., Cleveland, Ohio.

Very truly yours,

Acting Third Assistant Postmaster General.  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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November 2, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
ET AL; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN,  
with aliases, I. O. 1232,  
FUGITIVE; ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE  
BREMER, Victim - KIDNAPING.

The Bureau is in receipt of a letter dated October 27, 1936 from the Acting Third Assistant Postmaster General, addressed to the Attorney General, in which it is stated that instructions were issued on that date to the Postmaster at Cleveland, Ohio to permit an authorized representative of the Cleveland office of this Bureau to make photostatic copies of the delivery records covering the five C.O.D. parcels mailed by the Thomas Shirt Company, 240 North High Street, Columbus, Ohio, to E. Bronson, 3111 Harvard Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.

Photostatic copies of these receipts should be obtained for use in conducting the investigation at Cleveland, Ohio, and in the event the originals are desired at a later date for purposes of trial, a subpoena can be issued for that purpose. Photostatic copies of these receipts should be forwarded to the Bureau in order that the appropriate comparison may be made by the Technical Laboratory of the signature of E. Bronson with the known handwriting of Fred Barker.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

Mr. Nathan	.....
Mr. Tolson	.....
Mr. Baughman	.....
Mr. Clegg	.....
Mr. Coffey	.....
Mr. Dawsey	.....
Mr. Egan	.....
Mr. Fox	.....
Mr. Glavin	.....
Mr. Ladd	.....
Mr. Nichols	.....
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Mr. Quinn	.....
Mr. Nease	.....
Miss Gandy	.....

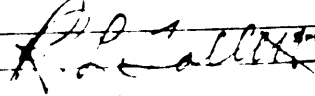


# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

CINCINNATI, OHIO.

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REPORT MADE AT <b>NEW ORLEANS</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>10-27-36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>10-20-36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>C. E. WEEKS</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. 1232; FRED JOHN HUNTER, with aliases; et al; Edward George Bremer, Victim.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Fred John Hunter was indicted for conspiracy to harbor Alvin Karpis by a Federal Grand Jury, New Orleans, La., 5-27-36. He was arraigned, pleaded guilty, and was sentenced to serve two years in an institution to be designated by the Attorney General on the same day. Hunter lodged in the U. S. Penitentiary, Atlanta, Ga. Parole Report submitted. Disposition Sheet attached.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P.</p>			
REFERENCE: <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Report of Special Agent L. I. Bowman, New Orleans, Louisiana, 5-21-36.</p>			
DETAILS: <p style="margin-left: 40px;"><u>AT NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA.</u></p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">The Docket records of the Clerk of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana, at New Orleans, Louisiana, under Docket #18639, in the case entitled - United States vs. Fred John Hunter, reflect that on May 27, 1936 a true bill was found and indictment filed charging violation of Section 37 of the Criminal Code, this being an indictment charging that Fred John Hunter conspired with Harry Campbell, who was not indicted, on or about January 22, 1935, and continuously thereafter, up to and including the first day of May 1936, at Warren, Ohio, and other places, to violate Section 141 of the United States Criminal Code, Title 18, U. S. Code, Section 246, which provides penalty for harboring or concealing any person for whose arrest a warrant or process</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED 		SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	
COPIES OF THIS REPORT 3-Bureau 2-Cincinnati (1-E.J. Connelley) 1-Chicago 1-St. Paul 1-U. S. Attorney, New Orleans 2-New Orleans Spec. Bureau (1)		DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES <div style="font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold;">7 1576-13144</div> <div style="font-size: 1.5em; font-weight: bold;">NOV 8 1936</div> <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-weight: bold;">RECEIVED</div> <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-weight: bold;">NOV 24 1936</div>	

has been issued under the provisions of any law of the United States. It was alleged that defendants harbored one, Alvin Karpovich, alias Alvin Karpis, for whom a warrant had been issued January 22, 1935, by the United States District Court for the District of Minnesota for the arrest of Alvin Karpovich, which warrant was issued on an indictment found by the Federal Grand Jury of the District of Minnesota, charging Alvin Karpis unlawfully conspired with other persons to kidnap and transport in interstate commerce and hold for \$200,000 ransom one, Edward J. Bremer. Ten overt acts are alleged which are as follows:

1. On or about January 22, 1935 defendants Fred Hunter and Harry Campbell met Alvin Karpovich at Warren, Ohio.
2. On or about January 30, 1935, the defendants met Alvin Karpovich at Warren, Ohio.
3. On or about April 2, 1936, the defendant Hunter drove Karpovich into the City of New Orleans, Louisiana in Hunter's 1936 Ford Coupe.
4. On or about April 3, 1936, defendant Hunter returned to New Orleans with Alvin Karpovich.
5. On or about April 3, 1936, defendant Hunter, using the alias H. J. King, sold Evans Motor Co., of Louisiana, Inc., 1936 Ford Coupe.
6. Defendant Hunter, on or about April 9, 1936, at Fernwood By-The-Sea, located between Biloxi and Gulfport, Mississippi, accompanied Alvin Karpovich and registered at said tourist camp.
7. On or about April 10, 1936, defendant Hunter, using the alias Edward O'Hara, rented an apartment at 3343 Canal Street, New Orleans, Louisiana.
8. On or about April 14, 1936, defendant Hunter accompanied Karpovich to the garage of the Quality Motors Co., Inc., 1625 Canal Street, New Orleans, Louisiana.
9. On or about April 27, 1936, defendant Hunter permitted Alvin Karpovich to use the apartment at 3343 Canal Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, as an asylum to come and go as he saw fit, eluding arrest by Federal authorities on the warrant aforesaid.
10. On or about May 1, 1936, defendant Hunter permitted Alvin Karpovich to use his apartment, 3343 Canal Street, New Orleans, Louisiana.

The records reflect that on May 27, 1936, Hunter was arraigned, entered a plea of guilty, and was sentenced to serve two years in such an institution as may be designated by the Attorney General of the United States. Warrant was issued on the sentence.

On June 8, 1936 there is reported the filing of the Marshal's return on warrant executed June 4, 1936, which is to the effect that the defendant Hunter was lodged in the U. S. Penitentiary, Atlanta, Georgia.

Parole Report is being submitted to the Bureau.

Disposition Sheet attached.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE NEW ORLEANS OFFICE: Will report the completion of tracing of guns found in the possession of Alvin Karpis at New Orleans, Louisiana.

Will report completion of other outstanding leads.

P E N D I N G

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

This case originated at

CINCINNATI, OHIO.

File No. 7-576-1345

Report Made at:

NEW ORLEANS

Date When Made:

10-27-36

PAROLE REPORT

Report Made by:

C. W. WHEAT

Name of Convict: FRED JOHN HUNTER, with aliases: FRED HUNTER, FREDDIE HUNTER, FRED KING, HAROLD KING, H. J. KING, FRED CHARRIS, FRED JOHN HENDERSON, EDWARD O'HARA, E. O'HARA.

Title of Case: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases; DR. with aliases; CAMPEL, with aliases; FUGITIVE, I. O. 123589 P. 2; HARRY KIDNAPING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; BREMER; VICTIM; FUGITIVES; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT; HARBORING OF

On January 17, 1934, Edward George Bremer was kidnaped at St. Paul, Minnesota, and transported to Bensenville, Illinois, where he was held for \$200,000 ransom. He was released February 7, 1934, at Rochester, Minnesota, after payment of the ransom demand. On January 22, 1935, a Federal Grand Jury at St. Paul, Minnesota, returned an indictment charging Alvin Karpis, with aliases, and others, with conspiracy between the dates of December 1, 1933, and May 1, 1934, to kidnap and transport interstate and hold for \$200,000 ransom one, Edward George Bremer, in violation of Title 18, Section 408-a, U. S. Code. Based upon this indictment a warrant was issued January 22, 1935, for the arrest of Alvin Karpis, but he remained a fugitive from justice until May 1, 1936, when he was arrested in company with convict Fred Hunter at New Orleans, Louisiana, by the Director, Assistant Director, and Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Karpis became acquainted with convict Fred John Hunter at Warren, Ohio, during January 1935. Hunter was made aware of the true identity of Karpis, but he there was a Federal warrant outstanding for Karpis's arrest in connection with the kidnaping of Edward George Bremer, above described. Nevertheless, convict Hunter associated with, harbored, and concealed Alvin Karpis intermittently from the time of their meeting until May 1, 1936, when they were arrested together at New Orleans, Louisiana, and during this time Karpis was being concealed by him to prevent his arrest by Federal authorities. On May 27, 1936, a Federal Grand Jury for the Eastern District of Louisiana at New Orleans, Louisiana, returned an indictment charging convict Hunter with conspiracy, with Harry Campbell (not indicted), to harbor and conceal Alvin Karpis as above described. On the same day, May 27, 1936, Hunter was arraigned before United States District Judge Wayne G. Borah, Eastern District of Louisiana, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Approved and Forwarded: Special Agent in Charge

Copies of This Report Furnished to: 3-Bureau Cincinnati (1-E.J. Connelley)

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whereupon he entered a plea of guilty and was sentenced to serve two years in such an institution as might be designated by the Attorney General of the United States.

There are no mitigating circumstances in connection with this offense, convict Hunter knowing full well the dangerous and desperate character of the person he was concealing from arrest. In fact, convict Hunter admitted his intention to participate with Karpis in a crime some time after the date on which he was arrested for the purpose of replenishing their funds. It is also alleged convict Hunter participated with Alvin Karpis and others in the robbery of mail from a train carrying United States Mail at Garrettsville, Ohio, on November 7, 1935, which offense is the subject of an investigation by the Postal Inspection Service.

Fred John Hunter was born October 13, 1899 at Warren, (Trumbull County) Ohio. He has been married and separated; is a citizen of the United States. He has a handicap in speech as he stutters badly when excited and stutters over long words. He is also reported to be suffering a tubercular condition. Hunter served from January 31, 1921 until August 3, 1921, in the United States Army being assigned to 91, Aero Squadron, Mather Field, California, as a Private. He was honorably discharged from the Air Service Detachment August 3, 1921 because of reduction in the Army. His character in the Army was noted as excellent.

The father of this convict, George Hunter, is presently seventy-two years of age, and is employed as a blacksmith and boilermaker at Leavittsburg, Ohio. The mother of the convict died in 1910, and the father was unable to rear the children properly. There were five sons and one daughter in the family, one of whom, in addition to convict Fred Hunter, is reported serving a long sentence in the United States Penitentiary, Atlanta, Georgia, this being William Hunter. Other members of the family have been engaged in law violations, including such crimes as burglary.

Convict Hunter claims to be a welder, gambler, and salesman for gambling paraphernalia by occupation. He has been a devotee of cock fighting and has kept several game cocks for that purpose. He has also been a card dealer in gambling resorts.

The following criminal record of Fred John Hunter, with aliases, is reflected by the files of the Identification Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, which records it under FBI-54440:

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

1105 Mills Tower,  
San Francisco, California

October 24, 1936.

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

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.

Reference is made to your letter dated October 2, 1936, (7-576) requesting that this office interview Volney Davis and obtain from him a written order as to what disposition he desires to be made of his overcoat recovered at Yorkville, Illinois, in February, 1935.

While at Alcatraz Island on other official business on October 14, 1936, Special Agent J. H. Rice, of this office, interviewed Volney Davis who advised that he desired the overcoat in question to be turned over to his mother, Mrs. Rodney E. Davis, Route #2, Neosho, Missouri.

Accordingly, an order was prepared and signed by Volney Davis, original of which is hereby submitted to the Bureau and copies of same are being furnished with copies of this letter to the Chicago and Kansas City Bureau Offices for their information and in order that they may take appropriate steps to turn the property over to Mrs. Davis if deemed advisable.

Very truly yours,

W. L. Listerman  
Special Agent in Charge

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cc: Chicago (1 encl)  
cc: Kansas City (1 encl)

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Alcatraz Island, California.  
October 14, 1936.

I, VOLNEY DAVIS, do hereby authorize the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice, or its Agents, to dispose of my dark blue overcoat, which I discarded at Yorkville, Illinois, in February, 1935, to my mother, Mrs. Rodney E. Davis, Route #2, Neosho, Missouri.

Volney Davis  
VOLNEY DAVIS

Witness:

J. H. Rice  
J. H. RICE, Special Agent,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U.S. Department of Justice,  
San Francisco, California.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box 1276,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma,  
October 27, 1936

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

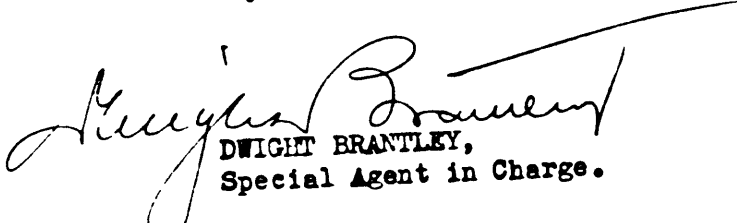
Re: Brekid

Dear Sir:

With reference to the report of Special Agent L. E. Kingman dated October 27, 1936 at Oklahoma City in this case, there has been transmitted under separate cover, an application for purchase of dangerous or deadly weapons, signed Roy Eckles, August 17, 1935 at Tulsa, Oklahoma, together with a sheet of paper containing three specimens of the known signature of Roy Eckles, a resident of Tulsa, Oklahoma.

As indicated in the report of Agent Kingman, to which reference is made, it is requested the Technical Laboratory of the Bureau compare the signature of Roy Eckles on the application for the purchase of a gun, with the known specimens appearing on the sheet of paper. This office and other interested offices should be informed of the findings of the Laboratory.

Very truly yours,

  
DWIGHT BRANTLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

#12484

Laboratory Report

Case: **Re: BREKID**

Number: **7-576-13147**

Specimens:

- 7-576-13147 Q8. One application for purchase of dangerous or deadly weapons  
No. A 704 dated Aug. 17, 1935 in name of Roy Eckles.  
" XI. One page bearing specimen signatures of Roy Eckles.

Examination requested by: **Oklahoma City**

Date received: **10-31-36 jwp 10:00 AM** 11/4

Examination requested: **Document**

Result of examination:

Examination by:

*Specimen made up.*  
**Pickering (AE)**

CC: St. Paul  
Cincinnati  
Cleveland  
E. J. Connelley, Chicago

*Roy Eckles*

*Roy Eckles No conclusion*

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Laboratory Report

Number: 7-576-13147

Case: 31-13147

Specimens:  
7-576-13147 Q9. One application for purchase of dangerous or deadly weapons  
No. A 704 dated Aug. 17, 1935 in name of Roy Echles.  
" 11. One page bearing specimen signatures of Roy Echles.

Examination requested by: Oklahoma City

Date received: 10-31-36 5:10 PM

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Examination requested: Document

Result of examination: *no conclusion.  
specimens inadequate.  
Get more specimens if  
other conditions warrant.*

Examination by: *Label (1)  
and 11-4-36  
TRB*

cc: St. Paul  
Chicago  
S. T. O'Leary, Chicago

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Washington Field Office, Room 4244,  
Washington, D. C.  
October 28, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,  
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

There are outstanding at this time "flash cards" as indicated  
below:

Division of Motor Vehicles, Richmond, Virginia	)	Re: Following cars:
Commission of Motor Vehicles, Baltimore, Maryland	)	1933 Ford Coupe, model 40, motor #18-429014
Director of Traffic, Wash- ington, D. C.	)	1935 Plymouth Sedan, motor #PJ-328778
	)	1935 Ford V-8 Tudor Sedan, motor #2044337

Veterans' Administration  
U. S. Navy Department

) Re: William J. Harrison

Veterans' Administration

) Re: Dr. Joseph P. Moran with aliases

Please advise whether there is any necessity for the retention  
of these "flash cards" with the agencies named above.

Very truly yours,

J. M. KEENE,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc-Bureau  
Chicago.

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1309 Masonic Temple Building  
New Orleans, Louisiana  
October 26, 1936

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Special Agent in Charge  
Louisville, Kentucky

Re: Brekid.

Dear Sir:

Kindly refer to letter of the New York City Office dated June 2, 1936, addressed to the Special Agent in Charge, Cincinnati, Ohio, setting forth information pertaining to the checking of guns recovered from subjects in this case.

It is noted .45 calibre Colt automatic pistol #C175221 was shipped to the Belknap Hardware & Manufacturing Company of Louisville, Kentucky, on November 7, 1934.

It is stated .45 calibre Colt automatic pistol #C17727<sup>0</sup> was shipped to Messrs. Wolf & Vlar, of Fort Worth, Texas, on July 29, 1935.

The letter reports that the Colt .22 calibre ace model automatic pistol, Serial #480, was shipped to the Richard & Conover Hardware Company of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma in 1931 or 1932.

The letter informs that the .38 calibre Colt automatic pistol, Serial #106616, was shipped to Harper & Reynolds Company of Los Angeles, California, on April 17, 1930.

This office has not been advised further as to the tracing of these guns, and it is requested that your office, and each of the offices covering the points to which the guns mentioned in this letter were shipped, advise if tracing has been completed and the results thereof, so that the New Orleans file may be brought up to date.

Very truly yours,

R. L. Tollett,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Oklahoma City  
Dallas  
Los Angeles

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Washington Field Office, Room 4244,  
Washington, D. C.  
October 27, 1936.

Administrator of Veterans Affairs,  
Veterans Administration,  
Arlington Building,  
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

Attention: Mr. McInerney

Dear Sir:

On April 21, 1936, you were requested to place a "flash" in your files, to notify this office should any communication be received from one Oliver Benjamin Lester.

This man has subsequently been located, and it is requested that the "flash" be withdrawn.

Please accept my thanks for your assistance in this matter.

Very truly yours,

J. M. KEITH,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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

October 27, 1936.

Adjutant General,  
War Department,  
Washington, D. C.

Attention: Miss Elizabeth Foley, World War Division.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

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Very truly yours,

J. M. KEITH,  
Special Agent in Charge.

RPB:MC

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 4907,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

REN:MFS

October 21, 1936.

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

Dear Sir:-

I am transmitting herewith two clippings from a Havana newspaper, which were forwarded to Special Agent Bryan Farrell of this Office by Detective Carlos Graña of Havana. It is noted that these clippings are in Spanish and I am unable to translate them. However, it appears that at least one of the clippings frequently refers to the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

*R. E. Nathan*

R. E. NATHAN,  
Special Agent in Charge.

Encl.

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FAMOUS G-MEN ACT IN CUBA

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Extend Arm of Justice to Habana.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation of the U. S., assigned to the Department of Justice of Washington, has a group of men, specialists in criminal investigations, who, to differentiate them from the members of the secret service, are given the name "G-Men", that is, Government Men, thus differentiating them from the different corps of municipal and state police.

These men are the ones who with their chief, Mr. John Edgar Hoover, are waging the intense fight on the North American gangsters and kidnapers.

The same Hoover, in person, was the one who, without a single revolver shot, captured the terrible gangster Alvin Karpis. In the International Conference of Chiefs of American Police, held a short while ago, Hoover declared that he had been at the place where Karpis was, not for personal courage nor for an exhibition of audacity, but for scientific observations of the technical experts who advised him and without whom it would never have been possible to arrive at the proper whereabouts of the terrible bandit.

By the opportune information published extensively by "El Pais", it was known that the same Karpis as well as other notorious gangsters of the neighboring republic have been in Habana carrying on their operations and investigations. One proof of this has been the widely publicized case of Mr. Cassius MacDonald, who introduced into Cuba the marked bank notes from a kidnapping, and who was considered as a "gentleman" by many in this city and suspected by others for the ostentatious life that he led. This last caused the Minister of Interior to start an investigation.

At this time the portfolio of Interior was held by Dr. Paul de Cardenas, who relied on the discreet and delicate work of Dr. Israel Castellanos, Director of the National Bureau of Investigation, who in a few days gave a complete and detailed report concerning the true personality of Cassius MacDonald, showing him as he really was: a man with a title of engineer, protected by politicians of ill repute residing in the city of Chicago, and with a judicial record in different states of the American union.

Opportunely it was known that Dr. Cardenas surprised and discouraged the persons who were interested by the mentioned criminal and that the Cuban authorities were certain with regard to the first suspicions.

At the same time, and attracted by the case, several American "G-Men" disembarked in Cuba. From these same columns, it was known that the members of this institution and of other Services of the United States visited the Secretary of the Interior.

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Now then, we have never been able to determine exactly when they came nor for what they came; but it is unquestionable that the "G-Men" acted in Cuba with the same efficiency as in the United States. In cooperation with whom did these men work in our country?

This is a question whose answer we shall give our readers very soon.

Trans. by N. L. Ferris  
Typed C. M.

Notify the 8 Detained in Principe Jail of the  
Request for Death Sentence.

The official of the Court of Urgency of Habana, Senor O. Pizarro, appeared last night at the jail, notifying those detained there: ex-Capt. of Police Guillermo Ara; ex-Lieutenant Roberto Meoqui; Chauffeur Paulino Jimenez Rojo; Maria Teresa Gonzalez del Valle, sweetheart of Mario Salavarrria; Miguel Cabrera; and Lilia Vanillillas, sweetheart of Candido de la Torre; of the death sentence which the District Attorney had asked for them in the provisional conclusions.

Trans. by M. L. Ferris  
Typed C. M. [unclear]

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## Actúan en Cuba Célebres G-Men

Extienden el brazo de la justicia hasta la Habana

El Bureau Federal de Investigaciones de los E. U., adscrito al departamento de Justicia de Washington, tiene un grupo de hombres especializados en las investigaciones criminales los cuales para ser diferenciados de los miembros del servicio secreto reciben el nombre de G-Men, o sea: hombres de gobierno; diferenciándose así de los distintos cuerpos de policía municipales y estatales.

Esos hombres son los que con su jefe, Mr. John Edgar Hoover, están dando la más intensa batida a los pandilleros y secuestradores norteamericanos.

E. propio Hoover en persona fue

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## Actúan en Cuba . . .

(CONTINUACION)

el que detuvo, sin hacer un solo disparo de revolver, al temible pandillero Alvin Karpis. En la conferencia internacional de jefes de policía americanos celebrada hace poco Hoover declaró que él había ido al lugar en donde estaba Karpis no por su valor personal ni por un alarde de audacia, sino por las investigaciones científicas de los técnicos que lo asesoraron y que sin ellos nunca hubiera podido llegar al propio paradero del temible bandido.

Por las oportunas informaciones publicadas extensamente por EL PAÍS se conoce que tanto Karpis como otros pandilleros notorios de la vecina república han estado en La Habana realizando operaciones e investigaciones. Una prueba de ello ha sido el ruidoso caso del ingeniero Mr. Cassius MacDonald, que introdujo en Cuba los billetes contramarcados de un secuestro y a quien en esta ciudad muchos consideraban como un "gentleman" y otros sospechaban de él por la vida fastuosa que llevaba. Esto último motivo que la Secretaría de Gobernación realizara una investigación.

En ese tiempo desempeñaba la Cartera del Interior el Dr. Raúl de Cárdenas quien confió el discreto y delicado trabajo al Dr. Israel Castella, nos director del gabinete nacional de identificación, el cual a los pocos días rindió un amplio y detallado informe acerca de la verdadera personalidad de Cassius Mac Donald, presentándolo como lo que era: un hombre con título de ingeniero, amparado por políticos mal reputados residentes en la ciudad de Chicago y con "record" judicial en distintos estados de la unión americana.

Oportunamente se conoció también que el Dr. Cárdenas sorprendió y abatió a las personalidades que se interesaban por el mencionado delincuente y que las autoridades cubanas estaban en lo cierto en cuanto a las primeras sospechas.

En aquel tiempo y atraídos por el caso desembarcaron en Cuba varios "G-Men" americanos. Desde estas mismas columnas se supo que miembros de esa institución y otros servicios de los E. U. visitaron la Secretaría de Gobernación.

Ahora bien: nunca hemos podido precisar cuándo vienen ni a lo que vienen; pero es incuestionablemente que los "G-Men" actúan en Cuba con la misma eficacia que en los Esta-

## Notificaron la solicitud de pena de muerte a 8 detenidos en el Principe

El oficial del Tribunal de Urgencia de la Habana, señor O. Pizarro, se personó anoche en la cárcel, notificándole a los detenidos ex capitán de policía Guillermo Ara; al ex teniente Roberto Meoqui; al chauffeur Paulino Jiménez Rojo; a María Teresa González del Valle amante de Mario Salavarría; a Miguel Cabrera y a Lilia Vanillitas, amante de Cándido de la Torre, la pena de muerte que para ellos interesa el Fiscal en sus conclusiones provisionales.

dos Unidos. ¿En cooperación de quién trabajan esos hombres en nuestra República?

Esta es una pregunta cuya contestación daremos a nuestros lectores muy pronto.

October 25, 1936.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. FOXWORTHRe: Unknown Subjects; Mrs. Albert H. Crosby, Victim; WSPA.

As an indication of lack of cooperation, I refer to the report of Special Agent E. M. Notestein, St. Paul, Minnesota, dated October 5, 1936, in connection with the above entitled matter, together with a personal and confidential letter dated October 6, 1936, received from Special Agent in Charge Stein of the same office.

The St. Paul office was advised by J. R. Murphy and George Somers of the Claim Department, Travelers Insurance Company that they had received a telephone call from Melvin J. Passolt, Chief of the State Bureau of Criminal Apprehension, indicating an indirect approach for the purpose of instituting a Buy-Back arrangement for the return of the jewelry stolen. Passolt indicated that if \$2,500.00 were made available he believed the loot could be returned. The facts concerning this approach on the part of Passolt were discussed by Mr. Stein with United States Attorney George Sullivan at St. Paul, who indicated his desire to push the prosecutive action regarding any activity on the part of outsiders participating in a Buy-back transaction, adding that even though no definite evidence was disclosed the stolen property was ever transported outside of the state, he, Mr. Sullivan is of the opinion that the Federal Grand Jury has the right to subpoena Passolt and Frank Somers to learn whether they have knowledge of any such transportation and that it is Mr. Sullivan's belief that if they are so summoned, information can be developed as to who may have been responsible for the theft and who may be holding the jewelry at the present time. As Mr. Stein indicates, such action, that is, bringing Passolt and Somers before the Federal Grand Jury, may at least show these individuals in their true light as little more than extortionists.

Mr. Stein, in referring to Melvin Passolt, stated that the Bureau will recall he enjoys a very poor reputation as a law enforcement officer, and further that he testified as to the good character of the bootleg place operated by Harry Sawyer during prohibition, the above testimony having been given in the most recent Bremer trial, when Sawyer was a defendant.

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Memo for Mr. Foxworth

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October 23, 1936.

He further states that it will be recalled his Chief Investigator, Frank Sommers, was at one time head of the local Secret Service office. Sommers also was indicted in St. Paul at one time in connection with a mail robbery, which indictment was later dismissed. Sommers also served as Chief of Police of St. Paul and for awhile operated a private detective agency. His reputation is of the poorest and it is commonly rumored that he is the contact in the State Bureau of Criminal Apprehension for all prior criminals. Incidentally, the above mentioned report indicates that it is the opinion of the representatives of the insurance company that Frank Sommers is involved in this case, in view of his previous doubtful reputation and that Passolt is merely fronting for Sommers, and that either Passolt or Sommers, or both, have definite knowledge of the party making negotiations for the thief. As the report indicates, the insurance company is awaiting further contact with Mr. Passolt, at which time the St. Paul office is to be advised and such further steps taken as may be deemed advisable according to the arrangement suggested for the final negotiation.

Respectfully,

E. A. Soucy:th.



# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

Cincinnati, Ohio

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REPORT MADE AT <b>Cleveland, Ohio</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>10/24/36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>10/15 to 22/36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>J. V. MURPHY</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>KJB</b></span>
TITLE <b>( )</b> <b>C. A. TITIN</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; H. B. L. OF FUGITIVE; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>
<p><b>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</b></p> <p><b>BET ANGER;</b></p> <p><b>JOHN ROBERT,</b> alias Joe Rozcoe;</p> <p><b>LEONARD B. FLEMING,</b> alias Lady Fleming;</p> <p><b>LEONARD B. FLEMING;</b></p> <p><b>MADOLIN ANGER;</b></p> <p><b>LEONARD B. FLEMING,</b> alias John J. Burns;</p> <p><b>LEONARD B. FLEMING;</b></p> <p><b>CHARLES MONROE,</b> alias Coolie Monroe;</p> <p><b>FRANK A. GREENGLASS,</b> alias Greenie;</p> <p><b>JIM J. HANCOCK,</b> aliases: Jimmie Wilson, James Jackson, James Ryan, "Dr." Jim Wilson, E. J. Powell, Thomas Barrowman;</p> <p><b>CHARLES JORDAN FITZGERALD,</b> aliases: Charles Morgan, J. C. Hammond, E. M. FUNK, Slim Williams, Frank West, Charles Logan, Charles Lowe, Philip Fitzgerald, E. M. Frank, J. C. Hammond, E. D. Fitzgerald, J. C. Adams, Daniel Mathias Logan, Charles Jordan, E. M. Fitzgerald, Chi Clim, Big Charley, Big Ben, Big Fitz, Lord Charley, Big Charley, William FUNK, C. J. Murphy, Charles Joseph Murphy, J. C. Foster, James Charles Foster, Judge Fitzgerald, C. W. Wilson;</p>			
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ALVIN KARPIS, aliases: Willie Davis, "Izzy", M. Jones, Oliver Bennett,  
Otto Marges;

WILLIAM J. HARRISON, aliases: P. O'Donnell, Phoenix Donald, M. A. Nelson,  
W. J. Nelson, P. J. Nelson, Bill Scott, M. C. Weaver,  
Charles A. Lucas, Charles E. Bolling, Bill Weaver,  
Pelix Donald, P. O. Donald, Phoenix O'Donnell, M. C. Weaver,  
P. O. Scott, J. A. Orhood, Bill Thornton, Phoenix Donald,  
Leland Willie, George E. Weaver, C. H. Weaver, Wm.  
Thornton, Buck Weaver, Claire Lucas, Pelix Donald,  
Clair Lucas, Heavy, E. A. Weaver, V. Lucas, Clarence  
Nelson, Clarence Lucas, J. T. Osborne;

JOHN J. MOORE, aliases: Curley Davis, Cotton Davis, E. V. Davis,  
J. H. Lockwood, S. E. Lockwood, C. E. Moore, Jimmie,  
Curley Moore, Everett Davis, Curley Hanson, J. E. Hanson,  
Curley Hanson, George Lawrence Harper, George LaFrance,  
Roy Green;

ALBERT D. HANCOCK, aliases: Mrs. S. A. Green, Louise Graham, L. C. Wood,  
J. E. Hanco, Mrs. J. E. Hanco, Mrs. E. G. Hanco,  
Mrs. J. E. Hanco, Mrs. J. E. Hanco, Mrs. J. E. Hanco;

WILLIAM J. HARRISON, aliases: Willie Harrison, J. E. Bolton, M. J. Ryan,  
Alber Hanco, (deceased);

W. J. HARRISON, aliases: "Doc" Moran, Joseph B. Moran, Joseph B.  
Moran, J. Hanco, MURKIN, I. O. 1938;

ROY GRAY, aliases: Rusty Gibson, M. Gray, Bradford Evans,  
Roy Gray, Roy Gray Evans, Andrew Allen, Slim Evans,  
Slim Gray, (deceased);

FRED BLACKBURN, aliases: F. C. Card, Ted Murphy, J. Darrows, E. E. Davis,  
J. E. Blackburn, T. C. Blackburn, A. E. Hunter, J. Earl  
Mattersen, J. Stanley Smith, Fred E. Gordon, Bradford,  
Earl J. Mattersen, F. C. Blackburn, V. B. Lang, Shorty,  
A. C. Bradford, (deceased);

ALVIN KARPIS, aliases: Albin Francis Karpavicz, A. Carter, Raymond Handley,  
George Haller, Alvin Karpis, A. Karpis, Earl Peel, Alvin Karpis,  
George Dunn, M. E. Hamilton, Ray Hunter, Ray Karpis, E. L.  
Burns, M. L. Burns, J. J. Burns, William Lohman, William B.  
Lohman, M. E. Nelson, Earl Lynn Burns, Marion Bradford,  
Marion Bradford, E. J. Milgrett, M. E. Milgrett, Howard  
Milgrett, M. L. Burnes, Ray Hall, Dan Murphy, "Chit" Karpis,  
Raymond Padley, Albin Karpis, James, Charles M. Bronson,  
Leroy Morrison, M. E. Wagner, E. E. Wagner, M. C. Wagner,  
Alber Hanco, E. E. Wagner, Edward E. Wagner, E. C. Wood,

A. S. Green, W. A. Green, Ray Green, E. K. Green,  
 Charles A. Richards, W. E. Lohman, William Raymond,  
 Alvin Karpis, Ray Carson, T. H. Nelson, W. J. Burns,  
 Ray Hadley, E. C. Carson, Hayes, Kirby M. Beaudry,  
 C. E. Brand, W. E. Lohman, William C. Lohman, W. O.  
 Bell, Doc Day, Doc, Ed Woods, Frank Guthrie, Ray Miller,  
 Ed King, E. F. Collins, Edw. O'Hara, Frank A. Gleason,  
 E. Collins, Sonny Miller, C. Ames, Chas. Miller, H. L.  
 Burns, F. M. Dawson, W. C. Hayes, Jr.;

HARRY CAMPBELL, aliases: Dave Campbell, T. C. Blackburn, George L.  
 Martin, George Nelson, John Walcott, George Walcott,  
 George Winfield, George Swenson, Buff, Sutton,  
 Charles Miller, Bob Miller, Buffalo, Dave, C. L. Summers,  
 C. F. Summers, C. Summers, T. E. Blackburn, C. C.  
 Cameron, O. C. Cameron, Doc. F. Summers, R. E. Nelson,  
 Bob Brown, Clarence Charles Miller, Carl Atkins;

EDWARD F. KELLY, aliases:

WILLIAM L. KELLY, aliases:

WILLIAM L. KELLY, aliases: J. E. Letz, J. E. Letz, Thomas J. Shaw, Carl Baker;

JOHN BRACK, aliases: John Brack, J. M. Adams, J. C. Breighton, Harold  
 Johnson, T. E. Evans;

JOHN COLE, aliases: Robert Pratt, Tommy Pratt, Tommy Coleman, Ralph Cole,  
 Ralph Nelson;

JOSEPH M. DANE, aliases: Joe M. Adams, Joe Adams;

HENRY RANDALL, aliases: Henry Randall, Duke Randall, Henry Stern;

ARTHUR F. BARKER, aliases: "Doc" Barker, Claude Dale, Bob Barker, T. L.  
 Murray, J. E. Murray, A. E. Hunter, Dock Barker, Claude  
 Barker, Arthur Barker, F. E. Gordon, E. J. Harvey,  
 James, Ray Gordon, Joe, Shorty, Fanny, Dock Barker,  
 H. J. Morley;

JOHN F. GORMAN, aliases: Sharkey Gorman, Sharkey, Smokey Sharkey.

WILLIAM J. KINN, aliases: Fred John Henderson, Fred Harris, Fred King,  
 H. J. King, Harold King, Edward O'Hara.

BENSON GROVES, aliases: Benson A. Groves, George Wilson, "Soup",  
Burns Garby, E. G. Grayson, Benson Graves,  
Benjamin Grayson, E. J. Grayson, Burns Garby,  
"Soup" Groves.

EDITH BARRY, VICTIM.

Synopsis of facts: Lillian Meres furnished signed statement narrating her association with Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell at Edith Barry's house for about ten days around latter part of January 1935; that they returned for a few days in February and later returned in latter part of March 1935, and stayed for two weeks. Thereafter Karpis visited this place at various times during summer and fall 1935. She identifies John W. "Herkey" Gorman, John Brock, Fred Hunter and Benson Groves, and partially identifies Joe Roscoe and Coolie Monroe as visitors at Edith Barry's house during time Karpis and Campbell were there. States Harry Gorman known to Karpis and Edith Barry prior to 1933. States Frank Greenwald was collecting and delivering packages to Joe Roscoe for Karpis and Campbell. Lillian Meres admits purchase of 1935 Ford coupe in company of John Brock in March 1935. States Joe Roscoe brought Benson Groves to Edith Barry's house in latter part of Oct. 1934, where they visited with Karpis. Thereafter Edith Barry, with Lillian Meres and Frank Greenwald, on two occasions contacted Groves at the 42nd Street Cafe. She also states that around this period Groves had private conversations with Edith Barry at her house on several occasions. Jerry Jordan now located at Drake Hotel, Cincinnati, Ohio. Esther Coulet now states Clara McGraw introduced Harry Campbell to her as her cousin, Bob Miller. Signed statement obtained from Elwood Yonkers, in which he denies having met Harry Campbell or Lynona Burdette. Frances Colander, former housekeeper for Joe Roscoe, unable to identify photographs of Barker-Karpis group. Mrs. Bertha Isenberg states Harry Campbell did not set "Babe" up in business. "Tex" Lester M. Williams, former employee of Joe Roscoe at 1116 Island interviewed by agents but furnished no pertinent information. Efforts to

locate Benson Graves in Toledo that far unsuccessful. Officers W. L. Lawson and Frank Mahr, Toledo Police Department, state made official call at Casino Club in early spring of 1934, but unable to identify photographs of Barker-Karpis gang as those of persons present. Registration record of Brock as T. V. Evans at Gordon Square Hotel, Cleveland, Ohio, 3/26 to 4/2/35 obtained.

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NOTE: 11/1/35

Report of Special Agent J. V. Murphy, Cleveland, Ohio, dated October 17, 1935; letter of the Cincinnati Office to Cleveland office dated October 14, 1936.

NOTE: 11/1/35

The title is being marked "Changed" to add the names of George Timony; Theodore Angus, with aliases; Bert Angus; Joseph Roscoe, with aliases; Lucian C. Fleming, with aliases; and others; including: Ruth Ellis, with aliases; and others; John Brock, with aliases; Clara McGraw; Milton Lett; with aliases; John Brock, with aliases; Sam Coker, with aliases; John V. Gorman, with aliases; Fred John Hunter; with aliases; Benson Graves, with aliases; James J. Wilson, with aliases; Charles Joseph Fitzgerald, with aliases; Oliver M. Barr, with aliases; William Weaver, with aliases; Volney Davis, with aliases; Dolores Delaney, with aliases; William J. Harrison, with alias (deceased); Russell Gibson, with aliases, (deceased); Fred Barker, with aliases, (deceased); Harry Campbell, with aliases, (deceased); in view of harboring investigation at Cleveland and Toledo, which tends to establish those persons named as persons concerning whom evidence will be presented to a Federal Grand Jury as defendants or co-conspirators.

This report covers the investigative activities of Special Agents A. J. Norstrom, A. Dickstein, E. B. Dill, D. P. Sullivan, J. L. Madala, and J. V. Murphy.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents D. P. Sullivan and John L. Madala:

Reference is made to letter from the Cleveland Bureau office to the Bureau dated February 5, 1935, and report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, Cleveland, Ohio, dated March 24, 1935, setting out interviews had with Lillian Merea, alias Lou Poole, a prostitute at the house of Edith Barry, during the time Morris and Campbell resided there.

Upon instructions of Inspector E. J. Connelley the above mentioned special agents proceeded to Toledo, Ohio, from Cleveland, Ohio, and located Lou Poole, residing with her husband, Charles Merea, on Hadden Road near Hixford Road, Toledo, Ohio.

On October 20 and 21, 1935, Lou Poole was interviewed at the temporary office being maintained at Toledo, Ohio. A written statement which she signed was obtained from her, and it is set out here-with:

Toledo, Ohio  
October 21, 1935

"I, LILLIAN MEREK, also known as Lou Poole, nee Lillian Marger, do hereby make the following signed 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, no threats or promises having been made to me.

I am 26 years of age and am presently residing with my husband, Charles Merea, Hadden Road, Toledo, Ohio. I have been married to Charles Merea since January 15, 1935.

"I have known Edith Barry since about January 1, 1934 when I obtained employment at her house of prostitution at 534 East Main Street, Toledo, Ohio. I was employed there until April 1, 1935 when I went to Detroit, Michigan and worked for Florence Levern on West Hancock Street. I returned to Toledo, Ohio on August 9, 1935 and resumed work

at the house of Edith Barry. I remained there until the middle of November 1935, at which time I discontinued the occupation I had been hitherto engaged in. I am presently employed at the Franklin Laundry at 1012 Adams Street in the city of Toledo, Ohio.

"Some time during the late spring of 1934 while I was employed in Edith Barry's house I recall that three men called there in the late afternoon. They talked with Edith Barry and I was called downstairs with the two other girls who were also employed there. One of these girls was named Marie "Peaches" Butler, the other one was called Kay. I don't know her last name. She only worked for a few days, and then returned as I understand, to Detroit, Michigan. We had a couple of drinks with these three men, and from a group of photographs shown to me I can identify Charles J. Fitzgerald, who is known to me as "Red"; Alvin Karpis who is known to me as "Sonny"; and William J. Harrison, who is known to me as Willie, and "Willie the ape", as being the three men I saw that day. They stayed all that night. I had a date with Willie for said to be for all night. I recall that "Red" and "Sonny" stayed with him all night. He became very interested and made me feel nervous and nervous of stealing 10 of his money. Sonny also stayed overnight, but did not buy the services of any of the girls there. He slept into the following morning and they did not leave until two or three o'clock that afternoon. After these boys left Edith told me that she and "Red" stayed up quite late the previous night speaking of old time mutual acquaintances. I was made to understand that this was the first time that she had met any of these individuals.

"About two or three weeks later "Red" and Willie, accompanied by a short, dark complexioned, slenderly built young man, and the names of "Shorty" and Freddie sound familiar in regard to this man, visited Edith Barry's house. I had dates with this short man I have described and with Willie and I recall that "Red" purchased the services of "Peaches." Willie and "Red" remained over night, but the short fellow did not stay. From a group of photographs I have selected the photograph of Fred Barker, #9836, and can state that this man looks somewhat similar to the short man I have described, although I cannot positively identify this photograph. I recall that this man had the fingers of one of his hands, and Willie told me that this man had burned his fingers.

On the following afternoon Willie and "Red" paid Edith Barry \$25.00 a piece for the services of "Doc" and myself in accompanying these men to the Casino Club on Summit Street in Point Place, Ohio, where we drank for a couple of hours. I don't recall that Bert or Ted Angus was there that day. He returned to Edith's house about six in the evening.

Before we left that afternoon Willie mentioned that he had broken a date to play golf with Captain Timiney of the Toledo Police Department at nine o'clock that morning, because he was too intoxicated to get up at that time. I understood they were to play on the golf course located across from the Casino Club. "Sonny" and "Red" took part in this conversation.

Some time shortly after this date another man came to Edith Barry's house, and I stayed overnight with him for which I received \$50.00, half of which I paid to Edith Barry. This man was known to me as "Doc." I have identified the photograph of Mr. Joseph E. Moran as being the likeness of this man "Doc." I have likewise selected and identified the photograph of James J. Wilson as a young man known to me as Jimmy. "Doc" told me that he was an uncle of Jimmy. To my best recollection Jimmy was also in the party on the above-mentioned night when I first met the man I partially identified as being Fred Barker.

"I saw 'Doc' at least three occasions thereafter at Edith Barry's house. I recall that Edith Barry, 'Doc', Frank 'Greenie' Greenwald, who operates the Private Cab Company, and myself attended the Casino Club on the night of a grand reopening, celebrating the redecorating of the club. I think this was in May 1934. Jimmy was also at the club that night, but was not in our party, and I believe that both Ted and Bert Angus were there, but we did not speak with them. Detectives John McCarthy and Art Brown of the hoodlum squad were also sitting at a table, but Edith told me not to 'rap' to them. That same night I had an argument with Charlie 'Synker', and was compelled to knock him out. 'Doc' then told me to leave the club with 'Greenie', which I did, returning to Edith Barry's house.

Edith told me around this period that her husband had run up a bill which he had run up at Edith's house. The night shortly after she told me this, when 'Doc' had already run up quite a large bill at Edith's place, she received a telephone call from someone at the Casino Club inquiring whether 'Doc' was there. Edith in my presence told the party calling that



Doc was at her house and was quite intoxicated; that she believed that she could sober him up. After leaving the telephone Edith told me that the party calling had said that he would not be responsible for the bill that Doc had incurred that night. I recall that Doc had a fistful of dimes and continually played the song called, "The Last Roundup."

"One night Frank Greenwald called at Edith's place with two young men, both quite intoxicated, and Greenie came upstairs and told me not to recognize him in front of these two men. I don't know why he said this. I did not get a good look at one of the men who left shortly thereafter, and the other man was known to me as Buff or Buck. I have selected and identified the photograph of Harry Campbell as being identical with Buff, and this man is now known to me to be Harry Campbell. I entertained him that night before I left for home. I understood that later that night after I left, Edith obtained the services of a call girl named Ruth Harrison for Campbell, who stayed overnight."

"I recall that all of the men I have mentioned above who visited Edith Berry's house in the spring and summer of 1934 spent money freely, and bought drinks for the girls there and for Edith Berry. Edith told us that these men were gamblers from Cleveland, Ohio."

"Throughout the time that I was employed at Edith Berry's house, she invariably called one of Greenie's cabs for all of the business from her house. Greenie and Edith were quite friendly, and to my knowledge on at least one occasion they were sexually intimate with each other. From the conversation of the above-mentioned men who visited Edith's place in the summer of 1934, and from Edith's conversation, I understood that they and she were quite friendly with both Ted and Bert Angus."

"The last time I saw the man whom I have identified as being Dr. Joseph L. Moran, he was at Edith Berry's house and quite intoxicated, and he told me about a fishing trip he intended to take to a log cabin fishing camp up north. I do not know what happened to him, but I do know that he owed me \$50 and owed Edith \$50, which made her quite peeved. She called up Ted Angus and inquired of him who would take care of this bill. She afterwards told me that Ted Angus

had passed off her question jokingly remarking that Doc had gone on his last roundup. Thereafter whenever mention was made of "Doc" by Edith or the maid, Margaret, and subsequently by Karpis and Campbell, when they returned as will be mentioned hereafter, they would laugh about Doc and "the last roundup."

"I did not see Campbell, Karpis, or any of the men mentioned above thereafter during the fall of 1934.

"About one o'clock one morning during the month of January 1935, I was in my room on the second floor of Edith Berry's house when someone rang the front doorbell. I am almost positive that Margaret, the colored maid, answered the door and then called Edith. A few minutes later Edith came upstairs and arranged the front right bedroom window shades to cover up the windows. She was followed upstairs by two men whom I recognized at that time, and whom I already have identified as being Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell. They were carrying a small shiny leather kit which looked similar to a physician's kit. Both of them looked haggard and were unshaven. I recall that they were not fully clothed for winter in that they did not wear coats or overcoats, nor were they wearing ties, and to my best recollection they did not have hats. After they entered this bedroom where Edith was, the door was shut and she remained with them for some time. I did not speak to them that night, but they bought drinks for the house including "beaches", Edith and myself, which were served by the maid, Margaret. When I got off of work at 4:00 A. M. I went home. I do not know who brought these men there that night.

"The next night when I reported for work at 7:00 A. M., Campbell and Karpis were still occupying the bedroom they occupied the previous night. That night Harry Campbell purchased my services, and neither Karpis, Campbell, nor Edith explained to me their reason for their presence in the house. They remained for approximately ten days, staying almost constantly in the room they were occupying, the door of which was kept locked when anyone was visiting the house. They ate all their meals at the house. Margaret, the maid, and myself would ordinarily take the meals upstairs and Edith would supervise the serving. On one occasion Walter Lambaley, the colored house man, gave Karpis a haircut in the kitchen, and I noticed afterwards the presence of the razor above the door of the kitchen. During the time these men were at the house I spent practically

all my time there, aiding and at times actually cooking meals for them, and spent each night with Harry Campbell, and with Edith spent the days trying to keep them amused. For my share I received approximately \$150.00, of which a portion represented 50% of the money he paid for my services (the other 50% going to Edith Barry), and in addition tips of as much as \$5.00 and \$10.00 which he occasionally gave me. To my knowledge Karpis did not purchase the services of a girl during this period, and I understood that he had a venereal disease.

"Also during this period I recall overhearing conversations at different times between Karpis, Edith and "Preacher" concerning mutual acquaintances. The name of "Sharkey" was mentioned as a man residing in Cleveland, Ohio, and all three appeared to be acquainted with a man bearing this name. "Preacher" and Edith mentioned that some years previously they had visited in Cleveland and they knew a young man named "Sharkey" and that this individual was acquainted with Ardell Quinn who ran a house of prostitution. The result of this conversation was that Edith, "Preacher", and Karpis concluded that they were all acquainted with the same man whom they referred to as "Sharkey". I did not overhear all that was said during these conversations, but I do know that a day or two later during the afternoon a green Graham sedan, being a 4-door model and appearing to be new, pulled up in front of Edith's house. A man entered the house and was taken by Edith to the bedroom occupied by Karpis and Campbell. Edith called me into the room and I there saw Karpis, Campbell, Edith, and a third man. Edith asked me if I could drive the car which was parked outside, and when I stated I could, she then asked me if I would park Sharkey's car, in again referring to it. I have selected a photograph of John E. "Sharkey" Gorman, and I identify it as being a likeness of the man who was in the room with Edith, Karpis and Campbell on that day. Either Karpis or Campbell told me to park the car near the Jarvis Apartments on 14th Street. Sharkey gave me the keys, and I parked the car as directed, after which I returned the keys to Sharkey and told him exactly where I had parked his car. I recall that Sharkey remained in the room for about an hour conversing with Karpis and Campbell, and he then left. He returned alone at night a day or two later. Shortly before this time "Preacher" had fallen on the ice and had broken his wrist, and I recall that "Sharkey" remained overnight with "Preacher" on the above mentioned visit. I cannot recall seeing him leave the following day. On the occasion of this visit "Sharkey" talked with Karpis and

Campbell in the front bedroom, and appeared to be especially friendly with Karpis. To my best recollection it was only a day or two later that Sharkey again visited Edith Barry's house, and on this occasion he was accompanied by a young man whose name I later learned was Freddie. I have selected and identified a photograph of Fred Hunter as being the likeness of the man known to me as Freddie. Sharkey and Freddie immediately went up to the front bedroom where they engaged in conversation with Karpis, Campbell, and Edith. Sharkey left that same night, and as I recall Freddie remained overnight with "Peaches." I do not remember seeing him leave the next day, but I do recall that somewhere between seven and nine P. M., an evening or two later Karpis and Campbell left Edith's place. I recall that upon leaving Edith and I said goodbye to them in the parlor downstairs while they were waiting for someone to call for them. While we were standing in this room, someone came to the front door and Edith answered the bell after pulling the portiers across the parlor entrance. For this reason I did not see this person, nor did I hear any conversation which might indicate who this person was. I know there was a car parked in front. They left almost immediately with this unknown person who had called for them. I recall that while they were waiting for this individual to call, Campbell and Karpis stated that they would return within 21 days, and Karpis was joking Edith about the possibility of her losing one of her girls when Campbell returned. He was referring to the close friendship between myself and Campbell, and the possibility of me going with him.

"During the period mentioned above when Karpis and Campbell were staying at Edith Barry's house, I recall that they both spoke of a person named Cooley, of expecting him to call at the house, of his actually visiting the house, and of my seeing him there with Karpis and Campbell, but I cannot remember the circumstances surrounding his visit, nor can I now recall what he looks like.

"Also during the above period frequent mention was made by Karpis, Campbell, and Edith of Uenie, who operated the Private Cab Company, and he called at the house on several occasions in response to telephone calls from Miss Barry, she having called at the requests of Karpis and Campbell who wanted to get in touch with Joe of the 42nd Street Cafe. I later learned from Edith Barry that Joe who operated the 42nd Street Cafe was the husband of Conny Broadway. I recall that Uenie

had difficulty in getting in touch with Joe, and he returned on several occasions stating that he had been unable to find Joe at the cafe. I do recall that on one occasion after Urenie was directed by Edith to get in touch with Joe, that this man called Miss Harry's house and visited with Karpis, Campbell, and Edith in the bedroom. I did not see him, but when Margaret, the maid, answered the door, Edith called from upstairs and Margaret told her that it was Joe, and Edith invited him by name to come to the second floor after she shut the door to my room. He remained in the bedroom with Karpis and Campbell from one half hour to an hour, and then left.

"I feel certain that on another occasion during the time Karpis and Campbell were staying at Edith's house during the above period, Joe Broadway whom I now know to be Joe Joncoe, visited the house, as upon returning there one night I saw his late model Buick coupe parked across the street from the house. I knew that he was in the house at that time, because Edith directed Margaret, the maid, to let Joe out when he was ready to leave. I cannot recall ever having seen this man, however.

More than 11 days elapsed after Karpis and Campbell left before we again saw them. Both Edith and I were worried about their safety. Some few days after the day of their expected arrival, and quite late in the evening, someone entered the house, they being let in by Edith. Shortly thereafter Edith called for me, and after I went into the kitchen I was surprised to find both Karpis and Campbell there. Both were grumpy, unshaven and apparently were worn out. I do not know how they got to Edith's house, nor do I know where they came from. They purchased a few drinks, and both of them then retired for the night in the front bedroom. I am fairly certain that they remained only two or three days, and I cannot remember any visitors they had at the house at that time, nor can I recall the circumstances of their leaving the house. It seems to me that they might have left on this occasion without saying goodbye to me. This must have been some time around March 1, 1935.

"About three weeks after they departed on this second occasion, Karpis and Campbell again returned to Edith's house in the evening. When they entered the house Campbell was quite intoxicated, and they mentioned they had an accident on the way in. Karpis was quite worried about it, inasmuch as Campbell had been driving while intoxicated, and I gathered

he had killed somebody while he was at the wheel, and that this was the second time Campbell had killed someone while driving, within a short period of time. They told me that the damaged car was parked outside, and inquired whether I knew a place to store it for the night. I told them I did, and at their suggestion I drove the car and placed it in the Lyman D. Arnold garage at 10th and Adams streets, Toledo. I recall that the car was most difficult to manage because the steering apparatus was damaged. I returned to the house and spent the night with Harry Campbell. Edith and Karpis talked for a long time in the front bedroom.

On the following day Edith, Karpis, and Campbell were talking with me, and asked whether I knew a Ford agency where I could purchase a new car, trading in the damaged one, and where immediate delivery could be made on a new car. I suggested the Lyman D. Arnold Company, and at their direction went there and obtained an estimate value of the trade-in value of the damaged car, and the cost of a new Ford of the same type. The damaged car was a 1933 model Ford coupe, standard, black in color. They told me to be certain that the new car was black. I returned to the house and gave them the estimated cost of a new car.

After dark that evening Campbell told me that he desired me to go with him to meet a friend who was registered at the Lorraine Hotel under the name of T. P. Evans. After leaving Edith's house we stopped at a pay station telephone where at Campbell's suggestion I called Mr. Evans at the Lorraine Hotel, and made an arrangement to meet him within a few minutes near the side entrance of the hotel, which we did. It was quite dark in that vicinity, and the three of us walked around the block. Campbell and this man walked together and talked in a low tone. I did not overhear their conversation, nor was I introduced to this man, and because of the darkness I did not get a good look at him. I recall that he was quite tall and slenderly built. Campbell and I returned to Edith's house where we spent the night. He told me at this time that I was to meet this man the following morning, and to go with him to purchase the new car; that this man would have the papers to the old car which was registered under the name of Charles Miller of Pearl Street, Cleveland, Ohio. I had upon instructions of Harry Campbell previously told the salesman at the Arnold agency that I had wrecked the old car which was to be traded in, and was waiting the return of my husband to obtain from him the papers to the car so as to complete purchase of the new car.

"The following morning at the suggestion of Harry Campbell I called the Lorraine Hotel and spoke with the man known to me as Mr. Evans, and met him shortly thereafter in front of the hotel. I have selected from a group of photographs a photograph of John Brock, and identify it as being the likeness of the man known to me as T. F. Evans. He went to the Lyman D. Arnold Sales Agency, and purchased a new 1935 model Ford coupe, Evans having the papers to the damaged Ford coupe that was traded in. Evans paid the salesman \$400 cash which Harry Campbell gave me before I left the house. I drove him in the new car to Edith Barry's house. He went upstairs and went into the front bedroom where Karpis, Campbell, and Edith already were. I recall that he stayed there for two to three hours that afternoon, and I believe that Edith served lunch to the three men in the front bedroom. I do not recall seeing this man leave the house.

"About this period of time Edith Barry was particularly interested in the welfare of Karpis. She appeared to be infatuated with him, and spent practically all of her time in his company in trying to keep him satisfied. She prepared delicacies and special foods which he particularly liked, and regardless of what he desired she would provide it for him if she was able. To my best recollection a girl named Maxine obtained employment in Edith's house around this time. Karpis and Campbell were no longer as cautious as at first, and moved freely about the entire house, and practically took over the household. Around this time they began eating their meals in the kitchen with Edith and the other girls, including myself, but would dash upstairs to their room when anyone rang the doorbell. Edith turned away most of her customers, and as a result the money obtained from Karpis and Campbell was practically the entire income at Edith Barry's house.

"Campbell and I took a liking to each other, and he suggested that I go away with him which I agreed to do. When Edith learned of this she became enraged, stating that before she would let Campbell take me away she would have to tell Joe (Joe Roscoe) exactly who I was, indicating that Campbell would have to tell Joe what he intended to do with me, and would have to inform Joe that my husband had at one time testified against some members of the Lieoveli gang. I gathered from what Edith said that she desired to first find out whether Joe (Joe Roscoe) would think it advisable for Campbell to take up with me before we left her house, and she said that Joe would be at the house that night, and they would talk it over with him. Campbell and myself were upstairs, and I was packing my things preparing to leave with him when someone

called at the front door. Shortly afterward Edith came upstairs and told Campbell to come downstairs as Joe was there. Campbell went downstairs and joined Joe, Karpis and Edith in the dining room where I could hear their voices in conversation, although I could not overhear what they said. Margaret, the maid, served them drinks. They remained downstairs talking for about an hour, and Joe accompanied by Karpis then left together. As I recall Karpis took with him a Gladstone bag. When Campbell came upstairs I asked him what Joe had said about my going with Campbell, and he told me that he forgot to ask Joe about it. A niece of Edith Barry was at the house that night, and remained upstairs when the discussion was had in the dining room. Later the same evening Edith and her niece, Rose, left my automobile for Chicago, Illinois. I don't know the reason for this trip being made by Edith. After Edith and her niece left, Campbell and myself and Mary met were the only ones left in the house, and Campbell and myself proceeded to become thoroughly intoxicated.

Edith and her niece returned late the following day, and she stated that they had driven all that day and the previous night. This was around the first week of April 1935. A day or two after Karpis left, Campbell also left the house. Within a few days both Karpis and Campbell returned to Edith's place separately. They remained a day or two at this time, and then left together one morning, each carrying a suitcase. He also had what appeared to be a gun which was wrapped in wrapping paper. Neither Campbell nor Karpis told me where they were going, nor when they would be back, although I understood that I would see Campbell in about six weeks.

During the above period before Karpis and Campbell left Edith Barry's house, they kept a Tommy submachine gun on the floor under the bed in their bedroom. I likewise at times heard metal sounds which I believed were sounds accompanying the cleaning of guns, and also smelled oil in the bathroom after hearing these sounds. During the time that Campbell was at the house he invariably carried under his belt a heavy revolver which he kept loaded. He never made any effort to conceal this gun when he was in the presence of Edith or any of the girls in the house.

Also during this last period when Karpis and Campbell were staying at Edith's house I recall that "Charkey" called at the house late one night and remained a couple of hours, and I drove with him to Cherry Street to direct him how to get to



Cleveland on the route which passes over the high level bridge. I am likewise certain that Fred Hunter visited the house about this time, and remained over night with "Leaches." I recall a man whom I am certain was Fred Hunter came to the house in an old model two-door rickety Ford sedan which was parked on Canton Avenue near the county jail. When Karpis heard where the car was parked, he suggested that I go with this man whom I believe was Fred Hunter, and park the car near the Jarvis Apartments, which we did. I recall that Campbell was also in Edith's house that evening, and all three of the above mentioned men stayed overnight. Around this time Freddie must have made another visit to Edith's house, because I know that he went to bed with Maxine one night.

"I think that it was about the first week in April 1935, and while Karpis and Campbell were staying at Edith's house that Maxine, contrary to orders, went into Edith's room and took out a Detective Story Magazine which she read and put aside. I picked it up and read an article which contained on the first page a picture of an oil field and an outline of a well, this article relating the experiences of the Barker and of the crimes committed by her men, Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, and other members of this gang. There were also photographs of Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, and Wynona Burdette, and mention was made that these men were wanted for kidnapping by the Government and also were wanted for other crimes. I recall likewise that under the photograph of Wynona Burdette, it was stated that she was the sweetheart of Harry Campbell and was presently serving a sentence in prison at Milan, Michigan. I did not say anything to anybody at that time about reading this article, and Maxine did not mention to me that she had read it. This was my first knowledge of the fact that "Sonny" and "Buff" were identical with Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, although prior to this time due to the suspicious actions of these men and of Edith Harry, and those persons who made friendly calls upon Campbell and Karpis, it was evident to me that they were "hot."

"About this time I was having domestic trouble and had decided to obtain a divorce. Edith suggested that I go to Detroit, Michigan, and she telephoned Florence Newman at Detroit and obtained a job for me at the house of prostitution operated by this woman. Edith Barry was anxious for me to leave Toledo, because she did not want my husband to cause trouble at the house, or have him learn of the men visitors who had been staying there. A day or two later Edith, her niece, Max, and myself drove to Detroit, Michigan, in Max's car, Max doing the driving. At Detroit the three of us had

lunch at the Hook-Cadillac hotel, and Edith called Florence Newman and later the three of us went out to her house which is located on East Hancock Street, Detroit. Edith introduced me to Florence Newman whereupon she and her niece left shortly afterwards.

"On the day that Karpis and Campbell left Edith Barry's house with their baggage, I found in my bedroom the photograph of Wynona Burdette which I had previously seen in the above described Detective Magazine. I didn't say anything about it at that time, but when Edith, Rose, and I went to Detroit I showed this photograph to Edith while we were eating lunch at the Hook-Cadillac Hotel, and she said, 'Now, you know why I didn't want you to get mixed up with Buff.' I gave this photograph to her at that time.

"On Easter Sunday, 1935, I arrived in Toledo, Ohio, around one or two in the morning, and went to Edith's house in one of Greenie's cabs. Edith was the only person there that night besides the maid, Margaret, and I dyed eggs and prepared several Easter baskets for friends of mine. Edith told me at this time that "Donny" was in the house asleep, but I did not see him. She obtained an old Easter basket from the attic, and she put ribbons on it, and decorated it with little candy bunnies and colored Easter eggs for her "Donny." I intended to stay overnight at the house, but Edith suggested that I stay at a hotel. I left the house shortly afterwards, and returned to Detroit the following aft. noon.

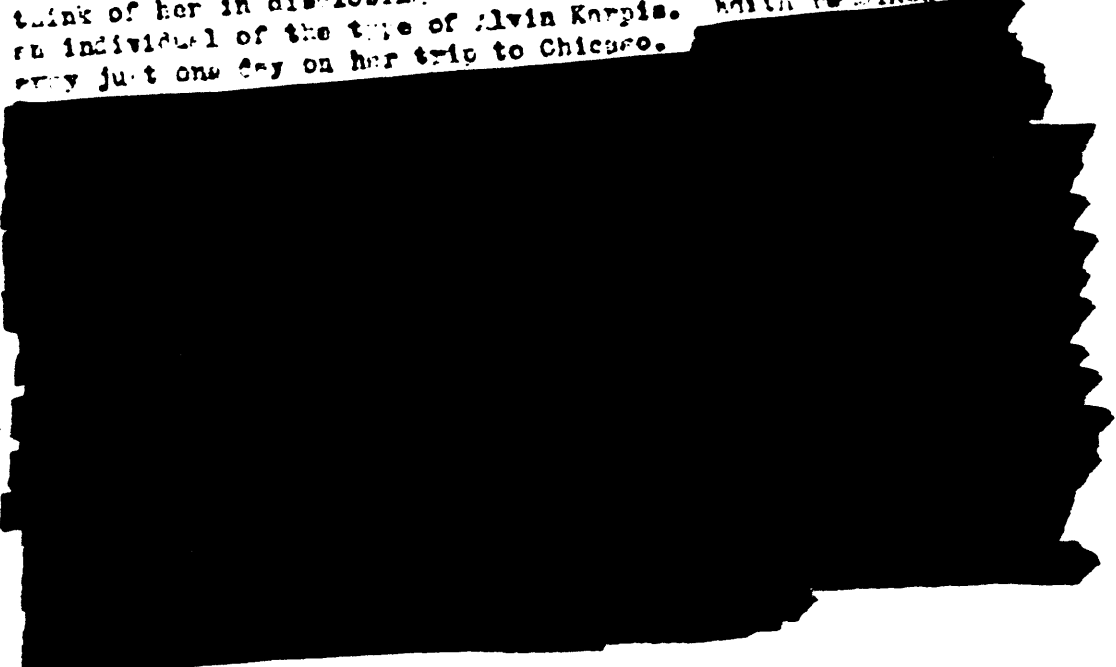
"Around the first part of June 1935, I received a letter at Detroit, Michigan from Edith in which she stated that she has not seen my friend, meaning Harry Campbell, but that she had something for me which she would keep until I returned to Toledo. Shortly thereafter I visited Edith Barry at her house. Alvin Karpis was there and the three of us sat in the kitchen and drank beer. At this time Edith gave me \$50.00 which she said Campbell had left with her for me, to help pay the cost of my divorce proceedings. Karpis and I drank considerable beer, and he asked me whether I desired to see Campbell, and I told him yes. So thereafter went upstairs, and shortly afterward about two hours later Campbell arrived there. Karpis and Campbell and myself drank beer until about ten o'clock, and we then went upstairs. Campbell did not appear to be as friendly with me as he usually was, and seemed to be ill at ease, and he stated he could not remain overnight but had to leave to meet some friends. Campbell left Edith's place about midnight, Karpis and Edith remained by themselves in the front bedroom. I remained overnight, and the following day returned to Detroit, Michigan.

On July 18, 1935 I received my final divorce papers, and about three weeks later I returned to work at Edith Barry's house in Toledo, Ohio. Karpis and Campbell were not there at that time. Edith told me at this time how hard a life she had been leading during the past four months, and in referring to Alvin Karpis stated that she had been cooped up in the house with him all that time. She also intimated that she had a tender feeling for him; that she felt he was just a boy, and in general felt sorry for him.

About two weeks after I arrived in Toledo, Edith Barry and I spent a week's vacation at Cedar Point near Sandusky, Ohio. When we got back to Toledo there was a letter addressed to her at the house which bore a Canadian postmark. The letter stated only, 'I am well and O. K.' and was signed 'Sonny.'

About the latter part of September 1935 Edith Barry made an airplane trip to Chicago. He did not tell me the purpose of her visiting Chicago, but some time previously she told me that she had gone to see a certain party in Chicago concerning something in behalf of Alvin Karpis, and that she was worried as to what this person's reaction was to what had been suggested by her at that time; that she wondered what he would do about it, and that this party would think of her in disclosing to him that she was involved with an individual of the type of Alvin Karpis. Edith remained away just one day on her trip to Chicago.

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Shortly after Karpis came to Edith's house on this occasion I was in my room one night when two men called. I heard Edith address them as Joe and Ben. They talked with Karpis in the front bedroom for about an hour or so. Edith was in and out of the room at this time and was serving them drinks. When they left I did not see them go. Thereafter during the following days while Karpis was at Edith's place, he continually remained in the house. I recall that one day I saw a man who looked very much like the Mr. Evans who accompanied me when I purchased the Ford coupe at the Lyman D. Arnold, Inc., as I had previously narrated. I told Edith about this man approaching the house, and she answered the door and took him upstairs to the front bedroom where Karpis was. He stayed for only a short while and then left. I don't recall how Karpis left the house on the occasion of this visit to Miss Barry's.

A few days after Karpis left an elderly man called at the house one evening and Edith talked privately with him for two or three hours in her bedroom. She then introduced him to me as Ben, and thereafter I had a party with him at Edith's suggestion. I have been shown a photograph of Benson Greene, and I identify it as being the man above referred to as Ben. On the above occasion Ben left shortly after I had a date with him. Edith told me after Ben had gone that this man had just gotten out of the 'star', morning penitentiary; that he was practically penniless; that he had left all of his belongings with some woman before going to the penitentiary, and since his release had been unable to locate them; that she had told him that he should have left the clothes with her, and she would have taken good care of them. Thereafter Ben called at the house about three more times during the ensuing two weeks. He was always alone on these occasions and generally spoke privately with Edith Barry. On one of these occasions I entertained him in my bedroom.

Around this same period at Edith's suggestion we went to the 4th Street Cafe, being driven by Greene in a private cab on at least two occasions that I recall. The man known to me as Ben was at these times in the 4th Street Cafe, and Edith talked confidentially with him. On at least one of these trips Greene entered the place with us, and joined Ben, Edith, and myself in a drink. Joe Evans was not at the 4th Street Cafe with a time I was there.

About this same time Edith Barry left the house one evening and stated that she expected that Freddie, referring to Fred Hunter, and another man would call at the house; that Freddie's companion had a number of gold teeth in the front, was half Indian, and was supposed to be wealthy having an interest in oil wells. That same night about nine o'clock, and after Edith had left Fred Hunter and a middle-aged man of the same general description Edith had given me, called at Edith Barry's house. Edith returned later that same evening, and she talked with them in the front bedroom that Karpis occupied when he was at the house. Both of these men remained overnight, but to my knowledge did not purchase the services of any girls. I prepared breakfast for these two men, Edith, and myself the following morning. They left shortly thereafter, and I did not see them again.

By this time there was no business at Edith Barry's house, probably due to her running away her regular customers while Karpis and the above mentioned persons were residing there. About the middle of November 1935, I gave up my job at Edith Barry's house, and have not returned since that time, nor have I spoken with her. I am no longer engaged in the practice of prostitution, and have since remarried my former husband, Charles Moran.

I recall that on one occasion after I returned to Edith Barry's house from Detroit, Michigan in the summer of 1935, and when it had been some time since Alvin Karpis had visited there, Edith Barry complained in referring to Karpis and Campbell, that they did not appreciate what she had done for them; that she had provided them a place to stay at a time when nobody else would have them; that she had closed down her business and turned her customers away, and had put herself out in a number of ways for them; that they had told her of a place where they had stayed where they had to pay a large amount of money in advance for shelter because they were so "hot"; that at this place they got little to eat and were always hungry, and she here mentioned to me how she had purchased good food and had cooked for them. As I have previously mentioned Frank "Greenie" Oranwald who operates the Private Cab Company was always called first when taxi cab service was needed from Edith's house. Whenever Karpis or Campbell or any of their acquaintances I have previously mentioned needed taxi cab service or someone to perform errands, they always had "Greenie" personally perform these services. I recall that on one occasion Edith mentioned to me that "Greenie" had gotten what he could have from the boys for what he done for them.

-I have read the foregoing statement which consists of 13 typewritten pages, and each correction noted by me bears my initials L. M., and after reading this statement I swear that the same is true to the best of my knowledge and recollection.

/s/ LILLIAN MERRA

WITNESSES:  
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D. P. Sullivan,  
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Cleveland, Ohio."

The original signed statement of Lillian Merras, alias Lou Foole, is being retained in the files of the Cleveland Bureau Office.

In addition to the information set out in her signed statement Lou Foole informed that some time prior to 1930 she and her husband, Charles Merras, were engaged in the bootlegging business; that they operated three plants for manufacturing beer which they sold in wholesale lots; that at that time her husband was considered a "big shot" bootlegger in Toledo; that during the latter part of 1929 and the years of 1930 and 1931 they were compelled to pay off Ted Angus for protection; that she personally delivered this protection money each month to Ted Angus; that at first it amounted to \$100 a month, but later it was raised to a sum of \$500 a month, and this money was supposed to take care of both the state and Federal prohibition men. Lou Foole further stated that the arrangements for the paying of this protection money were made by her husband, Charles Merras, and that after the Liepvoli gang came to Toledo, she and her husband were compelled to give this gang one half of their profits from manufacturing beer, in addition to the \$500 monthly payments made to Ted Angus.

In speaking of Edith Barry, Lou Foole stated that prominent business men, professional men and some politicians visited her house on the 11th floor; that she understood from the waitress, Leachner, and from Edith Barry that Edith's house was for only \$10 a month rent of business; that Edith never had to pay protection money, and other

landladies of houses wondered how she was able to operate without paying. She further stated that Edith's friend, Joe Thompson, is a politician, and she understood from conversations which she overheard at Edith Barry's house that Thompson had considerable political influence in the state of Ohio. As an example of Edith Barry's strong influence in the city of Toledo, Lou Toole mentioned that on two separate occasions police officers on that beat attempted to gain entrance to Edith Barry's house for the purpose of conducting an investigation to locate fugitives. Edith Barry strenuously objected to a police officer entering her house, and thereafter on both occasions got in touch with someone who had both of these officers transferred from that beat.

Concerning the niece of Edith Barry, who was named Rose, and who is mentioned in the written statement of William Keras, Lou stated it is her understanding that this girl is married to one of the boys who are in the Toledo Jail, the name of which she cannot recall.

Lou stated further that Walter Sabaley, a negro who lives in the house next door to Edith Barry's house, and which house is also owned by Edith, was employed as a housekeeper by Edith Barry throughout the time that Karpis and Campbell and other members of the gang visited Edith Barry's house; that Walter's duties consisted of taking care of the furnace in the winter time, of mowing the lawn and cleaning up the yard, and of giving the premises a thorough cleaning each week; that he also ran any errands which Edith desired; that during the time that Karpis and Campbell stayed at Edith's place their shirts and surplus clothing were kept at Walter's house next door; that she is certain that Walter knew that Karpis and Campbell were staying with Edith, and undoubtedly knew who they actually were. Lou advised that on one occasion when there were strangers present in the downstairs portion of the house, Karpis and Campbell were confined to their room, and Walter took their meals out the back door of Edith's house and climbed up on the roof of the house he occupied next door, and delivered these meals to Karpis and Campbell through a window in the room occupied by them, from the roof of his house.

Concerning the maid, Margaret, Lou stated that this woman worked each day from 7:00 A. M. to 4:00 P. M.; that she generally answered the front door bell and admitted visitors to the house; that she generally served drinks to persons at

the house, and on numerous occasions served drinks to Karpis and Campbell while they were staying there; that, as mentioned in the statement of Lillian Mares, Margaret ordinarily took the meals of Karpis and Campbell to them in the front bedroom on the second floor which they occupied; that after it became evident that Edith Barry was infatuated with Karpis, Lou Poole, Harry Campbell and Margaret frequently kidded about Edith's exaggerated care for Karpis' welfare and comfort while he lived at the house. Continuing, Lou advised that Edith Barry delivered to Margaret the laundry of Karpis and Campbell, and Margaret would have these things laundered at her house.

Lou Poole further advised that Edith Barry was very particular in hiding the fact that Karpis and Campbell were residing at her house; that she would become very angry when "people" would be away from the house for two or three days on a drink; that she attempted to keep "teaches", Lou, and Maxine at the house at all times during the period Karpis and Campbell were staying there. She stated that when she, Lou, stayed away from the house for two or three days at a time, Edith would call Lou's name three or four times a day, and would tell Lou all of Lou's friends and acquaintances in an effort to locate her, and to induce her to return to the house; that whenever Karpis and Campbell left the house Edith would wipe all of the woodwork, furniture, and other articles, with a rag to obliterate any fingerprints they may have left; that Edith always read detective magazines, and after Karpis and Campbell came to stay at the house, Edith kept these magazines in her room, and forbade the inmates to read them; that Edith also had Walter purchase various out-of-town newspapers for Karpis and Campbell which Edith delivered to them; that she never permitted the girls in the house to read newspapers during the time Karpis and Campbell were there.

Lou was asked whether she recalled

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Further information was obtained from Lou Poole that late in the summer of 1935 Edith Barry had not heard from Karpis or Campbell for some time; that during this period Edith was quite nervous and on one occasion while she was speaking of what she had done for Karpis and Campbell, and while she was mentioning that they were ungrateful for what she had done, Edith stated that these men had a bottle in the bedroom they occupied, which, if it had exploded, would have blown up the house; that she, Lou, did not see this bottle and Edith made no further reference to it.



Lou further advised Agents that about two weeks after Edith had obtained a job for her as a prostitute at the house of Florence Newman in Detroit, Michigan, in April 1935, Edith Barry visited Florence Newman. At that time Edith told Lou that she wanted to get rid of Maxine because she was quite sloppy in her personal habits; that she had suggested to Maxine, who apparently was dissatisfied with her work at Edith's place, that she get a job elsewhere, indicating that the change would do her good; that Edith suggested the place of Florence Newman in Detroit, and that Edith had come to Detroit for the purpose of learning whether Florence would give Maxine a job in her house; that Florence had told Edith that she had no need for a steady girl but would be glad to use Maxine part time.

Lou stated that shortly thereafter Maxine arrived in Detroit, Michigan, by bus and went to work at Florence Newman's house of prostitution; that she conversed with Maxine on several occasions and Maxine told her that Karpis and Campbell had been at Edith's house since Lou left Toledo on April 5, 1935; that Maxine related that she had also read the detective magazine which contained photographs of Karpis and Campbell during the time that she was employed at Miss Barry's house. Maxine further told Lou that on the occasion when Karpis and Campbell returned to Edith Barry's house after Lou left, Edith had called in a girl with whom Campbell spent the night. Lou stated that Maxine remained at Florence Newman's house for about two weeks and that during this time Maxine bought numerous detective magazines and would point out to Lou various articles containing stories of the escapades of Karpis and Campbell and other members of that gang. Lou Poole stated that to her knowledge Fred Hunter was the only member of the gang whom Maxine ever had a date with during the time she was at Edith Barry's house. This incident is mentioned in Lou's signed statement.

In referring to the prostitute, "Fletcher", Lou Poole stated that this girl had been employed at Edith Barry's house for a long time prior to Lou's going to work there in January 1934; that after Sharkey had stayed overnight with Fletcher in the latter part of January 1935, Fletcher mentioned to her that she was dissatisfied at that time and for this reason was compelled to have protected sexual intercourse with Sharkey; that Fletcher said that she wanted to do this, because she had known Sharkey since he was a knee walker. Lou here mentioned that she recalled that Fletcher went to bed with Fred Hunter on one occasion during the

letter part of March 1935, as has been mentioned in Lou's signed statement; that after "Peaches" left Edith Barry's house, the latter wrote "Peaches" a letter and told her to have a medical examination because one of the gang with whom she had sexual intercourse was afflicted with a venereal disease. In this connection reference is made to the question and answer statement of John Brock which is set out in the report of Special Agent C. K. McKee, dated at Cleveland, Ohio, October 20, 1936, in which Brock states that during the latter part of March 1935, he stayed overnight with "Peaches" at Edith Barry's house. Lou Poole could not recall that Brock ever stayed overnight there, nor could she remember whether he ever had a date with "Peaches" or any of the girls. It is to be noted that John Brock has an aggravated case of syphilis, and it is probable that Edith Barry was making reference to Brock when she suggested to "Peaches" in her letter that she undergo a medical examination.

In the above mentioned statement of John Brock he states that after he and Karpis drove from Cleveland to Toledo, Ohio, in the old two-door Ford sedan of Fred Hunter, he, Brock, parked his car near the Federal Building, and thereafter at the suggestion of Karpis, he and the prostitute known to him as Lou, moved the car and parked it near the Jarvis Apartments. When questioned concerning this incident Lou Poole stated that she recalls moving this automobile from the City Hall to the Jarvis Apartments, but is positive that Fred Hunter was with her at this time and not John Brock.

A photograph of James "Tip" O'Neil was shown to Lou Poole and she identified it as being a likeness of a man whom she knew as an old sweetheart of Edith Barry; that in the late summer or fall of 1935 he visited Edith Barry's house and when Edith informed him that Karpis and Campbell had stayed at her house prior thereto, he remarked to Edith, "You ought to have your \_\_\_\_\_ kicked" for doing such a thing. She stated that after this visit O'Neil made frequent long distance telephone calls to Edith Barry; that "Tip" O'Neil is a good friend of Ardell Quinn from Cleveland.

Lou Poole was questioned whether she was acquainted with or ever heard the names of Art Hebebrand, Chirry Patton, Tony Amersbach, "Foot" Talbot, a private detective who was supposed to provide Karpis and Campbell with confidential information, and of the name of the Harvard Club, but she was unable to provide any information in this respect. She stated

that Edith and "Teaches" had mentioned that Sharkey was a hard working boy, but she never heard where he was employed, nor could she associate him with any gambling place in Cleveland, Ohio. She further stated that she never knew the connections of or the location of Karpis and Campbell when they were not at Edith Barry's house.

When questioned concerning the period in the latter part of January 1935, when Karpis and Campbell first stayed at Edith Barry's house, Lou Poole mentioned that during this time Karpis and Campbell spent practically all of their time in the second floor front bedroom; that from conversations she overheard between Karpis, Campbell, and Edith Barry she gathered that these men were attempting to make connections with some person whom they could trust; that they and Edith discussed various persons with whom they were mutually acquainted; that it was at this time that Sharkey's name was first mentioned, and it appeared to her that they agreed on Sharkey as a man whom they could trust and who would be of service to them. She stated that she believes it was about the time that these conversations were held, that she first heard the name of Coolie mentioned, and it was around this time that Coolie visited Edith Barry's house. In speaking of Coolie, Lou mentioned that her recollection of this man is somewhat hazy; that she is certain she saw him at Edith's house, but she cannot recall the circumstances surrounding his visit, nor can she now recall what Coolie looked like. Lou stated that if she is shown a photograph of Coolie, she might be able to identify it.

With further reference to Sharkey, Lou advised that he appeared at the house shortly after Karpis, Campbell, and Edith Barry discussed him; that he appeared to be well acquainted with Edith Barry and Alvin Karpis, but Harry Campbell did not appear to know Sharkey very well at this time. Lou was unable to explain how word was sent to Sharkey to come to Edith's place on the above occasion.

In speaking of Joe Roscoe, Lou Poole stated that she never saw this individual; that for a long while he was known to her only by the name of Joe; that, as mentioned in her written statement, he called at Edith Barry's house on several occasions; that thereafter when she and Edith Barry visited the 41nd Street Cafe, Edith told her that Joe was the husband of Giney Broadway; with whom she was acquainted; that thereafter she always referred to him as Joe Broadway. She stated that from the conversation of

Edith Barry, she knew that the Joe who visited Edith Barry's house was identical with the Joe Broadway who operated the 42nd Street Cafe; that she was acquainted with various members of the Broadway family and knew them as old time Toledo hoodlums; that Edith Barry told her of Ganey Broadway visiting Edith's house prior to the time that Lou worked there, for the purpose of locating her husband, Joe, and at such times Ganey would be "heeled", that is, carrying a gun and would be accompanied by a bodyguard; that she gathered from the conversation of Edith Barry that Joe was considered the "boss", and that he would have to be consulted before any contemplated action was taken, and as example, Lou here mentioned the occasion in the early part of April 1935, when Edith Barry insisted that Joe first be consulted before Lou would be permitted to go away with Harry Campbell. Lou stated that apparently Joe Roscoe disapproved of this affair, because thereafter Campbell was not inclined to speak of Lou's going away with him, because he had, no doubt, given up the idea.

At various times during January and the latter part of March 1935, when Karpis and Campbell were living at Edith's house, Roscoe did get in touch with Joe Roscoe for Karpis and Campbell, and so frequently was on the way to contact him and would return to the house and tell the boys that Joe was not at the 42nd Street Cafe, or at his home, or that Roscoe was ill with some sort of rash, or that he was on the island (Middle Island).

Continuing, Lou stated that on the occasion when Joe and Ben, whom she identified as being Benson Groves, came to Edith Barry's house in the fall of 1935, she is certain that Joe was Joe Roscoe, and that Ben was Benson Groves, although she did not see either of these two men at that time. When asked how she knew this, Lou stated that this Joe always was received at Edith Barry's house in the same manner; that he was taken by Edith Barry to the front bedroom occupied by Karpis and Campbell when other visitors would not be permitted upstairs; that Joe engaged Karpis and Campbell in conversation, and Edith Barry appeared quite friendly with him; that she thereafter knew that this man, Joe, was identical with Joe Roscoe when Edith Barry told her that he was the husband of Ganey Broadway. Lou stated that she is certain that Benson Groves was the Ben, who accompanied Joe Roscoe on the above occasion for the reason that she and Edith later contacted this individual at the 42nd Street Cafe, on two separate occasions, and also for the reason that he was the same man who she entertained at Edith's house thereafter, as is reflected in her signed statement. Lou advised that during

her entire experience with Benson Groves, he at no time mentioned his connection with Joe Roscoe, Alvin Karpis, or Harry Campbell; that he was very close-mouthed and would seldom talk about himself. Lou could be of no assistance in determining his present location.

Lou claimed not to be personally acquainted with Captain George Timiney and Sheriff Jim O'Keilly, and has no information which might indicate that these officers ever availed themselves of the prostitutes at Edith Barry's house. She also denied that she ever heard that Karpis and Campbell and members of their gang were able to remain in Toledo on account of corruption within the Toledo Police Department. She stated that the only time she ever heard Captain Timiney's name mentioned by way of the boys, was when Willie Harrison remarked that he had broken a golf one percent with Timiney, on the occasion mentioned in her signed statement. Lou averred that she never heard Edith Barry or anyone else mention that Campbell was in association with Sheriff O'Keilly during the latter part of 1935 and forepart of 1936, and she has no information that would indicate to her that a Sheriff named Campbell's true identity.

In conclusion Lou stated that she at one time caught Edith Barry in a compromising position with Alvin Karpis, and it is her impression that the relationship between these two was considerably more than just a business proposition.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents J. V. Murphy and E. B. Hill at Toledo, Ohio, October 17, 1936:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent J. V. Murphy, Cleveland, Ohio, October 3, 1936, wherein on page 21, it is indicated that Jerry Messiker, alias Jerry Jordan, was then residing at 615 West 13th Street, Kansas City, Missouri. It has been indicated in previous reports that Jerry Messiker was infatuated with Jimmie Wilson in the summer of 1934, while she was an entertainer at the Little Casino Club.

In answer to a request of the Cleveland office, the Kansas City office advised that Miss Messiker was unknown at the above-mentioned address in Kansas City, Missouri.

Mrs. Messiker, sister-in-law of Jerry Messiker, 2039 Jordan Avenue, Toledo, was again contacted for the purpose of ascertaining the true address of Jerry. Mrs. Messiker stated she had just received a letter from Jerry, and Jerry at the present time is residing at the Drake Hotel, 9th and Vine Streets, Cincinnati, Ohio, where she is entertaining at the Four-Four Club; that she did not know just how long Jerry will be in Cincinnati, but believes it will be for just a short time, in view of the fact that Jerry stated in her letter she was going to Dayton, Ohio, soon, where she would stay for only a short time, then proceed to Detroit, Michigan, where she intended staying for some time. Mrs. Messiker stated she does not know what Jerry's address will be in Dayton, Ohio, or Detroit, Michigan.

In view of the fact that it could not be ascertained just how long Jerry Messiker would be in Cincinnati, or her future address, the Cleveland office was furnished telephonically the address of Jerry Messiker in order that the Cincinnati office might be requested to interview her immediately.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents A. J. Norstrom and A. Dickstein on October 10, 1936:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent E. J. Ryan, dated June 17, 1936, at Cleveland, Ohio, wherein it is noted on page 41, the contents of a signed statement procured from Esther Goulet. With the assumption that Esther Goulet would be able to furnish further information of value, with reference to this matter, she was requested to appear at 515 Edison Building, the temporary offices, for reinterview.

Upon interview she stated essentially the same information as was given in her first interview, and continued to deny that she knew of Campbell's true identity. However, on this occasion she informed that shortly before the marriage of Campbell and Bertie Billster, she had occasion to visit the McGraw rooming house, where she met Campbell for the first time. She informed that Clara McGraw, Bertie and Campbell were present, and Clara McGraw introduced Campbell to her as Bob Brown, her cousin. On the evening of May 29, 1935, Clara McGraw, Bertie, and Campbell visited Goulet's Grill, she informed, at which time Campbell was introduced to Fred Goulet as Bob Miller. Esther Goulet explained that she discussed this discrepancy with Bertie, who informed her that the night before her marriage, she had found Campbell's driver's license with the name of Charles Miller thereon, and Campbell told her that this was his true name. Esther stated that after considering this fact, she now believes that Clara McGraw was endeavoring to hide something, but had no proof of it.

She further related that the evening prior to instant interview, Fred and Catherine Goulet had been drinking in Lamb's Grill at 2015 Adams Street, and Ed McGraw entered the place and an argument ensued between them. Ed McGraw left immediately and returned with one of his roomers, and a fight followed in which Ed McGraw broke a chair over Mrs. Goulet's head, resulting in a scalp wound which required four stitches. Fred Goulet subsequently knocked McGraw's roomer unconscious, but the fight was stopped by Len Lamb, who refused to call the police, despite Mrs. Goulet's insistence.

Esther Goulet characterized Ed McGraw as a "rat" and a "blower", and informed that she was only sorry that she didn't possess damaging evidence against McGraw. She informed that the bitter feeling between the McGraws and the Goulets arose from Goulet's remarking that McGraw was a stool pigeon, and had fingered John McDonald, Mrs. Goulet's brother, recently released from the penitentiary, and now the night

bartender at Goulet's Grill. Esther informed that McGraw had caused McDonald's arrest some years ago. She further stated that McGraw is extremely worried about the talk that he is going to "do time", and apparently is not in his right mind.

Esther informed further that Gertie told her that Campbell always carried an automatic pistol, which he advised was to safeguard the diamond rings that he and Gertie wore. She stated that on one occasion this pistol had fallen out of Campbell's pocket, and that she had also seen him wear it in the back of his belt, without a holster, whenever he took his coat off.

She informed that she recently mentioned this incident to Sheriff James O'Reilly, who rebuked her for not reporting it at the time to him, as he would have determined why Campbell was carrying a gun, and as a result would have earned the respect of the entire country by determining Campbell's true identity.

She mentioned, incidentally, that O'Reilly had requested her to tell him everything that could possibly be of assistance to this investigation in order that he could present this information to the Bureau, so he could thereby restore his good name, and prove he was innocent of any wrongdoing in this matter. She stated that she could furnish O'Reilly no information that she had not given this Bureau, however, she swore that O'Reilly was an innocent victim of circumstances.

When questioned as to those places which Campbell and Gertie frequented, Esther informed that they occasionally visited the McGraws, the Granada Gardens, Goulet's Grill, and were never known to her to have gone elsewhere, other than on one occasion to the Dugout, operated by Tom Norland, when she was not present. She further advised that Gertie informed her that Campbell had an argument with a customer and Norland took his admission card from Campbell, and they did not visit the place thereafter.

She further related that Gertie had asked to be taken to the New Casino Club operated by Bert and Ted Angus, but that Campbell informed her that he had visited the place shortly prior to their marriage, and that as a result of a fight had by Campbell with a patron, Bert Angus requested that he not patronize the place.

With reference to McGraws, Esther informed that she had visited the place on numerous occasions and that she saw Mrs. Thol-



Rudy, who resides above the Gaiety Grill on 15th and Monroe Street, at the place on those occasions. She informed that Mrs. Rudy usually met some personal friends there, whom Esther did not know, but she recalled that both Campbell and Coker had been present when Mrs. Rudy was there. She further related that Ed McGraw had asked her to have dates at his place, which request she refused, and that she was well aware of the character of the house.

Esther further related that Campbell frequently spoke of a "Sonny" whose identity she was not aware of. She further advised that Bertie informed her that she had been introduced to "Sonny" at McGraw's, by Campbell, but that Bertie did not care to have Campbell associate with "Sonny" as he was a surly fellow, and continuously ribbed Campbell about being such a sap as to get married. Esther insisted that she had never met Sonny, and was not aware that he was Alvin Karpis.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents H. B. Gill and J. V. Murphy at Toledo, Ohio, on October 21, 1936:

Reference is made to reports of Special Agent H. C. Luman, dated at Cleveland, Ohio, July 3, 1936, page 22, and July 24, 1936, page 7, and Special Agent J. V. Murphy, Cleveland, Ohio, October 17, 1936, page 26. In view of the information obtained from the interview with Lymone Burdette and Charles J. Fitzgerald, set out in the above mentioned reports, it was deemed advisable to again interview Elwood Yonkers. He was located at the Beauville Cafe, 843 Summit Street, and he accompanied Agents to the temporary offices in the Edison Building, where he was interviewed and the following signed statement obtained, the original of which is being retained in the files of the Cleveland office:

Toledo, Ohio,  
October 21, 1936.

I, ELWOOD YONKERS, make the following free and voluntary statement to H. B. Gill and J. V. Murphy, whom I know as Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice. This statement is made by me without any threats or promises of any kind. My home is Elwood Yonkers, and I have also used the name of Al Woods. I am now living at 2015 Georgetown Street, Toledo, Ohio.

In addition to the statement I made to Special Agents H. B. Gill and E. J. Lymn at Toledo in June 1936, I wish to state the following:

While I was living in Ted Angus' house upstairs at 4209 Lockwood Street, Toledo, prior to May 1934, a man whom I knew as Willie Harrison, whom I had met in Joliet City, Ill., thru Bert Angus in about 1927, came to 4209 Lockwood Street and visited with me several times, and only on one occasion Willie Harrison cooked some spaghetti. This was during cold weather and I believe in early part of 1934. Ted Angus came upstairs and got a plate of the spaghetti. About a month or so after this occurred, Ted Angus made a trip to Florida and came back to Toledo about some time in May 1934. Lymone Burdette or Harry Campbell never visited at 4209 Lockwood Street, my house, while I was at home. Some time in May 1934, about the time I was getting ready to move from 4209 Lockwood to 2110 Washington Street, a man whom I had met some time in about 1929 and whom I

Big Charley, came to 4209 Lockwood Street with a woman called Belle, whom Big Charley stated was his wife. At this time Big Charley told me his name was Murphy. I have since learned his true name is Charles J. Fitzgerald. The next day after Big Charley and Belle came to 4209 Lockwood Street, I moved over to 2110 Washington Avenue, and they came over there and Belle stayed a couple of days and left, but I do not know where she went. Big Charley stayed with me at 2110 Washington Street about a month or six weeks. Later on after I had moved to 2525 Georgetown Avenue, in fall of 1934, Big Charley came to my house and stayed with me about two months. At this time Big Charley was alone, and during the day when I was working Big Charley would be at the house alone. I have been shown a photograph of a person whom I am told is that of Fred Barker. Fred Barker has never visited Big Charley at my home on Georgetown Avenue while I was at home.

"I do not have any recollection of ever calling the Casino Club for Big Charley Fitzgerald from my home or any other place, and asking for 'the boys', and I never saw Ted Angus pick up Big Charley Fitzgerald at my home on Georgetown Avenue. I do recall that while I was living on Washington Avenue in the summer of 1934, that Ted Angus drove up early one evening and picked up Charley. I do not recall seeing anyone with Ted Angus.

"It could have been possible for Wynona Burdette, Harry Campbell or any others of the Barker-Karpis gang to have visited Big Charley Fitzgerald at my house while I was not home from 9 A. M. to about 10 P. M., and I would not have known about it, although there was no indications around the house that persons had visited there.

"I have been shown photographs of persons I am told are members of the Barker-Karpis gang, which are the same photographs I have been shown on one other occasion, and the only photographs of persons I recognize are those of Charles J. Fitzgerald and Willie Harrison. I cannot identify any of the others as persons I have met at any time. I have also been shown a photograph of a person whom I recognize as being that of Ted Angus.

"I have read the above statement, consisting of this and one other page, and same is true and correct according to best of my recollection.

/s/ ELWOOD YONKINS

WITNESSES:

R. B. Hill and J. V. Murphy,  
Special Agents, Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice, 1442 Standard Bldg.,  
Cleveland, Ohio."

Yonkers was emphatic in his denial that Wynona Burdette and Harry Campbell had ever been to his house while he was at home, or that he ever knew either of them. He was also emphatic in his statement that Fred Barker never visited Charles J. Fitzgerald at his, Yonkers', house while he was at home, and Yonkers stated that if any of the above parties stated that they had visited at his house and were acquainted with him they are not telling the truth.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents J. J. Morrison and J. J. Wickstein on October 15 and 16, 1936:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent J. V. Murphy, dated October 17, 1936, at Cleveland, Ohio, wherein it will be noted that Esther Julert informed that Frances Delander was the present housekeeper for Joe Roscoe.

Frances Delander was interviewed at her home on October 15, 1936, at which time she advised that she is 23 years of age, and resides with her mother at the above address. She informed that she has been employed steadily for the past year at the Roscoe home at 3204 River Road, Toledo, Ohio, and that prior to that time was employed only during the summer months at the Roscoe home. She informed that she works until 8:00 P. M. each night at the Roscoe home, and on Saturday nights is a relief waitress at the 42nd Street Cafe, for all of which services she receives \$7.00 per week. During the winter months, she lived at the Roscoe home, but now comes to her mother's home each evening.

She advised that the Roscoe's were extremely suspicious of everyone's actions, never allowing her to bring friends to the house, and permitted very few visitors themselves. She advised that Mrs. Tillie Broadway, Caney Roscoe's mother, also resides at that place, and that they never converse freely in her presence. At this point of interview, Frances Delander was questioned regarding the identity of Tillie Broadway. She stated that Jack Broadway's wife was named Tillie Broadway, and at times she was called Tillie Broadway. She also stated that the old Casino Club located at Joint Place, Toledo, Ohio, was recorded in the name of Tillie Broadway, as the owner of the property, which is now known as the Little Club, operated by Charlie Haymaker.

She was shown photographs of the members of the Barker-Karpis gang, but informed that none of them bore the likenesses of persons she had seen at Roscoe's or any other place.

She further informed that she had never heard the Roscoes discuss the activities of the Barker-Karpis gang, or any other criminals. She stated that Joe Roscoe rarely spoke to her, although Caney Roscoe was friendly to her. Neither of them ever discussed their personal affairs with her, however, she related that she had always believed that Roscoe was in some way other than gambling.

although she had nothing to prove this, other than the manner in which he conducted himself, and his apparent refusal to have friends at the house. She further stated that while cleaning the house, she had seen two automatic pistols, owned by Roscoe, one of which was always hidden behind books in a bookcase.

She informed that she occasionally read the newspapers to Mrs. Roscoe although she is able to both read and write. She further related that Joe Roscoe ordered the Toledo Times, Blade, and News-Bee, yet she rarely read crime news to Mrs. Roscoe. Miss Delander also advised that Joe Roscoe purchased the True Detective Magazine each week at the news stands, but that she had never read the magazine to Geney, nor had they ever discussed its contents.

Miss Delander further advised that Captain George Tixney had visited the Roscoe home on three or four occasions, and that Detective Art Landendorf was a more frequent visitor at the home of Roscoe, but as they always entered a side room, she never overheard their conversations.

On October 20, 1936, Frances Delander was again interviewed at which time she advised that she had not returned to the Roscoe home, after Francis' previous interview with her, partly because of poor health, and for the further reason that she did not care for her employers. At that time she stated that she would be willing to cooperate, but was in possession of no information of value to this investigation.

Interview was also had with Lulu Delander, mother of Francis, who advised that she is employed as a relief cook at the 42nd Street Cafe, every Monday night. She informed that she has been so employed since the Brodways had opened the place. She informed further that she was unable to recognize the photographs of any of the Barker-Karpis gang which were exhibited to her, as being patrons of the 42nd Street Cafe, nor had she ever heard any discussion relative to these persons at that place.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents J. J. Norstrom and A. Weinstein on October 16, 1936:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent R. G. Suran dated August 22, 1936 at Cleveland, Ohio, wherein it will be noted that Myrtle Bender, 1915 Madison Street, who advised that Bertha, a woman, who resided above the R. & B. Battery Company, 2135 Monroe Street, had informed her that Harry Campbell had established Babe, a prostitute who worked for Bertha, in business.

Inquiry at 2135 Monroe Street revealed that Bertha's full name is Mrs. Bertha Isenberg, but that she had moved about October 1, 1936, from that address. Inquiry at the Toledo Post Office indicated that Mrs. Isenberg had moved to 1234 Monroe Street, Toledo, Ohio.

She was located at the latter address, where she is now employed as a housekeeper for Mrs. Clarkie, who runs a house of prostitution at that address. She informed that Babe's true name is Mrs. Nedie Hansen; that she had been married to and separated from L. M. Hansen, a truck driver at Detroit, Michigan. She informed that Babe has one son by a previous marriage, Larry Junior White, who attends the public schools at Cincinnati, Ohio, and lives with Babe's mother, Mrs. Johnson of Cincinnati, Ohio.

She further related that Babe had been a call girl and boarded at her home until several months ago, but had left after a disagreement, and she had not heard of, or seen her since.

She informed that Babe would not be likely to enter in an established house of prostitution, as she always preferred to keep her own earnings. However, she had heard recently that Babe had been seen in the Circle Cafe, on Orr Street, by a waitress named Eva, who was employed there, and she was also a very good friend of one Jerry Burke, a prostitute well known about Toledo. Previous investigations developed that Jerry Burke formerly operated the call house now operated by Mrs. Clarkie at 1234 Monroe Street, and Jerry left Toledo several months ago for California, exact location not known.

Mrs. Isenberg was questioned as to Babe's association with Campbell, and she stated that she was positive that Babe had never met Campbell, although she had lived across the street from Goulet's Grill. As to the allegation that Babe was set up in business by Campbell, she informed that Babe was residing with her at the time of Campbell's apprehension, and that there was no truth to this statement. In view of the statement of Mrs. Isenberg no further effort will be made to locate and interview Babe.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents A. J. Norstrom and A. Dickstein on October 17, 1936:

Esther Goulet, when reinterviewed on October 16, 1936, as set out in report of Special Agent J. V. Murphy, Cleveland, Ohio, October 17, 1936, advised that Mrs. Thelma Rudy frequently visited McGraw's rooming house at 2011 1/2 Adams Street, Toledo.

Agents located Mrs. Rudy at 112 Fifteenth Street, Toledo, Ohio, where she was interviewed. She informed that she is 42 years of age, married, and living with her husband, George Rudy. She operates a rooming house at the above address. She further advised that she has known Ed and Clara McGraw for the past year, although she insisted that she could not recall under what circumstances they had met.

When shown a photograph of Harry Campbell she informed that she had been introduced to him, as well as Gertie Hillier, as Mr. and Mrs. Bob Miller, by Clara McGraw, who informed her that Bob Miller was her cousin, and was engaged in the contracting business. She related that she saw the Millers at McGraw's on several occasions, but Clara McGraw never discussed Miller's activities or association with him. She informed that she accepted the fact that the McGraws and the Millers were related and thus never commented on their background.

She also stated that she had heard Clara McGraw talk of "Tommy" but had never met him, or knew nothing about him. She further advised that she was unable to identify photographs of Karpis, Sam Coker, and other members of this gang as persons bearing likenesses of anyone she had met at McGraws. She informed that the only persons she had met at McGraws, whose name she could recall, was Eleanor, Mrs. McGraw's sister, who is employed at the Gypsy Band Box in Toledo.

Mrs. Rudy was also questioned as to the names of any call girls that she may have seen at the McGraw's, but she informed that although she knew that the place had a reputation of being a call house, she in fact had never seen a call girl at the house, nor was she ever present to observe the McGraws call a girl to the place.

It should be noted that Mrs. Rudy formerly operated a call house at her present address in 1934, but has not been engaged in that "business" for the past two years. She informed that she is afflicted with tuberculosis, and appeared to be in very poor health.



The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents R. J. Norstrom and A. Dickstein on October 19, 1936:

It will be noted that Gust Karake, formerly employed as a cook at Middle Island, advised that "Tex", a present employee of Joe Roscoe at Middle Island, had returned to Toledo. Discreet inquiry at the Algeo Hotel, Toledo, Ohio, revealed that "Tex's" surname is Williams, and that he occasionally frequented the Courtesy Club at 513 1/2 Jefferson Street, Toledo, operated by Joe Roscoe and Ed Karake.

Telephonic communication was had with Williams at the Courtesy Club, and he was later brought to the temporary offices, 513 Edison Building, for interview.

He informed that his true name is Lester B. Williams, single, and although a native of Houston, Texas, he has resided in Toledo, Ohio, since 1931. He further advised that he is 41 years of age, and resides at 1626 Superior Street, Toledo, Ohio, at the home of Mr. Bickert.

He advised that he was employed by Walter Belpash, the present manager of Middle Island, and worked at that place from August 5, 1935 to October 1, 1935, and again from June 17, 1936, to October 10, 1936.

Prior to this employment he informed that he had worked for all the landing hotels in Toledo as a chef, as well as for Jack Kennedy at the Blackhawk Cafe, shortly prior to Kennedy's death. He further advised that he was employed by Jimmy Hayer, at the Villa, as well as by Ed Karake at the Jovial Club, all of Toledo, Ohio, as a chef, for short periods of time.

He informed that prior to his employment at Middle Island he had never met Joe Roscoe, and after being employed at the Island he met Roscoe but had very little to do with him, Walter Belpash being in charge of the Island, and having all relations with the employees, as far as the business goes.

When shown photographs of the Barker-Karpis gang, he informed that none of them bore any likeness of persons he had previously met or known. He stated that he was positive that none of these persons had visited the Island while he was employed there, nor had he ever seen or heard of them while at the various clubs mentioned.

He further informed that Walter Belpash, Coolie Monroe, Charlie Sweet, and Buster, last name unknown, are still at Middle Island, which is not expected to close for several weeks.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents A. J. Norstrom and A. Dickstein on October 19, 1936:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent J. V. Murphy dated October 10, 1936, Cleveland, Ohio, wherein it is noted that William Wilson Kirick, a former driver for the Private Cab Company, Toledo, Ohio, informed that he was present at Johnny Thomas' Market Business Men's Club with Edith Barry, Sam Coker, Frank Greenwald, Anne Pierce and a woman known to him as Marion. A review of the membership roll of the club indicated that Marion Powell, 501 Guardian Building, Toledo, Ohio, was a member and frequented the club.

In the belief that Marion Powell was possibly the person mentioned by Kirick, she was located and interviewed at 501 Guardian Building, where she operates the Marion Powell Letter Service.

She informed that she was not married, and resides with her mother at 1841 North Ave. Boulevard. For the past year, she related, she has been patronizing Thomas' Market Business Men's Club, in that she did not need an escort to enter the place, and she desired the privacy that the place afforded. She further related that she has never been to any other night clubs in Toledo, all her activities being limited to that of Thomas', which place she patronizes about once or twice a week.

When shown photographs of the Barker-Karpis gang, she selected those of Wynona Burdette, Willie Harrison, Harry Campbell, and "Doc" Barker as those who appeared familiar to her, but whom she could not associate with any definite time or place.

Neither could she state that she had seen any of these individuals at Thomas', informing that it was quite possible that she had seen them about the streets of Toledo, as she informed that she had never visited the Casino Club, Edith Barry's, Coulet's Grill, or any other places where these persons are known to have been.

When shown a photograph of Sam Coker she stated positively that she had never seen this individual before. She further stated that she had never made it a practice to join in drinking with any other persons at Thomas', nor had anyone ever bought a drink for her at that place. She related that she knew Edith Barry, and her profession, but had never drunk with her, and, Edith and Sam Coker.

her at Thomas' on numerous occasions, she could recall seeing her in the company of men on two occasions at Thomas', but these men were well known to her as business men of Toledo, whose identities she refused to reveal because of the embarrassment it would cause them, if it were known that they were associating with Edith Barry at Thomas'.

She further stated that Frank Greenwald was known to her, but that she had never seen him in company with a woman, nor had she ever drunk with him at Johnny Thomas'.

She further stated that although the majority of Thomas' patrons were known to her as business men of Toledo, yet a number of the patrons were strangers to her, and that for business reasons she never drank with or associated with anyone unknown to her personally.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents E. J. Bonstrom and M. Lickstein on October 10, 1936:

Johnny Thomas, when interviewed, as set out in report of Special Agent J. V. Murphy, Cleveland, Ohio, dated October 17, 1936, advised that Charles Wieber, presently employed at Ludwig's Cafe, 515 Jefferson Street, had at one time been a bartender at the Market Business Men's Club.

Wieber was interviewed at his home, 2019 Jefferson Street, Toledo, apartment #4, at which time he advised that he is 24 years of age, married and has two children.

He informed that he was employed by Thomas from January 1934, to May 1935, as bartender of the above-mentioned club, but that the club license expired in May 1935, and when he found that it would take a month to renew it, he immediately obtained employment at Ludwig's Cafe, where he has been employed continuously since that time. He further stated that the liquor license of the club was taken out in his name, for the reason that Thomas made him president of the club when it first opened, although he had no financial interest in the club.

He further advised that none of the photographs exhibited to him of the Barker-Karpis gang appeared familiar to him as the likeness of patrons of the club when he was employed there. He informed that all the customers were not known to him, however, although they were all known to Johnny Thomas, and when persons who were members brought friends, their identity was made known to Thomas.

In general, Wieber was unable to furnish any information of any value to this investigation.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents A. J. Hill and J. W. Murphy at Toledo, and Bowling Green, Ohio, on October 17 and 22, 1936, inclusive:

Reference is made to report of Special Agent S. K. McKee, Cleveland, Ohio, dated October 13, 1936, and letter from the Cincinnati office to the Cleveland office dated October 14, 1936. In an interview had with Clyde Kochet, Newton Falls, Ohio, as set out in the above-mentioned report of Special Agent McKee, Kochet identified the photograph of Benson Groves, aliases Benjamin Grayson, Ben Grayson, "Soup" Groves, Burns Crooby, George Wilson, as the photograph of a man known to him as "Doc", who participated in the Garrettsville, Ohio, mail train robbery on November 7, 1935.

With regard to the George Wilsons who have automobiles registered in their name in and around Toledo, Ohio, as set out in above-mentioned reference letter, Agents checked the 1936 Toledo city directory, and same lists George A. Wilson 4106 Herrick Street, as being an engineer of the Toledo Newsboys Building; that George D. Wilson, 425 Winthrop Street is superintendent of the Toledo City Hospital, and George Wilson, 954 Henry Street is a mechanic at the Toledo Machine & Tool Company. With reference to the George D. Wilson, Route #2, Bowling Green, Ohio, investigation conducted at the Bowling Green post office developed that George D. Wilson residing on Route #2 is an elderly man and is now and has been operating a blacksmith shop near his residence for a number of years.

Agents proceeded to the blacksmith shop of George D. Wilson, Route #2, Bowling Green, Ohio, where it was ascertained from observation that this Mr. Wilson was not identical with Benson Groves. Mr. Wilson stated he has always resided in his present location and operated a blacksmith shop there for the past forty years.

[redacted] was contacted on October 17, 1936, for the purpose of ascertaining whether or not he knew Benson Groves, and if so, where he might now be located. [redacted] stated he does not personally know Benson Groves, after viewing the photograph of Groves, U. S. Penitentiary, Atlanta, Georgia, #33605, but stated he would endeavor to ascertain his present whereabouts.

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Several days after first contacting [redacted] he reported to Agents that on contacting "Nickel Plate" Whitey, who operates the Honey Dew Inn, 717 Summit Street, Toledo, and inquiring as to whether or not he knew Benson Groves and his present whereabouts, Whitey informed him [redacted] that he knew Benson Groves, who is also known as "Soup" Groves, and "Soup" Groves is said to be staying with "Red Nose" Charley Webb at the Algeo Hotel, Toledo, and they frequent the Turf Bar, the Buckeye Club, and the Sports Center Club. [redacted] was requested to obtain more definite information as to Groves' whereabouts and his associates.

Agents on several occasions visited the Algeo Hotel, the Turf Bar, the Buckeye Club and the Sports Center Club to observe persons therein with view in mind of locating Benson Groves. On these occasions Agents did not observe any one who answered the description of Benson Groves. These places will be kept under surveillance from time to time with view of locating Benson Groves.

Reference is made to report of Special Agent H. C. Suran, Cleveland, Ohio, August 28, 1936, wherein on page fifty-two, Harry Wells, a former bartender at the 42nd Street Cafe, stated that a man known to him as "Sam" hung around the 42nd Street Cafe while he, Wells, was working there prior to July or August 1935.

The photograph of Benson Groves was exhibited to Harry Wells, at the Elmer Bar, 2541 Cherry Street, where he is now employed, and Wells immediately identified this photograph as that of the man known to him as "Sam", above mentioned. Wells stated that the last time he saw this man was in the fall of 1935, when, while driving toward town on Jefferson Avenue, he saw this person walking on Jefferson Avenue near 14th Street, going in the direction of downtown. Wells stated he often wondered about this man "Sam", in view of the fact he often sat in the front corner of the 42nd Street Cafe, and did not associate with anyone, except Jack Broadway, who operates that cafe.

It will be noted on page twenty-two of the report of Special Agent J. V. Murphy, Cleveland, Ohio, October 7, 1936, that Kenneth Murphy, Jr. mentions answering a call at Murphy's rooming house, while driving a cab for the Private Cab Company, shortly after Christmas, 1935, at which time he saw persons who he identified as "Doc", Alvin Karpis, and a third person.

man whose description is somewhat similar to that of Benson Groves, alias "Sam." Effort was made to locate Kenneth Francis at his residence, 616 Plymouth Street, where it was learned that he moved from that address about October 2nd, and upon inquiry at the Toledo sub-station post office, it was ascertained that Francis has not filed a forwarding address. It was ascertained at the Private Cab Company that Kenneth Francis is no longer in the employ of that company; that he usually hung around the cab stand at the New Secor Hotel. Inquiry around the New Secor Hotel failed to develop any information as to Francis' whereabouts. Further efforts will be made to locate Francis for the purpose of exhibiting to him the photograph of Benson Groves to ascertain if he can identify same as the third man mentioned by him in his statement, mentioned above.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents H. B. Lill and J. V. Murphy at Toledo, Ohio, October 19 and 21, 1936:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent H. B. Lill, Cleveland, Ohio, September 5, 1936, wherein on page 82, is set out an interview with Clint Knudel, police officer, Toledo Police Department, in which he states that Police 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, Lawson, arrived at the Casino Club he saw so many hoodlums there that he, Lawson, stated to him, 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.

Through discreet inquiry, it was ascertained that a man by the name of Orlando M. Lawson is a member of the Toledo Police Department, and he resides at 1801 Hausman Street, and is at present time working from 11 P. M. to 7 A. M. Mr. Lawson was located and interviewed at his residence on October 19, 1936. He stated that he has been a member of the Toledo Police Department about ten years, and since the first part of 1934 has been working as a partner of Officer Frank Mahr; that from January to March 1934, he and Mahr were working as a relief crew one night each week around the area of May View Park; that they were both in uniform in scout car service; that one night during the period when working as a relief crew in that particular section, he received a radio message to go to the Casino Club on Summit Street.

to quell a disturbance; that on arriving at the Casino Club, he and his partner, Frank Wahr, went into the Casino Club and were met by Bert Angus, who stated, "Everything is all right now, boys." He stated that in view of the fact that he was told by Bert Angus that the disturbance had been quieted, he and his partner left the Casino Club without making any investigation.

When questioned as to whom he saw in the club on this occasion, Lawson stated there were a number of people in the place, and most of them were strangers to him. When questioned as to the ones there he knew, he stated he knew Bert Angus, but was unable to recall who the others were he had seen there.

Lawson stated he was the driver of the scout car and his partner Frank Wahr, was the back seat man; that in view of this fact, Wahr did all the talking on calls made by them, and no doubt Wahr would know more about this matter than he.

Lawson stated that he had been to the Casino Club on only one other occasion, which was about a year and a half ago, and at this time Charles Sawyer was the proprietor and the place was called the Little Club, and had had Bert Angus moved to a new location on Burr Street, and their place there is called the New Casino Club.

When questioned as to whether or not he ever made a statement to Police Officer Clint Knudel to the effect that it was not safe for an officer to be in the Casino Club, Lawson stated he might have made such a statement in view of his opinion of the Casino Club, but he has no independent recollection of making such a statement.

He was questioned as to the identity of the deputy sheriff, whom Knudel stated he, Lawson, mentioned was in the Casino Club when they went there in answer to the radio call. He stated, however, that he does not recall having seen a deputy sheriff at the Casino Club on this occasion.

On October 22, 1936, Police Officer Frank Wahr was interviewed at his home, 4312 Belmar Street, Toledo. He gave, in effect, the same information furnished by Officer C. M. Lawson, set out above. He further stated that there were quite a number of people in the Casino Club on this occasion, and they were all well dressed and did not have the appearance of hoodlums; that he did not know the identity of any of these people. He stated he



known Ted and Bert Angus by sight, but he did not see them in the Casino Club on this occasion, although they may have been there as the place was crowded. Mahr stated he does not recall the date on which they answered the call, but it was during the early months of 1934, and this was the only official call he has ever made at the Casino Club, and he has never visited that club on other than official business.

It will be noted above that Officer Lawson stated that his partner, Frank Mahr, would no doubt be able to furnish more detailed information with reference to this matter, in view of the fact that Mahr did all the talking because Mahr had been in the Toledo Police Department since 1931. Upon being informed in this regard, Mahr stated that he did not do the talking on this occasion, but officials of the Casino Club did their talking to Lawson.

Reference is made to report of Special Agent R. C. Duran, Cleveland, Ohio, dated September 6, 1936, wherein on page twenty-one, is set out the Toledo Police report with reference to accident involving Jimmy Wilson on May 10, 1934, at which time he gave his name as George Wilson and his address as 4209 North Lockwood, the accident occurring at intersection of LaGrange and Huron Streets, Toledo.

Police Officer Frank Mahr stated that during April or May 1934, while he and his partner, Lawson, were acting as relief scout car crew, they received a radio call to go to LaGrange and Huron Streets to investigate an accident; that this locality was not in their territory, but was in the territory of scout car manned by Officers Archie Best and Lewey Slusser; that the scout car driven by Best and Slusser was reported out of duty at the time he and Lawson received the radio call; that on arriving at the scene of the accident, they noticed that the scout car driven by Officers Best and Slusser had already arrived at the place of the accident, and he and Lawson, therefore, made no investigation concerning the accident as they were busy clearing traffic to allow the fire department trucks to get through. Mahr stated that as soon as it was learned that the fire alarm was false, due to the automobile accident having broken off a fire box, which sent in the alarm, he and his partner, Lawson, informed Officer Best they would report themselves back in service and allow Best and his partner to handle the accident investigation. He stated that for this reason he has no knowledge of the cause of the accident, who was involved, or the outcome of the investigation.

AT CLEVELAND, OHIO

Mrs. E. J. Wagner, manager of the Gordon Square Hotel, 65th Street and Detroit Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, was interviewed by Special Agent S. H. McKee and the hotel register for the month of March 1935, was secured for examination for the registration of John Brock under the alias of T. F. Evans. It is to be stated that the hotel maintains a looseleaf registration book. The registration in question was located and it appears as follows: T. F. Evans, Toledo, O., assigned to room 15, arrived March 20, departed April 2, 1935. The register page was obtained for future use as evidence and a receipt was given to Mrs. Wagner. Mrs. Wagner could not tell from the register what employee had been on duty when this individual registered, however, she believed the employee to be Carl Kiebert, night man, who has been employed by the hotel for the past three years. He was not available for interview while Agent was at the hotel.

Mrs. Wagner later telephoned Agent and advised that she had talked with Kiebert and displayed register sheets around the period in question to him and he had stated that the entries involved herein were made by him.

The register sheet containing Brock's registration is being made a part of the Cleveland office file.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS

The CLEVELAND OFFICE at Toledo, Ohio, will continue investigation. No leads are being set out herein, inasmuch as leads are being assigned in memorandum form.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

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

October 21, 1936.

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

Dear Sir:

RE: BREXID

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Reference is made to the letter from this office, dated May 10, 1936, enclosing a memorandum prepared by Special Agents E. J. Wynn, C. E. Smith and J. L. Madala, relative to vice conditions and police corruption existing in this district. The following facts, supplementing the above, are furnished for your information concerning conditions existing in the City of Cleveland, Ohio, and suburbs:

The information given below was obtained through the investigation being conducted relative to the harboring case wherein telephone taps on the telephones of Nate Weisenberg, slot-machine racketeer, and Ardella Quinn, notorious madam, provided excellent sources for these facts, and also interviews with various members of the Police Department and employees of the Harvard Club, which Club is located in Newburgh Heights, a suburb of Cleveland, Ohio, and the recent activities of Public Safety Director Elliot Mess, that have been obtained through the press, tend to corroborate the circumstances already known to the Bureau.

With reference to the report of Special Agent R. J. Abbaticchio, Jr., dated June 24, 1936, at Omaha, Nebraska, wherein an interview is recited with Mrs. Gladys Sawyer relative to her arrest, along with Paula Harmon and Wynona Burdette, on September 5, 1934, at Cleveland, Ohio. In this interview Mrs. Sawyer stated that during her incarceration in the City Jail on this occasion, some policewoman or matron made a proposition to her that for \$500.00 she would release these three women from jail; that this proposition was prefaced by an inquiry as to whether or not she was acquainted with Shimmy Patton. As a result of this interview, all of the policewomen and matrons that were employed during 1934 have been interviewed and also an extensive investigation has been conducted at the Police Department relative to this incident and also the fact

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that a telephone call was placed, allegedly, thru the Police Department, to the Harvard Club after the arrest of these women, which resulted in the notification of the subjects in this case and their subsequent flight from Cleveland, thus avoiding apprehension at this time.

In an interview with Mildred H. Wilcox, policewoman, she stated that she has been employed as a policewoman for the past six years and that prior to this time she worked as a detective for the Folger Detective Agency, the Sterling & Welch Company, and the Higbee Company, but that since she has been in the Cleveland Police Department she has done less detective work than ever before. She continued by stating that the Woman's Bureau of this Police Department, at the present time, is merely a clearing house for relief agencies that were too lazy and inefficient to do their own work. Mrs. Wilcox stated that it was common knowledge that Superintendent Hazel Mitt, of the Woman's Bureau, is a sexual pervert, as were several other policewomen; that it is also common knowledge, in the Police Department, that policewoman Mary Fletcher and policewoman Smith, who is colored, are "sweethearts" and on one occasion the police made a raid on the Heat Wave, a night club for both white and colored people, and both Miss Fletcher and Miss Smith were at this club with colored escorts. She stated that, as a result of finding these policewomen in this club, the raid was not consummated as the police could not arrest some of the people and allow Miss Fletcher and Miss Smith and their colored escorts to leave unmolested. She stated that the escort of Miss Fletcher was a well known negro hoodlum.

According to Mrs. Wilcox, and several other women in the Women's Bureau, Molly Bartelheim, matron, is known to assist inmates in securing attorneys and will either call for them or on occasions will allow them to call for attorneys and bondsmen.

It should be noted here that during the interview with Gladys Sawyer, she also stated that on the morning following her arrest, an attorney, who was later ascertained to be Edward Stanton, former county prosecuting attorney, contacted her at the City Jail and stated that he had been sent there at the request of Shimmy Patton to "do what he could for these women". It should also be stated here that during the interview with Mildred H. Wilcox,

policewoman, she stated that Stanton was at the Jail and in conference with these women on the night of the same day of the arrest, however, Stanton stated on interview that on the morning following the arrest of the women, when he came to his office, he received a note stating that he should go to the City Jail and that this call was taken for him on the night previous by an unknown party; that shortly after he arrived at his office, he received an anonymous telephone call from some woman reiterating the same request. He absolutely denies that he was at the Jail on the night in question. This is shown as it has heretofore been reported that Molly Bartelheim booked these women and is in the habit of calling out for inmates for counsel, which is strictly against the rules of the Jail and the Police Department. It is thought that this attorney was called by Bartelheim and only tends to show existing practices in the women's Bureau of this Police Department.

Another situation which may or may not be coincidental, is the fact that during the investigation by Special Agent C. E. Smith at the Police Department relative to the arrest of these three women, the book recording the arrests from March 1934 to October 1934, in which was recorded the arrests of persons who were arrested during the period in question, could not be found until subsequent contact with Chief of Police Matowitz resulted in assigning Sergeant Bartunek, jailor, to search for this missing book. The search resulted in finding this book in the Women's Bureau under a telephone stand, however, a perusal of this book disclosed that there was no information contained therein that was not known to this Bureau. This is shown merely to show a careless and unsystematic practice in this Women's Bureau.

In an interview with Walter Walker, Police Officer No. 1059, who is at present assigned to the office of the Director of Public Safety Eliot Ness, he informed Agents S. K. McKee and C. E. Smith of further information relative to the unofficial conduct on the part of Molly Bartelheim, matron. He also reiterated the information supplied by Mildred H. Wilcox, policewoman, to the effect that this matron allows prisoners to call out from the Jail for an attorney or a bondsman and also calls for them. He also stated that on occasions when he has arrested certain prostitutes in the City, that on the way to the Jail they would inquire as to whether or not Molly Bartelheim was on duty, inferring that they would be allowed certain privileges by Bartelheim that they would not receive from the other matrons.

When Walker was questioned as to whom the Mayfield Road Mob, a gang of racketeers that rule the slot-machine and policy racket in Cleveland, paid graft or protection, he stated that he could not be positive of this but that he did know that Captain Nash of the Garfield Heights Police Department used to meet Johnnie DeMarco regularly at a candy store just across the city line and in Garfield Heights. He stated that DeMarco is one of the principal figures in the above mentioned mob.

With respect to the vice and gambling situation in Cleveland, Walker stated that although he does not know of any payments by operators of houses of prostitution to police officers, he realizes that such places could not operate as openly as they do without some sort of "pay-off". He related that in 1933 and 1934, he was assigned to the vice, liquor and gambling squad; that this was during the regime of the late Mayor Harry L. Davis. He stated that while on duty with this squad none of his superior officers ever said anything relative to leaving the houses of prostitution alone, but that no action was ever taken with respect to these places as there was, more or less, a "grape-vine" understanding that these places should not be molested. He also stated that it is his understanding that there are several so-called high class houses of prostitution in the city which operate through virtue of political connections, probably through contributions to campaign funds. He stated that there is a notorious house of prostitution now operating at 2000 Superior Ave., which is about two blocks from the Police Station, and is being run by Clara Thomas; that the building in which this place is operated is owned by Edwin D. Barry, former Director of Public Safety, and who is now running for Sheriff of Cuyahoga County; that the son of the present Sheriff, John Sulzmann, is known to hang 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 that occurred in 1934, when he accompanied Captain John Wolf on a raid on a gambling establishment, known as the Argonne Club, at 722 Superior Ave. He stated that he and Captain Wolf entered the place and he immediately seized some racing forms; that the proprietor, a man known as Zimmer, asked Captain Wolf what he meant by coming into his place and that Wolf informed him that he intended to raid same. 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 then left the place without taking any action as to the gambling business which was being operated at this establishment.

Upon being asked relative to whether or not Lieutenant Barney Wolf was a "straight" police officer, Walker cited an incident that, while not committing himself in this regard, intimated that Wolf was not straight and stated that he had seen Wolf with an unusually large roll of bills that undoubtedly was in excess of his salary as a lieutenant.

Walker stated that on the night of January 10, 1936, when Director Ness conducted the raid on the Harvard Club in Newberg Heights, that Ness went to the Sheriff's Office and asked for assistance but that he was told that the local authorities of Newberg Heights had made no complaint and that due to this fact no aid could be offered. He also stated that he is of the opinion that the Harvard Club operates under paid protection to the Mayor and Marshal of Newberg Heights, stating that this fact is corroborated by the fact that the Mayor receives a salary of \$600.00 per year and is apparently in no other business from which he would derive any other income, yet he resides in a nice home and takes trips to Florida in the winter.

The above is substantiated by the results of an interview had with Frank Etak, City Marshal, by Inspector E. J. Connelley and Special Agent S. K. McKee. Etak denied at this interview that he had any knowledge of the existence of the Harvard Club or any similar gambling establishment in his jurisdiction. This is without doubt a falsity due to the fact that such is known to the majority of the citizens in the vicinity of Cleveland, and the Harvard Club and the address of same has been publicized in the Cleveland newspapers on numerous occasions. He also stated that he had never heard of Art Hebebrand, Shimmy Patton or "Toots" Talbot, but said he may have heard the name of Shorty Conway. Conway is presently "fronting" at the Harvard Club for Hebebrand and Patton, along with Talbot.

In connection with the possible payment of graft in gambling, Walker stated that Councilmen DeMaiores and Finkle are closely connected with the Mayfield Road Mob, 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 this City unless Councilmen Payne and Bundy, colored, had their fingers in the pay-off in some way.

Walker 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 Geman and Deputy Inspector Edwin Burns were at that time under investigation by Director Ness and that in the very near future, charges would be placed against Wolf and Burns. This was later done as will be shown later in this letter.

In an interview with Dorothy Taylor, prostitute and former madame, who at the time of the interview was working at a house operated by Alice Redd, alias Alice Knapp, a colored madame, at 1268 Scovill Ave. Dorothy Taylor stated that during 1932, she was operating a house of prostitution and that during the time that she operated this house, she actually paid off, in money, graft to the following police officers:

Captain Burns  
Sergeant McWilliams  
Captain Cadek  
Detectives Watts and Dietrick

As has been stated above, Cadek has been discharged and Captain Burns is under investigation by Director Ness.

In the numerous interviews held with the present and former employees of the Harvard Club, Newberg Heights, Ohio, information has been supplied that there is probably a "pay-off" in this place although no definite information has been developed that will make this assumption positive, however, some circumstances are hereafter related that tend to corroborate this fact.

In the interview with George Arnold Talbot, alias "Toots" Talbot, one of the managers of the Harvard Club, Talbot stated, in answers to inquiries as to this alleged pay-off, that he knew that a "fix" existed in Newberg Heights and stated that this fix was with the Mayor and the City Marshal, but he claimed not to know any of the details of this pay-off. He also stated that there was an arrangement made with the Sheriff and his Chief Deputy Albers but he does not know the details. He stated that whenever any trouble arises, he either calls Art Hebebrand or Shimmy Patton and either of these men handle the situation.

On September 2, 1936, there appeared in the Cleveland Plain Dealer, an editorial which substantiates the above information relative to the local officers in the village of Newberg Heights, Ohio. This is a short editorial that bears a very strong insinuation that the Harvard Club is operating in Newberg Heights.



to the knowledge of the Mayor and City Marshal. This editorial states that some woman went to the Mayor, Jerry Sticha, and complained that her husband was at that time in the Harvard Club and had lost several hundred dollars; that she requested that the town officials do something towards the cessation of this gambling establishment. Continuing, it relates how, regardless of the insistence and persuasion of this woman, the Mayor informed her that he could do nothing as Frank Ptak, the City Marshal, could not be located. This entire article intimated that the mayor and marshal were being paid off and therefore ignored the complaint of this complainant.

The statement of Talbot relative to the Sheriff's office being "fixed" is, of course, substantiated by their refusal to assist Director Ness in his raid on January 10, 1936.

With reference to the Mayfield Road Gang, which has heretofore been mentioned, it has been ascertained that Nate Weisenberg, one of the present owners of the Mayfair Casino Night Club, is "fronting" for this gang in their slot machine activities. From Walter Walker, policeman who has been mentioned before, it was ascertained that at one time the slot-machine racket was controlled by Nate Weisenberg and Al Joyner; that about three years ago, the Mayfield Road Mob "muscle in" on this racket. He stated that Weisenberg quietly acquiesced but that Joyner refused to listen to the proposition and shortly thereafter his body was found in a quick-lime grave. This is mentioned to show the set-up relative to Nate Weisenberg and the significance of the following information.

During the period that this office maintained a telephone tap on the residence telephone of Weisenberg, it was ascertained that Nate Weisenberg is assisted in his racket by Pony Boy Weinzimmer, another well known racketeer; that on one occasion, Mrs. Weinzimmer called Mrs. Weisenberg and related a story relative to an automobile containing four men that had been to her home making inquiries concerning the whereabouts of her husband; that she was anxious over the welfare of her husband as she suspected these men of being gangsters. She gave Mrs. Weisenberg the license number of their automobile with the request that Mrs. Weisenberg contact "Tony" and ascertain the owner thereof. She also requested that she endeavor to have "Tony" obtain a pistol for her husband for his protection. Subsequent

to this conversation, Mrs. Weisenberg called Tony Page, an officer on the Cleveland Police force and relayed the above to him. He appeared to be very cooperative and willing to be of assistance to these racketeers in obtaining the gun and ascertaining the listing on the above mentioned license number. Page resides at 14026 Castalia Avenue.

Nate Weisenberg was also allegedly contacted by former Inspector of Detectives Cornelius Cody, who is at present in charge of the safety division of the Cleveland Trust Company. Subsequent to the time that Special Agent R. T. Noonan of this office made inquiries at the Cleveland Trust Company relative to Weisenberg, Cody telephoned the Weisenberg residence and asked for Nate, stating that he had some information for him. Cody was in the Cleveland Police Department for a long number of years prior to October or November of 1935.

During a considerable period of time, a telephone tap was maintained by this office on the telephone of Ardell Quinn, notorious madame of a house of prostitution located at 1916 East 84th Street in this city. During this period numerous telephone calls were received by the Quinn woman from police officers and due to their potential importance, these calls are being quoted verbatim as reflected in the telephone tap log:

"On August 17, 1936, Ardell Quinn called from her residence to Fairmount 6296, which is the telephone number of the residence of Emmett J. Potts, 2114 Lamberton Road. Potts is the superintendent of the Criminal Investigation Division of the Cleveland Police Department. The following is the above call verbatim:

"At 7:48 P.M. Ardell called Fairmount 6296.

Man's voice	Yeah
Ardell	How are you? You know that party we were talking to the other night?
Man	Yeah
Ardell	Tell him to watch out. They got something on him. That big-shot down town is watching him very close.
Man	Alright, I'll tell him. Goodbye.

"On August 19, 1936, Ardell called the 11th Precinct and talked to Sergeant Walton Fife, at which time the following conversation ensued:  
At 9:45 A. M. Ardell called Precinct number 11:

Ardell	Let me speak to Sergeant Fife.
Fife	Hello
Ardell	Hello Sergeant. This is your Cousin.

Fife                   WHO?  
 Ardell               Your Cousin  
 Fife                 Oh, dizzy?  
 Ardell               No, your cousin, COUSIN.  
 Fife                 Oh, yes.  
 Ardell               Say, I'm sorry that I was not at home last night.  
 Fife                 Well, that's alright.  
 Ardell               I won't be in town this morning, but why don't  
                       you come out and bring Dolly Bishop with you?  
                       Bishop is fixing to leave the office and can't come.  
 Fife                 Well, you come on out anyway.  
 Ardell               Right away?  
 Fife                 Yeah.  
 Ardell               OK.  
 Fife                 OK.

"On September 9, 1936, Ardell made the following call:  
 At 4:30 P. M., Ardell called MAIN 1234 and asked for Captain Aufmuth.  
 Aufmuth             Hello.  
 Ardell               Hello, this is your cousin. Can you come over  
                       tonight?  
 Aufmuth             Yes, I can come over tonight. Be over tonight  
                       cousin.

"On September 11, 1936, some man, evidently a police officer,  
 called Ardell and told her to lay low and to lay off for a while  
 as the police are getting tough; that Savage (probably Captain  
 John E. Savage) was out and gave him her name and stated that she  
 was on the list for next week's raids. He stated that "MacFarland  
 and all of the big guys are out", and they are at present busy on  
 Cornell Street and are going to clean up all the places. Immediately  
 after this call, Ardell called the following:

"At 7:00 P. M., Ardell called Clearwater 2324. (This telephone is  
 listed to Captain John Fleming, 3711 Melburn Avenue.) Ardell  
 talked to some woman and after a personal chat she asked if John  
 or Izzy was there; upon being informed neither was present, she  
 asked if he (name not designated) had a private telephone as she  
 wanted to talk to him about something. She then told this woman  
 to call him and ask him to call her back on Garfield 4780 and for  
 him to call on some phone over which he could talk freely.

"At 8:04 P. M., Ardell received the following call:  
 In on Garfield 4780.  
 Man                 Hello, how are you?  
 Ardell               Well, hello pal, how are you? You haven't been  
                       around in a long time.

Man No, I've been tied down with a lot of responsibilities. What did you want? My wife called me.

Ardell Listen, pal. You know they have been raising hell out here in this precinct.

Man Who has?

Ardell Oh, the squad from downtown.

Man Who is that?

Ardell A friend called me up this afternoon and told me that Sergeant Savage is behind it all - that he is causing a lot of arrests and that I'm on his list. Can you talk to him for me and see what you can do?

Man Yes, but I don't think that it is him that is doing it.

Ardell Yes, but that friend of mine who called me told me that he had talked to Sergeant Savage today and that he was planning some raids and arrests. I don't think that is right. By the way, the name is Captain Savage and not Sergeant. He doesn't do that kind of work. He is assigned to strikes, etc. He never did work on the kind of stuff you have in mind.

Ardell Well, what do you think I can do?

Man I think Farrell out at Precinct 11 would know more about it than anybody. He knows more about it than I would. You know him pretty well, don't you?

Ardell Fairly well only. Why don't you call him and find out something?

Man OK, I'll do it. He'll know.

Ardell Yeah - at least who is behind it. I sure would appreciate it.

Man Well, anything I can do, I'll do it - be glad to. But why don't you call him first?

Ardell What is his home telephone number?

Man I don't know. Why don't you call at the precinct and find out? They won't know your voice, will they? Just say you are from out of town and want to get in touch with him - tonight.

Ardell Alright. Say do you have a private telephone at the office?

Man Yes, but I can't think of the number right now. I can't give it to you because I can't remember it and I'm out on the street now.

Ardell When are you on duty?

Man I quit at midnight; usually get away around 12:30. You can call me at the office around 12 then, if you want to.

Ardell Alright. Thanks, honey.

"Immediately after the above conversation, Ardell called the 11th Precinct and asked for Sergeant Farrell and was told that he was not in and would be on duty at seven in the morning.

"At 3:30 P.M., the following day, Ardell called the 11th Precinct and was told that this was Sergeant Farrell's day off. At 9:50 A.M., September 13, 1936, Ardell called the 11th Precinct at which time she talked to Sergeant Farrell, and made arrangements for him to come to her house at 3:30 P. M. on this date. He agreed to come to her house and she stated that she had something that she wanted to talk to him about.

"On September 26, 1936, Ardell called the 11th Precinct and asked to speak to Sergeant Fife. This was subsequent to the time when Gertrude Currier voluntarily accompanied Agents to the Cleveland Bureau Office and was questioned. She did not return to Ardell's house and several calls were made in an endeavor to locate her. The following call was made at 1:10 P.M.:

Sergeant Fife	Hello, Sergeant Fife speaking.
Ardell	Sergeant, this is your cousin. I wanted to talk to you about something. I have a girl friend who went to the beauty parlor yesterday and .....
Fife	(breaking in) I'll come over and talk to you.
Ardell	Can you come over now?
Fife	No, not now. I'll be over about 2:30.
Ardell	Alright. I wanted to go to the hospital some time this afternoon to see my sister.

"At 3:15 P.M. on this same date Sergeant Fife made the following call from Ardell's house:

Operator	Police Exchange.
Fife	Inspector Carey, please
Operator	(After ringing the Inspector's office) He's down at the Lieutenant's office right now.
Fife	Connect me with him, please.
Carey	Hello.
Fife	Say, I'm over at your cousin's house now. One of her girl friends left here yesterday morning to go get her hair fixed and hasn't come back yet. On account of her connections out here she may not have given her right name, or may be afraid to call out here. Her name is

Gypsy Currier. She lives there - you know. She was dressed in a gingham dress, had a fur neckpiece, about 26 to 27 years old, fair complexion, brown eyes, brown hair, bobbed. Go up to the women's place and see if she's up there, will you? She may not have given her true name because of that connection, just call Gypsy in there and see if she answers. Call me back on GARfield 9241.

"At 3:30 P.M. Inspector Carey called Ardell's:

Man answered the phone  
Carey

Hello

Hello, how are you? Nothing here. Only two girls and one of them is colored and the other is held on a traffic charge.

Ardell (taking the Phone)  
Carey

Hello, how are you?

I looked in the records too. Nothing there.

Ardell  
Carey  
Ardell

Well, I'm worried about her.

Maybe she's with her sweetheart.

No, she wouldn't do that without letting me know.

Carey

Well, tell that boy out there to find her for you, he's good at that. One of the best.

"After the raid on Ardell's place and her arrest, Joe Ganin made several calls to various parties relative to the bond for Ardell. He called the U. S. Commissioner at 8:29 P. M., or some man called for him and asked if they could make the bond for Ardell that night. The commissioner stated that he did not want the bond brought to his house, but that he would have the bond ready at about 8:20 or 8:25 in the morning and would fix it then.

"Immediately after the above call, a man by the name of Mike Gosser (phonetic) called Dwight E. Williams, Deputy U. S. Marshal, at his residence:

Dwight Williams  
Mike

Hello

Dwight, this is Mike. That's postponed until 8:25 in the morning. I just talked to him - he said he couldn't make it tonight. Where will I meet you?

Williams

I guess I'll have to get out early then. I'll call the jail and make arrangements



Nearing the end of prohibition, or shortly after prohibition, the Mayfield Road Gang became known as a group of muscle men, forcing themselves in illegitimate rackets in the city of Cleveland, such as slot machines, gambling, and vice, demanding a percentage of the profits under the threats of bodily harm to those engaged in such rackets.

Very little is actually known as to the identity of the persons comprising this gang, but at the present time it is the consensus of opinion that the Leonardo brothers, Sam Salupa, Chuck and Al Pollizzi, and Johnny Angersola, more commonly known as Johnny King, and his two brothers, Charley (Chuck) and Tony Angersola are the more notorious members of this gang.

With reference to the above named individuals, Chuck and Al Pollizzi are presently part owners of the Thomas Club, a gambling establishment located on McCracken Road on the outskirts of Cleveland, Ohio, and Johnny Angersola, alias Johnny King, and his two brothers are the lieutenants of Mickey McBride, operator of the Lone Cab Company, and the Teleflash, a system of radio broadcast of immediate racing results.

With further reference to the above-mentioned Thomas Club, information was obtained from a confidential source that the following are the absolute owners of this gambling establishment: Sam Tucker, Morris Dolitz, Louis Rothkopf, Marty J. O'Boyle, Charles (Chuck) Pollizzi, Albert Pollizzi, John Angersole, and Harry Lotter. Although it is generally thought in the city of Cleveland that Alkie and Gameboy Miller are the owners of this club, it was ascertained from the same source from whom the above information was obtained, that these two individuals merely "front" for the above listed owners of this club.

It might also be noted that Angelo Marotto, alias Dago Angelo, is the operator of the numbers racket, known as the "Last Chance", which is operated in the city of Cleveland.

Since the beginning of 1936, Eliot Ness, Director of Public Safety of the City of Cleveland, has been investigating the personnel of the Police Department and has accomplished much in the way of indictments of high police officials. He has also discharged and transferred many of the policemen and made changes in the Police Department as a whole and such changes have been placed before the public through the press. The following information was obtained from the Cleveland Plain Dealer relative to the activities of Director Ness:



On May 27, 1936, there appeared an article that related that Captain Louis J. Cadek, of the Cleveland Police Department, was tried, and convicted on four counts in an indictment charging him with accepting bribes; sentence was withheld pending a hearing on a motion for a new trial. On May 30, 1936, this motion was denied and Cadek was sentenced to serve from 2 to 20 years in the Ohio State Penitentiary. On this same date an appeal was noted by Cadek and same is still pending.

On May 30, 1936, there appeared an article reciting that Councilman Anton Vahovec of the 32nd Ward, had sent a written request to Director Ness that his ward be cleaned up of vice and gambling. In a statement to the press he stated that he sent this request to Ness due to the fact that had he given same to the police of the local precinct, nothing would have been done about it.

On June 7, 1936, there appeared an article relating that Captain Michael J. Harwood was relieved of duty from the 14th precinct due to the fact that Director Ness had led a raid on a bookie joint in this precinct and ascertained that this place was operating to the knowledge of Captain Harwood and Harwood's son rented these quarters to this joint and was probably a part owner in this business. It was also stated that both Harwoods frequented this place.

On June 18, 1936, an article carried the incident of the discharge of Captain Cadek as an outgrowth of his conviction on the charge of bribery.

On July 10, 1936, there appeared an article wherein it was related that Captain Harwood's brother had filed suit against him charging that Captain Harwood had, through a spurious will, swindled the other heirs out of \$30,000.00 from the estates of their deceased aunt.

On July 22, 1936, Captain Adolph Lebanan was relieved of duty due to the fact that he appeared at the office of the Chief of Police in a drunken state. On this same date, there appeared an article that Ness raided a bookie joint in the 8th precinct and found that this joint had been operating openly and to the knowledge of the police officials in this precinct.

On July 23, 1936, Deputy Police Inspector Timothy J. Costello, was requested to make an explanation of the above and to explain why his three sons were employed by and working with Tommy McGinty, a notorious racketeer and gambler. These sons are allegedly working at the Bainbridge Race Track.

On August 25, 1936, Operating Director William E. Edwards of the Cleveland Association for Criminal Justice, published the results of his investigation of the "BOND RACKET" in the city of Cleveland. This article named the following judges and county officials:

Chief Justice Burt W. Griffin  
Judge Joseph W. Ackerman  
Judge Jacob Stacel  
Judge Julius M. Kovachy  
Former Judge George S. Tenesey  
Deputy Clerk Lillian M. McGinty

These officials were severely criticized in connection with the professional bondsmen and the following remark was made relative to them: "carelessness, sloppiness, inaccuracy, ignorance and partiality." This article carried incidents of practices of the above description. Edwards stated that "The people must do something about this situation." Edwards stated that he had evidence of perjury against ten professional bondsmen, names not given, and cited the county officials and stated that "of \$318,973.00 bonds forfeited since 1929, the county auditor's office records show only \$50.00 had been collected."

On September 2, 1936, there appeared an article stating that the entire personnel of the 15th precinct had been transferred and had been replaced by a "hand-picked" group of policemen. This transfer was made due to the fact that several of the citizens of this precinct had reported to Ness that uniformed officers were going through the neighborhood warning the people that Ness was making an undercover investigation in this community and that they should not give any information to Ness or his investigators. Director Ness is quoted as saying, "My investigation shows that there has been police collusion in the 15th precinct over a number of years and that condition has resulted in the residents losing all confidence in police generally."

On October 5, 1936, there appeared an article in the Cleveland Press that stated that preparatory to turning over to the county prosecutor a report charging various members of the Police Department with bribery, collusion and graft, Director Ness discharged eight more members from the force, viz:

Deputy Inspector Edwin C. Burns  
Lieutenant John H. Nebe  
Lieutenant Thomas J. Brady  
Sergeant James A. Rice  
Sergeant Harry B. Miller  
Patrolman Clarence H. Alberts  
Patrolman John L. Shoemaker  
Patrolman Gaylord Stotts.

It should also be stated here that the Grand Jury is still in session and that additional evidence is being offered by the 66 witnesses that are testifying before this body relative to bribery and graft, during the period of prohibition, and at present, in the Cleveland Police Department.

The above brief, of the information at hand at this time is furnished for your information relative to the conditions in Cleveland, Ohio, and suburbs, concerning police collusion and corruption.

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Very truly yours,

*E. J. Connelley*  
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Date October 27, 1936.

Following are the dispositions of cases on which fingerprints have been mailed to the Division of Investigation:

Division File Number	Print Number	Name and Alias	Disposition
FBI-54440	Bureau Office, New Orleans, La.	FRED JOHN HUNTER, aliases: FRED HUNTER; FREDDIE HUNTER; FRED KING; HAROLD KING; H. KING; H. J. KING; FRED HARRIS; FRED JOHN HENDERSON; EDWARD O'HARA; E. O'HARA.	Indicted Federal Grand Jury, New Orleans, La., conspiracy to harbor Federal Fugitive 5-27-36; sentenced same day two years Federal Penitentiary

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**Federal Bureau of Investigation**  
**United States Department of Justice**  
**Washington, D. C.**  
October 27, 1936

ALL INFORMATION FOR THE FILE

While discussing with SAC Connelley potential operations in connection with the Toledo and Cleveland harboring cases growing out of the fugitivity of Alvin Karpis, et al, I told Mr. Connelley that this situation should be planned and handled in such a manner that the Bureau would be able to make a comprehensive and intelligent release of the facts in such a manner that they would receive the public notice to which they were entitled and to be handled in such a manner that the Bureau would receive immediate and full credit for the work which has been done by the Bureau.

  
J. E. Tamm

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REPORT MADE AT <b>Oklahoma City, Okla.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>10-27-36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>10-26-36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>L. E. Kingman</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I. O. #1232 - FUGITIVE; et al. EDWARD G. BREMER - VICTIM.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>Kidnaping; Harboring; Obstruction of Justice; National Firearms Act</b>
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: .45 Colt Automatic pistol, #C-175221, sold by Harry Goldstein, pawnbroker, Tulsa, Okla. 8-17-35 to one Roy Eckles. Goldstein did not comply with city ordinance in furnishing copy of application to purchase firearms for this gun to Police Dept. Only LeRoy Eckles located in Tulsa, denies purchasing this gun. Specimens of handwriting obtained.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P.</p> <p>REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent A. L. Meyer, Louisville, dated October 22, 1936.</p> <p>DETAILS: At Tulsa, Oklahoma</p> <p>Roy Essley, who supervises the Firearms Department for Bardon's, in the 100 block on South Main Street, checked his records and ascertained that Colt .45 Automatic pistol, #175221, had been disposed of to Harry Goldstein, pawnbroker, Tulsa, on August 17, 1935. Mr. Essley stated this sale was evidently made to Goldstein in order that Goldstein might make a sale to a customer who wanted such a gun, which was not at that time in Goldstein's stock.</p> <p>Harry Goldstein was contacted and his records checked for the sale of this gun. Under the city ordinance in Tulsa, it is necessary for a formal application for the purchase of weapons to be filled out and signed by the purchaser of any firearm. The original must be filed with the Police Department, and the original must bear the fingerprints of the purchaser on the back of the form. Mr. Goldstein had a duplicate of the application, bearing # A-704. The name of the applicant was set out as Roy Eckles; residence, 418 North Cheyenne; description: age, 45 yrs; height, 5' 8"; weight, 140 lbs.; sex, male; color of hair, light; com-</p>			
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plexion, light. The gun was listed as a .45 calibre Colt; factory # C-175221. The purchase price was \$36.75, and the application was dated at Tulsa, Oklahoma on August 17, 1935, bearing the signature Roy Eckles and witnessed by H.A.G. (Harry Goldstein). This is a carbon copy of the original, which, according to the ordinance, is to be furnished to the Police Department.

At the Tulsa Police Department, Gene Bewley, in charge of records, made a search for the original of this sale. The original could not be located in the Police Department files, and there is no corresponding index card which is customarily filled out at the Police Department and filed by number. Mr. Bewley said he was of the opinion Goldstein had failed to furnish the Police Department with the original of this application.

At 418 North Cheyenne, Mrs. Millie L. Phillips, who lives at that address, stated she did not know any Roy Eckles and, so far as she knew, no such person had ever lived at that address.

Directory records for 1935 and 1936 show that one LeRoy Eckles lived at 1409 South Delaware Place. He is listed as the proprietor of Roy's Automotive Machine Shop at 115 South Denver. Inquiry made at this machine shop revealed Mr. Eckles had sold this business on July 15, 1936, and that he is presently employed by the Norris Manufacturing Company, which manufactures oil well equipment and maintains a large machine shop.

Mr. Eckles was contacted at the Norris Manufacturing Company and said he had not purchased this gun nor any other gun at any time from Harry Goldstein. Agent had a faint memory that the name of Roy Eckles had been previously mentioned in some connection with the instant case during certain phases of the investigation made at Tulsa, and therefore questioned Mr. Eckles relative to his connection with any of the persons involved in this case, which brought forth the information that Harry Sherrill, who was closely associated for a long time with Edith Campbell, sister of Harry Campbell, when paroled from the State Penitentiary at McAlester, Oklahoma, in the latter part of 1935, had been paroled to Mr. Eckles. Eckles stated he did not know the Campbell family nor any of the principals in this case, but that after Harry Sherrill was paroled to him and began to go with Edith Campbell, he, Eckles, was approached at one time by George Stewart, deceased, former police officer, and requested to have Sherrill do all possible to learn the whereabouts of Harry Campbell. Mr. Eckles stated he discussed this with Sherrill and Sherrill promised to ascertain any information possible from Edith Campbell as to the whereabouts of her brother, and that he reported back to Mr. Eckles several times that evidently the Campbell family did not know where Harry was located.

LeRoy Eckles is the father of a 17 year old boy also named LeRoy Eckles, who is the subject of a recent investigation in the Oklahoma City office under a violation of the National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Officers Lian Moss and George Terrill of the Tulsa Police Department informed Agent that LeRoy Eckles bears a good reputation and has never been known to be associated with the underworld around Tulsa.

The physical description of LeRoy Eckles is as follows:

Age	37 years
Height	5' 6"
Weight	180 lbs.
Hair	Dark brown tinged with grey.
Eyes	Grey.

It will be noted this description does not tally with the description on the duplicate application for the purchase of weapons.

Mr. Eckles furnished Agent three specimens of his signature, and the duplicate application for purchase of weapons, together with these known specimens of the handwriting of LeRoy Eckles are being furnished to the Bureau for comparison.

It should be called to the attention of all interested offices that this Agent made a previous investigation in tracing a gun in connection with this case, which was sold by Harry Goldstein, in which transaction Goldstein failed to take the fingerprints of the purchaser, whose identity could not be learned.

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1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

October 30, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Chicago, Illinois.

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

There are being returned herewith the following serials which were furnished by your office to the Cleveland office:

Report of Special Agent S. K. McKee, St. Paul, Minnesota,  
dated July 28, 1936, in the Hanap case;  
Report of Special Agent S. K. McKee, St. Paul, Minnesota,  
dated July 8, 1936, in the Hanap case;

The following serials are in the Brekid case:

Report of Special Agent J. B. Anderson, St. Paul, Minnesota,  
dated August 31, 1936;  
Report of Special Agent Royal J. Untreiner, Jacksonville,  
Florida, dated June 12, 1936;  
Telegram from the Jacksonville office to Inspector K. J.  
Connellley at Chicago, Illinois, dated June 3, 1936;  
Report of Special Agent E. C. Suran, St. Paul, Minnesota,  
dated May 15, 1936;  
Report of Special Agent J. E. Brennan, St. Paul, Minnesota,  
dated February 10, 1936;  
Report of Special Agent J. E. Brennan, St. Paul, Minnesota,  
dated February 1, 1936;  
Report of Special Agent J. E. Brennan, St. Paul, Minnesota,  
dated June 15, 1936;  
Report of Special Agent J. E. Brennan, St. Paul, Minnesota,  
dated June 7, 1936;  
Report of Special Agent R. C. Coulter, St. Paul, Minnesota,  
dated May 23, 1936;  
Report of Special Agent B. F. Fitzsimmons, Jacksonville, Florida,  
dated April 4, 1936;  
Letter from the St. Paul office to the Director dated January 3,  
1936;  
Report of Special Agent E. B. Donaldson, Jacksonville, Florida,  
dated October 14, 1936;

Report of Special Agent J. E. Brennan, St. Paul, Minnesota,  
dated February 7, 1935;  
Report of Special Agent J. E. Hanson, Jacksonville, Florida,  
dated February 20, 1935;  
Report of Special Agent D. L. Nicholson, St. Paul, Minnesota,  
dated June 4, 1934;  
Criminal record of Arthur M. "Doc" Barker, FBI #2894268, dated  
January 11, 1935;  
Criminal record of Paula Hanson, FBI #105880, dated April 20,  
1934;  
Criminal record of Fred Barker, FBI #59163, dated January 23, 1935;  
Criminal record of Russell Gibson, FBI #57685, dated January 11,  
1935;  
Criminal record of Volney Davis, FBI #400441, dated June 3, 1935;  
Criminal record of Myrtle Eaton, FBI #357474, dated March 27, 1936;  
Criminal record of William J. Harrison, FBI #777007, dated  
November 1, 1934;  
Criminal record of Edna Murray, FBI #9397, dated September 27, 1934;  
Criminal record of Edna Murray, FBI #9397, dated October 29, 1934;  
Teletype from Inspector E. J. Connelley to the Director, dated  
January 15, 1935, re Edna Murray;  
Report of Special Agent Emerson Hopp, New Orleans, Louisiana,  
dated May 4, 1934;  
Summary report of Special Agent F. G. Tillman, Chicago, Illinois,  
dated March 22, 1935;  
Parole report on Synona Burdette by Special Agent R. B. Donaldson,  
Jacksonville, Florida, dated April 6, 1935;  
Parole report on Dolores Delaney by Special Agent R. B. Donaldson,  
Jacksonville, Florida, dated April 6, 1935;  
Parole report on William Weaver by Special Agent J. E. Brennan,  
St. Paul, Minnesota, dated February 1, 1936;  
Parole report on Harry Campbell by Special Agent M. C. Suran,  
St. Paul, Minnesota, dated May 15, 1936;  
Parole report on Alvin Karpis, by Special Agent C. E. McKee,  
St. Paul, Minnesota, dated July 28, 1936, in the Manap case;  
Parole report on C. J. Fitzgerald by Special Agent C. E. McKee,  
St. Paul, Minnesota, dated July 28, 1936, in the Manap case;  
Letter from the Chicago office to the St. Paul office dated  
September 29, 1935, in the Brekid case.

Very truly yours,

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E. J. CONNELLEY,  
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REPORT MADE AT <b>PHILADELPHIA, PA.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>10-27-36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>10-16-36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>J.W. RANSOM</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1232, et al EDWARD GEORGE BREMER-Victim</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Dr. Horace Higbee Hunsicker kidnapped by subjects Karpis and Campbell at approximately midnight, January 20, 1935, near Sellersville, Pa. and driven in his car to Guilford Centre, Ohio, where he was trussed up and abandoned at approximately 9 P.M., January 21, 1936, subjects escaping in Dr. Hunsicker's Plymouth Coach. Victim unable to definitely identify subjects at the time of his kidnaping but now realizes same were Karpis and Campbell. Description of Hunsicker set out.

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**REFERENCE:**

Cleveland Office letter dated October 9, 1936; Report of Special Agent J.R. Sharp, Philadelphia, Pa., 2-5-35; report of Special Agent William Larson, Detroit, Mich., 1-31-35.

**DETAILS:**

AT ALLENTOWN, PA.

Dr. Horace Higbee Hunsicker, a member of the Staff of the Allentown State Hospital, was interviewed and furnished further detailed information relative to his kidnaping by subjects Karpis and Campbell.

On Sunday evening, January 20, 1935, Dr. Hunsicker had been visiting a friend, Miss Belford, at the Windemere Apts., Gladstone Manor, on Baltimore Pike, at Lansdowne, Pa., a suburb of Philadelphia. Dr. Hunsicker left Miss Belford's apartment at approximately 10.30 P.M., in his Plymouth

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Coach and started to drive to Allentown, Pa. Dr. Hunsicker took the following route through Philadelphia: In the Baltimore Pike to 52nd Street, crossed 52nd Street to Belmont Avenue, to City Line, crossed Lincoln Drive to McCallum Street; left on McCallum Street to its intersection with U.S. Route 309, and thence out Route 309, which is the main route from Philadelphia to Allentown, Pa.

Dr. Hunsicker recalls distinctly that he left the Windemere Apts. at approximately 10.30 on Sunday evening, January 20, 1935, because of the fact it was cold and snowing and he realized that it would probably take him longer than usual to drive to Allentown, which journey usually requires 1½ hours to complete.

Dr. Hunsicker drove out U.S. Route 309 from Sellersville, Pa., and just outside of Sellersville where Highway #563 crosses Route 309 at right angles he noticed a car parked on Route 563 to his right as he passed this intersection, with the head-lights of this car shining towards him. As he continued on Route 309 he noticed the head-lights of this car turning into Route 309 behind him and after continuing on for a few hundred yards he heard the insistent blowing of an automobile horn, apparently on the car following him. He stated that in view of the slippery condition of the road due to the heavy snow he involuntarily pulled off to the side of the road and stopped with the idea of allowing the car to go on ahead for safety reasons and that before he realized it this car had stopped alongside and slightly ahead of him, at which time one of the two persons in same jumped from the car and approached him with a gun in his hand. This person jumped into his (Dr. Hunsicker's) car, pointed the gun at him, told him to keep quiet and to follow the car which had stopped alongside of him. Dr. Hunsicker realized that he was in trouble and immediately acquiesced to the demands of this person. He followed the hold-up car for about two or three minutes, going directly North on Route 309, after which time they turned over Route 309 to the right and proceeded down a winding country road for a short distance; that they finally stopped and the driver of the hold-up car abandoned the car and got into his (Dr. Hunsicker's) car, placing himself in the front seat. The first man had gotten into the rear seat of Dr. Hunsicker's car. In obedience to the commands of these persons, Dr. Hunsicker turned his car around, proceeded back to Route 309, turning left on Route 309 back towards Philadelphia and at the intersection of Route 563 with 309 turned right into Route 563 going in the direction in which the hold-up car was originally facing on Route 563.

Dr. Hunsicker stated that for some time they continued over back country roads and he recalled that they finally drove into Allentown, Pa., where they turned west going over a number of bumpy roads, crossing a number of railroads and going up over sharp rises. They continued driving in a westerly direction, mainly over back roads, although Dr. Hunsicker believes they were following closely the route of the William Penn Highway and the kidnappers stopped at various times to consult a road map or directions which they had placed in the rear of his car. He stated that during the entire trip other than numerous stops for gasoline they stopped only two other times, one of these being in the Western part of Pennsylvania where they stopped to obtain a drink of water from a spring along the road on a highway which he believes to be Route 986 or some similar route.

Dr. Hunsicker informed that the first stop was made early in the morning of January 21, 1938, at which time they stopped to put the automobile radio in working condition, they having apparently kicked the plug connection from the radio upon entering the car.

Shortly after the start of the trip Dr. Hunsicker informed his captors that he realized he was in great trouble and for that reason he requested that they not carry out any conversation during the trip which might necessitate their killing him in order to keep him from disclosing any information which would subsequently be harmful to them should he disclose same.

During the entire trip Dr. Hunsicker's captors conversed very little and at no time during the trip <sup>did</sup> they indicate their real identities to him or the reason for their having kidnapped him. He stated that as he recalls they did at certain times during the trip call each other by certain names but that possibly due to his highly nervous condition and the length of time elapsing since this kidnaping he does not recall the names his captors used. He stated he was never at any time bound or gagged other than when he was released and bound up at Guilford Center, Ohio. The trip continued on through the early morning of January 21st and into the afternoon and Dr. Hunsicker realized they were continually traveling in a generally westward direction, although they followed mainly back and winding dirt roads, and he stated that in the afternoon he recalled having seen highway markers pointing to Butler and New Castle, Pa., indicating they were in the vicinity of Pittsburgh, Pa.

Just prior to crossing the Pennsylvania-Ohio State Line, they traveled on a back road apparently parallel to this State line, going back and forth in a northerly and southerly direction several times before they finally turned left over a bumpy dirt road, which led them into the State of Ohio, and Dr. Hunsicker recalls having seen an Ohio State Line marker as they passed across.

Immediately after crossing the Ohio State Line, they traveled over a short bumpy road and thence over a brick road through a number of small residential towns.

Dr. Hunsicker informed further that just prior to going over into Ohio his captors debated as to whether they should take him from Pennsylvania into Ohio, they apparently being familiar with the Kidnaping Law, which makes it a violation to transport a kidnapped person in interstate commerce and they were apparently looking for a country school house or some similar place in which to abandon him.

Dr. Hunsicker noted that about 1:00 or 1:30 P.M. on January 21st his captors turned on the automobile radio and were apparently "fishing" for some particular program and that at about 1:30 P.M. they tuned into a hill-billy program for which program they had apparently been looking particularly. When questioned as to what station this program came over or any identifying data pertaining to same, Dr. Hunsicker stated he was unable to inform as to the station over which this program came but that he remembered it was a hill-billy program and that the people broadcasting were reciting about pine trees and there being safety in the pines and that it was clear ahead. Being unable to make much sense out of Dr. Hunsicker's explanation of this radio program he was closely questioned about this and he reiterated this information, stating it was his honest belief that this program was being broadcasted solely for the benefit of his captors in an effort to give them information to the effect that it was clear ahead and that they should seek safety in the pines. He stated very definitely that it appeared to him that his captors were trying to locate this one particular program inasmuch as shortly after the conclusion of same they turned the radio off. He stated that in addition to the particular broadcast described above they also recited on this program the poem entitled "The Shooting of Dan McGrew," or some similar piece.

It appeared to Dr. Hunsicker that his captors were unfamiliar with the roads in the Eastern part of Pennsylvania but seemed to become more familiar with the roads as they traveled West, particularly in Ohio, where they did very little consulting of their road map. He stated particularly in Eastern and Central parts of Pennsylvania they would run past roads and then turn and run back on same. According to Dr. Hunsicker it was about dusk of January 21st when they crossed the Pennsylvania-Ohio State Line, and a few hours after this Dr. Hunsicker recalls passing through Akron, Ohio, which was the last main town they passed through prior to stopping at Guilford Centre shortly before 9:00 P.M. on the evening of January 21, 1935. The car was driven through a

small settlement which Dr. Hunsicker later learned to be Guilford Centre, Ohio, and his captors noted the building later identified as the Guilford Centre Grange Hall, which was apparently vacant at that time. They drove past this hall which was on the left, stopped a short distance away, turned around, came back, drove in and around to the rear of the building where they made a cursory examination of same and then broke a window and together with himself entered the building. He was taken to the basement of same where he was bound with his own pajamas, a belt, the ownership of which he does not know, and a piece of rope, which they apparently got from the rear of his car although he does not recall having any rope in same. He stated that as he recalls it they gagged him at his own request as he (Dr. Hunsicker) realized that he was in very dangerous hands and wanted to impress upon his captors the fact that he would not make any immediate attempt to escape or at least would be secure until they had sufficient time to make their escape. He stated he believed it was approximately 9:00 P.M. when he was trussed up at Guilford Centre. He stated that after his captors left he heard the automobile start up but that he made no attempt to free himself for a few moments, thinking possibly that one of his captors might have remained behind to see if he made an immediate attempt to free himself. Shortly thereafter he did manage to free himself from his bonds which he stated were bound very loosely and he then left the building and walked down the road stopping at the first farm-house where he made inquiry for a telephone and learned that he would find one at the next farm-house; that he immediately went there and called up the Chief of Police; that he was subsequently removed to the hospital at Wadsworth, Ohio, where about 4:00 A.M. he was aroused from sleep and interviewed by an agent of this Bureau, the results of which interview are set out in the Larson report of reference.

Dr. Hunsicker expressed surprise that he had not been re-contacted by an agent of this Bureau prior to this time, stating that he realizes at the time he was interviewed at Wadsworth he was in an exhausted and nervous condition and because of this had probably not given a coherent story of his kidnaping and subsequent flight at the hands of his captors into Ohio. He was questioned as to whether he could identify photographs of Karpis and Campbell, at which time he removed from his desk copies of the wanted notices, which were printed by this Bureau of Karpis and Campbell and stated that he now realizes from subsequent events that his captors were these persons but that at the time of his kidnaping he took pains to keep his eyes away from his captors at all times in accordance with their demands and although he

did at times catch a glimpse of their profiles he was unable at the time of his kidnaping to definitely identify photographs of subjects as his kidnappers.

He was also diplomatically questioned as to the time at which he was kidnapped as indicated in the Larson report of reference and he informed that he did not recall having stated to the interviewing agent that it was as a matter of fact 8:00 A.M., January 21st, when he was kidnapped and that he would have no reason for doing same. He stated that the approx. time of his actual kidnaping was shortly prior to midnight of January 20, 1935, of which time he was absolutely certain in view of the fact that he had left Lansdowne, Pa., at 10:30 P.M., January 20th; that the total trip from Lansdowne to Allentown, Pa., usually consumed an hour and a half but on this particular night due to the condition of the roads and falling snow he was required to drive slower than usual and in addition to this he had been delayed for a few moments in Philadelphia, Pa., having been stopped by a traffic officer because of faulty head-lights and he, therefore, estimated that it was shortly prior to midnight or approx. midnight at the time he was first held up by Karpis and Campbell.

It will also be noted that the directions in which Karpis and Campbell drove after getting into Dr. Hunsicker's car on Routes 309 and 563 respectively are at variance with the information contained in the Larson reference report. However, Dr. Hunsicker stated that the information previously in possession of the Bureau was incorrect in the premises and that they actually turned left into 309 back towards Philadelphia, and thence right into 563 as shown herein.

It will be noted from the Sharp report of reference that subject's car in which they fled from Atlantic City, N.J., was apparently abandoned at the point where it was found at Quakertown, Pa., at approximately 12:30 A.M., January 21, 1935, inasmuch as the attention of James Lark, who resides near the point where this car was abandoned was attracted by the barking of his dog at about 12:30 or 1:00 A.M. this date, and his daughter, Juanita, from her bedroom at approximately 12:30 A.M., January 21st, saw the lights of a car pull into the lane and then go out.

Reference to a Pennsylvania road map reveals that the vicinity described by Dr. Hunsicker as being that in which he was kidnapped and forced to follow his kidnappers' car is in the approximate location of where subjects' car was found abandoned.



Dr. Hunsicker was questioned as to whether he heard any barking dogs at the time subjects abandoned their car and commandeered his and he stated he did not recall any barking dogs although it was entirely possible that he did not hear same due to the nervous tension under which he was working.

Dr. Hunsicker was positive that the time of his kidnaping was approximately 12:00 Midnight of January 20, 1935.

Dr. Hunsicker was unable to supply any information of value in addition to that hereinbefore set out in this report, stating he possibly could have shortly subsequent to his kidnaping and after his return to Allentown supplied additional information but that same had now slipped his recollection due to the time elapsing since the kidnaping.

The following description of Dr. Hunsicker was obtained from observation and interrogation:

Name:	Horace Higbee Hunsicker, M.D.
Age:	33; born August 2, 1905, Phila.Pa.
Height:	5' 5"
Weight:	144 pounds
Complexion:	dark
Build:	short
Eyes:	brown
Hair:	dark brown, receding.
Scars:	scar 2" inner left knee; 1" across top of tongue.
Eye-glasses:	rimless eye-glasses.
Mustache:	effects small mustache.
Residence:	temporary-Allentown State Hospital, Allentown, Pa. home- 1625 Race Street, Phila.Pa.
Color:	White
Sex:	Male
Nationality:	American
Parents:	Mr. and Mrs. W.C. Hunsicker, Phila.Pa.
Relatives:	Brother-W.C. Hunsicker, Jr., Phila.Pa. Sister, Mrs. M.J. Bennett, Phila.Pa.
Education:	Graduate Hahnemann Medical College, 1929.
Criminal Record:	None known.
Occupation:	Member of Staff, Allentown State Hospital.
Fingerprints:	On file at Harrisburg, Pa. State Board of Health.

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1448 Standard Building  
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October 30, 1936.

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

Dear Sir:

RE: BREYID

This is to advise that a copy of the summary report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, Cleveland, Ohio, dated October 25, 1936, and a copy of the summary report of Special Agent S. K. McKee, Cleveland, Ohio, dated October 26, 1936, were delivered by me to United States Attorney Emerich B. Freed at Cleveland, Ohio, on October 29, 1936, when the harboring situation was taken up with him.

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Very truly yours,

E. J. Connelley,  
Inspector.

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October 29, 1936

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Relative to the letters written by Alvin Karpis and Dolores Delaney which appear in The American Magazine for November, you are advised that copies of these letters were in the possession of the Bureau shortly after each letter was written.

The letter written by Alvin Karpis to Dolores Delaney on May 10, 1936, was transmitted to the Bureau by the St. Paul Office with a cover letter dated May 11, 1936, which was received in the Bureau on May 13, 1936. A copy of this letter was also forwarded to the Bureau with a cover letter from the Detroit Office dated May 15, 1936, this letter being received in the Bureau on May 13, 1936. The original letter written by Karpis was, of course, delivered to Dolores Delaney.

A copy of the letter written by Dolores Delaney to Alvin Karpis dated only "May, 1936" was transmitted to the Bureau by the Detroit Office with a cover letter dated May 11, 1936, which was received in the Bureau on May 13, 1936.

No copy of the letter written by Dolores Delaney to Alvin Karpis was made by the St. Paul Office when the letter was received there since the St. Paul Office knew that copies of all Dolores Delaney's correspondence were being obtained through the Detroit Office.

For your information, Dolores Delaney was received at Milan, Michigan, on March 29, 1935, and in April, 1935, the Detroit Office perfected arrangements with the Milan Reformatory officials whereby the Bureau was furnished with copies of all of the incoming and outgoing correspondence of Dolores Delaney, and we had been receiving this correspondence for a period of more than a year when instant specimens were obtained.

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I talked with SAC Reinecke at Detroit concerning this situation, and he advised that the only information which he obtained from Milan specifically for Ryley Cooper was information concerning the background of Pat/Cherrington, which information was obtained at the request of Mr. Tolson. Mr. Reinecke did not obtain copies of these letters from the Milan institution for Mr. Cooper.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

97-193

October 28, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Dallas, Texas.

RE: BURKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to letter from Inspector E. J. Connelley, dated at Cleveland, Ohio, October 27, 1936, relative to the fact that George "Burrhead" Keady is allegedly operating a gambling establishment in or around the city of Dallas, Texas. In this connection it is thought advisable that immediate investigation be conducted to locate such an establishment and, if possible, to cultivate an informant who either frequents this place or works therein, who will keep the Bureau advised as to the activities of Keady, and also to ascertain whether or not Milton Lett is frequenting this gambling establishment.

It will be noted that in the report of Special Agent A. Paul Kitchen, dated at Cleveland, Ohio, September 8, 1936, relative to the activities of Milton Lett, reference is made to the fact that Lett might possibly be in contact with one Kenneth Lang of Baird, Texas.

It is thought that due to the connections of the two individuals with the major subjects in this case that it is highly probable that Milton Lett may subsequently, if not at the present time, be in contact with "Burrhead" Keady.

You are respectfully requested to give this matter your early attention as the Bureau is desirous of securing an interview with Lett. Lett should be held until advice is received from Cleveland as to what disposition will be made of him.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,  
Inspector.

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Case Re: BREKID

Number: 7-576-13162

Spec 7-576-13162 Q9. One photostat containing copies of the reverse side of five C.O.D. package receipts, all ~~signed~~ signed "E. Bronson" and dated Jul. 11, 1934.

Examination requested by: Cleveland

Date received: 11-3-36 jwp 3:00 PM

Examination requested: D current 11/6

Result of examination:

Examination by Pickering (AE)

CC: S<sup>t</sup>. Paul  
Cincinnati  
E. J. Connelley, Chicago

Chicago  
EXPLOSIVE FACTS TO GO TO GRAND JURY IN NEAR FUTURE

Compared with various members  
of the Karpis Barker Gang. ~~None~~  
No reason to believe any of them with  
signature "E. Bronson."

No conclusion re signature "E. Bronson"  
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No comparison with Dallas Delaney as  
sufficient specimens not available



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CC: S<sup>t</sup>. Paul  
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~~E. J. Connelley, Chicago~~  
Chicago

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

October 31, 1936.

ATTENTION: TECHNICAL LABORATORY

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

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith will be found photostatic copies of the reverse side of five U.O.D. package receipts obtained from the U. S. Post Office, Cleveland, Ohio, which were signed for by one E. Bronson, and all of which relate to packages of tailored shirts mailed by the Thomas Shirt Company of Columbus, Ohio, to subjects in this file at the Harvard Club, Newburgh Heights, Ohio, under date of July 6, 1934.

It is requested that the signatures appearing on these receipts be compared by the Technical Laboratory with the known handwriting specimens of Alvin Karpis and Fred Barker, as well as other members of the Barker-Karpis gang, in order to determine whether the packages in question were obtained at the post office by any of these individuals. Attention is called to the fact that Karpis, during the year 1934, had a Ford coupe automobile registered under the alias of Bronson, and it is believed that copies of papers relating to this car and bearing the name Bronson in writing are contained in the Bureau files in this matter.

It will be appreciated if this examination is expedited inasmuch as the information is desired in connection with the harboring cases at Toledo and Cleveland, Ohio, and the facts as to these situations are to be presented to a Grand Jury in the near future.

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Very truly yours,  
*J. P. MacFarland*  
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

October 31, 1936.

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

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated October 26, 1936, (7-576) advising that Fred C. Spohn of Chardon, Ohio, wrote to the Bureau under date of September 9, 1934, requesting the criminal record of Charles Carroll, FBI #30222, and that the criminal record was sent to Mr. Spohn on August 17, 1934. It is presumed that the letter written by Mr. Spohn to the Bureau was dated August 9, 1934, rather than September 9, 1934.

The Cleveland office is interested in securing the transcript of the criminal record of Charles Carroll, FBI #30222, which was forwarded to Mr. Fred C. Spohn, and in this connection the Chicago office advised by letter dated October 26, 1936, that the said transcript was forwarded to the Bureau by the Chicago office for laboratory examination, and that the Bureau, by letter dated September 20, 1936, advised the Chicago office that the transcript of the criminal record had been examined but no latent fingerprints found thereon.

It thus appears that the Bureau is in possession of the transcript of the criminal record of Charles Carroll, which was originally furnished to Mr. Fred C. Spohn of Chardon, Ohio, and it is, therefore, requested that same be forwarded to the Cleveland office for possible use in connection with the case which is expected to be presented in the near future as to persons who harbored fugitives in this case in the state of Ohio.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFarland

Special Agent in Charge

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1448 Standard Building  
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October 31, 1936.

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

RE: BREXID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent J. R. Sharp dated at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, February 5, 1935, wherein it is stated that registration cards of the Dammor Hotel, Atlantic City, New Jersey, were secured, reflecting that on January 18, 1935, "Mrs. A. B. Graham and sister, Macom, Georgia" (Dolores Delaney and Wynona Burdette) registered, and that on January 19, 1935, persons registered as "R. S. Carson and G. C. Cameron, Rock Harbor, Florida" (Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell).

The Philadelphia office advised that the originals of the above registration cards were forwarded to the Bureau.

It is respectfully requested that the Bureau forward these original registration cards to the Cleveland office for use in connection with the contemplated harboring trial at Toledo, Ohio.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFarland  
Special Agent in Charge

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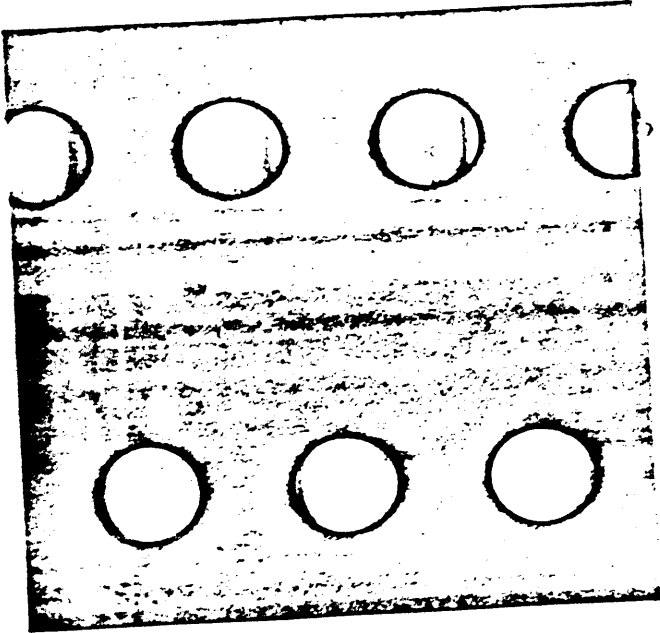
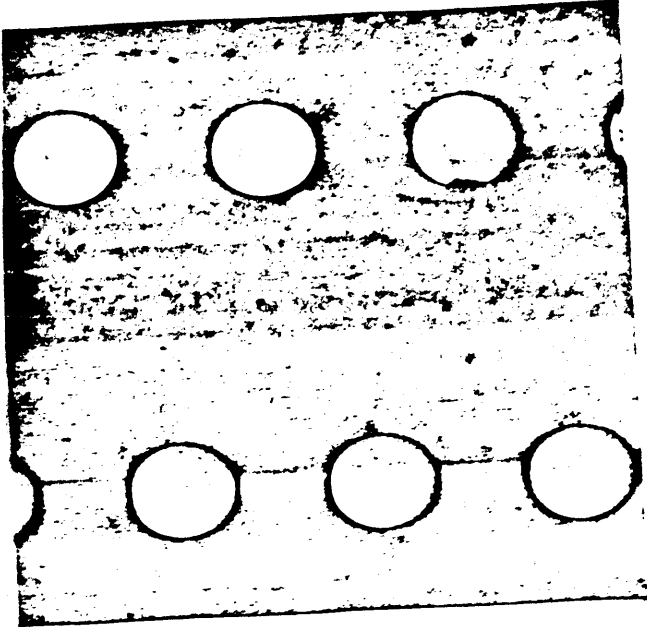
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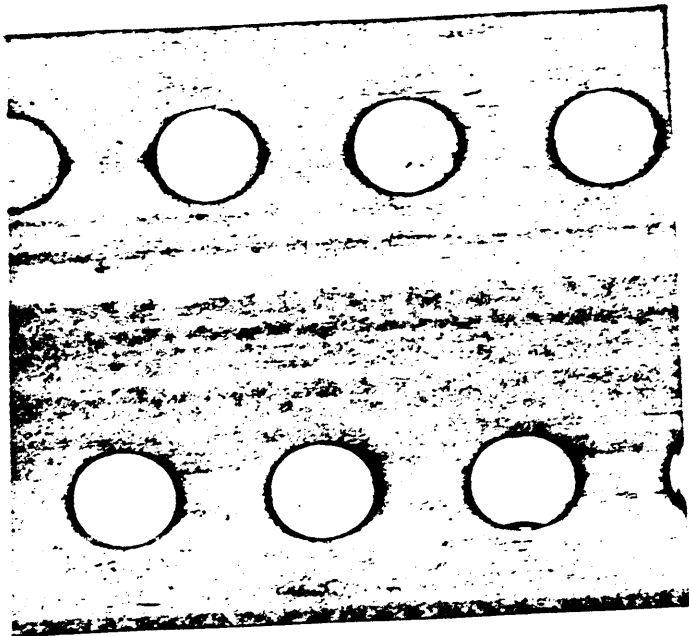
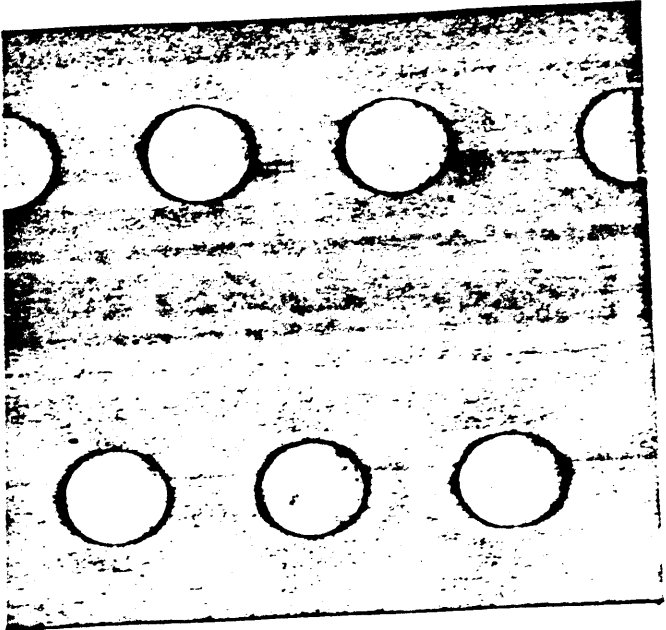
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E. P. COFFEY

*E. P. Coffey*

1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

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October 30, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent L. B. Reed, Oklahoma City, dated October 9, 1936, reflecting investigation conducted for the purpose of establishing the previous association of Sam Coker with Harry Campbell in the state of Oklahoma, the report indicating that there was nothing found to show such previous association.

It is now requested that you make a definite, determined effort to ascertain any previous association of Coker with Harry Campbell in the state of Oklahoma and in conducting this investigation you go over the past life and career of Coker, ascertaining the various places he lived in the state of Oklahoma, and his past associates, and in accordance with such information developed along this line, that appropriate investigation be pursued for the purpose of showing any acquaintanceship existing between Coker and Campbell. In view of the denials of Coker that he was previously associated with Harry Campbell it is imperative that in connection with the harboring situation at Toledo, in which Coker is expected to be a defendant, such previous acquaintanceship be established and that every effort be put forth to establish this.

It is expected that the harboring case at Toledo will be presented to a Grand Jury within the next ten days and that thereafter trial will be set at an early date, and you are, therefore, requested to expedite investigation in your district.

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Very truly yours,

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E. J. CONNELLEY,  
Inspector.

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1206 Tower Petroleum Bldg.,  
Dallas, Texas.

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October 20, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter of October 26,  
1936, to the Louisville Office, you are advised that  
investigation by the Dallas Office at Fort Worth,  
Texas, developed that .45 caliber Colts Automatic  
Pistol # C177278 was, on August 19, 1935, sold and  
shipped to Harry Goldstein, 108 East First Street,  
Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Very truly yours,

F. J. WAKE,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Chicago, Illinois.

RE: BECKER

Dear Sir:

Charles Becker of Toledo, Ohio, who, as indicated in report of Special Agent J. V. Murphy, Cleveland, Ohio, dated October 10, 1936, pages 69 and 70, is employed on the barge "Fritz" of the Pittsburgh Steamship Company, is considered an important witness in connection with the contemplated harboring trial at Toledo, Ohio, in the near future. As set out in the report of reference, the whereabouts of Charles Becker can be ascertained through Mr. J. E. Cottier of the Pittsburgh Steamship Company, 208 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois. It is respectfully requested that you immediately contact Mr. Cottier at the above address and ascertain from him the present whereabouts of Charles Becker and from the company records secure his home address or any other pertinent information which may be of value in locating him at the time he is desired as a witness. In this connection it may be possible to arrange with Mr. Cottier to keep the Chicago office advised as to the date of arrival of the Fritz in the harbor at Chicago, as well as information with reference to the termination of the services of Becker for the present shipping season, which is expected to close on or about November 15, 1936.

As stated hereinbefore, Charles Becker is a very important witness and we should be in a position to subpoena him at such time as he is desired as a witness, which may possibly be within the next ten or fifteen days.

Charles Becker should not be interviewed by your office at this time and, if possible, your investigation should be conducted in such a manner as to preclude any intimation reaching Charles Becker that inquiry has been made concerning him.

Very truly yours,

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J. P. McFARLAND

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Cleveland, Ohio

October 31, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

RE: REXIN

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent J. R. Sherr, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, dated February 8, 1935.

It is requested that you immediately forward to the Cleveland office, the original signed statement obtained from Wynona Burdette, dated at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, January 20, 1935, quoted on pages thirteen to fifteen, inclusive, of the report of reference.

It is also requested that you forward to this office the original signed statement secured from William A. Morley, dated January 21, 1935, quoted on pages 25 to 29, inclusive of the above-mentioned report.

It is noted on page 25 of the report of reference that there is a statement to the effect that signed statements were secured from Daniel Young and Mrs. William A. Morley. It is likewise requested that these original signed statements be forwarded to the Cleveland office.

For your information the above requested original signed statements are needed in connection with the contemplated harboring trial which is expected will take place in the Northern District of Ohio in the near future.

Very truly yours,

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J. P. MacFARLAND  
Special Agent in Charge

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Special Agent in Charge,  
New Orleans, Louisiana.

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to a letter dated October 26, 1936 from the New Orleans office to the Louisville office, making inquiry concerning the tracing of specified guns.

For your information, .45 calibre Colt automatic pistol, #C195221, was traced to Harry Goldstein, a dealer in firearms at Tulsa, Oklahoma. His records show that on August 17, 1935 he sold it to Roy Ekles. In selling this gun to Ekles, whose identity has been impossible to determine, Goldstein did not comply with the Tulsa City Ordinance requiring submission to the police information concerning the purchaser as well as his fingerprints.

.45 calibre Colt automatic pistol, #C197278, was also traced to Harry Goldstein at Tulsa, Oklahoma, who sold the gun on August 21, 1935 to James Brown, Jenks, Oklahoma. Brown's identity could not be determined, and as in the above case, Goldstein did not comply with the city ordinance covering sale of firearms.

A .32 calibre Colt automatic, serial #150, was traced to the W. J. Pette Hardware Company, Oklahoma City, and their records reflect that it was sold to T. Douglas, Chickasha, Oklahoma, August 18, 1935. The records do not show any additional data. Investigation at Chickasha did not develop the identity of Douglas, and Oklahoma City has no ordinance requiring a report to the police department or other law enforcement agency the sale of guns.

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BRIGHT BRANTLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

October 31, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Chicago, Illinois.

RE: P-EXID

Dear Sir:

It is requested that you forward to this office immediately by registered mail, the original statements mentioned below, for use in the harboring prosecution which is contemplated to take place at Toledo, Ohio, in the near future.

Statement of Paula Harmon dated at Chicago, 9/23/34;  
Statements (2) of James J. Wilson, dated at Chicago, 9/25/34;  
Statement of Dolores Delaney dated at St. Paul, 1/22/36;  
Statements of Lynona Burdette, as follows:  
dated at St. Paul, 1/18/36;  
" " Chicago, 1/31/36;  
" " Chicago, 9/13/34 (unsigned);  
Statement of Clara Gibson dated at Chicago, 1/13/35;  
All signed statements of Edna Murray.

In addition to the above, it is requested that you thoroughly review your files in this case and that any other signed statements secured from the above mentioned individuals be furnished to the Cleveland office.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFARLAND  
Special Agent in Charge

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CC - Bureau  
- Cincinnati

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**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION  
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October 31, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Atlanta, Georgia.

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

In confirmation of my teletype to you of October 30, 1936, requesting correspondence records of Charles Webb, United States Penitentiary, Atlanta, Georgia, #38545, received there January 8, 1931, and the correspondence and original records, as well as photographs of Eli Stewart and Frank Grabowski, who are believed to have been sentenced to the United States Penitentiary at Atlanta, Georgia, in 1931, from Dayton, Ohio, in connection with the same post office violation on which Webb was convicted, please be advised that this information was requested as a possible aid in bringing about the apprehension of Benson Groves, who was an associate of the aforementioned persons.

Colin Monroe, alias Coolie Monroe, alias Colin Munro, is a potential defendant in connection with harboring certain fugitives of this case in the Northern District of Ohio. He was interviewed on February 3, 1936, at Toledo, Ohio, by Inspector L. J. Connelley, as set out in report of Special Agent R. D. Brown, Chicago, Illinois, dated March 23, 1936. At the time of interview he stated he served time in the United States Penitentiary at Atlanta from September 1931, to July 1932, being sentenced by the United States District Court at Toledo to serve one year and one day in the United States Penitentiary at Atlanta, on a charge of smuggling liquor.

The description of Monroe, as obtained by Inspector Connelley at the time of interview, is as follows:

Age	-	37 years (2-23-35)
Height	-	5'7"
Weight	-	147 pounds
Eyes	-	Gray
Hair	-	Dark Black
Marital Status	-	Single
Relatives	-	Claims to have no living relatives.

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It is requested that you determine the complete criminal record of Monroe at the United States Penitentiary at Atlanta, and that you secure a photograph and his complete correspondence record and forward same to the Cleveland office. As this information may be of value in locating Monroe, whose exact location is not presently known, it is requested that you expedite your investigation inasmuch as it is expected that a warrant may issue for Monroe in the Northern District of Ohio, within the next ten days.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFARLAND  
Special Agent in Charge

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Edward B. Brown  
PHONE. BREKID. REFERENCE TELETYPE YESTERDAY FROM CLEVELAND REQUESTING ATLANTA  
OFFICE FORWARD AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY CORRESPONDENCE RECORD EDWARD WEBB,  
UNITED STATES PENITENTIARY, ATLANTA, GEORGIA, NUMBER THREE SIX FIVE FOUR FIVE,  
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Mr. J. E. Hoover, Director,  
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Date October 30, 1936

Dear Sir:

Following are the dispositions of cases on which fingerprints have been  
mailed to the Division of Investigation:

Division File Number	Print Number	Name and Alias	Disposition
255509	Okla. St. Pen. #24696	John Brock, aliases: John Brack; J. S. Adams J. C. Creighton; Harold Johnson	Arrested as J. D. Adams. S.O. Pawnee, Okla. 5/17/23; suspicion. 9/20/33 rec'd Okla. St. Pen. McAlester, Okla. #13516 larceny of auto. Sentenced from Pawnee Cty. to 12 years. Discharged by expiration of sentence, 9/24/29.
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The Bureau files do not reflect the above sentence in McAlester,  
although apparently fingerprint were taken at that time. The record  
on this sentence was obtained by correspondence with the Oklahoma  
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Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFarland  
Special Agent in Charge  
(Official Title)

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775 Starks Building  
Louisville, Kentucky

October 30  
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Special Agent in Charge  
New Orleans, Louisiana

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

In answer to your request of October 26th, 1936, that your Office be furnished with the investigative report covering the tracing of .45 calibre Colt Automatic Pistol, #C-175221, shipped to the Belknap Hardware & Manufacturing Company of Louisville, Kentucky, I am enclosing herewith report of Special Agent A. L. Meyer, dated at Louisville, Kentucky, 10-22-36, showing the result of this investigation.

Very truly yours,

O. C. DEWEY  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Sir:

Referring to fingerprints forwarded by you, please be advised that an examination of the fingerprint records of the Federal Bureau of Investigation fails to disclose any data concerning the following:

Walter Walsley

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Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1  
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Cincinnati, Ohio

Cleveland FILE NO. 7-1

REPORT MADE AT Cleveland, Ohio	DATE WHEN MADE 10/30/36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 10/23-26/36	REPORT MADE BY JOHN L. MADALA EJB
TITLE GEORGE TIMINNEY; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. #1232; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
<p><b>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</b></p> <p>Margaret Ball, colored maid at Edith Barry's house of prostitution, furnished signed statement and recalls that Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell resided at Barry house at various times in 1934 and 1935. Identifies several members of Barker-Karpis gang as visitors there in summer of 1934, and identifies John F. "Sharkey" Gorman, Joe Roscoe, and Fred Hunter as visitors to Karpis and Campbell in 1935. She also identifies Benson Groves, Sam Coker, and James "Tip" O'Neil as persons who frequented Edith Barry's place in 1935 and 1936. States that "Sharkey" Gorman drove away in early February, 1935, with Karpis from Barry house. Frank P. Greenwald, owner of Private Cab Company, denies delivering messages for Karpis and Campbell, and disclaims knowledge that Joe Roscoe and Karpis and Campbell were known to each other. Walter Walmsley, negro houseman at Edith Barry's house, made signed statement that he had knowledge of true identities of Karpis and Campbell after he gave Karpis a haircut in spring of 1935. Admits performing errands for them on several occasions thereafter. Identifies Fred Hunter as one of visitors had by Karpis and Campbell. States he saw green coupe parked in front of Barry house while Karpis and Campbell lived there, and that Lou Poole parked said car away from house. Again saw this car two days after above occasion. Recalls that Karpis and Campbell were driving a 1933 model Ford coupe bearing 1935 Ohio license plates #EM 54 in spring of 1935. Identifies Sam Coker and Benson Groves as being together on one occasion at Barry house in early 1936. Mary Foster, negro day maid, can only identify Karpis as one of two</p>			
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men who lived at Miss Barry's home on two or three occasions in early 1935. -

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REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent J. V. Murphy, dated at Cleveland, Ohio, 10/24/36.

DETAILS:

This is a joint report of Special Agent D. P. Sullivan and the writer relative to the investigation conducted by them at Toledo, Ohio, and it is also intended to be supplementary to the summary reports of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, dated at Cleveland, Ohio, October 25, 1936, and Special Agent S. K. McKee, dated at Cleveland, Ohio, October 26, 1936.

Margaret Ball, negro maid employed by Edith Barry, and who resides at 431 Pinewood Avenue, Toledo, Ohio, was brought to the temporary office being maintained at Toledo, Ohio, where she was interviewed. She signed the following statement, which is quoted herewith:

"Toledo, Ohio  
"October 23, 1936.

"I, MARGARET BALL, do hereby make the following signed statement to John L. Madala and D. P. Sullivan whom I know to be Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, no threats or promises having been made to me.

"I am 46 years of age, and am presently residing with my husband, Albert Ball at 431 Pinewood Avenue, Toledo, Ohio. I have been married since January 17, 1935.

"I have been employed by Edith Barry as a maid at the house of prostitution operated by her at 524 Southard Street, Toledo, Ohio since 1925, except for short periods of time when business was slack. During the years of 1934 and the first part of 1935 two girls named Lou and Peaches were employed as prostitutes at Edith Barry's house. Walter Walsley, a negro, has been employed as a houseman at Miss Barry's house for the past six years, and Mary whose last name is either Foster or Smith, has been employed as a day maid by Edith Barry for about the same length of time.

"Sometime during the late spring or early summer of 1934, three men called at Edith Barry's house. I did not recognize them, and acting upon the instructions that Edith had given me, not to admit strangers, I called Miss Barry who admitted these men. They sat in the dining room and talked with Miss Barry for a while, after which one of the men upstairs and was entertained by either Peaches or Lou. From a group of photographs I have selected that of William J. Harrison, and identify it as being the likeness of one of the three men I am speaking about, as the man who went upstairs that night. I recall that he was a jolly sort of fellow who cut up quite a bit, and he was referred to as Willie. I have also selected the photographs of Charles J. Fitzgerald and Alvin Karpis as being photographs of the two men who were with Willie that night. Karpis was known to me by the name of Sonny, and Fitzgerald was referred to merely as the Old Man. I recall that these men were still at Edith Barry's house drinking beer in the dining room when I went off duty at 4:00 A. M. From the conversation I overheard between Miss Barry and these men I have mentioned, it appeared that this was the first time that she had met them.

"About a week or ten days later the men whom I have identified as William J. Harrison and Charles J. Fitzgerald came to Edith Barry's house in the company of two men whom I had not seen before. I admitted them and took them to the dining room where I served them some beer. From a group of photographs shown me, I have selected the photographs of James J. Wilson, whom I knew as Jimmy, and of Fred Barker, whose name I never learned, as two of these men. I recall that the man I have identified as Fred Barker was short and slender, and I especially recall that his fingers on one hand were bandaged. I recall that Fred Barker and Jimmy went upstairs, and to my best recollection both had dates with Lou. Willie and the Old Man remained in the dining room talking with Miss Barry. All four of these men were still at the house when I went off duty at 4:00 A. M.



"I have selected a photograph of Dr. Joseph P. Moran and recall that this man was known to me only as Doc. He called at the house of Miss Barry on several occasions around this time, and was always by himself at these times. I cannot recall him having a date with any girl but Lou. He was a heavy drinker, and I remember that he would play the song called, 'The Last Roundup' on the phonograph as much as four or five times in succession. I recall Miss Barry mentioning after the last time that I saw Doc, that he owed her about \$30.00, and that he also owed Lou some money. Lou mentioned that she hoped to run into him some place, but I never heard her say that she was successful in locating him.

"I have selected the photograph of Russell Gibson and state that I saw this man only once. I never heard this man's name mentioned, but recall that one evening when I reported for work he was in the hallway upstairs and was ready to leave Miss Barry's house.

"I have identified the photograph of Oliver A. Berg as being the likeness of a man I saw at Edith Barry's house during the summer of 1934 on only one occasion. I am unable to state whether anyone was with this man, nor do I recall anything about his visit there. I did not know his name, and only recall that he was a middle-aged man.

"I have identified two photographs of Harry Campbell and state that I saw this man at Edith Barry's house on at least four or five occasions during the summer of 1934. I can recall that he had dates with the girl named Lou, and he always was alone when I saw him. I do not remember having heard his name or the nickname used by him at that time.

"I am personally acquainted with Joe Roscoe, having known him since I first went to work for Edith Barry in 1925, where I first got to know him. Since that time he occasionally paid friendly visits to Miss Barry. I cannot ever remember Mr. Roscoe going upstairs to be entertained by one of the prostitutes working there. I have never heard that Joe Roscoe owned or operated the 42nd Street Cafe, but I understand from conversations at Miss Barry's house that he is interested in a gambling place called the Jovial Club which is located on St. Clair Street, Toledo. I know that Mr. Roscoe's wife's name is Ganey.

"I have selected and identified a photograph of James F. O'Neil as a man who is known to me only as Jimmy. I have seen this man on various occasions since I first went to work for Edith Barry. I have seen him a couple of times in the past year, and remember that for a period of about four or five years before that, he did not visit Miss Barry's house. From conversations I have overheard and from personal observation I understand that Jimmy is an old sweetheart of Miss Barry. I understand that Jimmy is from Cleveland, Ohio, and he occasionally calls Miss Barry by long distance telephone.

"I am personally acquainted with Frank Greenwald who is generally referred to as Greenie and know that he operates the Private Cab Service Company in Toledo. Mr. Greenwald has called at Miss Barry's house since I first obtained employment there. He occasionally brings customers to the house, and he is very friendly with Miss Barry with whom he occasionally visits. Edith always calls Greenie when she desires the services of a taxi cab to perform any services or errands for her. I have seen Greenie and Joe Roscoe speaking together at Edith Barry's house. They appear to be friendly and call each other by their first names.

"I have selected and identified a photograph of John F. "Sharkey" Gorman as a man who was known to me only as "Sharkey." I saw him on one occasion at Miss Barry's house about ten years ago, and have since heard Edith Barry speak of him and she mentioned that he was from Cleveland, Ohio. I will mention "Sharkey" again later in this statement.

"During the year 1935 I either went to work at 7:00 P. M. and quit at 2:00 A. M., or I went to work at 9:00 P. M. and worked until 4:00 A. M. the following morning. My duties as maid consist of straightening up the bedrooms after visitors have left, of calling prostitutes to the house when visitors desired them, of answering the front door, and of serving mid-night lunch to such girls as are regularly employed there.

"About ten o'clock one night during the latter part of January 1935, Edith called to me from upstairs and told me she was expecting a couple of boys. I understood from this that I was to let them into the house when they called. About two hours later the front door bell rang, and I answered it. As I opened the door I observed two men standing on the porch, and recognized them as the two men I have previously identified as Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell. I let them into the house, and as they were standing in the hall Miss Barry came downstairs and I went to the rear of the house. At the time I admitted these men to the house Karpis was carrying a small black leather

hand bag. I did not hear any conversation between Edith and these men other than a greeting of hello. I did not see anybody with Karpis and Campbell when they called at the house, nor did I notice any automobile parked in front of the house, and do not know how they came there.

"About five minutes after I left these men in the hall with Edith, I went to the front of the house, but did not see either them or Miss Barry, and I presume they went upstairs, as I later discovered they were still in the house. About one or one-thirty a. m. Miss Barry called from upstairs, and asked me to bring up a couple bottles of beer, which I did. I delivered this beer to Miss Barry in the hall on the second floor, and she took it into the right front bedroom which adjoins her bedroom. I presume that these men were still at the house when I left about four a. m., as no one left from the time that I admitted Karpis and Campbell until the time that I went off duty.

"Subsequent to this night Karpis and Campbell stayed at Miss Barry's house at different times, and I knew Karpis by the name of Sonny, and knew Campbell as Buck, and when I refer to these men after this I will call them by these nicknames.

"The following night and for about a week to ten days thereafter I knew that Sonny and Buck were still staying at Miss Barry's house, and from what Mary, the day maid, and Peaches and Lou told me, I understood that Sonny and Buck were also there during the day when I was off duty. During the first part of the time they were there, I very seldom saw them as they did not leave the bedroom they were occupying. During the latter part of their stay, they came downstairs a few times to play the victrola. Buck was generally with Lou, and I remember that he drank a lot of beer, the price of a bottle of beer being 50¢. Sonny very seldom drank, and as far as I know he never had a date with any of the girls at the house, and I understood he had a venereal disease. Edith spent a great deal of her time upstairs during this period. Occasionally I took sandwiches upstairs to Miss Barry, Sonny, Lou, and Buck, and I also served drinks to them at different times in the front bedroom when all four persons that I have mentioned were there. When Miss Barry and Sonny were in this bedroom alone, I was not permitted to enter, but Miss Barry would take the drinks or food from me at the door.

"A couple of nights after Sonny and Buck arrived at Miss Barry's house, Joe Roscoe called and I admitted him into the living room. Miss Barry came downstairs and talked to him a few minutes, and both then went upstairs. Shortly afterwards

at Miss Barry's request I took four beers upstairs and delivered them to Miss Barry who was in the hall. Joe Roscoe at that time was in the right front bedroom with Sonny and Buck, and Miss Barry took the drinks into their room. I did not overhear any conversation during the time Joe Roscoe was in the house, and he left alone about an hour after he arrived.

"About the third night that Sonny and Buck were at Miss Barry's house, Frank Greenwald called and delivered a carton of cigarettes to Miss Barry. He thereafter went upstairs to the right front bedroom, because shortly afterwards I served him a bottle of beer at which time he was standing in the open doorway of that room. At that time Sonny and Buck were in this same bedroom. Greenie remained at the house for only ten or fifteen minutes at this time, and left alone.

"About a week or so after Sonny and Buck arrived at Miss Edith's house, I came to work at the usual time. As I entered, a man whom I knew as "Sharkey", and who I have already identified as being the same man as John R. Gorman, was standing in the hallway fully clothed with his hat on. A few minutes later Sonny came downstairs. He was carrying the small black leather case I have previously described under his arm, and he and "Sharkey" left the house together, and drove away in an automobile which had been parked in front of the house a few minutes before when I reported for work. As I recall Buck stayed at Miss Edith's house that night, but the next evening when I came to work he was gone. I also learned from Lou that night that Buck had gone away.

"I can't place the exact date but it was sometime early in the spring and about two months after Sonny and Buck left Miss Barry's house after their above stay, that Sonny and Buck returned to Miss Edith's house. I recall that they came there around ten p. m., Miss Edith admitting them and thereafter all three of them went upstairs. I did not see anything more of them that night. I remember that Lou had mentioned to me before Sonny and Buck arrived that she had been expecting them to return, and she was disappointed when they did not arrive at the time she apparently expected them to.

"A short time after Sonny and Buck arrived on the above occasion, Lou left the house and returned in a short while. I do not know where she went but I remember that on the following night she mentioned to me that Sonny and Buck had an accident in their automobile.

"About three nights after Sonny and Buck arrived I heard Miss Edith admit someone into the house, and take him upstairs. It seemed that an hour or so later Miss Edith admitted another person to the house, and this party was also taken upstairs. I did not see either of these persons, and therefore am unable to identify them. I did not serve any drinks that night, and had no occasion to go upstairs, but I believe that these two persons were in the front bedroom with Sonny and Buck. Sometime after midnight I heard Miss Edith come downstairs with either one or both of the persons who came there that night, and apparently left the person or persons out, as I heard the front door open and close.

"It was around this time that Joe Roscoe called late one evening, and I let him in the house. Miss Edith was upstairs and she called to him to go up, and he did so. Later that same night I served beer to Miss Edith and Buck and a coca-cola for either Mr. Roscoe or Sonny. All of them were in the right front bedroom. I recall that Mr. Roscoe stayed for about a half hour or so, and I let him out the front door. I remember that Miss Edith told me about this time, that Mr. Roscoe had either been to the hospital or was going to the hospital because of some infection.

"Mr. Joe Roscoe called at the house a second time while Sonny and Buck were at Miss Edith's house during this period. After Mr. Roscoe came in, Sonny and Buck came downstairs, and joined Mr. Roscoe, and the three of them with Miss Edith went into the dining room and talked together. I went into the front sitting room, and saw them there when I passed through the hall. Mr. Roscoe remained only a short while, and then left by himself. Miss Edith let him out the door.

"I recall that during this period Greenie made frequent visits to the house, mostly for the purpose of running errands for Miss Edith, the nature of which I did not know.

"I also remember that around this period Peaches and Lou were working at Miss Edith's house. A girl named Maxine also was there for a while before Buck and Sonny left on this occasion. I remember that Lou and Buck were very friendly, and one night Lou told me that she was going away, and was going to be a 'kept' woman. I did not ask her who was going to keep her, but I understood that she would live with Buck if she did go away. Later that same night Lou told Miss Edith that she was going away, and apparently also told Miss Edith she intended to have some man keep her, as Miss Barry became very indignant and I heard her ask Lou what she would do about her daughter, and Miss Edith told her that she couldn't do such a thing while she had a husband.

"A day or two before Buck left Miss Edith's house I remember that one evening a man who was known to me as Freddie was already at the house when I reported for work around nine p. m. Later on during the evening Freddie and Buck came downstairs in the dining room, and played the victrola. I have selected and identified a photograph of Fred Hunter as being the man I refer to and who is known to me as Freddie. I cannot exactly recall when Buck and Sonny left Miss Edith's house on this occasion when they stayed there, as both of them left when I was not on duty. It seems to me that on the night that Freddie and Buck were both at the house, that Sonny was not there, and it is possible that he may have already left. I recall that Freddie was still at the house when I left at around four a. m., and I suppose he stayed overnight.

"I recall that shortly after Sonny and Buck left Edith Barry's house, both Lou and Peaches moved away, leaving Maxine as the only girls there. It seems to me that it was only a few days after Lou left, that Buck returned one evening and had me call a girl for him. I telephoned a call girl named Helen who frequently answers calls out of Edith's house. After she arrived Buck went upstairs and had a party with her, and then left shortly afterwards.

"Sometime during the week preceding Easter Sunday, 1935, Sonny again came to Miss Edith's house. He must have come during the day, as he was already there when I came to work one night. I remember Sonny was there early Sunday morning when I went off duty, because he gave me \$10.00 with which to buy my mother some flowers. During this time Buck visited Sonny twice that I know of. Both times he was already at the house when I came to work, and he left shortly afterwards. I do not recall any other person visiting Sonny around this time, but I do recall that Lou came to the house on the eve of Easter Sunday, and fixed up some Easter baskets. Lou did not stay overnight on this occasion. I believe that Sonny left either Easter Sunday or the following day, as he was already gone when I reported for work one of these evenings.

"After the above visits of Buck and Sonny to Miss Barry's house around Easter time in 1935, I did not see either of these men again.

"I recall that Lou returned to work at Miss Barry's house in the latter part of the summer of 1935, and I recall that she and Miss Edith spent a few days at Cedar Point on Lake Erie, Ohio. About the first of September 1935 I was laid off by Miss Barry for about three weeks. When I returned to work during the

last part of September 1935, I recall that one evening when  
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"I cannot place the exact date, and I can recall only that it was sometime around this period of time, that Freddie accompanied by another man visited Miss Barry's house. I have been shown a photograph of Sam Coker, and identify it as being the likeness of the man who was with Freddie that night. I heard Miss Edith refer to this man as Tommy. Tommy and Freddie sat in the dining room and talked with Miss Barry for a short time, and then left together. I thereafter saw Tommy on three or four other occasions visiting Miss Barry at her house during the past winter and spring. He was always alone at such times when I saw him call at the house. Two or three times Tommy went out with Edith Barry to the Business Men's Club operated by Johnny Thomas. I also remember that they spoke of the Little Club as a place they had visited. Whenever Tommy and Edith went out they called one of the Private Cabs operated by Frank Greenwald.

"I was laid off and was not working during a great portion of the fall of 1935. I recall that it was sometime probably in December 1935 or January 1936, that I first saw an old man at Miss Barry's house who was known to me as Ben. I have identified a photograph of Benson Groves as being this man who is known to me as Ben. I recall that when I first went to work for Miss Edith about the year 1925, Ben visited Miss Barry's house on several occasions. On at least one occasion I recall that he was in the company of Jimmy O'Neil. Since Ben began visiting Miss Barry's house in December 1935, or January 1936, I recall that once he was in the company of Joe Roscoe. They were already at the house when I reported for work, and sat in the front room and talked with Miss Edith. They remained only a short while and left together. The last time I saw Ben was in the late spring or sometime early in the past summer.

"I did not know that Sonny and Buck were Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell until I read in the Toledo newspapers that Karpis was captured. At that time there were photographs of both Karpis and Campbell in the paper and I recognized them as being Sonny and Buck. Edith told me during the time that Sonny and Buck were living at her house that they were gamblers.

"I have read the above typewritten statement contained on seven pages and here sign to vouch for its truth.

/s/ MARGARET BALL

WITNESSES:

J. L. Madala and D. P. Sullivan  
Special Agents,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
1448 Standard Building,  
Cleveland, Ohio."

The original statement obtained from Margaret Ball has been placed in the files of the Cleveland Bureau office.

Margaret Ball stated that she was born in Georgetown, Kentucky, 46 years ago. Her father is dead and she is presently residing with her mother and husband. Albert Ball, her husband, is employed at the Richardson Garage. Margaret Ball has one sister, Mrs. Lucinda Arnette, who resides at 433 Pinewood Avenue.

Margaret Ball was questioned at length as to whom she thought Karpis and Campbell were, during the time that they were at Edith Barry's house, and she stated that she thought they were gamblers from what Edith told her; that she did not notice anything unusual about their conduct or actions and did not become suspicious of them; that it was the usual custom at Edith Barry's house to keep the doors to the bedroom locked or shut whenever a visitor was there with one of the girls; that at times some of the customers at the house would stay for a week or longer and would spend practically all of the time in one of the upstairs bedrooms; that for the above reasons she did not notice anything out of the ordinary in the conduct of Karpis and Campbell; that she never saw a gun on either Karpis or Campbell; that she never cleaned or straightened up their bedroom and had no opportunity to enter it except when she delivered drinks to the room; that on such occasions Edith Barry generally took these drinks from her outside the bedroom door.

Margaret Ball stated that she never called the 42nd Street Cafe to locate Joe Roscoe; that she never heard Edith talk with Joe Roscoe on the telephone and does not know how Edith gets in touch



with him; that for years Roscoe has occasionally visited Edith's house, but that during the time Campbell and Karpis were residing there, Roscoe visited the house more frequently; that she recalls that Roscoe visited Edith's place on two or three occasions in February and March 1935, when Karpis and Campbell were not there; that Roscoe visited there only a few times after Karpis and Campbell left the house and she has not seen him since the past spring or early summer.

Margaret Ball stated further that she is certain that she saw "Sharkey" Gorman at Edith's house only once during the past two years; that inasmuch as she works only between 9 P. M. and 4 A. M. it is possible that "Sharkey" may have called at the house without her knowing of it.

This woman was questioned at length concerning Benson Groves, but she was unable to provide any further information than that which is contained in her statement; that this man spoke very little and she had no information as to where he resided, or the persons with whom he was acquainted other than Joe Roscoe and Jimmy "Tip" O'Neil.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents John L. Madala, A. Dickstein, and D. P. Sullivan on October 28, 1936:

Frank P. Greenwald, alias Greenie, owner of the Private Taxi Service Company, 520 Cherry Street, Toledo, Ohio, was again interviewed by Agents, after it had been ascertained from Lillian Keres that Greenie was used by Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, through Edith Barry, to deliver messages to Joe Roscoe. Mr. Greenwald was questioned at great length concerning this matter, and he definitely denied any such action. He again admitted that on two occasions he drove Edith Barry to the 42nd Street Cafe where she talked privately with Joe Roscoe, but other than that he disclaimed any contact with Roscoe. He denied that he ever drove Joe Roscoe to or from Miss Barry's place, and likewise denied knowing that Karpis and Campbell resided at her house at any time during 1935.

Greenwald was again questioned relative to the place to which he drove Karpis and Campbell on the morning of January 22, 1935, when they abandoned the car they stole from the doctor whom they kidnaped in Pennsylvania, and he persisted that it was to the Casino Club, stating that he does not know where they proceeded thereafter, as he was released immediately after the trip. He advised that Cooley Monroe was with Karpis and Campbell when he saw them last on this occasion, and that in all probability he knows where they went.

It will be recalled that Lillian Merea advised Agents that Greenwald on two occasions drove her and Edith Barry to the 42nd Street Cafe where the Barry woman talked privately with an old man whom she identified as Benson Groves. In this connection Agents displayed a photograph of Benson Groves to Frank Greenwald, and he advised that he is certain he never saw this individual in his life. He denied that he ever drove a man resembling Groves in his taxi cab, and likewise denied that he ever saw any such person at the 42nd Street Cafe.

Greenwald disclaimed any knowledge of the fact that Joe Roscoe had some connection with Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell during 1935 or any other time, and in general would furnish no information in addition to what is already contained in the signed statements obtained from him.

It might be stated that he is still residing with Anna Pearce at 2105 Warren Avenue, Toledo, Ohio.

The fingerprints of Frank P. Greenwald were taken and forwarded to the Bureau under date of October 24, 1936.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents John L. Madala, A. Dickstein, and D. P. Sullivan:

Upon instructions of Inspector E. J. Connelley, on October 22, 1936, Walter Walmsley, houseman for Edith Barry, was located at his home at 528 Southard Street, Toledo, Ohio, and brought to the temporary offices of the Bureau at Toledo, where he was interviewed in detail, and the following signed statement obtained from him:

"Toledo, Ohio  
"October 26, 1936.

"I, WALTER WATKINSLEY, do hereby make the following signed statement to John L. Madala and D. P. Sullivan whom I know to be Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, no threats or promises having been made to me.

"I was born in Alexandria, Louisiana, on June 5, 1900. I resided in Toledo, Ohio for the past 14 years, and in 1929 or 1930 I went to work in the house of prostitution of Edith Barry at 524 Southard Street, Toledo, where I have been continuously employed since that time. I reside at 528 Southard Street.

"I recall reading in the newspapers of the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer at St. Paul, Minnesota at the time he was kidnaped, and remember reading that he was held for \$200,000 ransom. I recall reading shortly after the kidnaping that the fingerprints of a person suspected of the Bremer kidnaping, and whom I now recall to have been Alvin Karpis, were found on a gasoline can which to my best recollection was found on a road somewhere in the state of Illinois. Thereafter I recall reading that Alvin Karpis was indicted for the kidnaping of Mr. Bremer. The next thing I remember reading in the newspapers related to the arrest of Wynona Burdett and two other women who were described as being 'molls' of the Barker-Karpis gang, and this article also mentioned that Alvin Karpis was a public enemy and was wanted for the Bremer kidnaping, for a police killing, and for several robberies.

"As I best recall it was sometime during the month of January 1935 that I remember reading in the newspapers of the killing of Ma Barker and her son, Fred, by Federal Agents near some small lake in Florida, and that thereafter Karpis and Campbell fled from the state of Florida, and as I now recall it they went to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. I remember reading in the newspapers of Karpis and Campbell shooting their way out of a hotel in Philadelphia or Atlantic City, N. J., and that when they left they deserted a woman named Dolores Delaney who was pregnant and whom the newspapers stated was the sweetheart of Alvin Karpis. The newspapers also stated that there was another woman left with Dolores Delaney, but I cannot now recall just who it was. Thereafter I remember

reading that Karpis and Campbell kidnaped a doctor and released him in a hall in a town I believe to be in the state of Ohio, leaving him bound after taking his coat from him. At the time I read these articles in the newspapers I may have seen photographs of Alvin Karpis in these newspapers, but I am not so certain of this. Shortly thereafter I recall reading in the papers of an abandoned car which was reported to be owned by the doctor that Karpis and Campbell had kidnaped, having been found on a road near Monroe, Michigan. The newspapers stated that Karpis and Campbell were reported to be in Toledo, Ohio, and that the 'dragnet' was out for them.

"Around the time that I read in the newspapers of the above car being found near Monroe, Michigan, I learned that there were some persons on the second floor of Miss Barry's house. The Toledo Blade newspaper was delivered to Miss Barry's house each day during the above mentioned period, and I read the above-mentioned articles concerning Karpis and Campbell in this paper which I generally read at Miss Barry's house. The Toledo Blade newspaper has been continuously delivered to Miss Barry's place up to this time.

"My duties as houseman at Edith Barry's house of prostitution consist of cleaning the downstairs rooms, of washing the windows, of firing the furnace, of shoveling off the snow, of cleaning up the yard, and general houseman's duties. I go to work between 7:00 and 9:00 A. M., and it generally takes me three to four hours to complete my work each day. At other times during the day I have occasion to be in and out of Miss Barry's house, and eat all of my meals there. I occasionally spend some time there at night. I also perform any errands Miss Barry desires me to do.

"Later during the day the day that I learned that there were persons staying upstairs in Miss Barry's house, I learned that these persons were really two men, and to my best recollection they stayed there day and night thereafter for a period between ten and fourteen days. These two men remained upstairs except on a few occasions, and I knew them to be called by persons employed at the house by the name of Buck and Sonny. At that time there were two prostitutes employed at Miss Barry's house, one named Lou and the other named Peaches. Buck and Sonny occupied the front right bedroom, but Buck engaged the services of Lou practically all of the time he was staying there, and spent a great deal of his time in her room located in the rear of the second floor.

"It is customary at Miss Barry's house to keep visitors in privacy from other visitors, and it is not unusual for a visitor to be in the house without the knowledge of all the

persons employed there. A day or two after Sonny and Buck arrived, however, I noticed certain things that appeared suspicious to me. As part of my ordinary daily work I clean up the second floor hall and bathroom, but while these men were at the house I did this cleaning only once, and thereafter Miss Barry told me not to bother to do it. I also noticed that these two men did not come downstairs, and persons employed at the house except the prostitute Lou and on occasions Peaches had very few opportunities to observe these men. At that time Mary Foster was employed as a day maid working about twice a week. Margaret Ball, the night maid, worked every night in the week except one. When Mary was working she ordinarily prepared lunch and served it to the other employees, and occasionally served such meals to customers. During the time that Sonny and Buck whom I will hereinafter refer to as Karpis and Campbell were at Edith's house. Mary did not serve meals to them, but either Lou or Miss Barry would obtain the meals from the kitchen to take them upstairs to Karpis and Campbell. I can recall that on two occasions or more, Mary helped in taking food upstairs and when she returned she remarked that she did not get into the bedrooms upstairs to deliver the meals, but that Miss Barry took the food from her in the hall; that she thought that this was very peculiar.

"Going back to the time when Karpis and Campbell came to Miss Barry's house, I did not see them arrive and do not know whether they came there in an automobile, or whether they arrived early or late at night. I can only remember that they were already there one morning when I reported for work. For about the first seven days that these men were there, I did not see them. Thereafter Karpis came to the kitchen on one occasion and asked for a drink of water which I gave him. He returned immediately upstairs. About the same time Harry Campbell came down the stairs, but when he got half way down he saw me, and turned back and went upstairs again.

"About six or seven days after Karpis and Campbell arrived at Miss Barry's house, I observed a green colored coupe parked in front of the house somewhere between 12:00 and 2:00 P. M. I saw it first when I left my house to go to Miss Barry's place which is immediately next door. About 15 minutes after I was in the house, Lou came downstairs and handed me the keys to an automobile and asked me to park a car which she did not have a chance to describe, as Miss Barry interrupted her by telling her that I did not know how to drive an automobile. Lou left the house then after Miss Barry told her that I

couldn't drive. Lou was gone for about five to six minutes and returned to the house. A day or so later at about 8:00 A. M. Lou left the house by herself and returned in about five or six minutes. I do not know where she went, but I presume she parked an automobile, as when she returned at this time she told me that she was being kept busy parking automobiles.

"During the time that Karpis and Campbell lived at Miss Barry's house at this time, I do not know of any visitors that they had. All during the period the prostitute Lou was in the almost constant company of Buck and Miss Barry spent most of her time with Sonny in the front right bedroom.

"I can't recall how and just when Karpis and Campbell left Miss Barry's house after the above visit, but I am fairly certain that I did not see them leave. However, I imagine that they left sometime during the night, as they were gone one morning when I reported for work, and I don't know where they went.

"I think it was about two weeks after the above visit that Karpis and Campbell returned to Miss Barry's house. I do not know when these men arrived, but I presume that it was sometime during the night. When I reported for work on the morning I first saw them at the house on this occasion, I noticed a 1933 or 1934 model Ford coupe, painted black or dark blue, parked just west of Miss Barry's house. It seems to me that this car remained parked at the same spot that evening. I recall that the following day I did not see it, when I reported for work. About 11:00 A. M. that morning someone left the house, and a few minutes later I saw a Ford coupe bearing 1935 Ohio license plates EM 54 parked in front of the house, and saw Buck behind the wheel of this car. I thereafter saw Sonny leave the house and enter this car, and the two of them drove away in it.

"About the latter part of March 1935 I saw the same Ford coupe bearing 1935 Ohio license plates EM 54 parked in front of Miss Barry's house one morning when I reported for work. I saw it once more during the day, but later noticed that it was gone. During the same day I saw both Karpis and Campbell on the first floor in Edith's house. They were eating in the kitchen with Lou and Miss Barry. About three or four o'clock that same day Miss Barry asked me if I would cut Karpis' hair, and I agreed to do so, and gave him a haircut in the right front bedroom. I guess I didn't do such a good job, because he didn't seem very pleased with it. I remember I cut his hair close on the side and noticed a horizontal scar about an inch and a half long over each ear. Those scars really

set me to thinking. When I saw those scars I figured his face had been lifted, and right away I started reading through Detective Magazines, which Miss Barry was buying at that particular time, for the purpose of finding a photograph of Alvin Karpis. I found a few photographs of him in these magazines and newspapers, and after examining them I arrived at the conclusion that the men at the house called Sonny and whose hair I had cut was Alvin Karpis. That same time knowing that Karpis and Campbell were traveling together, I looked in the Detective Magazines for Harry Campbell and found one or two photographs of him. I was unable to recognize these photographs.

"A few days after I gave Karpis a haircut someone spent the night there with Peaches. I do not know how he came there, and did not see him. On the following morning this person left Miss Barry's house with Alvin Karpis around 8 o'clock. I did not see them leave. I believe that Campbell continued to live at Miss Barry's house for two or three days afterward, as I saw him on at least one occasion at this time. I do not know how or when he left Miss Barry's house.

"I recall that around this time, on one occasion, Sonny came to Miss Barry's place in the company of a young man whom I know as Freddie. I have been shown a photograph of Fred Hunter, and identify it as the likeness of the man known to me as Freddie above referred to. I remember that Freddie remained overnight on this occasion, and to the best of my recollection he went to bed with either Peaches or Maxine.

"I have also been shown the following photographs: Harry Campbell, whom I identify as being a man known to me as Buck; Alvin Karpis, whom I identify as being a man known to me as Sonny; Benson Groves whom I identify as being a man known to me as Ben; Sam Coker, whom I identify as a man being known to me as Tommy; James F. O'Neil, whom I identify as a man being known to me as Jimmy O'Neil.

"On the morning following the above mentioned night when Fred Hunter stayed overnight at Miss Barry's house, he left the house sometime during the morning and returned in about five or six minutes to my best recollection. Karpis stayed in the house during this time that Fred Hunter was gone - then he also left by the front door.

"Somewhere around this time and I believe it was after Peaches, Lou, and Maxine left, and there were no prostitutes employed at Miss Barry's house that Buck showed up one afternoon and had a date probably with a call girl. He did not remain overnight on this occasion, and left shortly after his

party with this girl.

"I believe that it was sometime shortly before Easter (April 21, 1935) that Alvin Karpis, Fred Hunter, and a third man came to Miss Barry's house in the night time. This third man, as I recall, was about 28 years of age, about 5'9" tall, about 170 to 175 lbs, medium build, and I do not recall this man's name nor the name used by him at that time. These three men stayed overnight, but I do not know whether they had dates with any girls. The following morning all three came downstairs together, and I believe it was Fred Hunter who left first by himself. About five minutes later Karpis and the other man left, and I presume that Fred Hunter had gone to get their automobile in the vicinity.

"Karpis returned by himself and was at Miss Barry's house on Easter Sunday (April 21, 1935). I do not know exactly how long he was there before that day, but I do know he was there on Easter Sunday, because I understood that Miss Barry fixed him up an Easter basket. I cannot remember any visitors that he had, nor can I recall when he left. I do not know for sure whether Lou was there around this time.

"I am certain that Harry Campbell visited Edith Barry's house on one occasion during the summer of 1935, and I am certain that he had a date with one of the girls at the house on this occasion. I recall that he was alone, but don't remember anything about the circumstances of his visit.

"Also in the summer of 1935 Fred Hunter returned to Miss Barry's place, and apparently stayed overnight, as he was already there when I arrived for work one morning. He left that same day, and I have a faint recollection that when he left the house he was afoot, and did not have an automobile.

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[REDACTED] Karpis and Fred Hunter visited there and stayed overnight. I cannot recall whether they had any girls that night. I did not see them leave, but I am certain they left sometime the next day.

"I believe that it was sometime during the summer of 1935 that I first saw a man at Miss Barry's house of prostitution who was known to me only as Ben. I have previously identified the photograph of Benson Groves. He did not have a girl on this occasion as far as I know, and when I saw him he was sitting in the front room talking with Miss Barry. Shortly before



this Miss Barry had received word, and had told me that an old friend of hers named Ben had just gotten out of the Federal Penitentiary, and she at that time remarked that she expected that Jimmy O'Neil should be getting out around the same time. I recall that I had seen Jimmy O'Neil at Edith Barry's house on about two occasions before he went to the penitentiary, and shortly after I went to work for Miss Barry.

"I believe that I again saw Ben at Miss Barry's house sometime during the fall of 1935. As I recall it, he was also alone on this occasion, and he talked with Edith Barry downstairs. I think it was on this visit I saw Ben in an old model car which looked like a Willys-Knight sedan, and to the best of my recollection this car had Ohio license plates on it.

"Around this time I remember that Alvin Karpis stayed at Miss Barry's house for several days. I do not know how he came there nor do I know whether he had any visitors at this time. During the most of the time he was there he remained in the front right bedroom, drinking with Miss Barry, and playing the victrola downstairs. Karpis ate his meals downstairs, which meals were prepared by the day maid, Mary.

"I think it was sometime in January of 1936, and during the daytime that I first saw a man known to me as Tommy, and whom I have previously identified from a photograph as being identical with Sam Coker. At the time I first saw Tommy, he was in the sitting room of Miss Barry's house and was talking with Ben and Edith Barry. Ben left that same day, but Tommy remained for two or three days. He stayed with call girls for the first night, and went to bed with Miss Barry the last night.

"About February or March 1936, I saw Ben and Jimmy O'Neil together at Miss Barry's house. On this occasion Ben, Jimmy, and Miss Barry were in the front right bedroom on the second floor where they were conversing. Miss Barry asked me that I shave Ben, and I did so in the bathroom. While I was shaving him he told me that he had just gotten out of the penitentiary, and he asked me how I would like to be there, and I told him I wouldn't like it.

"I also shaved Tommy, identified as Sam Coker, on one occasion while he stayed at Miss Barry's house during January 1936. Each gave me \$1.00 for the shave.

"Ben on several occasions visited Miss Barry's house during the winter of 1936. Miss Barry on one occasion told me that he was working for one of the clubs downtown Toledo, which I understood was a gambling place. She also said at one time that Ben, Joe Roscoe, Jimmy Hayes, who is now deceased, and Jimmy O'Neil were partners or friends years ago.

"During the time that Karpis and Campbell stayed at the house of prostitution operated by Edith Barry where I was employed, and during the year of 1935, I was called upon to do work or perform errands that I ordinarily did not perform for Miss Barry personally. On occasions I took suits belonging to Karpis and Campbell to the tailor shop bearing the trade name, 'John's' located on Canton Avenue near Southard Street, and on the west side of the street. I also purchased some button mushrooms for Karpis at Belman's Market, corner of Franklin and Adams Street, on one occasion. On three or four occasions at the request of Miss Barry I purchased several Detective Magazines. Before leaving the house she would tell me what certain Detective Magazines I should purchase, and on all such occasions I performed these errands, she gave me sufficient money in advance to pay for the things I was to buy. In every case I would be given a tip varying between 50¢ and \$1.75. I was not told expressly by Miss Barry on these occasions who was paying me this money, but it was my understanding that these errands were being paid for by Karpis and Campbell. Whenever I went on a personal errand for Miss Barry, unless it involved a great deal of work, I was not given a tip by Miss Barry, as such work was considered by her and by me as part of my regular duties as houseman.

"During the spring of 1935 at a time when Karpis and Campbell were either then residing at Miss Barry's home, or had resided there shortly before, she told me not to tell anybody that these men were hanging around there. At that time I knew that Karpis and Campbell were wanted for the Bremer kidnaping by the United States Government. Karpis visited and stayed at Miss Barry's house on three different occasions after Miss Barry gave me the above warning.

"I first heard the name of Joe Roscoe mentioned at Miss Barry's house about five years ago. Since that time I have heard different employees at Miss Barry's house speak about Joe Roscoe, but ordinarily Miss Barry speaks of him more often than the rest of the employees. During the past six years I understand that Joe Roscoe has called at Edith Barry's house on several occasions, but I had never seen this man. It is my understanding that Joe Roscoe and Miss Barry are friendly, and I understand when Roscoe called, they are personal calls to Miss Barry, and I have never heard of an instance where Roscoe went upstairs to have a date with one of the girl prostitutes there. Miss Barry told me that Joe Roscoe owns an island, the name of which I cannot recall, which is located somewhere on Lake Erie, and I believe that Miss Barry also told me that Joe Roscoe owns a gambling place somewhere in

downtown Toledo. I recall reading at one time that members of the Barker-Karpis gang visited Roscoe's Island prior to 1935.

"I have read the foregoing statement which consists of seven typewritten pages, and I have noted each correction by placing my initials, W.W. opposite the same, and after reading this statement I swear that the same is true to the best of my knowledge and recollection.

WITNESSES:

/s/ WALTER WALMSLEY

John L. Madala and D. P. Sullivan,  
Special Agents,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
1448 Standard Building,  
Cleveland, Ohio."

The original copy of the above signed statement is being retained in the files of the Cleveland Bureau office.

In addition to his signed statement Walter Walmsley advised agents that he is presently divorced from his wife, Etta McPherson, who resides in the 900 block on Pinewood Street, Toledo, Ohio; that his mother, Rose Walmsley, resides at 2282 E. 101st Street, Cleveland, Ohio; that he has two brothers living, Benjamin and MacAlvin, the former residing at 1313 Washington Street, Toledo, Ohio, and MacAlvin residing at 4840 Vincense Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. He advised that he has no sisters living.

Walter Walmsley further stated that he lives at 528 Southard Street by himself; that this house is rented by Edith Barry, and the rent on the same is paid by her; that he eats practically all of his meals at her place. Walter advised that he is presently keeping company with Myrtle Gross who resides at 717 Maywood Avenue, Toledo, Ohio; that she is employed as a social worker for the W.P.A. or P.W.A.; that she and he jointly own a 1936 Chevrolet sedan, which she drives in connection with her work.

Walter Walmsley was questioned at great length concerning Joe Roscoe, and he persistently denied that he knows him on sight. He also denied that Joe Roscoe visited Karpis and Campbell while the latter two resided at Miss Barry's place during the forepart of 1935, and likewise disclaimed any knowledge that Roscoe was allied or friendly with them. Walmsley stated that he did not know that Roscoe had any interest in the 42nd Street Cafe, and although admitting that he heard through the maid, Margaret, that Roscoe was friendly with Miss Barry, he denied ever seeing him talk with her.

Walter Walmsley likewise did not indicate that Frank P. Greenwald alias Greenie ran errands for Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell while they resided at Miss Barry's house in 1935. He did not state that Greenie ever visited the two boys while they stayed in the front upstairs right bedroom of her place at the above indicated time.

The name of "Sharkey" was mentioned to Walter, as was the photograph of this individual displayed to him, but he either refused or could not identify the same. He recalled someone coming there in a green coupe automobile during the time Karpis and Campbell resided at Edith Barry's, but claimed he never saw the individual who apparently drove the said car. He could recall no persons from Cleveland visiting Edith Barry's place, other than James "Tip" O'Neil and some attorney whose name he said he was unable to recall.

Walter Walmsley recalled Alvin Karpis and Benson Groves visiting Miss Barry's house during the fall of 1935, but would not advise seeing these two individuals together, or about Groves visiting there while Karpis was in the house or vice versa. In other words he would furnish nothing which would indicate that these two individuals knew each other.

It will be recalled that Lillian Merea advised Agents that Walter Walmsley served meals through a window at Miss Edith Barry's house on several occasions while Karpis and Campbell resided there, and it will also be recalled that Edith Barry had Walmsley keep the clothes of Karpis and Campbell at his house during the above mentioned period. Walter Walmsley was confronted with this information, and he strenuously denied the same. He admitted, however, that Karpis gave him a suit of clothes and several shirts and other wearing apparel, but would not state why he did this.

Walmsley advised that he never parked a car for either Karpis or Campbell, or for any of their visitors, and in this connection stated that he did not learn how to drive a car until June of 1935.

The fingerprints of Walter Walsley were taken and forwarded to the Bureau under date of October 26, 1936. He was definitely instructed to communicate with the Cleveland Bureau office should he move from his present address, which he promised to do.

On October 27, 1936 Agents located Mary Smith, colored, at her home, 217 Pinewood Street, Toledo, Ohio, and she voluntarily accompanied Agents to the temporary Bureau office being maintained at Toledo. She advised that she is married to Perry Foster, and that he is employed with the W. P. A.; that she was born in Quinnimont, West Virginia, and for the past 13 years has resided in Toledo, Ohio. Mrs. Foster further advised that she went to work for Edith Barry as a day maid in 1927, and continued such employment, working six days a week, until the latter part of 1932 or first part of 1933; that thereafter Miss Barry occasionally hired her, possibly one day a week, to clean up the upstairs portion of her house as well as to do other general housework. She stated that she definitely severed her employment with Miss Barry about eight months ago, and since that time she has been employed as a domestic for a family named Silverman, who are in no way connected with Edith Barry.

Continuing, Mary Foster advised that during the early part of 1935 she went to work at Miss Barry's house, 524 Southard Street, one day a week; that she definitely recalls that about a month after Christmas 1934, two men stayed in the front right bedroom on the second floor of Miss Barry's house; that she does not know when these men came there, nor in what manner they arrived; that at this time she saw them on only one occasion, and that was when she prepared something to eat for them, they eating the meal in the kitchen downstairs. Mary Foster advised that she did not engage in any conversation with either of these men, and when she saw them they were in the company of Edith Barry and the prostitute, Lou, who was staying in the house at that time. She advised that after these two men ate their food, Lou gave her a small tip which may have come from one of the two boys. Agent exhibited photographs of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell to Mary Foster, and she selected that of Karpis as one of the two men above referred to. She could make no identification of Harry Campbell's photograph.

Mary Foster advised that during the entire time the two men in question lived at Miss Barry's home, she was not permitted to clean the room in which they were apparently staying; that she received these instructions from Edith Barry, who made them very plain to her. She advised that on the occasion she saw Karpis and the other man downstairs, she asked Miss Barry whether it

would be all right for her to clean up their room, and Miss Barry told her that she would clean it herself. Mary Foster was permitted, however, to clean up the other rooms on the second floor, and was likewise permitted to clean the front right bedroom at such times when the two boys would not be at the house. Mrs. Foster admitted that this situation was very unusual, but stated that she never questioned anybody or discussed the same with anybody else in the household.

Continuing, Mary Foster advised that she recalls Karpis and the other man being in Miss Barry's house on two other occasions subsequent to the one above mentioned; that at that time she was again prohibited to clean or enter their room, and when she prepared meals for them they were taken from her at the top of the stairs on the second floor by either Miss Barry or the girl Lou, who would take them in to the boys in their room.

Mrs. Foster could recall no one visiting the boys while they resided there at various times, nor could she recall anyone who came there to see Miss Barry around these periods; that the names of Joe Roscoe, "Sharkey", Benson Groves, Bert and Ted Angus, and Cooley Monroe are unfamiliar to her. A photograph of James "Tip" O'Neil was exhibited to her, and she readily recognized it as a man known to her as Jimmy. She advised that when she first started working for Edith Barry, this man, Jimmy, frequently called on her, but she has not seen him for the past six years. Mrs. Foster was under the impression that he was dead and claimed not to know that he ever served time in a penitentiary.

All photographs of the Barker-Karpis gang were displayed to Mary Foster, and besides that of Alvin Karpis, she selected the photograph of James J. Wilson as a person whom she had seen on one occasion. She, however, could not associate him with any particular circumstance.

Mary Foster recalled that in 1934 a search was being made in the bedrooms upstairs of Edith Barry's house for some money, which one of the customers was supposed to have lost; that she found this money, which she recalls was a \$10 bill, among the sheets on one of the beds; that she immediately turned this money over to Miss Barry, and to the best of her recollection some old man was supposed to have lost the same.

Continuing, Mrs. Foster advised that at such times when she worked for Miss Barry only one day a week, she would come on duty at 12:00 o'clock and remain at work until 7:00 or 8:00 P. M. For this reason she would not have seen anybody who came there in the morning, unless the person or persons remained until she reported for work.

For the information of the file, Mary Foster is 40 years of age, colored, uneducated, illiterate, and flighty. It was practically impossible to reason or talk intelligently with her on any particular point.

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October 30, 1936

E. L. Richmond  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
424 Federal Building  
Trenton, New Jersey.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.  
October 29, 1936.

Time - 2:25 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Harboring Cases at Toledo  
and Cleveland.

During a telephonic conversation which I had with Mr. Connelley at Cleveland, he said that he had discussed the above situation with United States Attorney Freed, who has tentatively agreed to our plan. While the United States Attorney is in a rather precarious position out there, being a Democratic USA in the midst of a bunch of Republican Judges, he is going to talk to the Judge at Toledo on Monday next to see when a special grand jury can be called, not informing the judge, of course, as to what we have in mind.

Mr. Connelley said that he does not know what the USA and the Judge will do about setting a date for the grand jury. The USA said something about being so tired out as a result of his efforts in the election that he would prefer to call the grand jury a couple of weeks after the election; however, Mr. Connelley is going to hold out for getting the grand jury as soon as possible, and the fixing of the date in such a manner that we can get the complaints and make the arrests on Saturday and question the subjects over Sunday so that the release can be made on Monday morning. I pointing out to Mr. Connelley that this plan will serve to make the release carry more weight. I told him it has been our experience in the Bureau that if these releases are made on Sunday night, it hits the Monday morning papers, which are somewhat sparse in any event, and they are glad to hit upon something like this to fill out the papers.

Mr. Connelley mentioned that during his conversation with Mr. Freed, he told him that it is the desire of the Bureau and the Director that the Post Office Inspectors never be permitted to read this report or any portions of it, for the reason that we have informants and witnesses in there who have told us more than they have told the Inspectors and we did not want the Inspectors out there running around after these witnesses.

Mr. Connelley will confer with the USA further on this coming Monday relative to the grand jury situation.

Respectfully,

E.A. TAMM.

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1300 Liberty Trust Bldg.,  
Philadelphia, Pa.

November 2, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated  
October 31, 1936, requesting original signed statements of  
the following individuals:

Wynona Burdette  
William A. Morley  
Mrs. William A. Morley  
Daniel Young

I am enclosing herewith the original signed  
statement of Wynona Burdette dated January 20, 1935. However,  
for your information the following original statements were  
forwarded to the Bureau on March 17, 1936:

William A. Morley dated 1-21-35  
Mrs. Elizabeth Morley dated 1-21-35  
Affidavit of William Roberts dated 1-20-35  
Statement of Daniel Francis Young dated 1-22-35  
Samuel E. Morley dated 1-2-35.

The Bureau is requested to forward to the  
Cleveland Office the statements mentioned in Cleveland letter  
dated October 31, 1936.

Very truly yours,

R.E. VETTERLI,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc:Cincinnati

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CINCINNATI, OHIO.

REPORT MADE AT <b>ATLANTA, GEORGIA.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>10-31-36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>10-31-36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>L. C. TAYLOR.</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. #1323, et al. Edward George Bremer - Victim.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Correspondence record and photograph of Edward Webb, U. S. P., Atlanta, Ga. #36545, obtained and forwarded herewith to Cleveland Office. Frank Grabowski and Eli Stewart never incarcerated U. S. P., Atlanta, Ga.			
P.			
REFERENCE: Teletype message from Cleveland to Atlanta, 10-30-36. Letter from Cleveland to Atlanta, 10-3-36. Letter from Atlanta to Cleveland, 10-17-36.			
DETAILS: The records of the United States Penitentiary, Atlanta, Georgia reflect that Edward Clarence Webb, with aliases: George Brown, Edward C. Evans, E. J. Webster, George Webb, Frank Hayes, Eddie James Webster and George Anderson, No. 36545, FBI-35770, was received at the United States Penitentiary, Atlanta, from Dayton, Ohio, under sentence of five years imprisonment for breaking and entering into a post office on January 8, 1931, and was discharged by expiration of sentence on July 28, 1934, at which time he was furnished transportation to his home in Toledo, Ohio.			
The records of the penitentiary reflect that Webb had the following visitors while incarcerated in that institution: Mrs. E. C. Webb, wife, sometimes referred to as Mrs. Ruth Neff and Mrs. Ruth Webb, 1221 and 1221 1/2 Cherry Street, Toledo, Ohio. Mr. C. D. Raigh, Friend, Cleveland, Ohio.			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED:  <i>L. C. Taylor</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE  <b>7 1576 +13121</b>		
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Mrs. Anna Taylor, mother-in-law, and Mrs. Beatrice Cahoon, sister-in-law, 1221 Cherry St., Toledo, Ohio.  
Mrs. Beatrice Smithers, sister-in-law, 1221 Cherry Street, Toledo, Ohio.  
Mrs. Harry Leonard, Friend, Toledo, Ohio.

The records of the U. S. Penitentiary also reflect that Webb corresponded with the following individuals while serving his sentence:

Letters sent, 1931:

Mrs. Ruth Webb, wife, 1221 $\frac{1}{2}$  Cherry St., Toledo, Ohio.  
Mrs. G. A. Webster, Mother, 1227 $\frac{1}{2}$  W. 38th Pl., Los Angeles, Cal.  
Mr. John Fleming, Friend, 103 Michigan St., Toledo, Ohio.  
Mr. L. L. Sanders, Friend, 905 Tracey St., Kansas City, Mo.  
Mrs. Marie McMahon, Friend, 2006 M. St., N. E., Washington, D.C.  
Mr. Y. Land, Friend, 205 Delaware St., Toledo, Ohio.

Letters Received, 1931:

U. S. Veterans' Bureau, Washington, D. C.  
"Ruth", wife, Toledo, Ohio.  
"Mack & Marie", Friends, Washington, D. C.  
G. A. Webster, Mother, Los Angeles, California.  
Anna Taylor, 1221 Cherry St., Toledo, Ohio.  
Miss Mary Patrito, Friend, Roanoke, \_\_\_\_.

Letters sent, 1932:

Mrs. Ruth Webb, Wife, Toledo, Ohio.  
Mrs. G. A. Webster, Mother, 1227 $\frac{1}{2}$  W. 38th Place, Los Angeles, California.  
Mr. Y. Land (or Lovel or Larel), Friend, 205 W. Delaware Ave., Toledo, Ohio.  
Mr. Geo. Belden, Friend, Kansas City, Mo.

Letters received, 1932:

Ruth Webb, Wife, 1221 Cherry St., Toledo, Ohio.  
Mrs. G. A. Webster, Mother, Los Angeles, Cal.  
J. Buckley, Friend, Toledo, Ohio.  
Robert J. Jernigan, Fayetteville, N. C.  
Scientific American, New York City.  
Ohio State Journal, Columbus, Ohio.

Letters sent, 1933:

Mrs. Ruth Webb, wife, 1221 1/2 Cherry St., Toledo, Ohio.  
Mrs. G. A. Webster, Mother, 1227 1/2 W. 38th St.,  
Los Angeles, California.  
Mr. Y. Land, Toledo, Ohio.  
Mr. W. E. Webster, Brother, Los Angeles, California.  
Mr. Joe Buckley, Friend, 239 Amherst Dr., Toledo, Ohio.  
Mr. C. A. Youngquist, Asst. Attorney General, Washington, D. C.

Letters received, 1933:

Ruth Webb, wife, Toledo, Ohio.  
Mrs. G. A. Webster, Mother, Los Angeles, Cal.  
Joe (spelled Jo) Buckley, Friend, Toledo, Ohio.  
Scientific American, New York City.  
Dept. of Justice, Washington, D. C.  
Toledo Blade, Toledo, Ohio.  
J. U. or I. U. Buckley, Friend, Toledo, Ohio.  
"Herb", Toledo, Ohio.

Letters Sent, 1934:

Mrs. Ruth Webb, wife, 1227 1/2 W. 38th St., Los Angeles, Cal.  
Mrs. G. A. Webster, Mother, Los Angeles, Cal.

Letters Received, 1934:

Mrs. G. A. Webster, mother, 1227 1/2 W. 8 Pl., Los Angeles, Cal.  
Ruth Webb, Toledo, Ohio.  
Scientific American, 24 W. 40th, New York City.

Mr. B. F. Bates in charge of the Record Room at the United States Penitentiary, Atlanta, informed that there is no record of Eli Stewart or Frank Grabowski having served sentences in that institution. A parole report on Webb prepared by the United States Attorney at Dayton, Ohio and undated, which is stamped received at the United States Penitentiary, Atlanta, on September 29, 1930, reflects that Webb, Eli Marion Stewart, with aliases: E. M. Stewart, E. J. Stewart, J. D. Livingston, "Lou", Luther Davis, Luther David/Lewis, Louis W. Lynch, Louis Lynch, Louis S. Davis, George A. Hart, E. M. Hooper; Frank Grabowski, with aliases: Frank Clemence, F. C. Clemence, Frank Chester/Clemence, Robert Metzler, C. W. Metzler, Charles Harris; James F. (Tip) Oniell and Benson Groves were jointly indicted in the Western Division, Southern District of Ohio at Dayton, Ohio, in criminal case No. 934, on November 12, 1930, for robbery of the post office at Steubenville, Ohio on the night of November 11, 1928. This parole report reflects that Grabowski and Webb were not sentenced at the time Oniell, Groves and Webb were sentenced.

The photograph of Webb was obtained from the United States Penitentiary at Atlanta, and is being forwarded herewith by air mail, special delivery to the Cleveland Office.

On October 31, 1936, a conference teletype message was sent to the Cincinnati and Cleveland Offices, in which the Cincinnati Office was requested to ascertain the place of commitment of Grabowski and Stewart and to request appropriate offices to secure the information desired by the Cleveland Office.

**UNDEVELOPED LEAD:**

THE CINCINNATI OFFICE at Dayton, Ohio, will ascertain from the Clerk of the United States District Court, The United States Attorney or the United States Marshal, the place of commitment of Frank Grabowski, with aliases, and Eli Marion Stewart, with aliases, and will request the proper office to ascertain correspondence and criminal records of these individuals and to obtain photographs of them, forwarding the same to the Cleveland Office.

THE ATLANTA OFFICE at Macon, Georgia, will locate Jack Hollis, now employed as a cotton mill operative with the Bibb Manufacturing Company, East Macon, Georgia, and interview him relative to his possible acquaintance and association with Benson Groves, who apparently made his home with Hollis at the O. D. Fountain home in the vicinity of Gordon, Georgia.

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Form No. 1 THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT		CINCINNATI, OHIO		FILE NO. 7-45 A	
REPORT MADE AT <b>PHILADELPHIA, PA.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>11-2-36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>10-22-36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>B. M. HIRSH.</b>		
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases. DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1232, et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT</b>		
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:  <div style="float: right; text-align: right;">NOV 11 1936</div> <p>Dr. Calvin F. Jackson, 3410 Baring St., furnishes details regarding his visits to residence of Clara McGraw, 2011 1/2 Adams St., Toledo, O; states he met and talked with Harry Campbell and Sam Coker on several occasions.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P.</p> <p>Letter from Cleveland Office dated 10-16-36.</p>					
REFERENCE:  At PHILADELPHIA, PA.					
DETAILS:  <p>Interview was had by the writer with Dr. Calvin F. Jackson, presently residing at 3410 Baring Street, Philadelphia. In accordance with the suggestion contained in reference letter, photographs of members of the Barker-Karpis gang were exhibited to Dr. Jackson, who immediately put to one side the photographs of Sam Coker and Harry Campbell.</p> <p>In connection with his viewing of the photographs, Dr. Jackson stated that he does not recall ever having observed any of the individuals whose pictures were shown to him, with the exception of the pictures of Campbell and Coker. However, Dr. Jackson advised that the photograph of Campbell does not resemble Campbell to any great degree. He further stated that he was practically certain that the photograph of Coker</p>					
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was an individual whom he had observed and talked with on several occasions in Toledo, Ohio.

Dr. Jackson also volunteered the information, before being asked where he had observed these individuals, that he could have seen them only at the residence of Mrs. Clara McGraw, 2011 1/2 Adams Street, Toledo, Ohio.

Concerning Dr. Jackson's relationship with Mrs. McGraw and his acquaintance with Sam Coker and Harry Campbell, Dr. Jackson related the following.

He advised that it was his best recollection that he first went up to the McGraws' in order to get a drink; that probably he went with an individual named Guy Keller, a County Commissioner of Sandusky, Ohio, who operates a farm and resides there, this farm being located on a rural route near Bradner, Ohio; that Guy Keller was a race horse man and apparently in this way had become acquainted with Ed McGraw, husband of Clara McGraw; that Ed McGraw was also a race horse man and it is his best recollection that on one occasion while he was in Toledo with Keller the two of them went to McGraws' for a social drink and for old times' sake. Dr. Jackson also advised that he learned either from Keller or from McGraw, himself, that McGraw had been a saloon keeper and bar tender and also in the race horse game.

In connection with his first visit to the McGraws, Dr. Jackson stated he was not positive he first visited this place with Guy Keller and further that he would be in a very embarrassing position in the event Guy Keller were informed of Dr. Jackson's making such a statement. He requested that in the event Guy Keller was contacted that his, Jackson's, name not be mentioned.

Following this visit, Dr. Jackson stated that he went to the McGraw's home several times; that Mrs. McGraw complained of gall bladder trouble and on many occasions he treated her for this ailment; that on other occasions he made short stops at the McGraw residence in order to get a drink of whiskey. It was his recollection that he has treated Mrs. McGraw for this ailment for possibly the past three years. He stated that the McGraws have been residing at 2011 1/2 Adams Street since he first began to treat Mrs. McGraw; that if the McGraws have not been at 2011 1/2 Adams Street for the past three years he has not treated her for that time. Inasmuch as he has sold his entire medical practice and retired from Braden, Ohio, Dr. Jackson had no records in his possession.

In connection with his visits to the McGraws, Dr. Jackson stated they were very irregular; that he also treated Mrs. McGraw only on irregular occasions.



Less than a year ago Dr. Jackson advised that he met an individual at the McGraw home who was called "Tommy" who, he stated, was identical with the photograph of Sam Coker. Dr. Jackson is not positive but believes that this individual's last name was Pratt; that at that time Tommy roomed and boarded with the McGraws. He appeared well dressed and apparently had nothing to do on all the occasions that Dr. Jackson visited the McGraws. Dr. Jackson also understood Tommy owned a car. Although he never did learn Tommy's occupation, Dr. Jackson advised that only on one occasion did he wonder what Tommy's occupation might be but that he never made any effort to question anyone in this regard.

It was his recollection that he saw Tommy and talked with him at the McGraw home on six or seven occasions. Dr. Jackson also, during several of his visits to the McGraws during the past year, met a woman and her husband who were introduced to him but whose names he did not recall. This woman and her husband were introduced to him by Mrs. Clara McGraw. These people, as he knows now, were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Campbell.

Dr. Jackson stated that he met Mrs. Campbell on six or seven occasions but only met Harry Campbell on two or three occasions; that they appeared to be a very quiet couple and did not have very much to say. He remembers on one occasion that Mrs. McGraw mentioned to him that Mrs. Campbell (under the name she was known) had spent two or three days at her, Mrs. McGraw's, home on different occasions. Dr. Jackson does not remember whether or not McGraw stated that Harry Campbell also stayed there on occasions.

Regarding Tommy, Dr. Jackson stated that he was quite voluble although he is unable to recall that Tommy ever spoke about himself very much, his talk always being about other matters.

Dr. Jackson further advised that at the time Harry Campbell and Sam Coker were arrested by Federal Agents in Toledo, he observed the photograph of Harry Campbell in the newspaper but at that time the thought did not strike him that Harry Campbell was the individual with whom he was acquainted at Clara McGraw's. In this connection, Dr. Jackson reiterated that the photograph of Campbell, which was in the Toledo papers, did not resemble Harry Campbell to any great degree; that he forgot the entire matter, thinking no more of it until approximately two weeks later when he visited Clara McGraw professionally;

that while at her residence he asked about Tommy. When he asked this question, Mrs. McGraw told him Tommy was in the penitentiary. She then told him that Tommy Pratt was identical with Sam Coker and had been returned to prison. She also asked him at that time if he remembered the quiet sort of girl he had seen there with Bob; that he answered that he did remember her, whereupon Mrs. McGraw stated she was Campbell's wife and that the individual who had been introduced to him as her husband was in fact Harry Campbell. Dr. Jackson also stated that on that occasion Mrs. Graw also stated that Campbell told her and her husband that he was a contractor and that further she never suspected what Tommy Pratt actually was in view of the fact that he always went to saloons without any apparent fear on his part and regardless of the fact that there might be police officers in the saloons at the time; that he acted unconcerned and left the house any time during the day or night; that he kept his automobile in the back alley and that he also occasionally worked on the roof of the building, located in the rear of the premises of her residence; that she "certainly never had any idea who they were or she would have gotten more out of Tommy, at least more than the \$7 or \$8 per week she was getting from him for board and room". In connection with this statement, Dr. Jackson is not positive that she actually made reference to the fact she would have tried to get a car out of them but at least she did indicate that she would have gotten more than she did.

In connection with the above, Dr. Jackson also advised that Ed McGraw was present during the above conversation and he also stated he had been told by Harry Campbell that the latter was a contractor. Dr. Jackson stated that in his opinion both Mr. and Mrs. McGraw seemed genuinely surprised to find that the individuals known as Bob and Tommy were in fact Harry Campbell and Sam Coker. Dr. Jackson advised that when he learned that the individuals with whom he had associated slightly at the McGraws' were in fact Harry Campbell and Sam Coker, he made no further calls at that residence, nor on Mrs. McGraw. He stated that he remained clear of the place, wanting nothing more to do with them.

Dr. Jackson was questioned as to his knowledge of the McGraw family. He advised, however, that he knew nothing of their reputation other than that Ed McGraw had once been in the race horse game and in the saloon business; that they did have tables at their place and couples visited there and were able to obtain whiskey. He is unable to state that the place was operated as a house of ill fame.

As stated previously, he advised that he has never observed any of the other individuals whose photographs were exhibited to him.

The names of other individuals, both in Toledo and other points, involved in the Bremer kidnaping, were mentioned to Dr. Jackson, but he stated he was unacquainted with and had never heard of those individuals.

Dr. Jackson advised that he is presently attending classes at the Graduate Hospital, of the University of Pennsylvania; that he has given up his practice at Bradner, Ohio, but that he expects to be in Philadelphia until next spring when he expects to seek a residency in order to specialize in his graduate work, following which he hopes to return to Toledo, Ohio, where he intends to practice.

In view of this, he requested that his name not be mentioned to Guy Keller and further that, if possible, his name be kept out of the instant matter.

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Post Office Box 812

Chicago, Illinois

November 1, 1936

Special Agent in Charge  
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Sir:

Re: BREXID

In accordance with the instructions contained in letter from the San Francisco Office dated October 24, 1936, I am transmitting herewith by express the dark blue overcoat which was discarded by Volney Davis at Yorkville, Illinois, in February of 1935. This in order that it may be returned to Volney Davis' mother, Mrs. Rodney E. Davis, Route #2, Neosho, Missouri.

There is also being forwarded herewith original and memorandum copy of Government Bill of Lading No. J-82029.

Very truly yours,

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D. M. LADD  
Special Agent in Charge

cc - Bureau  
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St. Paul  
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<i>[Signature]</i>

November 1, 1936.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, et al;  
Dr. Joseph P. Moran, with aliases,  
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1232; Edward George  
Bremer, Victim; Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent W. H. Eire, dated at Washington, D. C., September 3, 1936, regarding the efforts of your office to locate George G. Morke to whom machine gun bearing serial number 959 was shipped during June 1921, this machine gun being one of those which was formerly in the possession of Alvin Karpis.

It is desired that your office conduct further investigation in an effort to locate Morke, and it is suggested that perhaps the local mercantile agencies in Washington, D. C., might have information concerning this individual. It is noted that the machine gun mentioned above is supposed to have been one of five hundred submachine guns which were shipped to Morke and later confiscated by the United States Secret Service during June, 1921, and that Mr. John G. Tucker, Operative in Charge, United States Secret Service Division, Treasury Department, Washington, D. C., was unable to furnish any information concerning this matter. It is further suggested that appropriate inquiries be made at the Bureau of Customs, Treasury Department, as it appears possible these guns may have been seized by that Bureau inasmuch as these guns were likely intended for shipment to Ireland in view of the known record of George G. Morke in connection with the Sinn Fein activities.

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John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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November 2, 1936

Special Agent in Charge  
St. Paul, Minnesota

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

Reference is made to letter from this Office dated March 25, 1935 in the above entitled case, forwarding various signed statements to your Office for use in the trial at St. Paul, Minnesota, of "Doc" Barker, et al.

It is requested that you forward to the Cleveland Bureau Office immediately by registered mail the original statements mentioned below for use in the harboring prosecution, which is contemplated to take place at Toledo, Ohio in the near future:

Statement of Paula Harmon dated at Chicago, Illinois,  
September 23, 1934;

Two statements of James J. Wilson dated at Chicago,  
Illinois, September 25, 1934;

Statement of James J. Wilson dated at Chicago, Illinois,  
September 7, 1934;

Statements of Wynona Burdette dated at Chicago, Illinois,  
September 13, 1934;

Statement of Gladys Rita Sawyer dated at Chicago, Illinois,  
September 15, 1934;

Statement of Clara Gibson dated at Chicago, Illinois,  
January 13, 1935.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD  
Special Agent in Charge

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

November 12, 1936.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, et al;  
Dr. Joseph P. Moran, with aliases,  
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1232; Edward George  
Bremer, Victim; Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

During the course of the investigation to trace various firearms recovered from Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter at the time of their apprehension in New Orleans, Louisiana, on May 1, 1936, it has been determined that one .45 calibre Colt Automatic Pistol #0177278 was sold on August 21, 1935, by one Harry Johnston, 121 East First Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma, to an individual who gave his name as John Brown, 2620, Oklahoma. Your office was unable to locate a John Brown at Jenks, Oklahoma, and it is noted that a complaint was filed by the Tulsa, Oklahoma, Police Department against Johnston for failing to comply with the city ordinance in not having the fingerprints of the purchaser. PREVIOUS RECORD OF Pistol IN 7-576-13187

It has also been ascertained that a .45 calibre Automatic Pistol #0177278 was sold by the Holman Hardware and Manufacturing Company, Louisville, Kentucky, to E. V. Gardner, contractor, Tulsa, Oklahoma, on June 3, 1935.

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John Brock was recently interviewed by Agents of the Cleveland Office advised that he saw Fred Hunter in Tulsa, Oklahoma, during the latter part of July or the first part of August, 1935, and he inquired of Hunter concerning Karpis and Campbell, learning that the latter two were in the vicinity of Tulsa, Oklahoma, and were apparently trying to make a connection to buy some guns. He stated that a day or two after seeing Hunter, Karpis and Campbell asked him if he knew anyone in town who was doing any business. Brock stated that he did not know whether Karpis and Campbell were successful in securing any guns, but that "Burrhead" Brady was propositioning every one in town for that purpose.

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Your office should conduct further investigation at Tulsa, Oklahoma, concerning the above described pistols in an effort to determine whether "Bartholomew" Keady was the individual who secured firearms for Karpis, Campbell and Hunter.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

cc Cleveland  
St. Paul  
Chicago  
Cincinnati

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Evidence of vice and corruption obtained during investigation at Toledo, Ohio, summarized herein. Houses of prostitution, gambling places and gambling devices are openly operated in Toledo, Ohio, with little police interference. Police officers and Lucas County deputy sheriffs who apparently are "fixed" aid and abet operators of illegal enterprises. Bonis and other employees collaborate in fixing court cases. Evidence found of corruption of Lucas County deputy sheriffs and Toledo police officers set out. Information obtained indicating that the Toledo Police Department is making no real effort to suppress vice and gambling in that city.

**DETAILS:**

This is the joint report of Special Agent S. J. [Name] and the writer.

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VICE AND CORRUPTIONKnown Houses of Prostitution

During the time that investigation was being conducted by Agents in connection with the harboring case at Toledo, Ohio, and in addition to the telephone taps maintained in that city, various persons, including operators of houses of prostitution, prostitutes, police officers, and informers, were interviewed, who provided information concerning vice and corruption in the city of Toledo, as it existed at the time of this investigation and prior thereto.

This investigation resulted in the information that houses of prostitution were openly operated, apparently with the sanction of the Toledo Police Department; that officers of the Vice Squad frequently called upon these houses of prostitution; that from statements made by various officers, including the present Chief of Police Ray Allen, it was evident that the presence of such houses of prostitution in Toledo was generally known and evidence was obtained of the close association of various officers of the Toledo Police Department with various operators of houses of prostitution in that city; evidence was likewise obtained indicating that these houses operated through a corrupt alliance existing between the Toledo Police Department and such houses.

Information was obtained indicating that the following houses of prostitution were openly operated at Toledo, Ohio: b7d  
information being obtained from [REDACTED]

White Girls

50 Wabash Street, operated by Maudie Noble. Informant states Maudie Noble was sent to workhouse about year ago in connection with operation of disorderly house.

51 Wabash Street, operated by Margaret Russell.

45 and 46 Wabash Street, operated by Susie Lowe

632 South 11th Street (back of dog pound)  
by Myrtle Malone.

49 Vance Street, operated by Rose A.

43 Vance Street, operated by Mable Green .

925 Summit Street, operated by Mable Green and her sister Lay Leonard.

41 Vance Street, operated by Louise Smith.

616 Lafayette Street, operated by Kitty Diamond.

Shelby Hotel, 729<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Summit Street, operated by Jean Miller.

Oxford Hotel, 825<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Summit Street, operated by wife of Max Plummer, deceased.

936 Summit, operated by Emma Marvin. Informant stated Emma Marvin served a term in the Women's Federal Penitentiary in connection with 1921 Toledo mail robbery.

#### Colored girls

37 Vance Street, operated by Blonda Etta.

131 S. Erie Street, operated by Baby Doll.

111 S. Erie Street, operated by B. Fuller, a \$5.00 house.

The investigation made at various of the above mentioned houses named will be set out hereafter:

On June 15, 1936, Detective James Ford of the Toledo Police Department, when interviewed by Special Agents D. P. Sullivan and R. C. Suran, confidentially advised that the following women operated houses of prostitution in Toledo and practically controlled prostitution in Toledo, Ohio:

MABEL GREEN

MAXINE BELMONT, owner of the Shelby Hotel,  
729<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Summit St.

SADIE DANN

LENA WINZELBERG, 311 Locust Street.

The following investigation was conducted by the Agents working at Toledo, Ohio, this investigation being made incidental to the harboring investigation in that city:

Excel Toley, alias "Baby Doll",  
131 S. Erie Street, Toledo, Ohio.

On June 9, 1936, Special Agents E. J. Dowd and J. V. Murphy made an investigation at the above address and interviewed Excel Toley, who advised that she operates a house of prostitution at the above address under the name of Laverne Navelo, and has operated this place since 1928; that during this period of time she has earned approximately \$35,000.00; that in February 1936, at about the time that Chief of Police Ray Allen came into office, certain police officers, whom she did not know, came to her house and ordered her to close; that at that time she had one girl working for her as a prostitute; that thereafter she reopened her house; that during the past 13 years she has been arrested four times by the Toledo Police Department on vice charges and paid fines on these occasions.

Eleanor Crockett, alias Beatrice Fuller,  
111 S. Erie Street, Toledo, Ohio,

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Investigation was made at this house of prostitution on June 11th by Special Agents E. J. Dowd, R. C. Suran, J. V. Murphy and D.P. Sullivan. Eleanor Crockett was interviewed and she stated that she operates a house of prostitution at this address under the name of Beatrice Fuller; that she has been located continuously for 29 years at this same address, operating this house at all times as a house of prostitution; that she caters to white patrons exclusively and employs only negro prostitutes; she has been arrested only three times during this period of time and these arrests took place about 5 or 6 years ago on these occasions she was charged with "unlawful assembly" "for operating a disorderly house", but on all these occasions paid fines.

That about the first part of April 1936, a uniformed officer called and inquired of her the number of girls employed and he told her to close; that she did so but reopened in three weeks and has not been bothered since by police

officers; that she gets fifty percent of the earnings of the board; that the price of a date at her house is \$5.00.

In a signed statement, Esther Von Storer stated that about May 1, 1936, three police officers called at 111 S. Erie Street, and told Eleanor Crockett to close up as "the heat was on".

Pauline Weinstein, Riverside Hotel,  
921 Summit St., Toledo, Ohio.

Investigation was conducted at this address on June 11, 1936, by the four above mentioned agents. Five girl inmates were found at this address.

Pauline Weinstein was interviewed; she stated she had been operating this place for six years; she did not admit any arrests but stated that the Vice Squad of the Toledo Police Department called at her place every day to look it over; a customer found at this house of prostitution admitted that he had just had intercourse with one of the girl inmates; from interviews had with the inmates, information was obtained that the price of a date is \$1.00 and up.

Mrs. Florence Beach, 3587 Collingwood Ave., Toledo, the manager of this house of prostitution, stated that the Vice Squad of the Toledo Police Department visits this place once or more a week, looks it over, and walks out.

Mildred Poland, alias Mildred Miller, in a signed statement, stated that she has worked continuously as a prostitute at this address since August 1934; that the usual charge for a date is \$2.00; and that she averages about \$30.00 a week as her share of her earnings; that she pays fifty percent of her earnings to Pauline Weinstein.

Betty Davidson, in a signed statement, advised that she is employed as a prostitute at the above address; that she pays Pauline Weinstein \$1.00 a day for board, and in addition pays Pauline Weinstein between 1/3 and 1/2 of her earnings obtained in practicing prostitution.

Label DeWesse, in a signed statement, stated that she had been employed at this address as a prostitute since June 10, 1936, and pays Pauline Neinstein fifty percent of her earnings.

Angeline Billman in a signed statement advised that she had been employed for the past three years at this address as a prostitute; that her minimum charge for a date is \$2.00; that she pays Pauline Neinstein \$7.00 per week for board; she denied paying Pauline Neinstein a percentage of the money earned by her.

Suzanne Howard,  
48 Wabash St., Toledo, Ohio.

Investigation was conducted at the above address by Special Agents R. C. Suran and D. P. Sullivan on June 29, 1936.

In a signed statement Suzanne Howard stated that she has operated houses of prostitution at Toledo, Ohio, since 1933 and has operated a house of prostitution at the above address since February 1935; that she has two girls employed by her as prostitutes.

Kitty Sperry, alias Kitty Diamond,  
616 Lafayette St., Toledo, Ohio.

Investigation was conducted at this address by Special Agents R. C. Suran, J. V. Murphy, E. J. Dowd and D. P. Sullivan on June 12, 1936.

In a signed statement Kitty Sperry informed that she employs five girl prostitutes at this address, where she has been located since February 1, 1935; that during the past four years she has been arrested twice, at which time she paid on one occasion a fine of \$10.00 and on the other occasion a fine of \$15.00; that she has not been arrested since February 1, 1935, and has not been raided or molested by the police; that the Vice Squad of the Toledo Police Department call at her house to look for "pimps" and hoodlums but do not molest her; that Captain George Timiney has on occasion visited her house and told her to close; that she would pretend to close up her house by turning out the

lights and have the girls leave with their belongings out the front door; that the girls would walk around the block and when the officers left, she would turn on the lights and the girls would return to the house by the back door and she would resume business.

Yvonne Pettit, in a signed statement, advised that she is presently engaged in prostitution at the above address; that the price of a date is \$2.00 and up, of which Kitty Sperry gets one-third, in addition to room and board money; that this house was closed about five weeks prior to this investigation but that Kitty Sperry reopened and that the city detectives have called at this house a number of times.

Nell Curtis, in a signed statement, admitted that she was practicing prostitution at this address; that she paid Kitty Sperry \$7.00 a week for board. She orally admitted that she paid Kitty Sperry one-half of her earnings in addition to this board money.

Jacqueline Thomas, in a signed statement, advised that the minimum price for a date at this address is \$2.00; that she is engaged in the practice of prostitution at this address; that almost every night some members of the Vice Squad of the Toledo Police Department visit this house, generally travelling in pairs; that the members of the Vice Squad do not search the house and do not look through the bed rooms for evidence of a violation of law; that up until the month of June 1936, Officers McGuire, Fisk and Kline would usually call at the house and go into the small center room on the first floor, close the door and talk confidentially with Kitty Sperry.

Margaret Russell,  
51 Wabash St., Toledo, Ohio,

Investigation was conducted at this address on June 12, 1936, by Special Agents R. C. Suran and E. J. Dowd.

Margaret Russell, when interviewed, stated that she had been at this address for approximately six years; she denied that she was operating a house of prostitution, stating that there are six girls who room at her house and pay her \$10.00 a week for room and board.



Catherine Purcell Phenson, when interviewed on the date of this investigation, provided a signed statement in which she admitted practicing prostitution at the above address for the past twenty months; that the minimum charge for a date is \$1.00; and each girl pays Margaret Russell \$10.00 per week for room and board.

Ruby Berry, upon interview, orally stated that she has been engaged in prostitution at this address for the past year, but refused to sign a statement.

Rosie Bush,  
900<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Monroe St., Toledo, Ohio.

Investigation was conducted at this address on July 27, 1936, by Special Agents R. C. Suran and E. J. Wynn.

Upon interview, Rosie Bush stated that she had been located at this address for the past 18 months, operating a rooming house, and she denied that she was operating a house of prostitution, but admitted that the girls who worked at this house lived elsewhere and that she permitted the girls privileges and did not question their activities; that she charged the girls employed at her place \$10.00 a week for room and board.

Lidia Pease was interviewed and she admitted that she was practicing prostitution at this address and that Rosie Bush was the madam; that the charge for a date at this house was \$1.00 and up; and that she pays fifty percent of her earnings to Rosie Bush; that there are five other prostitutes employed by Rosie Bush who work the night shift.

Marine Belmont, Shelby Hotel,  
729<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Summit St., Toledo, Ohio.

Investigation was conducted at this place on July 23, 1936, by Special Agents D. P. Sullivan and J. V. Murphy.

Martha Martin, an inmate found at this address, admitted that she has practiced prostitution at the above address for the past six months; she denied that she divided part of her earnings with the land-lady, stating that she paid \$15.00 a week as board

money; that the only time she saw any police officers at the Shelby Hotel was in the latter part of June 1936, when two plain clothes officers visited this place and found a man in the house and arrested her and charged her with visiting; that she paid a fine of \$10.00 and costs on this occasion.

Elizabeth Hahn, an inmate found at this address, was interviewed and she stated that ordinarily two girls are employed at this place during the day and from four to six girls at night; that officers John McCarthy, Michalak and Art Brown of the old Hoodlum Squad formerly stopped in and looked around this place almost every week but never arrested any one and never closed down the house; that about ten days prior to this investigation Sargeant Holderman and another uniformed police officer caught her in bed with a man at this address; that Holderman finally agreed to let the man go because the visitor was married; that he did not arrest her on this occasion and said nothing about closing up the place; that he stated he would be back and if he found any other visitors, he would arrest her; that she informed Maxine Belmont of this and Maxine told her that Holderman had no right to arrest any one at the Shelby Hotel unless there was one of the Vice Squad with him.

Mabel Silverman, alias Mabel Green,  
1003 Summit St., and 43 Vance St., Toledo, Ohio.

Mabel Green was interviewed by Special Agents J. V. Murphy and R. C. Suran on August 17, 1936, at which time she stated that for the past 4 or 5 years she has operated a house of prostitution at 1003 Summit Street; that she also has an interest in a house of prostitution at 43 Vance Street, which place is operated by one Bobbie Mason; that at 1003 Summit St. five girls are employed by her; that she charges each girl \$7.00 a week for board, but denied she shared in their earnings.

Mabel Green admitted that she has operated houses of prostitution in Toledo for the past 20 years and stated that she has been arrested on a number of occasions and has been fined various amounts from \$5.00 to \$25.00 with costs, but has never been given a jail sentence.