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From about August 12 to August 21, 1935, Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter are believed to have lived in a cottage at Milam's Landing on Lake Hamilton. On the latter date they rented a cottage at Dyer's Landing on Lake Hamilton, which resort was operated by Mrs. Al C. Dyer. Karpis and Hunter lived at this cottage until October 4, 1935, when they vacated same, Karpis using the name of Ed Parker, and Hunter using the name of Harold King.

On June 28, 1935, Grace Goldstein moved her house of prostitution to the Hatterie Hotel. Thereafter, during the summer and fall of 1935, Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter were almost daily visitors at the Hatterie Hotel, where they would sometimes remain overnight. Karpis and Hunter were then using a 1935 Hudson Coupe bearing Ohio license plates number H 372 M, which they purchased on August 1, 1935, at Youngstown, Ohio.

On September 6, 1935, Sam Coker was paroled from the Oklahoma State Penitentiary. Coker had known Alvin Karpis for several years prior to that time, having been arrested with Karpis and Fred Barker at Tulsa, Oklahoma, on June 10, 1931. Coker knew that Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell were wanted by the Government for kidnaping Edward George Bremer, but continued to live and associate with them.

On or about September 20, 1935, Sam Coker began living with Karpis and Hunter at Dyer's Landing and he also frequented the Hatterie Hotel.

Milton Lett knew that Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell were wanted by the Government for the kidnaping of Bremer. He, nevertheless, visited and associated with these men at Hot Springs, Arkansas, during September, 1935.

On October 3, 1935, Alvin Karpis left Dyer's Landing. Hunter and Coker vacated the cottage at Dyer's Landing on the night of October 4, 1935, or the early morning of Saturday, October 5, 1935.

At 10:25 A.M., on October 4, 1935, Cecil Brock, at the request of Herbert Akers, sent a telegram to the Bureau of Motor Vehicles, Columbus, Ohio, requesting information regarding the registered owner of 1935 Ohio license plates number H 372 M, which plates were on the Hudson Coupe being used by Karpis, Hunter and Coker. That same day Akers got an answer from the Ohio State Bureau of Motor Vehicles that the above plates were issued to E. F. Parker, 323 North Phelps Street, Youngstown, Ohio, for a particular Hudson Coupe.

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On October 4, 1935, the day on which Akers wired the Ohio State Bureau of Motor Vehicles concerning the license plates H 372 M, which later proved to be the license plates on Karpis' Hudson Coupe, Special Agent R. C. Coulter interviewed Akers at Hot Springs in connection with another matter, but Akers did not inform him of any suspicions he may have had that Karpis was using a car carrying the above plates.

On October 5, 1935, the day after the cottage occupied by Karpis, Hunter and Coker had been vacated, Akers wired the Youngstown, Ohio Police Department for information regarding E. F. Parker, 323 North Phelps Street in that city, and also regarding the Hudson Coupe which was purchased at Youngstown, Ohio. That same day the Youngstown Police advised the Hot Springs Police Department that E. F. Parker was unknown at 323 North Phelps Street, and at the automobile agency where the Hudson Coupe was purchased.

During the late afternoon of October 5, 1935, Herbert Akers telephoned R. L. Shivers, then Special Agent in Charge of the Little Rock Office of the Bureau and advised that he had some information concerning some suspicious men who had been staying on Lake Hamilton, one of whom he thought might possibly be Alvin Karpis. That night and the following day, Bureau Agents made an investigation at Dyer's Landing and learned that Karpis and some companion had lived at Dyer's Landing but had left some time prior to the time that Akers had telephoned.

On October 13, 1935, the Hot Springs newspapers carried a story that Federal Agents seeking Alvin Karpis had raided a cottage on Lake Hamilton, but had found he had left.

Joseph Wakelin issued a statement to the Hot Springs newspapers on October 14, 1935, that the man living on Lake Hamilton who was thought to have been Karpis, was not Karpis, but a doctor from the east.

Morris Loftis and Mrs. Al. C. Dyer at Dyer's Landing, told Grace Goldstein and Connie Morris the details of the investigation which Bureau Agents had made at Dyer's Landing, on or about October 15, 1935.

Mrs. Al C. Dyer and Morris Loftis informed Fred Hunter, Grace Goldstein and Connie Morris on or about October 25, 1935 of the details of the Bureau's investigation at Dyer's Landing regarding Karpis and Hunter.

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On October 24, 1935 Grace Goldstein rented a house at 602 Third Street in Hot Springs, Arkansas.

On November 7, 1935, Karpis, Hunter, Campbell, John Brock and Benson Groves robbed a mail train at Garrattsville, Ohio, and on the following morning Karpis, Hunter and Brock took off in a plane which was piloted by John Zetzer, of Port Clinton, Ohio, to return to their hideout at Hot Springs, Arkansas, where the Bureau had been investigating less than a month before.

Karpis and Hunter left the plane at Hot Springs, and Brock continued to Tulsa, Oklahoma. On their arrival Karpis and Hunter began to live at 602 Third Street with Grace Goldstein and Connie Morris. During this period Karpis made several trips out of town with Grace Goldstein.

On December 5, 1935, Alvin Karpis and Grace Goldstein rented a house at 124 Clubb Street from Mr. and Mrs. Toby Fincel, before the rent on the house at 602 Third Street had expired.

Herbert Akers was advised by Della May Jeffries, alias "Ginger" Morgan, on or about December 3, 1935, that Alvin Karpis, whose photograph she identified for Akers, had been keeping company with Grace Goldstein for several months, and that Karpis had been frequenting the Hatterie Hotel.

Cecil Brock and Garnett Moore were also advised by Della May Jeffries, alias "Ginger" Morgan, of the above, on or about December 3, 1935.

Herbert Akers was kept advised by the Jeffries woman from day to day thereafter until the latter part of March, 1936, of the activities and movements of Alvin Karpis.

George "Burrhead" Keady, knowing the true identity of Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter, and knowing that Karpis was wanted by the Federal Government for kidnaping Edward G. Bremer, associated with Karpis at the Howe Hotel on or about December 25, 1935.

Joseph Wakelin, who was Chief of Police of the Hot Springs Police Department during 1935 and 1936, knew that Grace Goldstein operated

a house of prostitution. Wakelin kept company with Grace Goldstein from the summer of 1935 and thereafter until Karpis was captured on May 1, 1936. Wakelin telephoned Grace Goldstein practically every night and would go out with her as much as three or four times a week during the latter part of 1935 and the first five months of 1936 while the Goldstein woman was the constant associate of Alvin Karpis.

Joseph Wakelin lent to Grace Goldstein a set of his license plates, knowing that she was to place them on her Buick coupe, which was to be used in making a trip to Texas, Wakelin probably knowing that Karpis would accompany her.

Cecil Brock knew that Joseph Wakelin had lent his license plates to Grace Goldstein and knowing that she was associating with Alvin Karpis, he obtained the license plates of Joseph Wakelin from Grace Goldstein's car after she had finished making use of same, and returned them to Wakelin at Wakelin's request.

Early in December, 1935, Morris Loftis and Mrs. Al C. Dyer provided Alvin Karpis with information concerning the investigation which the Bureau had conducted at Dyer's Landing early in October, 1935, including descriptions of the investigating Agents.

Herbert Akers, Joseph Wakelin and A. T. "Sonny" Davies, Hot Springs City Attorney, knew during January and February, 1936 that Grace Goldstein was living with Alvin Karpis at 124 Clubb Street, Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Herbert Akers and A. T. Davies brought an incinerator to 124 Clubb Street during the latter part of January or the first part of February, 1936, while Alvin Karpis and Grace Goldstein resided at that address.

Joseph Wakelin, Herbert Akers and two unknown men visited 124 Clubb Street during the latter part of January or the first part of February, 1936.

John Stover, commercial pilot at the Hot Springs Municipal Airport, on December 10, 1935, knew the true identity of Alvin Karpis and that Karpis was wanted by the Federal Government for kidnaping, and he drove Karpis and Hunter from the Municipal Airport to downtown Hot Springs on the above date.

John Stover flew Fred Hunter and Connie Morris to San Antonio, Texas on November 12, 1935.

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John Stover made several trips between Hot Springs, Arkansas, and Youngstown and Canton, Ohio, with Karpis and Grace Goldstein as passengers during January, 1936. As early as June 28, 1935, John Stover flew Fred Hunter to Tulsa, Oklahoma.

On January 21, 1936, John Stover, after flying Karpis and Grace Goldstein from Canton, Ohio to the vicinity of Benton, Arkansas, where Stover had a forced landing, accompanied Karpis and Grace Goldstein to the Hot Springs Municipal Airport, and he then drove Karpis to 124 Clubb Street, the house that Karpis and Grace Goldstein were then occupying.

Morris Loftis and Mrs. Al C. Dyer, when interviewed by a Bureau Agent on February 6, 1936, identified a photograph of Fred Hunter as being Harold King, who resided with Karpis at Dyer's Landing during the summer of 1935. Later that day Mrs. Dyer telephoned the Hatterie Hotel and left a message. In response to this message Alvin Karpis and Grace Goldstein called at Dyer's Landing and Mrs. Dyer and Morris Loftis told Karpis and the Goldstein woman the details of the conversation they had with a Bureau Agent that day and of their identification of a photograph of Hunter which this Agent showed them.

On February 10, 1936 Karpis and a man named Hall rented the home of E. E. Woodcock on Malvern Road, near Lake Catherine, Hot Springs, Arkansas, Karpis using the name of Wood. Karpis made several trips out of the State in the next month or so. While in Hot Springs, however, Karpis lived at the Woodcock home with Grace Goldstein. This couple were joined by Fred Hunter and Connie Morris on March 12, 1936, after they returned from an extensive trip.

On or about March 17, 1936, U. S. Post Office Inspectors arrived in Hot Springs, Arkansas, seeking to locate Fred Hunter and Alvin Karpis, and they sought the assistance of Herbert Akers and Cecil Brock in the succeeding two weeks.

On March 26, 1936, Karpis, Fred Hunter and Grace Goldstein vacated the Woodcock home on Malvern Road, where they had been living.

Herbert Akers first advised the Federal Bureau of Investigation of the association of Alvin Karpis with Grace Goldstein and the association of Fred Hunter with Connie Morris, on March 28, 1936.

On March 30, 1936, Bureau Agents and U. S. Post Office Inspectors raided the Woodcock home on Malvern Road and found that the place had been vacated.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

RE: Hot Springs Harboring Investiga-
tion in the Bremer Kidnaping Case.

Concerning your penned notation on my memorandum addressed to you under date of December 29, 1937, as to what action we are now planning to take, I wish to advise you that Mr. Connelley, together with Agents J. L. Medala and D. P. Sullivan have planned to proceed to Hot Springs, Arkansas, while awaiting the trial of the Ross Kidnaping case, in order to complete the harboring case in connection with this matter, with a view to submitting same to the United States Attorney for presentation to the Federal Grand Jury in March, 1938.

Respectfully,



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RE: B R E K I D

Dear Sir:-

I am attaching hereto an index
to be used in connection with the Summary Report of
Special Agent D. P. Sullivan, dated at Little Rock,
Arkansas, December 10th, 1937, in the Harboring Case
at Hot Springs, Arkansas, in the above file.

Very truly yours,

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: The Hot Springs Harboring Investigation in the Bremer Kidnaping Case.

With reference to your pen notation on the attached memorandum dated December 29, 1937, inquiring what action we are now planning to take, this is to advise that the Little Rock Office will complete, in the near future, the investigation of the harboring of Thomas Nathan Morris by former Chief of Detectives Herbert (Dutch) Akers during March and April, 1937, after Akers was advised by Bureau Agents that a Federal warrant was outstanding for Morris on a charge of Unlawful Flight to Avoid Prosecution. As soon as this investigation is completed, Mr. Connelley desires to proceed to Hot Springs, Arkansas in order that he may be present when interviews with former Chief of Detectives Herbert (Dutch) Akers, former Chief of Police Wakelin, City Attorney A. T. Davis, Mayor Leo P. McLaughlin and Grace Goldstein, are conducted.

It might be stated that when these interviews which have been held in abeyance, have been completed, the complete information will be forwarded to the Bureau in order that it may be determined just who and to whom we will present the facts in the harboring cases as to the various subjects who are being considered. It might be stated that the evidence so far developed indicates as possible subjects, the following individuals: Former Chief of Police Joseph Wakelin, former Chief of Detectives Herbert (Dutch) Akers, Lieutenant Cecil Brock, Officers Garnett Moore and Archer L. Cooper who were all members of the Hot Springs, Arkansas Police Department during the possible violation of the Harboring Statute. A. T. Davis who was City Attorney, is also being considered as a possible subject, as well as Morris Loftis and Mrs. Al C. Dyer, the caretaker and landlady, respectively, of the cottage rented by Karpis on Hamilton Lake. Sam Coker, George H. Keady, and Milton Lett, associates of subjects Karpis and Campbell, are also being considered as possible subjects, as well as John Stover, the Airplane Pilot who transported Karpis and his associates from time to time.

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Respectfully, 7-576-3-251

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to: **E. J. CONNELLEY**
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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
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January 26, 1938.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CLEGG

Reference is made to letter to the Bureau dated January 19, 1938, from the Little Rock Field Division and attached letter dated January 17, 1938, signed "Watt," which refers to certain statements allegedly made to a cousin of the writer. The individual evidently referred to by Mr. Watt is probably Mrs. Leon Ledwedge of Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Although Mrs. Ledwedge is not a cousin of the writer, she has been associated with the writer's family since his childhood and, as an annual custom, visits in his home at Christmastime. During her visit last Christmas, in her expression of praise of the activities of the Director and the Bureau, she stated that the Bureau has done wonderful work throughout the country but that she could not understand why the terrible situation in Hot Springs, Arkansas, could not be cleaned up. She told of the open violations of the Belvedere Nightclub, a well-known gambling establishment on the outskirts of Hot Springs, and of an attempt by a local attorney to influence her decision while serving on the jury in a State case by contacting her husband and stating that financial consideration would be furnished.

It was explained to Mrs. Ledwedge that these were purely local matters over which the FBI has no jurisdiction and would necessarily have to be handled by local authorities. She then told of having met several Bureau Agents, including Agent Snow (at a time prior to the shooting of this Agent) in Hot Springs and "wondered" if they were looking into conditions existing in that vicinity. The writer advised Mrs. Ledwedge that he knew nothing of the activities or purpose of the presence of Bureau Agents in that locality. Inasmuch as the local conditions mentioned above are such flagrant violations and are topics of general discussion among the townspeople, Mrs. Ledwedge was no doubt explaining the Bureau's lack of authority, as explained to her.

Respectfully,

[Signature]
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Hot Springs Arkansas
January 17 1938

Mr Chapmon Fletcher
Agent in Charge
Department of Justice
Little Rock, Arkansas
Dear Sir:-

I over heard a little news today that your Inspector Mr. L/B/Nichols, comment on that the public should co-operate with the Department in posting them as to Federal law violations and etc. One of the other parties stated that all of this lecture and stuff by the Department and etc along these lines was a blind for the public, that one of their friends has a cousin who did hail from Texas, that this cousin was an instructor for the schooling of -G- Men, they didnt say where this man was today of where he was stationed but they did say that this instructor name was ----- Mr Marvin Akers from Dallas Texas, that Mr. Akers had told his girl cousin not so long ago that talking along the lines about the -G- Men and due to the fact that his girl cousin lived at Hot Springs Arkansas, she had told Mr Akers that the Department so she understood had been at Hot Springs Arkansas questioning a number of people along many lines, that she had been under the impression that likely they were going to bust the town open, .

This Mr Melvin Akers was to have informed his lady cousin that there was nothing to it, that the Department of Justice was not going to do any thing of the sort.

Watt

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G-Man Urges Public Aid in Crime Fight

**FBI Inspector Nichols
Tells Hi-Y Audience Co-
operation Essential.**

Co-operation of the public is an essential need in the "G-man's" fight against crime, Inspector L. B. Nichols of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, told approximately 100 delegates to the annual Older Boys' Conference (Hi-Y) at the First Methodist church here today.

Inspector Nichols said "as long as an individual thinks he can get by with crime he will do so." It is the public's duty to turn in to the proper law authorities any indication on a would-be criminal's part to commit a crime if it is known, he pointed out. In this way, many crimes can be prevented.

Following his talk, a sound movie picture showing the work of the FBI in apprehending dangerous criminals was screened.

Program Is Varied.

The session was opened with a prayer by Rev. Charles Thigpen, pastor of the church. A devotion talk

Part of a clipping from the
"Arkansas Democrat", Little Rock,
Arkansas, January 15th, 1938,
forwarded with letter from Clay
Watt, Hot Springs, Arkansas, dated
January 17th, 1938.

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box #1469,
Little Rock, Arkansas,
January 19th, 1938.

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Mr. Clegg	✓
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Nichols	✓
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	✓
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Mr. Pennington	
Mr. Quinn	
Mr. Nease	
Miss Gandy	

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

Dear Sir:-

I am in receipt of a communication dated January 17th, 1938, from Clay Watt, who has been very active in furnishing information to this office regarding general conditions at Hot Springs, Arkansas. Mr. Watt, as the Bureau is informed, is the son of Sam Watt - Sam Watt being connected with the W. S. Jacobs' interests in the operation of the Belvedere, one of the largest night clubs in Hot Springs.

While the information contained in the letter from Clay Watt merely relates to a rumor, I wanted the Bureau to have the benefit of this information and, therefore, I am furnishing the Bureau three copies of this communication for its information.

I am also forwarding a newspaper article which was enclosed with Mr. Watt's letter and is evidently the one to which he refers in his letter.

Very truly yours,

Chapman Fletcher
CHAPMON FLETCHER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Post Office Box #1489
Little Rock, Arkansas
January 27, 1938

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

RE: HERBERT WAKERS, with alias; ET AL;
NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT;
HARBORING OF FUGITIVES.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau communication of January 12, 1938, (26-44543) in which the Bureau indicates that it is desired that a summary report be submitted in this case immediately upon the completion of the investigation, which the Bureau instructs should be completed as quickly as possible in view of the approaching Grand Jury Term at Little Rock.

For the information of the Bureau, the present Grand Jury session at Little Rock is a special term, and the United States Attorney had previously indicated that only those cases where the subjects were confined in jail would there be any presentations.

The present status of this case is that all of the leads presently indicated for the Little Rock Office have been fully developed, with the exception of interviews with the principal subjects of the case, and certain interviews which will be had in connection with both this and the harboring case at Hot Springs being handled in the BEEKID matter.

It is my understanding that the Bureau desires Inspector Connelley to personally handle the interviews with the principal subjects, and it was my hope that Mr. Connelley might have proceeded to Little Rock prior to this time, but it appears that business matters in Chicago have required his complete attention.

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With the permission of the Bureau this matter will be held in abeyance until such time as Mr. Connelley can proceed to Little Rock and cover the interviews which are deemed necessary in connection with this as well as the BREKID case.

Very truly yours,

CHAPMON FLETCHER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc Inspector Connelley

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CINCINNATI, OHIO**

CHICAGO FILE NO. **7-82**

REPORT MADE AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS	DATE WHEN MADE 2/12/38	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1/4, 7 & 2/10/38	REPORT MADE BY D. P. SULLIVAN IJM
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. #1232, Et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">GRACE GOLDSTEIN interviewed and she details her association with KARPIS, HUNTER, Et al at Hot Springs, Ark., in 1935 and 1936; states that KARPIS had a letter of introduction to "DUTCH" AKERS from some unknown person, which she destroyed; states she talked KARPIS out of contacting AKERS upon her assurance that she would be advised by the Hot Springs Police Dept., in case any inquiry was to be made relating to her or to her house of prostitution. This woman admits borrowing JOSEPH WAKELIN'S license plates in December 1935, but now states she first began to keep company with WAKELIN after KARPIS was captured; admits that she and CONNIE MORRIS lived with KARPIS and HUNTER at Milan's Landing in the Summer of 1935, but denies knowledge that AKERS or WAKELIN knew these men were in Hot Springs prior to March 1936. Many details of other witnesses' statements corroborated by GRACE GOLDSTEIN, particularly as to frequent visits of AKERS to 123 Palm St. during time that KARPIS and HUNTER were frequenting that place. This woman states that JOHN STOVER undoubtedly knew that KARPIS was "hot" and she denies that she ever asked STOVER to refrain from mentioning her name in the event he was questioned.</p>			
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		<p>FEB 16 AM.</p> <p><i>ONE STAT. SECT</i></p>	

DETAILS: AT LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS

GRACE GOLDSTEIN was interviewed at the Little Rock Office by Special Agent in Charge CHAPMON FLETCHER and the writer on January 4, and 7, 1938.

She stated that she first met FRED HUNTER, who she identified from photographs, during May, 1935, at her house of prostitution at 123 Palm Street, when HUNTER called one night and sat around and drank, but did not have a date. This woman stated that HUNTER was alone and he did not mention who referred him to her place; that he did not talk much and she paid little attention to him. In later questioning, Agent asked whether it was not true that HUNTER came to Hot Springs, Arkansas, to learn whether it was a good place for KARPIS and him to "cool off" and GRACE GOLDSTEIN at first indicated that was her understanding from the conversations of KARPIS and HUNTER, but she later denied she had any information in this respect.

This woman stated that a few weeks later, while she was still located at 123 Palm Street, HUNTER and KARPIS returned at which time they were accompanied by a tall young man who played a guitar. In regard to this third man, she stated she did not know his identity but he had been to her place before and she understood that KARPIS and HUNTER had met him at the Manhattan Bar on Ouachita Avenue, operated by EARL and DARREL TISDALE, where they were drinking and brought him along to her house.

GRACE GOLDSTEIN stated that KARPIS and HUNTER introduced themselves as brothers, by the respective names of ED and HAROLD KING; that they sat around and drank and as she recalls they did not have dates although the young man with them did have a date, which either KARPIS or HUNTER paid for; that she did not pay any particular attention to either KARPIS or HUNTER as both were dressed in old clothes as though they had been fishing; that she understood that KARPIS and HUNTER had just gotten into town that day or a day or so before and had registered into the Coronado Tourist Court on the Arkadelphia Road; that from their conversation she gathered that KARPIS did not like Hot Springs and was not very anxious to remain there.

GRACE GOLDSTEIN stated that KARPIS and HUNTER returned the night after their first visit at which time they were well dressed; that she learned around that time that they had rented a cottage at Carpenter's Dam; that they would visit her place almost every night thereafter, at different times, remaining overnight and having a late breakfast at the house on the following day; that she recalled that "JACKIE" went fishing early one morning with KARPIS at Carpenter's Dam. She stated that when she first met KARPIS and HUNTER and for some time thereafter, they were using

a new 1935 black Ford Coupe which carried out of State license plates, possibly being Ohio plates and that this car was purchased under the name of HAROLD KING.

Further information was obtained from the GOLDSTEIN woman to the effect that a few nights after she first met KARPIS she began spending a great deal of time in his company and she decided to take him for a "sucker"; that she told him she could not waste her time going around with him and he then agreed to pay for all drinks bought at the house for HUNTER, himself and the prostitutes, which amounted to quite a large sum each week, and to give her \$200.00 a week as compensation for the time she spent with him.

The GOLDSTEIN woman stated that she operated a place at 1338 South Central Avenue, where she was illegally selling liquor during 1934, up until May 1935; that Police Captain Arch Cooper and other Hot Springs Police Officers would visit her place frequently; that Chief of Detectives AKERS would occasionally visit her at the South Central Avenue address. She stated that the Sheriff's Office raided her for a liquor violation and she moved for a few days to a house, owned by Mr. HARPER, across the street from 1338 South Central Avenue; that she learned that OWEN POE had a vacant house at 123 Palm Street which she considered renting temporarily as she already was thinking of moving into the Hatterie Hotel and she talked with VERNE LEDGERWOOD, the City Judge, about moving into the Palm Street house and she was informed that her place on South Central Avenue had been raided because it was in a residential neighborhood but she apparently got his permission, although she did not expressly state this, and she moved into 123 Palm Street.

The Goldstein woman continued by stating that she always had been very friendly with JOSEPH WAKELIN, HERBERT "DUTCH" AKERS, CECIL BROCK and other members of the Hot Springs Police Department and would go down to the Police Department at night and visit. She stated that a short while after she first met KARPIS, she realized he was "hot" although she did not know who he actually was; that around that time and while she was still on Palm Street, KARPIS asked her what she thought about him getting in touch with "DUTCH" AKERS. This woman avoided questions as to just what KARPIS said to her along these lines but she did state that she did not completely trust "AKERS" because she found that he would act friendly one day and would be moody and unsociable at other times and she advised KARPIS not to make any contact with AKERS and told him that she was well acquainted with all of the local officers and if any law enforcement officers from outside of Hot Springs, including Government Agents, made any inquiry of him or anyone else at her place, she would be informed by the Hot Springs Police Department of such inquiry before any investigation was made at her place.

GRACE GOLDSTEIN further advised that while she was at 123 Palm Street and during the time that KARPIS and HUNTER were visiting her place daily, she would frequently telephone AKERS at the Hot Springs Police Department. (She could not recall having telephoned AKERS from the Jett Brothers Grocery Store on the corner of Palm and Benton Streets but stated it was possible she did so the first or second day she lived on Palm Street and prior to her telephone being installed)

This woman said that AKERS had a "crush" on her around that time and he would stop by 123 Palm Street almost every night; that AKERS would not leave his car but she would go out and talk with him beside his car; that she recalled that AKERS visited the house once, that being when he called and she drove away with him, he taking her to his place on Lake Catherine, called "AKERS ACRE" and he offered to let her use the place for herself and "her girls" until she got permanently located. GRACE GOLDSTEIN here stated that she was afraid to go out to "Akers Acre" alone with AKERS and she asked GRETA or one of the other girls to go along with her as she thought it possible that AKERS might make advances to her, which she did not particularly welcome from him. She stated that KARPIS and HUNTER were at 123 Palm Street at the time that AKERS called for her on the above occasion, but she stated she did not believe that AKERS saw these men. The GOLDSTEIN woman explained that she was very friendly with AKERS around this period but that she was never sexually intimate with AKERS.

The GOLDSTEIN woman stated that KARPIS would ride downtown with her frequently at night while she was on Palm Street and they would pass the Hot Springs Police Department, where there was always one or more of the local officers sitting outside and she would wave to them in passing. She stated that KARPIS and HUNTER always parked their new black Ford Coupe with Ohio plates on the street in front of her place at 123 Palm Street. She denied, however, that AKERS or any other local police officer ever made any inquiry concerning the owner of this car, although she agreed that she knew that AKERS would look for stolen cars bearing out of state license plates in the vicinity of Palm Street, where many young men who visited the Public Health Service Baths maintained their residence.

This woman stated that she did not know how long she operated at 123 Palm Street, but believed it to be a little more than six weeks. She stated that she heard, through the Hot Springs Police Department that people in the neighborhood, particularly MRS. GABRIEL, were complaining of her place; that some officers from the Sheriff's office called one night in response to one of these complaints and she went out to their car and talked with the officers and they drove away. She said she was fairly certain that Deputy Sheriff Roy Irney was one of the officers and she remarked after the officers drove away without harming her or her place that this would show the people in the neighborhood that they could not hurt her.

She said that during this time AKERS would call and talk with her about moving and he suggested that she move her place to the quarters on Central Avenue now occupied by the Proctor Hotel, a house of prostitution operated by Mrs. PROCTOR and she looked the place over after contacting Mr. MATTAR, the owner, but was not satisfied with it as it did not have modern conveniences and she moved into the Hatterie Hotel, this being after she learned that complaints were still being made by her neighbors at 123 Palm Street. GRACE GOLDSTEIN stated that after she moved into the Hatterie Hotel, KARPIS and HUNTER continued to visit her place every day, HUNTER meanwhile having taken up with CONNIE MORRIS; that during the time that KARPIS and HUNTER lived at Carpenter's Dam they made several trips out of town; that she recalled that on one of these trips CONNIE got a letter from HUNTER from Canada. She stated that KARPIS and HUNTER checked out of their cottage at Carpenter's Dam and left in the Ford. They were away a week or more at this time and when they returned they had a new Hudson Coupe, which carried Ohio plates and they also had the Ford Coupe they previously had used.

The GOLDSTEIN woman stated that on their return KARPIS and HUNTER moved into a cottage at Milam's Landing, the cottage being that one at the top of the hill nearest to the highway. She could not recall who

rented the cottage, but she does recall that she stopped at Milan's Landing and talked with ROY MILAM about renting a cottage, but she cannot recall whether anyone else was with her or whether she only inquired about a cottage and that KARPIS or HUNTER actually rented the cottage after her inquiry. She remembered the cottage was rented for one week at \$25.00, this being immediately before KARPIS and HUNTER moved to Dyer's Landing, the date being about August 14, 1935 as it is known that KARPIS and HUNTER moved to Dyer's Landing on August 21, 1935.

In view of statements made by former Hot Springs Police Officer Joe L. SCOTT that he received a report of KARPIS living at Milan's Landing and of having reported same to JOSEPH WAKELIN and "DUTCH" AKERS for investigation, GRACE GOLDSTEIN was asked whether she ever knew of any scare or tipoff while KARPIS and HUNTER were at Milan's but she denied hearing anything of the kind or of any investigation made at Dyer's Landing by the Hot Springs Police around that time. GRACE GOLDSTEIN stated that while at Milan's, KARPIS asked where he could store the Ford Coupe and at her suggestion it was taken to the Ford Agency Garage at Arkadelphia, Arkansas, where it was stored. This car was later taken to Youngstown, Ohio, according to GRACE GOLDSTEIN, where it was stored by CLAYTON HALL.

This woman advised that the cottage at Milan's Landing was given up by KARPIS and HUNTER after one week; that she and KARPIS were riding around one day and noticed the cottages at Dyer's Landing and they talked with Mrs. DYER and rented a cottage, KARPIS introducing himself as ED PARKER and introducing GRACE GOLDSTEIN as "Mrs. Parker"; that KARPIS, HUNTER, CONNIE MORRIS and herself then moved into the cottage. When asked whether Mrs. DYER and MORRIS LOFTIS knew her true identity GRACE GOLDSTEIN stated that this woman did, as she, Grace, frequently made telephone calls to the Hatterie Hotel from Mrs. Dyer's personal telephone in Mrs. Dyer's presence and that Mrs. Dyer and Morris Loftis knew that her name was Grace Goldstein and that she operated the Hatterie Hotel.

The Goldstein woman stated that during the summer of 1935, Hunter made several trips to Tulsa, Oklahoma, the purpose of which she did not know, but recalled that KARPIS negotiated for COKER's release from the Oklahoma Penitentiary and she stated it was probable that HUNTER was contacting someone in Tulsa concerning COKER's release during this period. She recalled that Hunter made a trip by plane to Tulsa during

June, 1935 and that she took HUNTER down to the Municipal Airport at Hot Springs and introduced him to JOHN STOVER. She stated that KARPIS put up \$7500.00 for COKER's release which sum she saw counted out. She was asked how much money KARPIS had at this time and she informed that Karpis had plenty of money but she would not state the amount, although when asked successively whether Karpis had as much as \$10,000 \$20,000 or \$30,000 she stated he had more than that and that for a long period Karpis had a large amount of money. GRACE GOLDSTEIN here stated that Hunter went down to Tulsa upon COKER's release and returned with him and Coker thereafter stayed in the cabin at Dyer's Landing with Karpis and Hunter.

Among the numerous photographs shown to Grace Goldstein, she selected the photograph of BENSON GROVES and stated that she is fairly certain that this is the photograph of a man about 55 years of age who came to the Hatterie Hotel during the late summer of 1935 and that this man was somewhat shorter than the writer, who is 5 feet 10 inches tall; that Karpis referred to Groves as "Dad" and Groves brought with him a small leather bag. The Goldstein woman here stated that Groves arrived a short while after Karpis and Hunter had returned from a trip and that he came alone probably by train; that she did not see the bag opened but knew that it contained money as Groves, Hunter and Karpis went into one of the rooms at the Hatterie Hotel and apparently divided same; that she knew that the money was divided three ways, it being in three separate packages, one package of which KARPIS placed under the pillow of her bed and which she saw. This woman at first stated that the money totalled \$9,000.00 but later she denied knowing how much money there was. She further stated that Groves remained at the Hatterie Hotel for three days at this time. (During the interview, this woman was asked the identity of the elderly man, described by MORRIS LOFTIS, who visited Dyer's Landing and who fished with KARPIS and Grace Goldstein stated that it was entirely possible that this was BENSON GROVES as she could not think of any other elderly person who visited Dyer's Landing.)

Grace Goldstein here stated that after KARPIS and HUNTER checked out of their cottage at Carpenter's Dam they left and were away for a week or more; that on their return she learned that they had been on a safe-cracking job and Clayton Hall told her later that Hunter was a good safe-cracker and that before the job was pulled Karpis and Hunter thought there would be little noise when the safe was blown but that when the safe blew it sounded to the outside man as though everyone in town could have heard the noise. Grace Goldstein at first indicated that Hall had first-

hand knowledge of this job, but later in the interview denied that she had any information along this line. She stated that she received a post card from KARPIS which was mailed from a small town in Pennsylvania located just across the Ohio state line, when Karpis and Hunter were away on this trip. It may be noted that immediately upon their return to Hot Springs, KARPIS and HUNTER rented a cottage at Milam's Landing, this being on or about August 14, 1935. The period that the above burglary took place would be somewhere between August 1 and August 14, 1935.

Grace Goldstein stated that on one other occasion during the summer of 1935 and probably during the time that Karpis and Hunter lived at Dyer's Landing, these men went away on a job and she stated this was the occasion when Hunter sent Connie a souvenir from Canada; that she believes it was during or shortly after the time that Connie underwent an operation at St. Joseph's hospital; that Hunter was supposed to pay Connie's hospital bill, but on his return he stated he was unable to pay it as they had not made a good "score" and got less than they had expected.

This woman recalled the time that Hunter and Coker attended the Baer-Louis fight in New York City. She stated that Coker took a cab to Little Rock and then took a plane to Cleveland or Toledo, Ohio; that it was arranged that Hunter would meet him in Ohio. A couple of days later, Grace Goldstein drove Hunter to Little Rock and bought him a railroad ticket to Cleveland, Ohio. She heard that Coker and Hunter met Campbell in Toledo, Ohio and all three then flew to New York City where they attended the Baer-Louis fight.

Grace Goldstein recalled that she and Karpis listened to the fight over the radio at the cottage at Dyer's Landing. She remembered that Karpis and Hunter bet \$1,000.00 on the outcome of the fight and Karpis lost as he bet on Baer. She stated that Coker and Hunter returned with HARRY CAMPBELL in Campbell's Hudson Coupe and all of the men, including Karpis spent almost all of their time for the next two or three days at the Hatterie Hotel, drinking heavily. She stated that Campbell's Hudson Coupe looked almost identical with the Hudson Coupe belonging to Karpis. Grace Goldstein here stated that she believed it was during this time that Benson Groves arrived in Hot Springs and that he stayed at the Hatterie Hotel for a day or so before he left alone.

Grace Goldstein further related that for some time prior to October 5, 1935, Karpis, Hunter and Coker talked of leaving Hot Springs; that she

recalled that Karpis and Campbell left on Thursday, October 3, 1935, in Campbell's Hudson Coupe; that on the night of October 4, 1935, Hunter and Coker had a party at the Hatterie Hotel and left town immediately after the party at about 3:00 A. M. Grace Goldstein recalled that it was during this period when Campbell was in Hot Springs, that the prostitute GRETA SWANSON returned from visiting her present husband, NORRIS GILSTRAP, at Fort Riley, Kansas.

Grace Goldstein stated that at about 7:00 A. M. on the morning Coker and Hunter vacated the Dyer Landing cottage, she and a negro maid named MINA, who had been working for Karpis, went out to Dyer's Landing and cleaned up the cottage. It is the Goldstein woman's understanding that Bureau Agents began to watch the cottage a few minutes after she left that day. She is of course mistaken on this as it was the morning of October 5, 1935 and Bureau Agents were not informed by HERBERT AKERS of his suspicions concerning Karpis being at Dyer's Landing until the late afternoon of that date.

Grace Goldstein recalled that the Murray Transfer Company truck called at Dyer's Landing on the morning of October 5, 1935 and picked up the large outboard motor belonging to Karpis and took same to the Hatterie Hotel, where it was placed on the back porch. She was definitely certain that Mrs. AL C. DYER was at Dyer's Landing that morning as she talked with Mrs. Dyer. She also said that Karpis left the small outboard motor with MORRIS LOFTIS. This appears improbable unless Karpis or Hunter later picked it up and took it to Ohio, as this outboard motor was found at Hunter's father's place at Leavittsburg, Ohio, in the spring of 1936.

This woman further stated that on leaving, Karpis told her that she should rent another place for Hunter and himself in case he sent her word to do so; that about a week after Karpis and Hunter left Hot Springs the local newspaper carried a story about Federal Agents raiding a cottage on Lake Hamilton in an effort to find Alvin Karpis; that a photograph of Karpis appeared in the newspaper at that time and this was the first time she knew that ED KING was identical with Karpis. This woman said that almost immediately after reading the news article about the raid she went out to Dyer's Landing to find out what it was all about; that she talked with Mrs. Dyer and Morris Loftis and they told her the details of the investigation conducted by Bureau Agents at that place and they gave her the descriptions of the two Agents who made the investigation and who exhibited photographs of Alvin Karpis to them.

Grace Goldstein further informed that after talking with Mrs. Dyer and Morris Loftis she went to the Police Department to see "Dutch" Akers to find out whatever she could. At the beginning of the interview she stated that WAKELIN and AKERS drove past Karpis' cottage at Dyer's Landing at a time when her car as well as the car of Karpis was parked in front of his cottage. She, however, later hedged on this statement and professed not to know where she heard of this incident. She also denied knowing from what source AKERS and WAKELIN first learned of Karpis living at Dyer's Landing. She said that when she talked with Akers at the Police Department she made it appear that she was interested in some other subject and then during the conversation she casually asked Akers what the story of Karpis having been at Lake Hamilton was all about, not letting on to Akers that she was acquainted with Karpis and Akers passed off her question by saying, "We checked and found out it was some gangsters who had moved out." and Akers further told her a search had been made of the place but only one fingerprint was found and that one on a mirror, the fingerprint being that of a woman. The Goldstein woman denied that Akers told her that it was one of her fingerprints. She persistently stated that the above was the entire conversation she had with Akers at that time about the raid on Lake Hamilton. She denied that Akers mentioned Karpis' name during this conversation and she stated that Akers did not tell her that he and Wakelin had seen her car as well as Karpis' car at Dyer's Landing when they were checking on his license plates.

During the first part of the interview, in response to questions as to whether she did not go to the Police Department for the express purpose of finding out whether Akers had "double crossed" Karpis by turning him in to the Bureau, she would not expressly agree to this conclusion but also would not deny same. She indicated that this was true by stating that while talking with Akers on this occasion he picked up the telephone in her presence and called the Little Rock Field Division Office and inquired of the person answering the phone the exact dates of the telegrams which he had sent to Ohio in checking on Karpis' license plates. Grace Goldstein later changed this story and stated that this telephone call was made by Akers shortly before the Woodcock raid when Post Office Inspector HAYNES and possibly JOE ANDERSON and CECIL BROCK were present and when they were trying to get a line on Karpis through the Hudson car he had bought in Ohio.

This woman further stated that a short while after the newspapers reported the raid at Dyer's Landing, possibly a week or so afterwards, Hunter returned alone to Hot Springs and checked into the Howe Hotel. He then had one of the bellboys call the Hatterie Hotel for Connie Morris. When Connie got to his room she was surprised to find that it was Hunter. Connie then called Grace, who also came over to the Howe

Hotel. Hunter then gave Grace Goldstein a note from Karpis in which he instructed her to rent a house. She stated that she told Hunter about the Bureau investigation at Dyer's Landing and she accompanied him to that place, where Loftis and Mrs. Dyer repeated to Hunter the details of the investigation made by the Bureau. She stated that Hunter then left and she rented the house at 602 South Third Street from Hill Wheatley, which house she recalls is located on the corner of South Avenue and Third Street.

The Goldstein woman stated that a week or so later Hunter returned with MILTON LETT, who she identified from photographs and who Hunter and Karpis referred to as "The Kid" and she made a meet with them on the corner of South Avenue and Third Street, it being after dark when they telephoned her. At that time Hunter told her that he and Karpis would arrive in Hot Springs by plane on November 9, 1935 and he told her that she should meet them. She recalled that Hunter, Lett and herself and Connie Morris slept at the Wheatley house at South Avenue and Third Street that night. She stated that she did not again hear from Karpis or Hunter until November 10, 1935; that she went to the Municipal Airport on November 9, 1935, but Karpis and Hunter did not arrive; that there was some public meeting adjacent to the airport that day and because she was not desirous of being too conspicuous she rode up and down the road rather than remain at the airport, as she saw several Hot Springs officials in the crowd, whose identities, however, she professed not to be able to remember.

She stated that on the following day, Karpis and Hunter arrived in Hot Springs by plane. She was not at the airport and they got JOHN STOVER to drive into town in his car. She indicated that Stover brought Karpis and Hunter to 602 Third Street but would not expressly state this, saying she would not know as she was not present. She did say that Karpis and Hunter had their machine guns and other weapons with them and Stover must have noticed the great weight of the luggage. She stated she drove by 602 Third Street a short while after Karpis and Hunter arrived and noticed the shades in a certain position which Karpis and she had agreed upon as a sign that he had returned. She stated that after her arrival Karpis questioned her about the investigation that the Bureau had made at Dyer's Landing and she again assured him that they need not worry as they could bank on the fact that she would be notified by someone at the Police Department in case someone made a complaint or in the event any investigation would be conducted by any officer concerning these men. When asked whether Akers or Wakelin would be the persons who would notify her, she stated it might be not only Wakelin or Akers but any officer in the Police Department. She

stated that thereafter she made it a point to visit the Police Department almost every night to pick up all the information she could that might pertain to KARPIS, HUNTER and herself. She stated that WAKELIN took her upstairs in the Police Department and showed her the criminal records and she inquired of him where the photographs and records of persons wanted by the Government were located and he told her they were downstairs in a separate file, but WAKELIN never showed her those records.

She stated that she was not satisfied with the place on Third Street, as it was not a modern house; that she saw an ad in the local newspaper that a house at Clubb and Fincell Street was for rent and she and KARPIS went up and rented this place from Mr. and Mrs. TOBY FINCELL. She stated that the monthly rental was \$75.00 or \$100.00. She agreed that KARPIS was more cautious after he returned to Hot Springs on November 10, 1935, and he did not want anyone but she, GRACE, and himself to know where they were living. GRACE GOLDSTEIN here stated that HUNTER and CONNIE MORRIS left shortly after November 10, 1935, and were gone until shortly before Christmas, 1935, and KARPIS, at first, did not even want HUNTER and CONNIE to know where he was staying although he later relented and had HUNTER and CONNIE move in the house of TOBY FINCELL, which KARPIS had rented.

GRACE GOLDSTEIN here stated that KARPIS and HUNTER did not have a car after this return on November 10, 1935, and they wired or wrote to CLAYTON HALL at Youngstown, Ohio, and as a result, HALL came to Hot Springs with his wife. The GOLDSTEIN woman stated that KARPIS and HUNTER had no other visitors excepting CONNIE, herself, and SAM COKER; that during Christmas "BUNHEAD" KEADY, who GRACE partially identified from photographs, and SAM COKER came to Hot Springs looking for KARPIS and HUNTER; that COKER learned where KARPIS and HUNTER were living on FINCELL and Clubb Street, but KEADY never was told where KARPIS and HUNTER lived, as the others would not tell him and KARPIS was somewhat upset that COKER would bring KEADY to Hot Springs. She stated that COKER did visit the Fincell Street address but KEADY never did; that both these men stayed at the Howe Hotel in adjoining rooms overlooking Central Avenue and both remained drunk practically all of the time during the three or four days they were in town. GRACE here stated that the prostitute, JACKIE NICHOLS, who had worked for her earlier that same Fall, stole \$2,200.00 which KEADY had and COKER and the others were very angry at the theft.

Regarding Mr. and Mrs. TOBY FINCELL, GRACE GOLDSTEIN stated that she was acquainted with both of these persons prior to her renting their house, as she had seen them at different times at JIMMIE MIKES' Fruit Stand on

Central Avenue. She stated that Mrs. FINCELL visited 124 Clubb Street on different occasions while she and KARPIS lived there; that Mrs. FINCELL had a party one night and she invited GRACE and KARPIS to join the party but they refused. GRACE recalled that she made telephone calls at different times from Mrs. FINCELL's residence but she could not recall that KARPIS ever used that phone.

The GOLDSTEIN woman stated that KARPIS, HUNTER, CLAYTON HALL and his wife, CONNIE and herself had Christmas dinner at 124 Clubb Street. She recalled that shortly before Christmas she and KARPIS visited her parents' home at Paris, Texas. When questioned as to borrowing the license plates of Chief of Police WAKELIN, this woman stated that about two weeks before Christmas, KARPIS provided her with money to buy a Buick Coupe which she did, purchasing same in Hot Springs from the Creason Pontiac-Buick Company. She stated she had no license plates for the car and because it was so close to the end of the year, she did not wish to buy them and she mentioned this to WAKELIN and he agreed to lend her a set of his plates, which he took off his car and then gave to her. She stated that she returned these plates to WAKELIN.

At this time, GRACE GOLDSTEIN was questioned in detail concerning her association with Police Chief WAKELIN and she stated that she had been friendly with WAKELIN, as well as the other Hot Springs Police Officers, for some years. She stated, however, that she did not begin to keep company with WAKELIN and had her first date with him after she returned to Hot Springs in about June 1936, and subsequent to the arrest of KARPIS in New Orleans; that she began going with WAKELIN at that time as he was nice to her at a time when she felt the whole world had turned against her. It was evident that this woman was lying in view of her own statements which she has previously made, but she persisted in saying that she did not start going with WAKELIN until June 1936.

In speaking of the house at 124 Clubb Street, GRACE GOLDSTEIN flatly denied that WAKELIN, AKERS, "SUNNY" DAVIES or anyone else connected with the city administration ever visited this house. She stated that except for the previously abovementioned persons who visited 124 Clubb Street, she knew of no one else who knew that she or KARPIS lived there excepting JOHN STOVER who brought KARPIS and her from the Municipal Airport to this house on one occasion as will be detailed hereafter.

She stated that KARPIS made a trip in JOHN STOVER's plane to Ohio while they were living on Fincell Street and that a few days later CLAYTON HALL returned to Hot Springs with STOVER and told her that KARPIS desired that she come to Canton, Ohio with HALL. She stated that she flew in STOVER's plane to Canton, Ohio, where they were met by JOE RICH, EDNA HANEY and KARPIS. She stated that she and KARPIS spent the night at the house of

prostitution operated by EDNA HANEY in Canton, RICH being present; that on entering the house they went through a basement door in a ground floor apartment, which was private from the rest of the house and she recalls that JOE RICH was very careful about locking all the doors so that no one could enter the apartment where she, GRACE, and KARPIS stayed.

GRACE GOLDSTEIN stated that she made more than one trip to Ohio with KARPIS; that it was on some one of these trips that KARPIS took her to numerous places in and about Cleveland and Toledo. She remembered that KARPIS took her to Toledo and pointed out the house of EDITH BARRY, which GRACE GOLDSTEIN recalled was an old house in a poor district of town. She also recalled that KARPIS parked the car on one of the business streets in town and went up to a second floor apartment which she later learned to be occupied by EDWARD McGRAW, and KARPIS returned in a hurry and she stated that KARPIS had become frightened while in McGRAW's apartment at some action by McGRAW which KARPIS felt was a tipoff by McGRAW that something was wrong and that KARPIS should leave.

GRACE GOLDSTEIN could not recall the periods when she made trips to Ohio with Karpis. She recalled, however, returning to Hot Springs with KARPIS in STOVER's plane and that STOVER had a forced landing at Benton, Arkansas where they procured a car which took them to the Municipal Airport. STOVER then drove KARPIS and GRACE GOLDSTEIN into town where he left KARPIS off at 124 Clubb Street, after dropping her off at the Hatterie Hotel.

Further information was obtained from GRACE GOLDSTEIN that she and KARPIS noticed the ad in the local paper about the Woodcock place being for rent. She stated that CLAYTON HALL, KARPIS and herself arranged for the rental of this place, six months rental being paid in advance. She stated that she had no information that E. E. WOODCOCK or "SUNNY" DAVIES had any knowledge of the true identity of ALVIN KARPIS; that the negro maid, LILLIAN, and her husband, JIMMIE, cleaned up the place when they moved in and that she, KARPIS, HUNTER and CONNIE were very careful not to let anyone else know where they were living.

When questioned as to whether AKERS saw KARPIS or herself along the Malvern Road in the vicinity of the WOODCOCK home, GRACE GOLDSTEIN stated that she frequently passed AKERS along this road when she was either going toward Hot Springs or leaving town for the WOODCOCK home; that, at times she would be alone and at other times KARPIS or one or more of the others would be with her. She could not recall any occasion when AKERS came along as she or the others were entering or leaving the WOODCOCK place, but she did state that her Green Buick Coupe and the Maroon Buick Sedan of KARPIS were generally parked near the WOODCOCK house where they could be seen by anyone passing along the Malvern Road.

This woman recalled that some days prior to Bureau agents arriving in Hot Springs in March 1936, Post Office Inspector HAYNES, WENDT SMITH in charge of the Kansas State Troopers and Trooper JOE ANDERSON came to Hot Springs making inquiries about KARPIS and HUNTER and they contacted various cab drivers in an effort to obtain information from the Hatterie Hotel. She stated that she learned of these inquiries almost as soon as they were made but she refused to disclose the source of her information. She stated that JOE ANDERSON conducted an investigation to learn the identity of the woman who had waited around the airport in Hot Springs in a green chevrolet coupe, which car also contained a large black dog. This woman stated that ANDERSON must have gotten the above information concerning her somewhere in Ohio. She recalled that the cab driver CECIL BROCK was contacted by the Post Office Inspectors and agreed to to act as an informant and that BROCK got drunk and came to the Hatterie Hotel and asked CONNIE MORRIS whether she wanted to make \$18,000.00 and CONNIE learned from BROCK that he was seeking to locate KARPIS and HUNTER. She said that CONNIE was greatly upset when she learned of this. She said it was at about this time that AKERS called her to the Police Department where she was interviewed; that JOE ANDERSON, Inspector HAYNES and possibly CECIL BROCK were also present during this interview; that these men showed her photographs of KARPIS which she refused to identify. She stated that she believed that it was at this time that AKERS telephoned the Little Rock Office to learn the dates upon which he sent the telegrams to Ohio to check on KARPIS' car.

The GOLDSTEIN woman continued by stating that after CONNIE learned of the inquiries made of KARPIS and HUNTER, through CECIL BROCK, CONNIE became greatly upset and she did not go to bed that night; that the following morning, the day being Thursday, she talked with CONNIE and the following plan was evolved whereby CONNIE made it appear that she was going to the Marquette Hotel to answer a call and GRACE then took a roundabout route to the rear entrance of the Marquette Hotel, where she picked up CONNIE and took her to the WOODCOCK home. After they arrived she, GRACE, and the others talked over what had happened and GRACE desired that CONNIE remain in Hot Springs so that she could be interviewed along with herself, GRACE, as she expected to be interviewed again. She stated that the others overruled her suggestion and KARPIS, HUNTER and CONNIE left that same day; that she remained in Hot Springs. She continued by stating that on the night preceding the raid, which night she believed was on a Saturday night, she took the negro maid, LILLIAN, out to the WOODCOCK home and cleaned it up. She vigorously denied that JOSEPH WAKELIN was with her that night when she visited the WOODCOCK home.

She stated that she made a couple of trips to her mother's home at Paris Texas immediately after the WOODCOCK raid, but she did not at this time provide the details of these trips. She stated that sometime after the WOODCOCK raid, KARPIS came to Hot Springs and picked her up and she there-

after accompanied him to New Orleans where she associated with him, HUNTER and CONNIE MORRIS.

She then stated that it was not until after she returned to Hot Springs in about June 1936, that she began keeping company with Police Chief WAKELIN. During this interview the GOLDSTEIN woman was questioned at different times as to whether she openly associated with KARPIS. She stated that after moving from Palm Street to the Hatterie Hotel, KARPIS and HUNTER parked their Hudson Coupe in front of the hotel whenever they were at the Hatterie; that KARPIS and HUNTER generally used her car and drove openly with her up and down Central Avenue; that KARPIS and HUNTER never tried to hide their presence in Hot Springs or to keep secret the fact that they were associating with her and with CONNIE MORRIS. She stated that KARPIS and HUNTER/made a practice of visiting any gambling houses or night clubs while in Hot Springs; that she recalled that KARPIS and HUNTER visited BILL MILLER's place on one occasion when CONNIE was there; that on another occasion she believes that KARPIS went up to the Southern Club, when he was trying to locate her; that KARPIS, HUNTER, CONNIE and herself did visit WILSON's Tavern fairly often during the Summer of 1935. She denied, however, that AKERS, WAKELIN or any other Hot Springs Police Officer ever at any time questioned her concerning the identity of KARPIS or HUNTER, although she passed AKERS on the street on one occasion, when AKERS could have reached out and touched KARPIS.

She stated that she, KARPIS, HUNTER and CONNIE MORRIS frequently passed AKERS on Malvern Road, not only when they resided at the WOODCOCK home, but also when KARPIS and HUNTER were living at Carpenter's Dam during the Summer of 1935. She stated that KARPIS frequently discussed the advisability of his contacting AKERS beginning from the time that she, GRACE, was living at 123 Palm Street. She recalled that after she moved to the Hatterie Hotel, KARPIS again turned to this same subject and he produced an envelope and told her, GRACE, that it contained a letter of recommendation from a friend of his to "DUTCH" AKERS. She stated she again dissuaded him from contacting AKERS and again assured him she would be notified if any Government Officer or any one else made inquiry about him at the Hot Springs Police Department; that she then tore up the letter without reading same and does not know who it was from.

During the course of this conversation, GRACE GOLDSTEIN remarked that between November 10, 1935 when KARPIS Arrived in Hot Springs after the Garrettsville Mail Robbery, up until the latter part of January 1936, KARPIS spent \$9,000.00, this sum including the money he spent in purchasing his Maroon Buick Sedan, her Green Buick Coupe and a Ford for her brother.

This woman also identified a photograph of JOHN A. (SHARKEY) GORMAN, as a man she saw at the Harvard Club in Cleveland, Ohio. She also stated that she recalled that there was a man named "TONY" who worked at the door of the Club. She recalled having seen the tavern called "The Three Sisters" and which she was informed was operated by three girls who are sisters. She stated that she remembers a man named ART HEREBRAND who was a boss at the Harvard Club and who was well acquainted with KARPIS. The GOLDSTEIN woman was unable to place the dates when she visited the above place.

GRACE GOLDSTEIN was thoroughly questioned concerning her association with WAKELIN and AKERS but she persistently denied that she ever associated with WAKELIN prior to the latter part of May or the first part of June 1936.

The matter of securities obtained from the Garretttsville, Ohio, Mail Robbery was mentioned and general reference was made to the possibility that her brother may have been connected with the attempted passing of these bonds. Upon hearing this, GRACE GOLDSTEIN became very indignant and stated that her brother could not have had any connection with these bonds as KARPIS burned these bonds in her presence when they visited her mother's place in Paris, Texas in the latter part of 1935, just prior to Christmas time. GRACE GOLDSTEIN states that she cannot definitely state what date it was that KARPIS burned the above bonds. (It is interesting to note that a few months ago at the insistence of Inspector CONNELLEY, GRACE GOLDSTEIN made a special trip to Paris, Texas, for the purpose of locating the above securities, but she stated on her return that she had burned same sometime prior to the year of 1936.)

Throughout this interview, it was noted that this woman made it appear that she was frank and open in her statements. It was noticed, however, that she materially changed her previous story about the destruction of the securities from the Garretttsville, Ohio, Mail Robbery. She also evaded or lied about her association with WAKELIN. She also made it appear that AKERS should have seen KARPIS on numerous occasions in Hot Springs, but that she had no information that AKERS was protecting KARPIS.

Concerning JOHN STOVER, GRACE GOLDSTEIN stated that she has known this individual since the time when she operated on Broadway in Hot Springs, this being some years ago. She stated STOVER, at that time, frequented her house of prostitution. In proof of the fact that she was acquainted with STOVER prior to 1935 and that STOVER knew that she operated a house of prostitution, GRACE GOLDSTEIN stated that in June 1935 when HUNTER desired to make a trip to Tulsa, Oklahoma, she took him to the Hot Springs Municipal airport and introduced him to STOVER. The GOLDSTEIN woman was asked whether she believed that STOVER knew the true identity of ALVIN KARPIS and she replied that she could not say that STOVER knew who KARPIS

actually was but that STOVER must have known that KARPIS was "hot"; that during the period when she and KARPIS and HALL were making trips to Ohio, (this being in January 1936) STOVER apparently gave KARPIS credit as he did not mention anything about payment at the time the trips were made; that she recalls that KARPIS paid STOVER \$1,200.00 for plane fare later for these trips.

The GOLDSTEIN woman was asked whether she ever contacted STOVER around the time of the WOODCOCK raid and requested him to keep her name out of the investigation in the event that he was questioned, and she promptly denied that this was true and stated that she never asked STOVER not to mention her name in the event of some investigation being conducted.

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Special Agent in Charge, Cleveland, Ohio
(Name and address of Contributor)

Mr. J. E. Hoover, Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Date July 11, 1937

Dear Sir:

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

Bureau File Number	Print Number	Name and Alias	Disposition
1326278	Forwarded to Bureau about 5/24/37	John Francis Gorman, alias "Sharkey" Gorman	6/30/37 plea of guilty U. S. Dist. Ct., Cleveland, O. sentenced 3 yrs. U. S. Pen.; fined \$1000.

Very truly yours,
J.P. MacFarland
J. P. MacFARLAND
Special Agent in Charge
(Official Title)

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

Date July 11, 1937

Dear Sir:

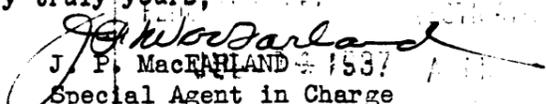
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FBI #903535	Forwarded to Bureau about 5/24/37	Arthur William Hebebrand	6/30/37 plea of guilty U. S. Dist. Ct., Cleveland, O. sentenced 2 yrs. U. S. Pen.; fined \$1000.

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Very truly yours,

 J. P. MacFarland
 Special Agent in Charge
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POST OFFICE BOX 812,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

February 10, 1938.

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

Dear Sir:

In re: E. J. CONNELLY,
Inspector - TRAVEL.

With reference to the agents at Chicago engaged in the Ross kidnaping case, in accordance with my conversation with Mr. H. H. Clegg on February 8, 1938, Special Agent in Charge R. D. Brown and myself will report to Washington February 14, 1938, for conference as to the matter of handling prisoners. It is my understanding this will take about one day.

Upon completion of the above planned conference, it is my understanding Mr. Clegg wishes to continue further with the matter as to the revision of the Manual of Rules and Regulations and the Manual of Chief Clerks, as per the committee of Mr. Glavin, Mr. Clegg and myself, which will probably take a week or ten days, or possibly less. Thereafter, which should be the latter part of February, I have planned on making the trip to Little Rock, Arkansas, for the purpose of conducting interviews with the principal subjects in the harboring cases there, namely Herbert Akers, Joseph Makelin and Grace Goldstein, preliminary to presenting this matter to the United States Attorney for prosecution. Agents D. P. Sullivan and John L. Madala will meet me at Little Rock, Arkansas, for the above indicated interviews at the time in question.

The arraignment of John Henry Seedlund, subject in the Ross kidnaping case, has been set for February 28th and, while it will not be absolutely necessary for me to be present at the arraignment, still it is believed that the United States Attorney at this time will probably wish to go into the matter of the witnesses to be subpoenaed and the plans to be carried out as to the trial of this case which has been tentatively set for trial March 21, 1938.

As indicated, Special Agent in Charge R. D. Brown is to be at Washington February 14, 1938, for possibly one day, after which it is planned he shall proceed to Walla Walla, Washington, for interview with a party in the State Penitentiary there who has

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indicated he has material information concerning the Mattson case. This has been covered in a letter to Special Agent in Charge Brown from the Bureau in the Mattson case. Upon the completion of this interview, he will return to his headquarters at Denver pending such time as he is necessary at Chicago in the trial of John Henry Seadlund.

Agent Lee F. Malone will return to Newark, New Jersey February 12, 1938, to obtain his property in order that he may, in conformity with Bureau instructions, proceed to his new headquarters at Buffalo, New York, for general assignment.

Special Agent D. P. Sullivan will return to general assignment at his headquarters, Chicago, Illinois, February 12, 1938, until such time as he is needed, as above indicated, at Little Rock, Arkansas.

Special Agents John L. Madala and E. J. Wynn will continue at Chicago to interview John Henry Seadlund from day to day as necessary, in order to follow out any possible leads, particularly those which might identify the supposed friend of James Atwood Gray who is known to us only as "Blackie" at this time. It is believed this individual may have some material possibilities in the Mattson kidnaping case. Our continued interviews with John Henry Seadlund will, of course, cover the possibility of any connection with either the Mattson or the Fried kidnapings. We have out a number of leads at this time to various other offices in an effort to identify if possible the "Blackie" referred to as the former accomplice of James Atwood Gray. Agent Madala will continue as to this until such time as he is needed at Little Rock, Arkansas, as previously above stated.

Agent E. J. Wynn, of course, can continue contact with Seadlund and also continue such interviews and conferences as are necessary with the United States Attorney at Chicago during my absence and pending the actual trial of the Ross kidnaping case at Chicago.

It will probably be necessary for me to return to Chicago about one week prior to the date of trial, March 21, 1938, in order to make certain that the United States Attorney fully understands any and all possible situations in this case and in order to verify that there is nothing which is believed necessary which has not been covered. The balance of the agents who are

necessary as witnesses in this case probably will be needed at Chicago on or about March 18, 1938, in order that they may be available for conferences with the United States Attorney preliminary to their actual testimony.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,
Inspector.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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Date February 24, 1938.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Connelley telephoned from Little Rock. He will depart from Little Rock and arrive in Washington at approximately 8:30 Saturday morning, after having assigned enough work to the employees under his supervision in Little Rock to keep them busy until his return. He expressed the hope that the editing of the film could be completed Saturday and Sunday, and he could then return to Little Rock to complete the details of his current assignment there.

Respectfully,

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EREKID. GRACE GOLDSTEIN IN INTERVIEW ADDED LITTLE TO PRIOR
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RESPONSIBILITY IN MORRIS SITUATION HE INSISTS HE HAS NO
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CAN TIE IN LEONARD GRAYSON THIS WILL FORCE GRACE GOLDSTEIN
TO DISCLOSE SET UP AS BETWEEN HER AND JOSEPH WAKELIN.
WE WILL TRY TO SHOW ONE OR MORE VIOLATIONS WSTA AS TO
GOLDSTEIN IN ORDER TO INDICT HER FOR OTHER THAN HARBORING.

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AGENTS MADALA AND SULLIVAN WILL CONTINUE THIS INQUIRY AND
WHEN MEMPHIS ADVISES AS TO PATLEY AND JONES, POSSIBLE
POSSIBLE OF ROBERT HUDSON, WHO HANDLED BONDS THEY
CONDUCT INVESTIGATION THROUGH ALL RELATIVES OF GRACE GOLDSTEIN
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Post Office Box #1469
Little Rock, Arkansas
March 11, 1938

Special Agent in Charge
Washington, D. C.

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RE: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

Recently the Bureau advised that under date of December 14, 1937, a prostitute named Della May Jeffries, who is generally known by the name of Ginger Morgan or Ginger Parker, advised the Bureau that she was presently residing at the Franklin Park Hotel, Room # 153, Washington, D. C., under the name of Mrs. S. T. Parker, and would remain at that address indefinitely.

It may be necessary for this woman to appear as a witness before the United States Grand Jury which convenes April 2, 1938, at Little Rock, Arkansas, in connection with the presentation of the harboring case at Hot Springs, Arkansas, in this file. It is requested that you immediately contact the prostitute called Ginger at the Franklin Park Hotel to ascertain if she is presently residing there, and to advise her to be certain to keep in touch with the Bureau or the Little Rock Office in the event that she changes her present address. In the event that it is found that Ginger is no longer at the above address, efforts should be made immediately to ascertain her present whereabouts.

Very truly yours,

H. B. FLETCHER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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BREKID GRACE GOLDSTEIN INTERVIEWED AND ADMITS TRANSPORTATION
 OF NIECE MARGARET THOMPSON FROM BLSSON TEXAS TO HOT SPRINGS
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Copy to Mr. Tamm

Post Office Box #1469
Little Rock, Arkansas
March 17, 1938

Special Agent in Charge
Memphis, Tennessee

RE: BREKID. *Edward G. Bremer*

Dear Sir:

With reference to the various contacts which your office has made from time to time with Jewel Greta Gilstrap, alias Greta Swanson, and with Gertrude Theresa Nichols, alias Jackie Nichols, prostitutes formerly employed by Grace Goldstein at the Hatterie Hotel, for the purpose of being kept advised of the present whereabouts of these women, it is suggested that your office again contact these women at this time, in order that they will be available in the event their presence is desired before the United States Grand Jury which convenes at Little Rock, Arkansas, on April 2, 1938.

In the event that you learn that these women are no longer in Memphis, Tennessee, it is suggested that you immediately set out appropriate leads to ascertain their present whereabouts.

Very truly yours,

H. B. FLETCHER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS**

L.R. FILE NO. **31-501**

REPORT MADE AT LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS	DATE WHEN MADE 3-17-38	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 2-25, 28-38 3-5, 8, 10-38	REPORT MADE BY D. P. SULLIVAN IN
TITLE JEWEL LEVERNE GRAYSON, with aliases, Grace Goldstein, Mrs. Helen Woods, Mrs. Ed Parker, Mrs. Ed Woods; MARGARET THOMPSON, nee Margaret Jones - VICTIM.			CHARACTER OF CASE WHITE SLAVE TRAFFIC ACT
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: In signed statement Margaret Thompson, nee Margaret Jones, niece of Grace Goldstein, alleges on October 16, 1935, Grace Goldstein transported her by automobile from her home near Blossom, Texas, to Hot Springs, Arkansas, where the Goldstein woman ostensibly was to obtain a job for her as a beauty operator. At Hot Springs, Arkansas, Grace Goldstein took victim to the Hatterie Hotel, a house of prostitution, where they resided where victim thereafter engaged in prostitution, upon the suggestion of Grace Goldstein, until December 10, 1935, when she returned to Blossom, Texas. Transportation of victim verified by parents and sister of Margaret Thompson. Housekeeper and prostitute at the Hatterie Hotel during October, 1935, corroborates fact of victim's presence there, and stated Grace Goldstein indicated she desired victim to engage in prostitution. Grace Goldstein interviewed, and in an unsigned statement admits transportation of Margaret Thompson, but states she intended taking her to school at Little Rock, but victim hung around Hot Springs instead, until she returned home in December, 1935; Grace Goldstein meanwhile supplying her with spending money. Subject denies knowledge that victim practiced prostitution while in Hot Springs. - P -			
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DETAILS:

This is a joint report of Special Agent John L. Madala and the writer.

This case is predicated upon information obtained during the investigation of the harboring case in Hot Springs, Arkansas, wherein it was learned that during October, 1935, Grace Goldstein brought to the Hatterie Hotel a girl named Margaret, who was introduced to the prostitutes as her niece, and who thereafter engaged in prostitution at the Hatterie Hotel during the Fall of 1935.

Upon instructions of Inspector E. J. Connelley, Agents conducted an investigation at Blossom, Texas, for the purpose of definitely ascertaining whether the facts reported above were true, and whether Grace Goldstein actually transported her niece, Margaret, from Blossom, Texas, to Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Margaret Thompson was located in the vicinity of Paris, Texas, on March 5, 1938, and she was interviewed by Agents at the Post Office in Paris, Texas, and she signed the following written statement, the original of which is being retained in the files of the Little Rock Field Division:

"Paris, Texas
March 5, 1938.

"I, Margaret Thompson, nee Margaret Jones, do 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. Dept. of Justice. No threats or promises or any form of inducement was offered me, and I am making this statement voluntarily and of my own free will.

"I am 26 years of age, and at present am living with my parents at Blossom, Texas. I am married to Troy Thompson, having married him at Paris on December 30, 1935. Since that time and until recently, he and I have been living on his father's farm at Direct, Texas.

"I graduated from the Paris High School in June, 1929. Thereafter up until 1935, I worked as a beauty parlor operator in Paris and Dallas, Texas. I became out of work in May, 1935, and up until October, 1935, I lived at my parent's home in Blossom, Texas doing nothing.

"Grace Goldstein whose correct name is Jewel Leverne Grayson, is my aunt. She and my mother are sisters. In 1929 after I graduated from high school, Grace advanced me \$50.00 with which to take up a beauty culture course, which I did in Little Rock, Arkansas.

On or about October 14, 1935, Grace came to Paris, Texas, to visit her mother. When she found that her mother was staying at my parent's home, she came over to visit, this being in the night time. We all talked together, and Grace seemed surprised to see me at home, as she thought that I would be working in Paris. I told her that I was out of a job. She said that I could come over to visit her at Hot Springs, Ark, & she would see about getting a job at the beauty shop which she patronized, and which I later learned was Brown's Beauty Shop. At that time I understood from what Grace said, and from what the family thought, that Grace was running a rooming house or hotel. I told her that I was interested in getting a job, and would like to go to Hot Springs to visit her, but that I didn't have any money, and we agreed that I should return to Hot Springs with her in her Chevrolet Coupe the following day, thereby saving the cost of the fare from Paris. At this time I had no idea that my aunt was operating a house of prostitution, I certainly would not have gone to Hot Springs with her, if I had known that I would have had to live in such a place. Up until that time, I had no experience with or never had been engaged in prostitution.

"I talked with my parents about going over to Hot Springs with Grace to visit her while I looked for a job. They were not particularly anxious that I leave home and go to Hot Springs, and they talked with Grace about my chances of getting work there, and Grace assured them that I could probably get a job at the beauty shop that she patronized, and that there would be little difficulty of my finding work with the Holiday season a short way off. After my aunt had given these assurances my parents consented to let me go with her.

"Grace stayed overnight at my house that night, and the following day we left in her Chevrolet Coupe at around noon. My father and mother, and my two sisters - Helen and Gladys were the only ones at home when we left. I told Grace that I wanted to see my boy friend, who is now my husband, before leaving, but Grace said his home was quite a ways out of the way, and that he would probably object to my going to Hot Springs. As a result, I did not see him before leaving.

"My aunt and I proceeded to Hot Springs, Ark. in her car, and only stopped for gasoline at Texarkana, Texas, and at that time we also stopped to eat in a place across the line in Texarkana, Ark. I drove the car from my home in Blossom, Texas to Texarkana, Texas where we got the gasoline, and Grace drove from this point in Texas the rest of the way to Hot Springs, Ark, where we arrived around 5:00 P. M. I remember that my aunt's black Great Dane dog called "Shine", which was just a puppy at that time, was along. We went directly to the Hatterie Hotel, after Grace bought some groceries at a store on the outskirts of Hot Springs on the way into town.

"On arriving at the Hatterie Hotel, my aunt introduced me to two girls named Connie and Greta, who were living in the Hatterie Hotel, this being on October 16, 1935. The following day my aunt said that I should have some new clothes, if I was to stay in Hot Springs and look for a job. She took me downtown, and bought me a new dress, hat, shoes, underwear, purse, and other things, and she told me that I could pay her back when I got a job and had some

money. That same day Grace and I went to Brown's Beauty Shop on Central Avenue to have our hair done. While there I waited for Grace to say something to Mrs. Brown about getting me a job, but Grace did not bring the subject up, and I didn't say any thing to Mrs. Brown either, about a job, because I felt that Grace would take care of that for me, due to her friendship with Mrs. Brown.

"For about a week after I arrived in Hot Springs, I spent practically all of my time with my aunt, and occupied her bedroom with her, this being in the rear of the hotel. We spent little time at the hotel, and drove over to Little Rock, and made other trips outside of town. During this time Grace, Connie, and I drove to Mrs. Dyer's place on Lake Hamilton, and Grace talked alone with Mrs. Dyer. Grace merely told me that Mrs. Dyer was a friend of hers. Around this time Grace told me that she had a boy friend named Ed Woods, who was a gambler from Florida, & that he was in Florida at that time, and that she expected him back.

"The day after I arrived at the Hatterie Hotel, I met three girls named Ginger, Mary, and Dorothy, & another girl whose name I can't remember, all of whom were staying at the Hatterie Hotel. About a week after I arrived, Grace gave me a room for myself, and about that time I had a bad cold, and had to stay around the hotel. I noticed that there were numerous men visiting the hotel, and realized fully for the first time that my aunt was operating a house of prostitution. About this time Grace and I went to Brown's Beauty Shop for the second time. I waited for her to say something to Mrs. Brown about giving me a job, but she didn't mention the subject, and I then asked Mrs. Brown for a job, but she told me that she didn't need any beauty operators at that time. I expected my aunt to put in a word for me to Mrs. Brown, but she didn't say any thing.

"Around this time my aunt introduced me to a man called "Bobby" at the Hatterie Hotel one afternoon. He, Grace, and I had dinner together. After dinner Grace excused herself, and she suggested that I go to a movie with "Bobby",

which we did. After the movie "Bobby" and I returned to the hotel, and on the way he asked me if I would fill a date with him, and I refused. He then asked me what my price was, and when I told him that I wasn't in that kind of racket, he seemed surprised and didn't talk to me about this subject anymore. This was the first inkling I had, that my aunt might be operating a house of prostitution.

"Around this time I contracted a bad cold, and was confined to the hotel, and it was particularly around this time that I noticed numerous men visit with the girls who were staying there. I remember that Grace left about this time, and was gone for two or three days. While she was away, I had a talk with Greta, and I told her that I intended to leave the hotel and stay somewhere else; that is, if I could find a job. Greta tried to discourage me on this idea, and said that I ought to stay at the hotel and be one of "the girls", and work there. She, however, didn't convince me as to this, and I still intended to leave when I got work.

"One night - a day or so after Grace had returned to Hot Springs, I came to the hotel from a movie. I saw a man sitting in the front room. When I showed up, he looked at me and said, "Let's go riding." My aunt was present, and she told me to go ahead with him. I, at first didn't care to go, but when my aunt insisted that I do go with him, I agreed, and this man and I then went riding in a maroon-colored Chevrolet Coupe. When we started out, I noticed that he had been drinking. He drove recklessly down Central Ave., and fearing that he was in no condition to drive, I asked him to let me off at the Como Hotel, which he did, and I took a taxi-cab back to the Batterie Hotel. I told my aunt what had happened, and she merely laughed at me. Later when I had an accounting with Grace, she told me that this particular man had given her \$10.00 for a date with me and she allowed me \$7.00 on my account, as my share. About midnight of the day that I went with the above man, I was called to the Police Dept. Grace went with me, and we talked with Chief of Police Wakelin. I was told there that the man I had been out with, had robbed a salesman who was staying at the Como Hotel, and that he had also stolen this salesman's car, which was the car that I had been in that afternoon. The salesman who was

robbed was there, and he and I and two officers went to the place where the said car had been abandoned, and I identified the car. I later read in the Hot Springs papers all about the case, and that the thief was sent to Texas.

"The same night that I went to the police station, the man whom I referred to above as "Bobby", returned to the Hatterie Hotel, and spent the night there. The next morning when I got up, I saw him having breakfast with Ginger. When I asked Grace where "Bobby" had spent the night, she told me that he spent the night with Giner. I asked her whether "Bobby" was Ginger's husband, and she told me that he was not.

"That afternoon I again talked with my aunt about "Bobby" staying with Ginger. By that time I knew that Grace was operating a house of prostitution, but I played dumb, so she would have to admit it to me in her own words, which she did, and she told me that she wanted me to stay with her at her place. She then informed me that I was deeply in debt to her, and she showed me a long list which she had made up, showing the articles of clothing which she had purchased for me, the cosmetics and the incidentals which she had bought for me, and the various sums of money which she had given to me from time to time. My aunt also told me at this time that my parents were in need of money, and that there was very little chance of me getting any other kind of job in Hot Springs. She said that the girls at the house averaged \$35.00 to \$50.00 per week, and that Connie at some times made as high as \$100 a week, and she suggested that I fill dates with men, stating that she thought that I would make good. Not having a job, and not knowing any other way in which I could obtain money to pay Grace back at that time, I agreed to fill dates. My aunt then explained that the cost of dates were \$5.00 and \$10.00, depending upon the amount of time I spent with a man; that I would get \$3.00 from each \$5.00 date, and \$6.00 from each \$10.00 date, she getting the other part. She also explained to me that I should collect the money before I filled the date; that call dates at hotels were \$6.00 and \$10.00, but that I would not have to bother about paying the bell boys, as she would take care of that. She told me that I should call her, in case I got into any difficulty, and she explained the way a man should be examined for venereal disease. Grace also asked me if I

would be willing to fill "French dates", and she then explained to me what they were. I told her that I would not do this. She then told me that that was alright; that some of the girls at the house filled those kind of dates, and that some did not; that she did not require this. She further told me at this time that I should use the name of Margaret Bernard, and that I would need an evening gown, which she and I bought that day.

"That same night I was in Grace's room, she came in and said that there was a man in the front that wanted a girl, and that I should fill the date with him. This was a house call for which I got \$5.00. I recall that Grace went in the room with me on this occasion, and examined the man in my presence. She did this to show me how it was done. After I filled the above date, Grace talked with me, and asked me how I got along, and I told her that I thought I got along all right. She seemed pleased as to this, and said that I would make good. Grace collected the \$5.00 for me before I filled the date with this man, \$3.00 of which she applied to my bill.

"I have selected a photograph of Alvin Karpis, and identify it as a man who my aunt introduced to me as Ed Woods. He visited the Hatterie Hotel with Grace on several occasions, and I understood he stayed somewhere around Hot Springs, and that Grace spent most of her time with him. Sometime after I met Karpis, and probably during Nov. 1935, Grace talked about making a trip with him to Florida by plane. Before leaving she asked me to take care of her hotel business while she was gone, such as collecting board & room money from the girls, making a record of the "dates" they filled, and paying for current expenses, which I did. I worked for Grace at the Hatterie Hotel until December 10, 1935. While there I filled enough "dates" with men to pay her the bill of \$35.00 which I have mentioned before, \$12.50 a week for room and board for six weeks, about a dollar a week for six weeks for towels and laundry, and to buy clothes costing about \$165.00.

"On the night of December 9, 1935, I talked with Karpis for an hour or two at the hotel, and told him that I was not satisfied with the life I was leading. I told him I had never practiced prostitution before. He appeared to be disturbed, and suggested that I get out of the racket, and said that if I was greedy for money, I certainly would not get it in that business. Karpis also told me that he had given Grace the devil for bringing me to a place like that. I already had made up my mind to leave, and I then decided to leave as soon as possible.

"The next morning Grace was not at the hotel. I had \$5.00, and I got \$5.00 from Mary who was then taking care of the place. I packed and then left that morning, and returned to the home of my parents in Blossom, Texas.

"I have never told any of my relatives about my experience in Hot Springs. I, of course, have never practiced prostitution since leaving Hot Springs, as I married Troy Thompson shortly thereafter.

"I have read the foregoing statement which consists of 14 (fourteen) hand written pages, and I sign my name hereunder to vouch for its truth.

/s/ Margaret Thompson"

Witness:
Daniel P. Sullivan,
John L. Madala
Special Agents,
F.B.I. - U. S. Dept. of Justice,
500 Rector Bldg., Little Rock, Ark.

This woman was asked whether she had ever engaged in prostitution before going to Hot Springs, Arkansas, and she replied by stating that she had never practiced prostitution prior to her going to Hot Springs, and has not practiced prostitution since leaving that town; that if Grace Goldstein ever remarked that she, Margaret Thompson, had been "chipping around" at Paris, Texas, she was mistaken; that she, Margaret, had been keeping steady company with Troy Thompson since

sometime prior to October 16, 1935, and before that time kept company with another young man around Paris, Texas, and that she had never made it a practice to go out with a number of different men. She here stated that Grace Goldstein did not like Troy Thompson and did not desire that she remain in Paris, Texas, to marry him. Margaret Thompson further advised that her husband is a college graduate and taught school for four years at different high schools in Texas, but gave up the teaching profession to return to farming, and is so engaged on his father's farm at Checota, Texas. She further stated that she had never told her husband that she practiced prostitution in Hot Springs, Arkansas, and added that as far as she knows none of Grace Goldstein's family know that she operates a house of prostitution.

With reference to her transportation by Grace Goldstein from Blossom, Texas, to Hot Springs, Arkansas, Margaret Thompson stated that she and Grace Goldstein got gasoline for the car before leaving Blossom, Texas, at a gas station then operated by Bill Morgan. This woman was unable to identify or describe the gas station at Texarkana, Texas, or the restaurant at Texarkana, Arkansas, where she and Grace stopped on their trip to Hot Springs. She was also unable to identify the grocery store on the outskirts of Hot Springs, where she and Grace stopped to buy groceries on their way into town.

Helen Jones, an unmarried sister of Margaret Thompson, who generally lives at her parent's home located about five and one-half miles Northwest of Blossom, Texas, was interviewed. This girl is twenty-one years of age and is presently employed as a domestic by Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Christopher, who reside on North Main Street in Paris, Texas.

Helen Jones recalled that during the early Fall of 1935, her aunt Jewel, namely Grace Goldstein, visited at Blossom, Texas, and Helen stated that she was present on the morning that her sister, Margaret, and Grace left for Hot Springs, Arkansas, and that she heard Margaret and Grace

talking with her parents, and Grace Goldstein told them she would like to take Margaret to Hot Springs, inasmuch as Margaret was not then employed, and that she, Grace, felt that she and Margaret would have little difficulty in getting a job for Margaret at Hot Springs, Arkansas. This girl stated that her parents thereupon agreed to permit Margaret to accompany Grace to Hot Springs. She recalled that Grace and Margaret left in Grace's green Chevrolet Coupe, at about 11:00 A. M. that same morning, and that she did not see Margaret again until she returned home about two months later.

Helen Jones was questioned as to what occupation her aunt Jewel, namely Grace Goldstein, followed, and she stated that she understood that Grace operated a rooming house in Hot Springs, Arkansas. From the statements and attitude of Helen Jones, it appeared that this girl had no knowledge that Grace Goldstein is the operator of a house of prostitution. This girl was questioned as to whether she ever made any trips with Grace Goldstein, and she stated that when she was sixteen years old, Grace and her former husband, Paul Gazin, visited at Blossom, Texas, and took her to her aunt's home in San Antonio, Texas; this being Mrs. Chapman, without first consulting Helen's parents, and that she, Helen, stayed in San Antonio for about three months before returning home. Helen Jones was questioned further in this matter, in an effort to learn whether Grace Goldstein or Paul Gazin ever attempted to persuade her to engage in prostitution, but this girl indicated that no such suggestions were ever made to her, and advised that Paul Gazin never made any improper advances to her, and that she never did learn why Grace and Paul took her to visit her aunt in San Antonio.

Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Jones were interviewed at their farm near Blossom, Texas, and they both recalled the occasion when their daughter, Margaret, left home with Grace Goldstein to go to Hot Springs, Arkansas. Mrs. Jones, who is a sister of Grace Goldstein, appears to be more intelligent than her husband; it being noted that the family is quite poor. Mrs. Jones stated that she recalled that Grace visited her folks near Blossom, Texas, during October, 1935, and was

at her house on the evening of October 15, 1935; that on the following morning Grace Goldstein came to her home and stated that she would like to have Margaret go with her to Hot Springs, Arkansas, inasmuch as Margaret was out of work and that she believed that she would have no difficulty in getting Margaret a job as a beauty operator; that in any event it would not be difficult to obtain a job for Margaret at Hot Springs. Mrs. Jones stated that she was not particularly anxious for Margaret to leave home, but did not desire to stand in the way of Margaret obtaining a position, and that she finally consented to have Margaret go with her sister Jewel, namely Grace Goldstein. Later in the interview, Mrs. Jones stated that Margaret was keeping company with Troy Thompson at that time, and for some reason Grace Goldstein did not like him, referring to Troy as a "white collared farmer", and Grace indicated at that time that she would like to get Margaret away from Troy Thompson by taking her to Hot Springs. Mrs. Jones was asked what, if any, occupation Grace Goldstein had, and she stated that her sister Jewel, namely Grace, had always led her to believe that she operated a rooming and boarding house, and that she generally talked about the various meals that she would prepare at her place, and she noted that her sister was never flashily dressed when she visited at Blossom, Texas.

Mr. Jones was present during this interview and corroborated the information provided by Mrs. Jones, and he recalled that Grace and Margaret left, after he and his wife agreed to permit Margaret to go to Hot Springs, Arkansas, in a green Chevrolet Coupe, which Grace then operated. Mrs. Jones recalled that the above conversation with Grace Goldstein took place on October 16, 1935, and that she left with her daughter, Margaret, about 11:00 A. M. that same day, and that Margaret returned home on December 10, 1935.

From the statements and attitude of Mr. and Mrs. Jones, it appears that this couple are quite religious, and are plain, simple minded people and apparently have no knowledge that Grace Goldstein is the operator of a house of prostitution or that Margaret practiced prostitution while in Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Bill Morgan, who is now employed at the Loreco Service Station across from the railroad depot at Blossom, Texas, was located and interviewed. He stated that he was personally acquainted with both Margaret Thompson and Jewel Grayson, namely Grace Goldstein, having known these two women for several years. He was unable to recall the incident mentioned by Margaret Thompson in her statement to the effect that she and Grace Goldstein stopped at Morgan's filling station to purchase gas at the time they drove from Blossom, Texas, to Hot Springs, Arkansas, on October 16, 1935. Margaret Thompson was present during the interview with Bill Morgan and she attempted to recall to him certain conversations which she and Grace Goldstein had with him at the time they stopped there, but he still could not recall the particular incident. He did admit, however, that he on one or two occasions saw Grace Goldstein and Margaret Thompson together at his gas station during that time, but could not recall that on any of these occasions they were preparing to leave for Hot Springs, Arkansas. At this point Margaret Thompson advised Agents that the time mentioned by her in her statement was the only time that she and Grace were together when they purchased gasoline from Morgan's filling station.

On February 28, 1938, Agents located Ollie Dowdy, who is generally known as Mary Williams, at the house of prostitution operated by Lillian Bahre at 809½ Central Avenue, Hot Springs, Arkansas. This woman was interviewed at the Administration Building of the National Park Service and she signed the following written statement:

"Hot Springs Arkansas
February 28, 1938

"I, Ollie Dowdy, known as Mary Williams make the following voluntary statement to John L. Madala and D. P. Sullivan, Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation U. S. Department of Justice. No threats or promises have been made to me.

"On October 8, 1935 I talked with Grace Goldstein at the Hatterie Hotel. She told me that she would hire me as she was often times away and she wanted someone

to take care of her house whenever she was away. At that time Greta, Ginger and Connie were the only prostitutes working at the Hatterie Hotel. These girls were paying \$12.00 a week each to Grace Goldstein for board and room and were paying Grace \$1.00 out of each \$5.00 date that they had at the house and they would give Grace \$2.00 out of each \$5.00 date at the house. On dates which the girls had at hotels, the girls got all of the money.

"Grace agreed that for my job of taking care of the house whenever she would be away, that I would not have to pay the \$12.00 a week for board and room which the other girls were paying, but that I should, however, pay her the same amount of money for each date as did the other girls.

"I went to work right away and after that I took care of the business at the house whenever Grace was away up until the time I left there in May, 1936. During that time Grace Goldstein would pay the regular bills, such as for rent, gas, lights, etc but I would collect the money which the girls got from dates and I would turn over to Grace this money, after paying for such as grocery bills etc. I recall that I would turn over to Grace from between \$50.00 and \$70.00 each week.

"At the time I went to work for Grace, she had a green Chevrolet Coupe. About a week after I went to work at the Hatterie Hotel Grace left in her Chevrolet Coupe and said she was going to her home, which I understood was located in New Orleans Louisiana. I believe she was away for several days at that time and then returned alone. About a week later Grace Goldstein again left in her Chevrolet. A few days later Grace returned in her Chevrolet with a young woman about 21 or 22 years old who Grace introduced to me by the name of Margaret and as her niece.

"I recall that for a few days after Margaret arrived at the Hatterie, she had a bad cold and stayed in bed for a day or two. When she felt better she got up and would spend most of her time around the hotel. She would sometimes sit in the parlor when men visitors would come in

and I remember several men who told her they would give her \$5.00 if she would go to bed with them but she would refuse. At that time, Greta and Ginger and I talked together about Margaret being at a place like the Hatterie Hotel and we wondered at first whether she knew that it was a house of prostitution.

"A week or more after Margaret arrived at the Hatterie, Margaret began to fill dates with men who visited the place. She would turn over to me \$1.00 on each \$3.00 date and \$2.00 on each \$5.00 date just as the other girls did. She also paid \$12.00 a week for board and room, just like the other girls did.

"I do not believe that Grace was at the Hatterie on the night that Margaret first began to hustle, but I believe that she, Grace was somewhere around town possibly at the Hot Springs Confectionery, because Margaret did not pay me the money from that first date she filled and it seems to me that Grace was at the house sometime that night.

"Margaret filled dates at the Hatterie Hotel until a week or two before Christmas. One night Alvin Karpis came in and talked with her and I talked with Margaret later the same evening and she was blue and said she had gotten a letter from her boy friend back home and she said she thought she would go home and marry him and get out of the "racket". Around that time I remember she said that she had never "hustled" before coming to Hot Springs. I could see from the way she acted when she first came to the Hatterie Hotel, that she had never hustled before.

"The day after I talked with her, after she and Karpis talked together at the Hatterie, she told me that Karpis had told her that she was too nice a girl to be hustling. A day or so later she got a letter from her boy friend and the following morning she woke me up and asked for \$5.00 which I gave her and she said she was going back home. I told her that I would have to tell Grace that I had given her the money and she said that would be alright. She must have left a short while later as she had already gone when I got up about 10:30 a.m. that morning. I am certain that this was about a week before Christmas 1935. I heard later that she married her boy friend on or about Christmas Day, after she arrived home.

"I never had a conversation with Grace Goldstein about Margaret "hustling", but Greta, Ginger and I thought it unusual that Grace would have her own niece hustling in her place. I never heard Grace make any objection to Margaret filling dates with men who visited the hotel.

"While Margaret worked at the Hatterie she made enough money to buy a winter coat, an evening gown, several dresses, purses, shoes and other things.

"I have read the above statement of seven pages and sign it because it is true and correct.

/s/ Ollie Dowdy.

Witnesses

John L. Madala,
D. P. Sullivan
Special Agents, Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Little Rock, Ark.

Ollie Dowdy stated that in the event she leaves Hot Springs, she will be certain to leave her forwarding address with Lillian Bahre.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent D. P. Sullivan, dated at Little Rock, Arkansas, August 10, 1937, in the Brekid file, which sets out the signed statements of Jewel Greta Gilstrap, alias Greta Swanson, and Della May Jefferies, alias Ginger Morgan, both of whom were employed as prostitutes by Grace Goldstein at the Hatterie Hotel during the years 1935 and 1936.

In the signed statement of Jewel Greta Gilstrap, she states that she was born at Texarkana, Texas, on September 1, 1912, and married Henry Curtis at New Boston, Texas, on or about 1925, and divorced him two or three years later; that she married Charles Livingston, a cab driver, at Hot Springs, Arkansas, during the Summer of 1933, and divorced him at Texarkana in February or March, 1934, and married her present husband, N. F. Gilstrap, at Hot Springs, Arkansas, on December 26, 1935. She further stated that she first became acquainted

with Grace Goldstein at Texarkana, Texas, in 1932, while she, Greta, was practicing prostitution at the Tulsa Rooms at 210 1/2 Texas Avenue; that she thereafter proceeded to Hot Springs, Arkansas, where she was employed by Grace Goldstein as a prostitute at the Broadway Hotel, until that building burned in November, 1933, and that about six months later she worked for two or three months for Grace Goldstein at 1338 South Central Avenue, Hot Springs, Arkansas, and that later she engaged in prostitution at Texarkana, Texas, and that she returned to Hot Springs during the Spring of 1935 and obtained employment as a prostitute from Grace Goldstein from about May, 1935, to the latter part of June, 1935, at 123 Palm Street, and thereafter at the Hatterie Hotel until June, 1936.

Greta Swanson stated further that beginning on or about the first part of June, 1935, until January or February, 1936, Grace Goldstein associated with Alvin Karpis and Connie Morris associated with Fred Hunter, and that these two men were constant visitors at Grace Goldstein's house of prostitution; that these men carried firearms and spent money quite lavishly. Greta Swanson stated further that she recalled that on or about October 5, 1935, Karpis, Hunter, Harry Campbell and Sam Coker were at the Hatterie Hotel, and that they left and were gone for a month or more, and that shortly after Karpis and the others left Mary Williams came to work for Grace Goldstein and took charge of the house when Grace was away; that about a week or ten days after Mary started working at the Hatterie Hotel, Grace Goldstein took a trip to her mother's farm near Paris, Texas, and was gone for about a week and brought back her niece, Margaret, when she returned; that Grace stated that Margaret's folks were quite poor and that she had been running around with men down home and that she, Grace, was going to help her out; that Margaret stayed at the Hatterie Hotel and that a day or two after Margaret arrived, Grace asked her, Greta, to ask Margaret to entertain some of the men who visited the hotel, which she, Greta, refused to do, telling Grace that she should do it herself; that Grace got someone, possibly Mary Williams, to make the suggestion to Margaret, and that Margaret then began to fill dates with men at the house.

Greta Swanson stated further that about a month after Karpis and the others left the hotel on October 5, 1935, Karpis returned, Grace Goldstein coming in with him; that she recalled that Karpis took Margaret into Margaret's room, where they talked privately together for about fifteen minutes or longer, and that Grace appeared to be worried because Margaret had seen a photograph of Karpis in the newspaper a few days before; that Grace was afraid that Margaret might mention this to Karpis, and that Karpis and Grace left a few minutes after he and Margaret returned to the living room; that Margaret told her that night that Karpis had given her some money and had told her to return to her home as she had no business to be in a place like the Hatterie Hotel, and that on the following day Margaret left the Hatterie Hotel to return to her home in Texas, and that after Margaret left, Grace Goldstein told her that she and Karpis had a devil of an argument the night before Margaret left, after Karpis had talked with Margaret at the Hatterie Hotel, over something that Margaret had told him; that apparently Margaret had told him everything she knew. Greta Swanson also stated that a few days after Margaret left Hot Springs, Arkansas, Karpis bought Grace a new Green Buick Coupe, which date is known to be December 12, 1935.

Della May Jefferies, alias Ginger Morgan, provided the following information in her signed statement when she was interviewed as noted above. She began practicing prostitution for Grace Goldstein in April of 1935, when Grace was operating a house of prostitution at 1338 South Central Avenue, Hot Springs, Arkansas, and thereafter worked as a prostitute for Grace Goldstein when she moved to 123 Palm Street, after being raided for liquor by the Sheriff's Office, and that around July 1, 1935, Grace Goldstein moved her house of prostitution to the Hatterie Hotel where she, Della May Jefferies, alias Ginger, was employed as a prostitute until November, 1935; that during the time that Grace Goldstein was located at 123 Palm Street, and thereafter at the Hatterie Hotel, this woman associated with Alvin Karpis, Fred Hunter, Harry Campbell and Sam Coker, and that Karpis and Hunter were constant visitors at Grace's house of prostitution; that these men carried firearms on their persons; that she recalls that she recalls that early in October, 1935, Karpis, Hunter, Coker and Campbell left Hot Springs. Shortly thereafter,

Mary Williams obtained a job as a prostitute from Grace Goldstein and also managed the house thereafter when Grace was away; that around that time Grace Goldstein made a trip to her home in Texas, and returned with a girl who she introduced as Margaret, her niece, and Grace said that Margaret had been "chipping" down in Texas, her home, and that she might as well make some money at her, Grace's, place; that Margaret was ill a few days after she got to the Hatterie Hotel, but that when she got well she started to practice prostitution at the Hatterie Hotel, and was so engaged when she, Della May Jefferies, quit her job with Grace Goldstein in November, 1935; that it was apparent from the actions and conversation of Grace's niece, Margaret, that she had not previously practiced prostitution prior to her coming to the Hatterie Hotel. The present address of Della May Jefferies is the Franklin Park Hotel, Washington, D. C.

On March 10, 1938, Grace Goldstein was interviewed by Agents at the Little Rock Field Division Office, and provided the following written statement, which she read and stated was true but refused to sign. Upon first reading same she was asked whether it was true; she stated that it was but after refusing to sign same she stated that she was sleepy as she had not had much sleep the night before and that she did not know what she was saying, and that she would not sign anything.

March 10, 1938
Little Rock, Arkansas.

"I, Jewel LeVerne Grayson, who generally use the name of Grace Goldstein, make the following written statement to John L. Madala and D. P. Sullivan, who I know to be Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice. I do this of my own free will, no threats or promises having been made to me. I realize that this statement may be used against me.

"When I was eighteen years old I began to practice prostitution. For about three years prior to 1928 or 1929 I practiced prostitution at New Orleans, La., and then moved to Hot Springs Ark., where I opened a house of prostitution at 324 Broadway. I remained there until the fall of 1933, at which time I went to New Orleans. I returned to Hot Springs, Ark., in the spring of 1934 and opened up a place at 1338 S. Central Ave., where I remained until about the middle of May, 1935, at which time I was raided for liquor by the Sheriff's Office. I then moved to 123 Palm Street where I operated until June 28, 1935 and at that time I opened up a house at the Hatterie Hotel on Central Avenue.

"While I was at 123 Palm St. I met two men who introduced themselves as Ed and Harold King and they represented that they were brothers. I later learned during October 1935 that Ed King was in fact Alvin Karpis and I learned around that time that Fred Hunter was the man who went by the name of Harold King; that was around the time that Karpis' photograph appeared in the Hot Springs newspapers.

"I have three sisters and three brothers. One of my sisters, named Esther is married to Roy B. Jones. They have four girls, Margaret about 27 years, Helen who is a grown woman, Gladys, also a grown woman and Edna Earle who is about 11 years of age. Edna is still in school. The Jones family live on a farm near Blossom, Texas and always have been poor. When Margaret was about 19 years old I made a trip to Blossom, Texas and learned that Margaret was no longer in school and she mentioned that she would like to take a Beauty operators course. I told her that I would pay her tuition while at school and she told me she would like to go to Little Rock. She came to Little Rock a short while later and started to school at Madame Eaton's Beauty School and stayed with her aunt on her father's side named Mrs. Carrie Ashley who resides at 1801 Maryland Ave, Little Rock, Arkansas. I believe that the beauty course was about four months but Margaret did not complete the course. I paid her tuition which amounted to \$100.00 and also gave her spending money whenever she needed it and bought her new clothes. I

understand that while she was at school she ran around a great deal at nights and her aunt, Mrs Ashley did not desire to have her remain at her home any longer. Anyway, Margaret did not finish her beauty course and she came to Hot Springs and I drove her back to her home at Blossom, Texas.

"In October 1935, while I was operating a house of prostitution at the Hatterie Hotel in Hot Springs Arkansas, I made a trip to Blossom, Texas. I visited with my sister Esther and her family. At that time I had a green Chevrolet Coupe. Margaret told me that she was not working and said that she wanted to finish her beauty course at Little Rock, Arkansas. I talked with her about it and told her I would pay her expenses to finish her course. I did not talk to my sister, Esther or Mr. Jones about Margaret leaving to accompany me to Little Rock so she could finish her beauty course as they did not care whether she left home or stayed. I dont remember what I told Margaret's parents about where Margaret was going and I don't remember whether I told them anything.

"Margaret and I left and we drove in my Chevrolet to Hot Springs. I had heard from my brothers and sisters around Blossom that Margaret had been running around with different men and would stay out all night at times and was living with Troy Thompson, who Margaret later married, as man and wife.

"I brought Margaret to Hot Springs Arkansas for the purpose of getting her some new clothes before she would go to Little Rock, Arkansas. Margaret stayed with me at the Hatterie Hotel. I remember that we made the trip to Hot Springs from Blossom, Texas in the day time. When I made the trip to Hot Springs I did not intend that Margaret should "hustle" in Hot Springs. For about a week after Margaret arrived in Hot Springs we rode around together and I bought her shoes, hose, dresses and other clothing amounting to at least \$100.00. I cant say exactly how much I spent on her as I never kept an account of the money I spent on her. At that time, Mary Williams was working for me as housekeeper. She also filled dates, Greta Swanson, "Ginger Morgan and Connie Morris were working as prostitutes for me at the Hatterie Hotel.

Dorothy, another girl was living at the hotel at that time, but I don't remember whether she was working then as she was sick for a long while.

"A short while after Margaret got to the Hatterie Hotel probably a week or so after her arrival, Margaret starting going out with Dr. Burch who owns Burch's Motor Company. I don't remember where or how she met him but she possibly met him at the Hatterie, as he would occasionally come up and visit. I remember that she went out with some young man and heard later from someone possibly Mary that while Margaret and her friend were out, the man was driving up and down the street blowing a siren on the car. I heard that he was arrested for stealing the car he and Margaret were riding around in. All I can remember about it was that the man was later sent to Texas.

"I don't remember having any conversation with Margaret after she got to Hot Springs about her going to Little Rock to complete her beauty course. She just stayed at the Hatterie Hotel and I gave her as much as \$10.00 or \$15.00 at a time when I saw her. At that time Karpis and Hunter were away and about two weeks before November 10, 1935 I rented a house at 601 South Third Street in Hot Springs as I expected them to return. I stayed at nights at the 3rd St. house during the last week in October and the first week or ten days of November, 1935. During this time I would visit the Hatterie Hotel from time to time.

"I do not know that Margaret ever "hustled" at the Hatterie Hotel. I never asked her or ever suggested to her that she do so nor did I ever ask any of the other girls that they suggest to Margaret that she "hustle". Personally I never bothered what she did as I felt that she was her own boss and was old enough to take care of herself. Karpis and Hunter returned to Hot Springs on November 10, 1935. After that I spent most of my time in their company. We would sometimes visit the Hatterie Hotel but I seldom spent the whole night there.

"If Margaret hustled at the Hatterie Hotel she never gave me any money. Mary was in complete charge of the Hatterie Hotel and Margaret could have given her money for room and board without my knowing about it. I do know that I gave Margaret money from time to time whenever she needed it.

"Sometime before Christmas Margaret left and returned to her home at Blossom, Texas. I was not at the Hatterie Hotel when she left and she did not tell me that she was leaving. Mary gave her some money from the house money, to pay for Margaret's fare back home.

"After she left I had to pay for a radio which Margaret bought at Sears Roebuck and which she took back home. I believe it cost \$30.00. When I visited my folks at Blossom, Texas around Christmas of 1935, I was told that Margaret had married Troy Thompson."

(NOT SIGNED)

Throughout this interview Grace Goldstein assumed a care-free attitude, and indicated that she was not particularly worried about this or any other case against her, and that if she had to serve time she would do so without any trouble, and probably would be better off in jail than out of jail in her present condition.

During the interview Grace Goldstein stated that she does not now recall whether she talked with Margaret's mother and father at Blossom, Texas, about Margaret going with her to Hot Springs or Little Rock, Arkansas; that she may have talked with them about it, but if she did she did not now recall what she said, and she suggested that Agents talk with Margaret's parents and find out what, if anything, she said.

This woman indicated that when she brought Margaret to Hot Springs, she had heard from her parents and sisters at Blossom, Texas, that Margaret was keeping company with Troy Thompson, and was living with him as man and wife, although not then married to him. Throughout this interview

Grace Goldstein stated that Margaret had always been a source of worry and trouble to the entire family, particularly to her mother; that she had heard from the family before Margaret came to Hot Springs that Margaret ran around with a great many men at her home, and would go off with some man to Dallas or some other place and stay away for as long as a week.

This woman stated further that while Margaret was attending Mrs. Eaton's Beauty School, Little Rock, Arkansas, when she was about nineteen years old, she was running around with various men, and she, Grace, understood that Margaret's aunt, Mrs. Ashley, with whom she was then residing, was disgusted with the way that Margaret was acting, and was glad to get rid of her, and sent her back to her home.

Grace Goldstein was asked whether she and Margaret talked of getting a job for Margaret as a beauty operator when she brought Margaret to Hot Springs, Arkansas, but she denied that this was mentioned, stating that Margaret could not have gotten a job in a beauty shop as she had not finished her beauty course. When asked whether Margaret had been previously employed in beauty shops in Paris and Dallas, Texas, Grace Goldstein indicated she had no knowledge that such was the case. The Goldstein woman stated that she did not intend that Margaret should stay in Hot Springs when she brought her from her home near Blossom, Texas, but she cannot now recall that either she or Margaret ever talked of Margaret going on to school in Little Rock after Margaret arrived in Hot Springs. She stated that Margaret just stayed around the Batterie Hotel. At this point the Goldstein woman stated that she began practicing prostitution when she was eighteen years old. She mentioned that there were very few prostitutes who did have a great many responsibilities, and she mentioned that she had never "chipped around", and that she had always gotten something out of every man she ever kept company with. Agents discussed with Grace Goldstein the idea of a girl being introduced to prostitution and thereafter being engaged in prostitution in a house operated by her own aunt. This woman would not admit that Margaret had ever practiced prostitution in her place, but stated that she saw nothing particularly wrong in it if Margaret had done so, inasmuch as Margaret had been fooling around with men for sometime long before that.

This woman stated that Margaret left her place suddenly, and she did not know that Margaret intended leaving until Margaret was gone.

At first Grace Goldstein indicated that Margaret left a great many unpaid bills for clothing which she had purchased, and which she, Grace, had to pay after Margaret left, but upon questioning she could not recall what, if any, unpaid clothing bills Margaret had left, and which she later paid.

This woman was quite bitter toward Margaret Thompson and stated to Agent Madala while the writer was absent from the room for a short while, "that this case (referring to the transportation of her niece Margaret Thompson) is the only thing that you have against me, but Margaret will never testify against me. I will kill her first." When asked by Agent Madala if she would really kill Margaret in the event Margaret testified, Grace Goldstein stated, "I won't kill her, but I know some people who will kill her".

The following is the description of Jewel LeVerne Grayson, alias Grace Goldstein, obtained from personal observation and interview:

Age:	32 years
Height:	5 feet, 4 inches
Weight:	145 pounds
Hair:	Light Brown
Eyes:	Grey
Build:	Stout
Complexion:	Sallow
Teeth:-	Wide space between two upper front teeth.
Occupation:	Prostitute
Residence:	Hatterie Hotel, 121 $\frac{1}{2}$ Central Ave., Hot Springs, Arkansas.
Race:	White
Photographs:	On file Little Rock Office
Criminal Record:	None known, but admitted numerous arrests at New Orleans, Louisiana.

The following is the description of Victim Margaret Thompson, nee Margaret Jones, as obtained from personal observation and interview:

Age:- 26 years
(Born February 9, 1912)
Height: 5 feet, 4 inches
Weight: 122 pounds
Eyes: Blue
Hair: Light brown
Build: Medium
Teeth: Good
Glasses: Rimless, octagon shape
Complexion: Medium
Marital Status: Married to Troy Thompson
Nationality: American
Race: White
Residence: Blossom, Texas
Criminal
Records: None known

The facts in this case will be presented to the United States Attorney at Little Rock in conjunction with the presentation of the facts in the harboring case in the BREKID file, and the harboring case in the file entitled HERBERT AKERS, with alias; ET AL; NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES.

P E N D I N G

Post Office Box #1469
Little Rock, Arkansas
March 22, 1938

Special Agent in Charge
Chicago, Illinois

RE: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

I am returning herewith a copy of the summary report of Special Agent D. P. Sullivan dated at Little Rock, Arkansas, December 10, 1937, and one copy of the index to the above report, which serials were being used by Inspector E. J. Connelley, same having been obtained from the Chicago File.

Very truly yours,

H. B. FLETCHER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Post Office Box #1469
Little Rock, Arkansas
March 22, 1938

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Special Agent in Charge
Memphis, Tennessee

RE: BREKID.

Edward G. Bremer

Dear Sir:

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The Washington Field Office has advised that Della May Jeffries, who was residing at the Franklin Park Hotel, Washington, D. C., moved from this address and left no forwarding address, it being indicated that this woman possibly returned to Memphis, Tennessee.

When Grace Goldstein was recently interviewed, she stated that the Jeffries woman possibly was at 321 Monroe Avenue in Memphis.

It is requested that you immediately contact Gertrude Theresa Nichols, 321 Monroe Avenue, and Jewel Greta Gilstrap, 227 1/2 Madison Avenue in Memphis, Tennessee, for the purpose of ascertaining whether Della May Jeffries, alias Ginger, is now located in Memphis, Tennessee.

Very truly yours,

H. B. FLETCHER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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PROCEEDING CHICAGO THREE FIVE PM TODAY MISSOURI PACIFIC RAILROAD,
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 PULLMAN SPACE NOT AVAILABLE. ARRIVE CHICAGO MARCH NINETEEN SEVEN
 THIRTY AM. BREKID, CONFERRED USA ISGGIG, AND AGENTS SULLIVAN AND
 MADALA WILL CONFER FURTHER WITH HIM AND HIS ASSISTANT, CATLETT, IN
 PREPARATION GRAND JURY ACTION, AND POSSIBLY PRELIMINARY ACTION
 AS TO GRACE GOLDSTEIN TO GET THE PROPER COOPERATION FROM HER.
 MR. ISGGIG IS ENTIRELY FAVORABLE AND AGREEABLE TO PROSECUTION OF
 ANY WHO CAN BE SUCCESSFULLY HANDLED. HE IS FAVORABLE TO ACTION
 AS TO WSTA COVERED IN REPORT D P SULLIVAN MARCH SEVENTEEN ENTITLED
 JEWEL LEVERNE GRAYSON WITH ALIASES, MARGARET JONES, VICTIM.
 REPORT IN THIS LATTER CASE IS GOING FORWARD TO BUREAU TODAY.
 I WILL ADVISE THE BUREAU AND DIRECTOR PERSONALLY WHEN I PROCEED
 NEW YORK FROM CHICAGO AFTER SENTENCE JOHN HENRY STADLUM SATURDAY
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 YOUR NAME IS ONE
 Jobs to Mr. Tamm

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March 22, 1938

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Interview of Herbert
"Dutch" Akers, Little
Rock, Arkansas, February
23, 1938.

This memorandum is submitted for the purpose of furnishing information obtained from Herbert "Dutch" Akers, former Chief of Detectives, Hot Springs, Arkansas, when interviewed on February 23, 1938 at Little Rock.

Akers was interviewed both as to the situation concerning the harboring of Alvin Karpis and the harboring of Thomas Nathan Norris at Hot Springs, Arkansas. It is recalled that Norris was being sought by this Bureau for unlawful flight to avoid prosecution, namely for the charge of robbery in the States of South Carolina, Texas and Louisiana. Federal complaints were filed against him on May 8, 1936, in the Eastern District of South Carolina, on November 13, 1936 in the Northern District of Texas, and on April 9, 1937 in the Southern District of Mississippi.

Akers when interviewed immediately advised that he was not connected with the harboring of Alvin Karpis, and was satisfied that he had nothing to worry about as to the facts in this case. However, he admitted that he was guilty in connection with the harboring of Thomas Nathan Norris. Although he was vigorously questioned concerning every situation which had been developed concerning the harboring of Karpis at Hot Springs, he denied emphatically his connection, and did not implicate anyone in the harboring of Alvin Karpis.

Akers admitted, however, that he had received money for the protection of Thomas Nathan Norris, and that he had been advised by Bureau Agents as to the Federal fugitive status of Norris, and that he had given the photograph of Norris which he had received from the Fort Worth, Texas Police Department to Norris as an indication of his good will in protecting him and his associates in Hot Springs, Arkansas.

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A detailed memorandum setting forth the pertinent information concerning the various irregularities on the part of city officials in Hot Springs, Arkansas including himself and Mayor Leo McLaughlin, Chief of Police Joe Wakelin, Verne Ledgerswood, the City Judge, and "Sonny" Davies, the City Attorney, is being transmitted herewith. The criminal operations of Thomas Nathan Norris and his associates are also being set forth herein.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

JEL:MK

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March 21, 1938

MEMORANDUM

Re: Facts Obtained from Herbert "Dutch" Akers, Former Chief of Detectives, Hot Springs, Arkansas, during Interview at Little Rock, Arkansas, February 23, 1938.

This memorandum is submitted for the purpose of setting forth the facts obtained from Herbert "Dutch" Akers, former Chief of Detectives, Hot Springs, Arkansas, when interviewed on February 23, 1938, in conformity with our request to him to appear at the Little Rock office at 1 P. M. on that date.

Akers was interviewed as to the situation concerning the harboring of Alvin Karpis, and also as to the harboring of Thomas Nathan Norris, at Hot Springs, Arkansas.

It is recalled that three Federal complaints have been filed against Thomas Nathan Norris, charging him with unlawful flight to avoid prosecution. The first complaint was filed in the Eastern District of South Carolina on May 8, 1936; the second complaint was filed in the Northern District of Texas on November 13, 1936; and the third complaint was filed in the Southern District of Mississippi on April 9, 1937. These three complaints grow out of robbery in the respective States. The first and third concern bank robberies over which this Bureau did not have investigative jurisdiction.

Akers, when interviewed, immediately advised that he was not connected with the Karpis situation, and was satisfied that he had nothing to worry about as to the facts in this case; that however he was guilty in connection with the harboring of Norris. He denied any connection with the harboring of Alvin Karpis. However, he was vigorously interviewed as to every situation which was developed during the course of the harboring investigation in Hot Springs, Arkansas, and no admissions were obtained from him concerning his or anyone else's being involved in the harboring of Alvin Karpis at Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Akers related that the Mayor, Leo McLaughlin, told him first that the State Police objected to his being returned to duty by the Police Department of Hot Springs and then McLaughlin later advised him that it was Governor Carl Bailey who objected to his being returned to duty, and finally McLaughlin indicated to Akers that the reason he does not return him to duty is because of the Department of Justice, that is, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, having objected to his being employed, and has insisted that they will not cooperate

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with the Hot Springs Police Department if Akers is a part of the same at any time.

Continuing, Akers advised that one of his first difficulties was caused by the action of a Bureau Agent, namely, Agent Chipman, who accused him of helping auto thieves in Hot Springs. He stated Agent Chipman had no basis for such charges; that, however, possibly he really did have some information which indicated this, but that he, Akers, was innocent of this charge; that in fact he had never taken anything from any automobile thieves. He referred to the situation wherein prisoner Mickel had supposedly made a statement to Agent Chipman that he was paying off to "Dutch" Akers. Akers advised "I made my money by getting attorneys for fellows who had money on them when they were arrested."

Akers related during the interview, "I would like to bring to Mr. Hoover the idea I want to be on the square, as my information will be of value to the Government and the Department. I would like to get Mr. Fletcher to go over there and tell them you have no objection to my working, or possibly write a letter to this effect." (*Hot Springs)

"I was checking con men and throwing them in jail and also to stop this I even threw the victims in jail and then all would be immediately turned out by the Judge. Then finally he propositioned me to go with the Police Department." Akers then explained that by reason of the pressure placed upon him, he decided to start to steal with the rest of them, and while he was not able to align himself with the cut-in on the large money from the gambling, still he made his money from various other sources. Akers indicated that when it was necessary to go out and collect any money, Joe McLaughlin, the Chief of Police, usually sat in the police station twiddling his thumbs while he, Akers, went out to get the money and when he came back, of course, they divided it between them. This referred to the so-called petty thieves, from various sources outside of the large money coming from the gambling sources, to which he, Akers, claimed McLaughlin and Verne Ledgerwood are the real heels. Verne Ledgerwood is City Judge.

Akers indicated that McLaughlin had cited to him a delay in the answering of a fingerprint card of a man who was wanted as a refusal of this Bureau to cooperate with them in view of Akers' being connected with the Hot Springs Police Department. Akers was advised most specifically that the Bureau would not take any such action; that fingerprint records being forwarded as to men known to be wanted elsewhere were immediately taken care of through the Police Department's being advised, in order that the individual who wanted the man would have the benefit of the information at the earliest possible moment.

Akers related that the real set-up at Hot Springs is controlled by "Sonny" Davies, the City Attorney, Verne Ledgerwood, the City Judge, and Mayor Leo McLaughlin; that it is his opinion that Dr. J. P. Randolph and

Archie Ledgerwood, the latter being the brother of Verne Ledgerwood, are the pay-off men; that these parties have indicated to him that they have sources of information in the Federal Building in Little Rock, Arkansas, whereby they can get information as to any and all cases. Akers cited this as the reason why we should be careful in the submission of the facts in this case to anyone in the Federal Building at Little Rock, Arkansas.

Akers further related that they undoubtedly let him out because they believed when the Norris situation broke, the Government would immediately come in and lock him up, and they wanted to save their own faces in the situation by eliminating him from the Police Department. Akers advised that he drew a salary of \$90 a month, and Mayor McLaughlin refused to pay him the \$150 per month which had been authorized by the City Council; that as a result of this he necessarily had to steal on the side, advising that part of his difficulties are a result of a case in Little Rock, Arkansas, while Carl Bailey was the Prosecuting Attorney. It appears that they had two parties up on a confidence man charge, who were innocent; that he, Akers, knew who the real parties were and insisted on going before the Grand Jury with his information, but that Bailey would not allow him to do so. As a result, Bailey has not been particularly friendly to Akers since that time.

Akers stated he was the one who wrote John J. Sullivan in New York to the effect that Lucky Luciano was in Hot Springs, Arkansas at the time he was apprehended, and that Lucky Luciano wanted to get out of jail after he was arrested. It appears that Luciano had sent to New York for \$15,000, which arrived after he had been placed in jail. Akers further related that he had this money in his pocket at the time Governor Bailey was talking about the \$50,000 being used to bribe someone; that as a matter of fact this only represented \$15,000, and this money was finally split up among the various lawyers in Hot Springs, Arkansas, he, Akers, receiving \$100 of this money. The money had originally been sent for by Luciano to buy the country home of Akers on Lake Catherine, and due to Luciano's being arrested, he was unable to sell his place for \$15,000 to Luciano.

Akers brought up the situation when in the early part of 1936 he had made certain slighting remarks as to the Bureau and the Director, and again offered his supposedly sincere apology, remarking that he was very sorry that this had ever occurred, explaining that he was rather "hot" at this time because of the incident in connection with the apprehension of Alvin Karpis, believing he should have been allowed to be in on the capture of Karpis, and for that reason he was rather "bored" at the Bureau.

With reference to the harboring of Thomas Nathan Norris, this is to advise Thomas Nathan Norris was one of the robbers of the Palmetto State Bank, Lake City, South Carolina which was robbed on September 4, 1934 of \$114,000. The robbery of this bank did not come under the investigative jurisdiction of the Bureau, but on May 8, 1936 a complaint was issued at Charleston, South Carolina charging Norris with unlawful flight to avoid prosecution. On November 13, 1936, complaints were filed at Fort Worth, Texas charging T. N. Norris et al with unlawful flight to avoid prosecution for three armed robberies perpetrated at Fort Worth, Texas during October, 1936. It was also definitely determined that Norris and another attempted to rob the Bank of Lake, Lake, Mississippi just prior to the robbery of the Palmetto State Bank at Lake City, South Carolina, and in connection with this unsuccessful attempt another complaint charging Norris with unlawful flight to avoid prosecution was filed at Vicksburg, Mississippi on April 9, 1937.

The investigation conducted by Bureau Agents in connection with the harboring of T. N. Norris by former Chief of Detectives Herbert Akers, Hot Springs, Arkansas, has resulted in the obtainment of apparently definite proof that Norris and his associates were harbored by Akers at Hot Springs, Arkansas from about March 15, 1937 to August 10, 1937.

On December 10, 1936, Agent E. L. Dameron contacted former Chief of Police Akers at Hot Springs, Arkansas, at which time Akers was in possession of a photograph and description of Norris, and informed Agent Dameron he would watch for this individual in Hot Springs and cause his apprehension if he came to that city. Agent Dameron contacted Akers on this occasion as a result of a telephone conversation overheard on the Hot Springs Police Department telephone by Agents then on special assignment at Hot Springs, in which conversation Akers in talking with the Sheriff at Stillwater, Oklahoma inquired as to the correct name of Norris' mother, who was believed at that time to be living in Hot Springs. Akers indicated in this conversation that he had just received a letter and photograph of Norris from the Chief of Police, Dallas, Texas.

On July 27, 1937, Akers was again interviewed by Agent McCabe, at which time Akers stated he had received no further information concerning T. N. Norris since his previous interview with Agent Dameron. When Akers was interviewed on February 23, 1938, he admitted that Dexter Sheffield came to the Hot Springs Police Department on about March 20, 1937, and arranged a meeting between Akers, Norris, and an associate, Sam Haynes. Thereafter Akers went out on the highway where Norris and Haynes were in their car at the Sheffield place. Akers related that at this time Norris and Haynes were accompanied by an individual known to him only as "Blackie", whose identity has not been definitely established. Akers further admitted that he was very suspicious of these individuals, because they refused to inform him who had sent them, for which reason he believed they were Federal Agents. At this time Norris, Haynes and "Blackie" discussed with Akers the possibility of arranging a "stick-up" of the armored truck which carried money to and

from the Oaklawn Park race track at Hot Springs. To this query, Akers advised he replied that he would not permit them to come in and "burn up the town". Even following this discussion Akers related he was very suspicious of these individuals, and upon stepping out of the car, he advised "you can tell Mr. Hoover to send someone else down to get me". Akers admitted that he probably met Norris and Haynes on about six occasions thereafter at the Oaklawn Park Race Track, and on possibly six other occasions, most of these later meetings occurring near the Rix school in an isolated section near Hot Springs. Akers admitted that he had met Norris and Haynes after arranging by telephone to do so by driving out the Malvern Road. Norris and Haynes would follow him in their car. On some of these occasions Norris turned over some of his money to Akers. Akers admitted he received possibly \$150, whereas Haynes related that more than \$500 was turned over to Akers during the course of these meetings. Akers further admitted that approximately one month after his first meeting with Norris and Haynes, Norris asked if Akers "had anything on him", and at that time Akers advised Norris of the wanted notice and description which had been received from the Fort Worth, Texas Police Department. Akers also admitted that he subsequently gave this photograph and description to Norris merely as a token of his good faith in protecting him.

On April 24, 1937, Alfred "Sonny" Lamb escaped from the County Jail at Fort Worth, Texas, and on May 14, 1937, Goldie H. Hairston escaped from the county jail at Longview, Texas. Shortly after the escape of Hairston, he joined up with Alfred "Sonny" Lamb and within a short while Hairston and Lamb came to Hot Springs, Arkansas where they contacted Norris and Haynes. On about May 20, 1937, Haynes and Norris proceeded to Texas. While in Texas on this trip Norris and Haynes robbed a dice game at Houston, Texas and they, together with Lamb and Hairston then robbed a bookmaking establishment at Stafford, Texas on May 30, 1937. During the perpetration of this robbery, one R. A. Rutledge was killed by the gang. Norris, Lamb, Haynes and Hairston returned to Hot Springs, Arkansas on May 31, 1937, all of them checking into cottages at Potash Sulphur Springs, Arkansas.

On July 29, 1937, Norris, Haynes, Hairston and Lamb proceeded to Houston, Texas, where on July 31, 1937, these men robbed the Shippside Construction Company at Houston, Texas, obtaining \$3,400. The gang thereupon returned to Hot Springs, Arkansas, where they associated together for the most part until August 13, 1937. On this date Haynes proceeded to the home of Betty J. McNeill, at Benton, Arkansas, whom he had married at Malvern, Arkansas on July 28, 1937. Haynes was arrested by the Arkansas

State Police officials on his arrival in Benton, Arkansas. Later that day the Arkansas State Police killed Alfred "Sonny" Lamb as he was resisting arrest in Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Norris was taken into custody one mile west of Rogers, Arkansas, on August 16, 1937 in a raid on the home of his mother, at which time he was shot in both arms and legs while resisting arrest. The raid was conducted by Bureau Agents, Arkansas State Police, members of the Sheriff's office of Benton County, Arkansas and local police officers of Rogers, Arkansas. At the time of the apprehension, Norris was in possession of a sawed-off shotgun and several weapons were recovered in the house occupied by Norris.

Goldie Hairston, wanted for violation of the National Motor Vehicle Theft Act, was found dead of gunshot wounds near Gretna, Louisiana, after he and companions had fired upon two officers of the ~~Gulfport, Mississippi~~ Police Department on September 7, 1937, killing one of the officers.

Thomas Nathan Norris is presently incarcerated in the Texas State Penitentiary on one 99 year sentence for murder, two 99 year sentences for armed robbery and a sentence of 5 to 40 years for armed robbery. At present no Federal complaints, indictments or warrants are outstanding for this subject as the Federal complaints have been dismissed. Sam Stegal ~~Haynes~~ is presently incarcerated in the Texas State Penitentiary at Huntsville, Texas, where he is serving a sentence of from 5 to 12 years and is awaiting trial on an indictment returned November 9, 1937, in the State District Court at Richmond, Texas, charging him with the murder of Robert Rutledge at Stafford, Texas.

The identity of the man known as "Blackie" ~~Carter~~ is still unknown, and there is little or no information available which would indicate the identity of this man.

Norris informed Haynes on one occasion that Akers had in the past taken care of any "hot" people in Hot Springs and that Alvin Karpis had been taken care of by Akers when Karpis first went to Hot Springs, but that later there had been a misunderstanding and Karpis had "cut" Akers off.

When questioned as to why he had not furnished information to the two Agents who interviewed him concerning Norris, Akers advised he was not trying to be particularly cooperative with the Bureau at that time because he had been displeased with the handling by the Bureau of the investigation involving Alvin Karpis. Akers stated that upon being contacted by Agent McCabe he would have probably advised as to Norris' and Haynes' presence in town, had it not been for the fact that he was not called in on the investi-

gation of the Karpis case.

Akers emphatically denied knowledge of any illegal activities of Norris and Haynes during their residence in Hot Springs, particularly did he deny that he had knowledge that an associate of Haynes and Norris, namely Alfred "Sonny" Lamb had stolen a 1937 Dodge Sedan, motor D-5-42127, the property of D. Grady O'Neal, which car was stolen on the night of June 21, 1937. It is noted that Sam Stegal Haynes states this car was abandoned early on the morning of July 21, 1937 near the Hamble Street school, Hot Springs, Arkansas, after an agreement had been reached between Herbert Akers and Thomas Nathan Norris whereby the automobile should be recovered by Akers before daylight on July 21st, this agreement being made in order that Akers might receive a reward from the owner of the car for its recovery and also to cover up possible investigation in the event it was recovered by some other law enforcement agency or officer. Akers claims he received an anonymous telephone call concerning this car being abandoned and denied that he recognized the voice of the person calling as Thomas Nathan Norris. However, he admits that subsequent to the recovery, Norris advised him that the car had been stolen by "them" meaning Norris and his associates.

It is also noted that Akers claimed Norris and Haynes had discussed with him the possibility of kidnaping Mayor Leo McLaughlin, and Akers stated he talked these men out of such a crime because he knew it would bring "a lot of heat" on the town.

Akers identified the photographs of Sam Stegal Haynes, who was known to him only as "Red" and Thomas Nathan Norris, as being the individuals referred to hereinabove as Norris and Haynes. Akers emphatically denied any knowledge of or connection with the remainder of this band of criminals, that is, Goldie Hairston, Alfred "Sonny" Lamb, and Tommy Woodard.

The admissions made by Herbert Akers are corroborated in part by numerous witnesses, the principals of whom are Sam Stegal Haynes, Dexter Sheffield and William Reux. The details of Akers concerning particularly the theft and recovery of the Dodge automobile referred to herein, are refuted by the statement of Haynes.

The facts in this case are to be presented to the Federal Grand Jury convening at Little Rock, Arkansas in April, 1938.

Post Office Box 1469,
Little Rock, Arkansas,
March 23, 1938.

W
Special Agent in Charge,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Re: BREKID. *Edward G. Bremer*

Dear Sir:

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Please forward to this office Air Mail, Special Delivery,
a copy of the report which Special Agent D. W. Magee submitted
during May, 1936, covering the investigation conducted at New
Orleans at the time Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter were arrested on
May 1, 1936.

This office has a copy of the report of Special Agent L. I.
Bowman, New Orleans, dated May 15, 1936, but the file does not contain
a copy of Agent Magee's report, and the information contained therein
is needed in connection with the harboring case.

Very truly yours,

H. B. FLETCHER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Post Office Box #1469
Little Rock, Arkansas
March 25, 1938

Mr. Fred A. Iagrig
United States Attorney
Federal Building
Little Rock, Arkansas

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases; ET AL;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM;
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES;
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL
FIREARMS ACT.

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting by Special Agent D. P. Sullivan the following papers in the file bearing on the harboring of Alvin Karpis and his associates at Hot Springs, Arkansas:

One copy each of the following indictments returned by the United States Grand Jury for the Southern District of Florida, in the December Term, 1934:

Indictment # 4608,
Indictment # 4610,
Indictment # 4613-K,
Indictment # 4628,
Indictment # 4629-M.

One copy of the indictment returned by the United States Grand Jury in the Northern District of Ohio, Western Division, during the April Term, 1937.

All of the above indictments refer to harboring charges against various persons who associated with Alvin Karpis and his associates.

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United States Attorney,
Little Rock, Arkansas.

March 25, 1938.

I am also transmitting one copy of the report
of Special Agent I. B. Mitschke, Washington, D. C., dated
November 24, 1937.

Very truly yours,

H. B. FLETCHER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc Bureau
Inspector E. J. Connelley
Cincinnati

2401 Starick Building,
Memphis, Tennessee,
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Special Agent in Charge,
Little Rock, Arkansas.

Re: BREKID

Edward G. Bremer

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter dated March 22, 1938, addressed to this Field Division please be advised that on March 26, 1938 Della May Jeffries called at this Field Division and advised that she is now married to one S. T. Parker, a gambler formerly employed by Jimmy LaFontain, Washington, D.C., who is now employed as a gambler in the "Barn" in Memphis. She further advised that she is now residing in the Monroe Hotel under the name of Ginger Korgan.

Della May Jeffries stated further that she anticipates her husband losing his job in Memphis in the near future and may move within the next few days to either Chicago, Illinois or Shreveport, Louisiana, and desired advice as to how to keep the Government advised of her whereabouts. In this connection she was furnished self-addressed envelopes, one addressed to the Chicago Field Division and one addressed to the New Orleans Field Division and she stated in the event she moved from Memphis she would notify this Field Division by phone and as soon as she arrived in Shreveport or Chicago she would advise the appropriate division by letter.

Very truly yours,

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J. E. [Signature]
Special Agent in Charge.

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EREKID USA HERE ADVISES INTENDS PRESENTING HOT SPRINGS HARBORING CASE
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Post Office Box #1469
Little Rock, Arkansas
March 29, 1938

Special Agent in Charge
Cleveland, Ohio

RE: BREKID.

Edward G. Bremer

Dear Sir:

At the present time the United States Attorney at Little Rock, Arkansas, is engaged in drawing indictments in the harboring case at Hot Springs, Arkansas. In this case a question has arisen in the mind of the United States Attorney as to the application of a harboring statute in connection with the activities of police officers in harboring Federal fugitives.

It is recalled that when United States Attorney Freed at Cleveland, Ohio, was preparing the harboring case at Toledo and Cleveland, Ohio, last year, this same question arose, and it is my understanding that Mr. Freed looked up the law in connection with the harboring of fugitives by police officers. It is therefore requested that your office contact United States Attorney Freed and obtain from him any notes or briefs that he may have made bearing on the harboring of fugitives by police officers, in order that this information may be made available to the United States Attorney at Little Rock, Arkansas.

It is requested that the earliest possible attention be given to this matter, and that you advise this office in the premises by air mail - special delivery.

Very truly yours,

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E. B. FITCHER
Special Agent in Charge.

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AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

Post Office Box #1469
Little Rock, Arkansas
March 30, 1938

Special Agent in Charge
Memphis, Tennessee

RE: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

I am attaching hereto original and copy of subpoena issued for Della May Parker, the prostitute generally known as "Ginger", who is referred to in your letter to this office dated March 26, 1938. This subpoena commands the appearance of Mrs. Parker at Little Rock, Arkansas, on May 14, 1938; same being issued for the purpose of preventing any efforts on the part of prospective defendants in the harboring case at Hot Springs, Arkansas, to intimidate or threaten the Parker woman, and also as a means whereby the Bureau may keep in touch with this woman.

Telephonic authority was obtained from the Bureau that an Agent of the Memphis Field Division personally serve the enclosed subpoena on Mrs. Parker, and it is suggested that some Agent who has had previous contact with Mrs. Parker serve the warrant, and that she be advised that there was a question as to whether a subpoena should be issued for this woman, or whether she should be taken into custody and placed under bond as a material witness, and that it is only because the Bureau feels that she will continue to be cooperative and will be available that the United States Attorney at Little Rock, Arkansas, suggested that she only be placed under subpoena, rather than to be held as a material witness.

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After the service of this subpoena it is suggested that the Memphis Field Division keep in touch with Mrs. Parker at least once a week in order that she may be advised of her whereabouts at all times.

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Inasmuch as the Little Rock Office is primarily interested in this matter, it is suggested that Mrs. Parker be advised that in the event she leaves Memphis, Tennessee, that she advise the Little Rock Office of her whereabouts.

It may be stated that the United States Attorney at Little Rock, Arkansas, feels that Mrs. Parker is an indispensable witness to the harboring case, which will be presented to the United States Grand Jury which convenes at Little Rock, Arkansas, on May 16, 1938.

After service of the enclosed subpoena, and after a return has been made on the original, the Clerk's Office at Little Rock, Arkansas, has suggested that it be returned to the Clerk's Office at Memphis, Tennessee, in order that a record may be kept of the service in that District.

Very truly yours,

H. B. FLETCHER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc Bureau
Inspector E. J. Connelley
Cincinnati
Chicago
New Orleans

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.
March 29, 1938.

EAT:CDW

Time - 10:20 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Harboring Cases in Arkansas.

I talked with Special Agent Sullivan, who is on special assignment at Little Rock in connection with the above entitled matter, who said that he has discussed with the USA the matter involving a prostitute named Ginger, who is going to be a very necessary witness in the forthcoming grand jury and trial of this case. He said that the U. S. Attorney wants to put this woman under subpoena at this time for appearance on May 16th, in view of the fact that she recently married a gambler down there who is about to lose his job, and there is no telling where she might go or do next. The woman is now in Memphis. I told Mr. Sullivan that if the USA wants to put this woman under subpoena at this time, the subpoena should be forwarded to the Memphis Office with instructions for them to serve it. Mr. Sullivan said that in this connection, the USA does not want to do anything which will antagonize this woman in view of the very vital nature of her testimony, and suggested that we contact her from time to time and give her a little money to keep her in a good frame of mind. I told Mr. Sullivan that we cannot keep her in a good frame of mind in this manner for the reason that it would be very damaging on cross examination for the defense to bring out that we were paying this woman money to testify. However, I told Mr. Sullivan we can point out to this woman that we could have her thrown in jail and placed under a prohibitive bond if we wanted to, but that we don't want to do anything like that as long as she will keep in touch with us, etc., etc., and that we are doing this thing the easiest way in view of all the circumstances, and he said this situation would be handled in this manner.

I then mentioned to Mr. Sullivan that from a teletype which we received about this case, it is stated that Grace Goldstein will be indicted. He said that he and Mr. Connelley discussed the situation with reference to this woman with the USA, who said that he did not think the Government owed this woman anything and that he was going to have her indicted.

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March 30, 1938.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

RE: Harboring Cases at Hot Springs.

While talking to Mr. Connelley he stated that he had talked to Agents Sullivan and Madala, who had been conferring with the United States Attorney there, and they state that they will be able to get about ten indictments; that the Grand Jury will meet about May 15.

I inquired if we would get in any jam about breaking any agreement with Grace Goldstein by indicting her. Mr. Connelley stated that the agreement with her was that we would not prosecute her for harboring Karpis if she would turn him in to us; that she had been paid for her information also; that the idea was not to prosecute her as much as to put the pressure on her and get her to talk and then release her. I stated that Mr. Connelley should go down to Hot Springs and see that the Grand Jury hearings are handled properly by the United States Attorney.

Mr. Connelley stated that Karpis' sister had gone down with her two children recently and established herself and asked Grace Goldstein to keep her; that this looks like they had gotten word from Karpis that there is some money down there and that Grace has it; that Karpis does not realize now what she is doing probably. I stated that Mr. Connelley should be careful that this does not develop into another "woman in red" case. Mr. Connelley stated that Grace Goldstein had only been given a very limited proposition.

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. E.A. Tamm
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Coffey
- Mr. Crowl
- Mr. Egan
- Mr. Foxworth
- Mr. Glavin
- Mr. Harbo
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- Mr. Lester
- Mr. Quinn
- Mr. Nease
- Mr. Pennington
- Mr. Tamm
- Mr. Tracy
- Mr. Egan
- Mr. Glavin

Mr. Connelley stated that there was a very good White Slave case against Grace Goldstein concerning her own 18 year old niece; that we could prosecute her on this and not name her in the harboring case and that this would live up to our agreement; that she had told the Agents that if the niece testified against her she would have her killed. I inquired if there was any danger of anything happening to this niece. Mr. Connelley stated that this was a problem because he was also afraid that there would be attempts on the lives of all the persons who testified against Akers and the other defendants; that this would be a problem.

Mr. Connelley stated that it appeared that the Hot Springs people had gotten Akers to take the penalty in the Norris case so that

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the Karpis harboring case would be soft pedaled. Mr. Connelley stated that the United States Attorney in Hot Springs was a vigorous prosecutor and the Judge was also not inclined to be lenient. I stated that this was a good set-up for out case.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

- Mr. Nathan
- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. Baumgardner
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Coffey
- Mr. Crowl
- Mr. Egan
- Mr. Foxworth
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Suite 1729, 111 Sutter,
San Francisco, California
April 1, 1938

Special Agent in Charge,
Little Rock, Arkansas

Dear Sir:

RE: HARBORING CASES

We have been able to pick up several
letters from an informant over at Alcatraz, which are from
ALVIN KARPIS to his sister.

I am not familiar with the investigation
that is being conducted in Hot Springs relative to the Harboring
cases, but I thought these letters might mean something to you
and be of some assistance since it is my impression from read-
ing them that undoubtedly Karpis must have some money put away
or have made some arrangements with an individual, or individuals,
to take care of his sister, MRS. C. VENUTE, 212 Hudson Street,
Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Very truly yours,

N. J. L. PIEPER,
Special Agent in Charge

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Mailed to Clara Venute

Alcatraz Calif.

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Mrs. C. Venute
212 Hudson St.
Hot Spgs. Ark.
Dear sister;

I received your two letters dated the 12th. and 14th. I also received one from home, but none from Emily. Well kid you guessed wrong, they didn't even mention you. They probably figured I had enough troubles of my own. I answered the letter last week. I let them know I received letters from you, but all I said was, you seemed to be doing OK.

Say you haven't been there a month and already you have broken part of our agreement. Remember? You were not to worry about being provided for. If I could talk to you about five minutes, I am sure you would forget it, but as it is there are many things I don't want to discuss through the mails. So all I can say is let me and Grace do the worrying on that score. Of course I realize you would rather have something to do. I am sure Grace can see some one and get you something satisfactory to you. Have you suggested it to her? I'll bet you have and she told you to wait awhile. Now here's what you do. Figure out how much it will cost you to get along on a week. Don't stint. THEN GO TO GRACE AND EVERY SATURDAY SHE WILL GIVE IT TO YOU. I really had to laugh when I read that part of your letter. What in the world do you think I was doing when I told you to write to Grace about going there. I knew Grace would immediately write you to come at once. Otherwise I would have had you go to Reno. After all you really didn't think Grace or I expected Bob to send you money, did you? Let Grace read this letter.

Of course when I stop and consider how most of the honest and respectable people start ducking and dodging when it looks as though a friend might need assistance, financial and otherwise, I can easy enough understand why you might become alarmed. But as I said before if I hadn't known in advance that you would be more than welcome you wouldn't be there as far as I am concerned. Now only one thing more on this subject. You and Grace both keep an accurate account on how much this thing costs.

Gee I sure was sorry to hear Grace's mother was ill. I do hope it isn't anything serious. How is Leonard getting along? Do you and Grace intend to go to the farm soon? If you do send Mahalen a ham. That is if Leonard has a hog he can butcher. Say while I think of it, from now on write your letters with ink, so it will be easier for the typist to copy the letters. That way he can do it better and easier.

Now for some Gossip. We see a show Tues. Captains Courageous. I hope her is turning mild. So you met Mrs. Dyer? I sure used to enjoy hearing her talk. Don't pay any attention to what Emily or the folks say. You have the same right as they to live your own life free from family meddling. Take a picture of Joan Sitting astraddle "Shine". Have you a camera. If not use Graces. I am glad to hear Joan is getting rosy cheeks etc. She looks like the pictures of her like fresh air and sunshine would do her a world of good. Bobby sore and stiff from bicycle riding, as you predicted. I am glad he likes it there. After you get settled and something to do you will like it better than ever. Of course I have something real nice in view for you, but it may take me a little while to get things just as I want them, so don't get impatient or discouraged, because it is sure to come out OK. After all it is rather hard for me to do things like I could if I was there, instead of having to depend on others.

Well I am running short of paper, so I will finish next time what I have in mind. Be sure and have Grace read this, and be sure and let me know how Grace's mother is getting along. Answer soon, A. Karpavicz. #525

Mar. 3-11-38
Mrs. C. Venute
212 Hudson St.,
Hot Springs, Ark.

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Alvin Karpavicz
Mar. 9, 1938
Alcatraz, Calif.

Dear Sister:

I received your 6 letters the one of Mar. 7, just now, it certainly has me puzzled. I heard from the folks and Emily, they didn't mention you, so your guess is wrong. I will skip the gossip and get to business. What do you mean financially things are very bad? In your letters from Chi, you were so sure that everything was understood between you and Grace about her seeing you got a nice job, that she would give you the money for your living expenses, take care of your divorce ect. What in the world is wrong? Also that you are getting tired of setting around nothing to do ect? Is it really serious or are you just getting a fine case of heebie jeebies? What are you talking about you don't want to impose on me or Grace ect? Lets call a spade a spade did you tell her how much money you needed a week? Did you tell her I asked for her to give it to you? Here is the thing as brief as I can make it, if you did and Grace doesn't care to do it, let me know by air mail. Also the amount you will need to get by in a Mo. for an Apt. living expenses ect because if she isnt giving you the amount every week naturally we will call it a day, and therefore you must get a place that is free of all obligations ect as far as Grace or any one else is concerned. Now don't hit the ceiling, here is what I will do, the folks will eventually know you are down there, so why not now. As soon as I hear from you I will write them and have them wire you the last months amount, after that they can send it by mail. I would send it from here this week but I haven't enough here to do you any good. Don't worry about what the folks might say I will give you my word such as it is that you will not receive one word of reproach in regard to the whole affair. Now in regard to letting you know something definite about what I have in mind for you ect. The best I can do at this time is promise it wont be longer than Dec. of course I expect to have results by the next 30 days but you know how things go, but I can promise you no later than Dec. any way. I can let you know in my next letter whether or not you will have to wait until Dec. and of course if things are not going as they should in regard to your financial condition ect. naturally I will make a few drastic changes in the whole set-up. Believe one thing when I said you will come out O.K. I meant it, so don't you worry about it. I will do that part of it, I have enough time to do the worrying. Please show this letter to Grace. Of course I don't want to be thinking one thing and then have things turn otherwise, if she shows the slightest reluctance in advancing you the money you need, as I said before don't fail to call the whole thing quits and let me know so I can have the folks send you the money ect. I would hate to have people mistake my good nature for just plain stupidity. Another thing don't you ever think of being a maid for Grace or any one else again, I mean this, yes kid I know there are a lot of things you can't mention in your letters so don't try it. Now whatever you do, do this first, consider after you read this your financial worries solved, so just find out how to pass time. So whatever you do, quit worrying, and another thing remember what I wrote before, take it easy and do nothing you shouldn't be doing. Ans. right away.

Alvin Karpavicz
No. 325

Post Office Box #1469
Little Rock, Arkansas
March 30, 1938

Mr. W. A. Moore
Automobile License Division
Department of Revenue
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, Arkansas

RE: BREKID

UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
THOMAS A. HANES; ET AL - VICTIMS;
NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT,
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

On December 14, 1935, Special Agent J. R. Calhoun of this Office requested Mr. Jack Carter of your Department to place a stop notice against 1935 Plymouth Sedan, Motor # PJ 322772, and on March 4, 1938, Special Agent V. F. Whitely of this Office requested Mr. Carter to place a stop notice against 1929 Chevrolet Coach, Motor # 528027.

Please be advised that the stop notices placed as to these automobiles are no longer necessary, and the same may be withdrawn.

Thanking you for your cooperation in these and other matters, I remain

Very truly yours,

H. B. FLETCHER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Post Office Box 1469
Little Rock, Arkansas
April 5, 1938

Special Agent in Charge,
St. Louis, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Re: BREKID

Edward G. Bremer

In connection with the investigation being conducted by your office in the case entitled - "John Sonnen, with aliases, et al, White Slave Traffic Act", in which Connie Morris, alias Ruth Hamm is carried as a victim, you are advised that Connie Morris will undoubtedly be prosecuted in connection with a harboring case in this file, at Hot Springs, Arkansas.

The United States Attorney intends to present the harboring case to the Grand Jury which convenes at Little Rock on May 16, 1938. It is expected that this case will be tried on or about June 1, 1938.

Care should be taken that in the investigation of your White Slave case, that no action be taken that would raise the possibility of Connie Morris leaving St. Louis, Missouri as a result of a White Slave investigation. If it is at all possible, it is suggested that some discreet inquiry be made to ascertain the exact whereabouts of Connie Morris in St. Louis. For your information, she is undoubtedly managing one of the houses of prostitution operated by John Sonnen.

Reference is also made to the report of Special Agent H. F. Small of your office, dated March 21, 1938 in the above White Slave Traffic Act case, and particularly to Page 9 thereof, wherein a mail cover reflects mail addressed to Miss Jean Baron, 3502 Franklin Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri, with return address of G. F. Kirkpatrick, 114 Spinto Street, San Antonio, Texas. Jean Baron undoubtedly is identical with Connie Morris as it is definitely known that Mrs. Kirkpatrick is the sister of Connie Morris.

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It is my understanding that 3502 Franklin Avenue is the location of the Franklin Hotel, and this office has received information that Connie Morris receives all of her mail at that address, although she operates one of Sonnen's houses of prostitution, located elsewhere in the city of St. Louis.

It is requested that you conduct the inquiry mentioned in this letter at the earliest possible time, and that you forward the results of this inquiry to this office.

A copy of all letters and communications in connection with this matter should be forwarded to Inspector E. J. Connelley, in care of this office.

Very truly yours,

H. B. FLETCHER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc Bureau
Cincinnati
E. J. Connelley, Little Rock

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2401 Sterick Building,
Memphis, Tennessee,
April 6, 1938.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Little Rock, Arkansas.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the request in your letter dated March 30, 1938, please be advised that on March 31, 1938, Special Agent C. O. Pickard served a subpoena upon Della May Parker, the prostitute generally known as Ginger, at her present residence, 73 Monroe Avenue, Memphis, Tennessee, calling for her appearance in the Eastern District of Arkansas, at Little Rock, on May 14, 1938. Agent Pickard informed this witness of pertinent information suggested in your letter and she agreed to notify the Little Rock Division should she at any time prior to May 14, 1938 change her address. Arrangements were also made whereby contact will be maintained with her at least once each week until that time.

Agent Pickard, after making a return on the warrant, took it to the United States District Court Clerk's Office, in Memphis, and endeavored to file it, as requested in your letter, but was advised by Deputy District Court Clerk Boyd Hart that inasmuch as the Clerk's Office has no record of instant case, it would be impossible for him to file same. However, Mr. Hart placed his seal on the subpoena and also block stamped it under date of April 1, 1938, in order that it may be clearly shown on the subpoena that effort was made to file same with the District Clerk.

This subpoena has been placed in the Memphis Field Division file in order that it may be preserved for future reference.

Very truly yours,

J. E. CLEGG,
Special Agent in Charge. APR 8 1938 A.M.

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cc-Inspector E.J. Connelley
cc-Cincinnati
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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
Post Office Box 1469
Little Rock, Arkansas
April 10, 1938

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

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

Re: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

On March 18, 1938 a conference was had with United States Attorney Fred A. Isgrig, Little Rock, Arkansas, by Inspector E. J. Connelley, in the presence of Special Agents D. P. Sullivan and John L. Madala. The general facts in the harboring case at Hot Springs in this file, and a general narrative of the part each individual connected with Alvin Karpis at Hot Springs, Arkansas, played in the general conspiracy to harbor Karpis was discussed with Mr. Isgrig. In connection with Grace Goldstein and Connie Morris, Mr. Isgrig was advised by Inspector Connelley of the events surrounding the pick-up of Grace Goldstein at Hot Springs on April 26, 1936 and of subsequent interviews had with her from day to day up until and including April 30, 1936, at Little Rock, Arkansas, and later at Jackson, Mississippi. Mr. Isgrig was also advised that Karpis was captured at New Orleans, Louisiana on May 1, 1936 as a result of information obtained from the various interviews had with the Goldstein woman, in that she provided information regarding the location of Fred Hunter's residence in New Orleans. Mr. Isgrig was advised that Grace Goldstein was told at that time that a definite recommendation would be made to the United States Attorney that she and Connie Morris not be prosecuted in connection with any possible charges of harboring Alvin Karpis.

Mr. Isgrig indicated at this time that, from the general picture of information developed at Hot Springs relative to the harboring of Karpis, he believed the Government could successfully prosecute former Chief of Police Joseph Makelin, former Chief of Detectives Herbert Akers, former Police Lieutenant Cecil Brock, of the Hot Springs Police Department, and also Morris Loftis and Mrs. Al C. Dyer, among other possible defendants. Mr. Isgrig indicated that he felt that no injustice could be done in prosecuting Grace Goldstein and Connie Morris for harboring Alvin Karpis, as it was his opinion that no consideration should be given to Grace Goldstein because of any aid she may have provided the Bureau in connection with the

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capture of Karpis, as she had apparently provided information reluctantly and only as a last resort; that he did not feel that he was bound by any recommendations or promises made to the Goldstein woman, as he felt that she was a menace to law and order, not only in Hot Springs, but in the State of Arkansas.

During the conference the facts in the file entitled "JEWELL LAVERNE GRAYSON, with aliases; MARGARET THOMPSON, nee Margaret Jones - Victim; White Slave Traffic Act", were discussed with Mr. Isgrig, and he stated that he believed this was a clear cut case of commercialized prostitution and that Grace Goldstein should be prosecuted for the transportation of her niece, Margaret Thompson, from the vicinity of Paris, Texas, to Hot Springs, Arkansas, during October, 1935.

In connection with the harboring of T. N. Norris in the file of "HERBERT AKERS, with alias; et al; National Motor Vehicle Theft Act; Harboring of Fugitives", Mr. Isgrig stated that in view of the confession made by Akers, he believed Akers would probably plead guilty to this charge.

Mr. Isgrig stated that the Grand Jury would convene at Little Rock on May 16, 1938; that he felt that the evidence against Chief of Police Joseph Wakelin and former Chief of Detectives Herbert Akers could be stronger, but that the Government undoubtedly would have no difficulty in obtaining convictions against the other defendants if Grace Goldstein would be willing to provide the information which she undoubtedly has which connects Akers and Wakelin with Alvin Karpis. He suggested that arrangements probably could be made to have Grace Goldstein taken into custody at Little Rock about ten days prior to the convening of the Grand Jury at Little Rock, in order that this woman might be brought before one of the two U. S. Commissioners in Little Rock on the above White Slave Traffic Act case, and that in view of the threat made by Grace Goldstein to Bureau Agents against the life of the victim, Margaret Thompson in the event the Thompson woman testified, and Grace Goldstein's bond set sufficiently high so that she would be unable to raise bail. He stated further that there was a good possibility that the Goldstein woman would tell the complete story of the harboring of Alvin Karpis if she were kept in custody for a week or more prior to the convening of

the Grand Jury, the possibility remaining that Grace Goldstein might be willing to testify before the Grand Jury. Mr. Isgrig stated that the preparation of the indictments in the three above mentioned cases would be handled by his first assistant, Mr. Leon B. Catlett, and Mr. Isgrig indicated that he desired that Special Agents John L. Madala and D. P. Sullivan be available to aid in the preparation of these indictments.

Daily conferences between Assistant United States Attorney Leon B. Catlett and Special Agents Madala and Sullivan were thereafter held. Tentative indictments were drawn charging Herbert Akers, Joseph Wakelin, Cecil Brock, Garnett Moore, Grace Goldstein, Connie Morris, John Stover, Morris Loftis and Mrs. Al C. Dyer as defendants. Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter are named in this indictment as co-conspirators but not defendants. Mr. Catlett originally intended including Sam Coker as a defendant in this indictment, but in further discussions indicated that he could not see that the Government's case would be strengthened by including Coker, inasmuch as Coker is already serving a long sentence in the Oklahoma State Penitentiary and an indictment for harboring is pending against him in the Cleveland District, and he could not see any good reason for including Coker as a defendant in this case.

An indictment was drawn in the file entitled "JEWELL LAVERNE GRAYSON, with aliases; MARGARET THOMPSON, nee Margaret Jones - Victim; White Slave Traffic Act", charging Grace Goldstein with the transportation of her niece, Margaret Thompson, from the vicinity of Paris, Texas, to Hot Springs, Arkansas, during October, 1935, for immoral purposes.

In the file entitled "HERBERT AKERS, with alias; et al; National Motor Vehicle Theft Act; Harboring of Fugitives", a tentative indictment was drawn charging Herbert Akers as a defendant for conspiring to harbor T. N. Norris, and naming Norris, Sam Stegal Haynes, Goldie H. Hairston and Alfred Lamb as co-conspirators, but not defendants.

Mr. Isgrig and Mr. Catlett indicated that the trials on all three of the above mentioned cases would be had in the term of court beginning on or about June 1, 1938, and that they believed it advisable that Grace Goldstein be tried in connection with the White Slave Traffic Act violation first, with the idea in mind that she possible would be desirous of testifying for the Government in connection with the harboring of Alvin Karpis.

Mr. Isgrig and Mr. Catlett indicated that they believed it desirable to try Herbert Akers in connection with the harboring of T. N. Norris after the trial of Grace Goldstein on the above White Slave Traffic Act violation, with the idea in mind that Akers might be willing to deal with the Government in the event he realized that he was facing a possible two year sentence for conspiracy in the harboring of T. N. Norris, and an additional two years in connection with the harboring of Alvin Karpis.

In the various conferences had with Assistant United States Attorney Leon B. Catlett during the time the tentative indictments in this case were being drawn, and after the same had been completed, the advisability of omitting Grace Goldstein and Connie Morris as defendants were discussed. In these conversations it was mentioned that prosecution of Grace Goldstein and Connie Morris in connection with the harboring of Alvin Karpis might result in embarrassment to the Department. This matter was also discussed with United States Attorney Fred A. Isgrig, and he stated that he did recall that at the time when deportation proceedings were instituted against Anna Sage in the Dillinger case, he received the impression from newspaper reports that the Department had "double-crossed" this woman. He indicated that he could see the possibility that the same situation might arise as to Grace Goldstein and Connie Morris. Mr. Isgrig stated that he would take this matter under advisement and would render a definite opinion at a later date, prior to the convening of the U. S. Grand Jury.

First Assistant United States Attorney Leon B. Catlett stated that in the event Grace Goldstein and Connie Morris were not included as defendants, but only as co-conspirators, he felt that this action would materially weaken the chances of the Government to obtain successful prosecution against the other defendants for harboring Alvin Karpis. He stated that even though practically all necessary evidence would be admissible whether Grace Goldstein and Connie Morris were named as defendants or co-conspirators, nevertheless, as the Government had an "open and shut" case against the Goldstein woman and Connie Morris, he felt that their convictions would tend to aid in convicting the other defendants against whom available evidence was limited at this time.

Mr. Catlett has numerous commitments in various cases which will keep him busy until May 2, 1938, and he indicated that he would not have time to discuss or work on these matters until that time, and that he could see no necessity for either Agent Madala or Agent Sullivan to remain in Little Rock, so long as they would be available beginning May 2, 1938.

Inspector E. J. Connelley was telephonically advised of the results of the conversations had with Mr. Isgrig and Mr. Catlett, and he indicated that there was no necessity for Agent Sullivan or Agent Madala to remain longer in Little Rock at this time, but that close contact should be maintained with Mr. Isgrig and Mr. Catlett subsequent to May 2, 1938.

Very truly yours,



H. B. FLETCHER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc - Cincinnati
Inspector Connelley - New York

AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

April 11, 1938

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JEL:MK

Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice,
607 U. S. Court House, Foley Square,
New York, New York.

Dear Sir:

Re: BREKID

The Bureau is in receipt of a teletype message from the Little Rock office dated March 25, 1938, indicating that the United States Attorney intends presenting the Hot Springs harboring case to the Grand Jury convening there May 16, 1938, and will request indictments against Joseph Skelin, Herbert Wickers, Cecil Brock, Garnett Moore, of the Hot Springs Police Department, and also against Grace Goldstein, Connie Morris, John Hoover, Morris Loftis and Mrs. Al. C. Dyer.

The Bureau would like to be advised as to why the facts are not being presented to the Federal Grand Jury concerning the harboring of Karpis and Campbell by their criminal associates, particularly Milton Letts. You will recall the Bureau recently requested the various offices to hold in abeyance the investigation looking to the location of Letts.

The Bureau further desires to make certain that the facts relating to Grace Goldstein are being presented only in connection with her alleged violation of the White Slave Traffic Act and not in connection with her possible harboring of Alvin Karpis.

Very truly yours, 7-576-3-278

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April 11, 1938

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

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

With reference to my conversation with you, Special Agent D. P. Sullivan and Special Agent J. L. Madala have completed their interviews with the United States Attorney and his assistant at Little Rock, Arkansas, and he has agreed that the subject matter has been fully prepared at this time and he will not need the services of these two agents until about May 1, 1938, when he will arrange to have certain witnesses in for interview. In accordance with this arrangement, Agents Sullivan and Madala were released from the assignment at Little Rock at the end of the previous week. These agents will return to Little Rock, Arkansas, to continue with the United States Attorney on or about May 1, 1938.

Special Agent D. P. Sullivan received instructions to report for retraining at Washington, D.C. April 11, 1938, and indicated that he desired to attend this class, and it was arranged for him to proceed to Washington in accordance with such instructions.

Special Agent J. L. Madala will return to Chicago and will arrange to interview John Henry Seadlund in the County Jail there from time to time in order to see whether or not we can get any more detail from him as to the Ross kidnaping. Seadlund has previously indicated a friendliness toward Agent Madala and possibly might be inclined to talk to him.

As previously discussed with you, Agent Madala may desire to take some annual leave between the present time and May 1st and will submit his leave slips from Chicago for this purpose.

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Very truly yours,

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April 15, 1938

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

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter of April 11, 1938, covering the persons the United States Attorney at Little Rock is considering for indictment as to the harboring of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, and the situation as to the possible indictment of Grace Goldstein. In this connection, reference should also be had to letter of the Little Rock office addressed to the Bureau under date of April 10, 1938 covering the various interviews had with Fred A. Isrig and Assistant U. S. Attorney Leon B. Catlett.

As was noted when I discussed this situation with the United States Attorney on March 18, 1938, the situation as to Grace Goldstein was fully discussed with him, particularly as to the fact that she had furnished us with information which ultimately led to the apprehension of Alvin Karpis, and we had stated to her we would recommend to the United States Attorney that she not be prosecuted for harboring Karpis if she furnished information as to his location; that the same statement was made to her as to any action toward Connie Morris, namely, that we would recommend, in a like manner, that Connie Morris not be prosecuted for harboring Karpis. It was also explained that we obtained the information as to the location of Fred Hunter and Connie Morris in New Orleans from Grace Goldstein after we had talked with her at the Little Rock office and had subsequently talked with her for several hours at Jackson, Mississippi.

Grace Goldstein was aware of the location of the apartment where Alvin Karpis was living in New Orleans, she having resided at this address with him at the time she was there. However, she advised us she did not know where this apartment was and only furnished to us the information as to the location of Fred Hunter and

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Connie Morris, where Karpis would come from time to time. This latter information, as a result of our inquiry at New Orleans, resulted in the apprehension of Karpis, Hunter and Connie Morris.

It was indicated that the preferable way possibly as to handling the situation as to Grace Goldstein and Connie Morris would be to name them in the indictment as co-conspirators and not defendants. He indicated that he would take this under advisement at that time in a further consideration of the facts in the case.

Subsequent to further consideration of the facts, I again talked with Special Agent D. P. Sullivan at Little Rock and indicated to him that he should again call this situation to the attention of the United States Attorney as to these two women, and at this time he indicated that he believed he would have a much better case if he could indict and try these two women with the other subjects in the case. However, as to this latter situation, he would be confronted with probably the same situation should he indict these two women and they should thereafter plead guilty, knowing that they would be convicted; that is, he would not have the opportunity of placing them on trial with the other defendants.

Recently in my conversation with Grace Goldstein at Little Rock, Arkansas, in an effort to get her to furnish us the information which she undoubtedly has as to ^{Quaker} Wakelin and ^{Harbor} Akers, I again discussed with her definitely just what my particular discussion had been with her and as to the limitations as to what we had indicated we would do to help her should prosecution be initiated as to the harboring of Alvin Karpis. Notwithstanding this, she would not furnish any further details in the case and, in fact, at this time is inclined to deny admissions previously made by her, which indicates definitely that she is hostile to appearing as a witness against these defendants.

It is my opinion that she has definite information as to the disposition of the government bonds stolen at the time of the Garrettsville train robbery and which have been the subject of inquiry as reflected in the case entitled Robert Hudson, et al, National Stolen Property Act, San Antonio, Texas being the office of origin. I believe she is lying as to this and her statements show this more or less definitely. Also in this connection her recent activities as to Clara Venute, sister of Alvin Karpis, at Hot Springs, indicated that

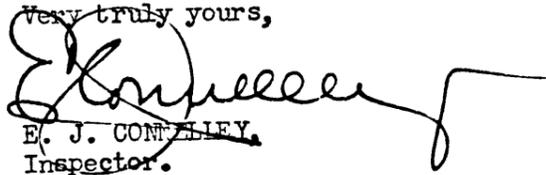
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this woman apparently believed Grace Goldstein was in possession of funds which she was more or less obligated to supply to her, and the letter of Karpis to his sister indicates that possibly Grace has funds of Karpis. This is believed to be true because of the fact that there is considerable money which was in the possession of Karpis which has never been accounted for if the stories of his family not receiving this are correct.

When this matter is to be presented to the Grand Jury at Little Rock, Arkansas, it is expected I will be there and at this time I will go into the situation further with the U. S. Attorney. It is believed when Grace Goldstein is prosecuted and disposed of in connection with the White Slave Traffic Act violation, she may be inclined to cooperate along proper lines in the harboring cases, and there is no question but that she could materially assist in the successful prosecution of Herbert Akers and Joseph Wakelin.

As to the possible indictment of other parties by the U. S. Attorney, particularly the criminal associates of Alvin Karpis, such as Milton Lett, the limitations as indicated in the reports covering the investigation in this case, particularly the summary report by Special Agent D. P. Sullivan, undoubtedly determined the action of the United States Attorney in not including Lett and the others in the harboring charge at Hot Springs; the activity of Lett at Hot Springs being rather obscure. In connection with his contacts with Karpis and Campbell, the activity of Milton Lett was much more apparent in the Northern District of Ohio, where the U. S. Attorney previously indicated he would not prosecute him there.

Very truly yours,



E. J. CONNELLEY,
Inspector.

cc Little Rock

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Post Office Box #1469
Little Rock, Arkansas
April 22, 1938

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sirs:

There is enclosed a clipping from the "Arkansas Gazette", Little Rock, Arkansas, newspaper, dated April 12, 1938, containing a defense of his policies by Mayor Leo P. McLaughlin of Hot Springs, Arkansas.

In view of the statement of Mayor McLaughlin that "liberalism does not mean crime" and that there are no major crimes in Hot Springs, it is believed that this article will prove of interest to the Bureau, inasmuch as extensive investigations have been made by the Bureau with regard to the crime situation at Hot Springs, particularly to the alleged harboring of Alvin Karpis and of Thomas Nathan Norris.

Very truly yours,

H. B. FLETCHER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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While talking to the Director on various matters during the Director's absence from the city on April 8th, he instructed that Special Agent M. W. McFarlin on Special Assignment in New York City be returned to the Chicago Office. Appropriate instructions were issued by me to New York.

The Director further instructed that someone be transferred from Chicago to New York to replace Agent McFarlin, and arrangements were made, after consultation with Mr. Ladd, to transfer Special Agent S. E. Dennis from Chicago to New York.

The Director further instructed that Special Agents D. P. Sullivan and J. L. Madala be granted any annual leave which they request prior to the Grand Jury session at Hot Springs, Arkansas, to hear the facts in connection with the harboring cases at that point.

E. A. Tamm.

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DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation
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April 25, 1938.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

I talked with Mr. Connelley concerning the forthcoming prosecution at Hot Springs, Arkansas, of various persons who participated in the harboring of Alvin Karpis and his associates at that point. I informed Mr. Connelley that it was the Director's desire and instruction that the promise made to Grace Goldstein be absolutely fulfilled, and that consequently, it would be necessary for Connelley to take appropriate action to see that Grace Goldstein was not sentenced to a term of imprisonment for her participation in the harboring of Karpis. I told Mr. Connelley that if the U. S. Attorney desired to indict Grace Goldstein, she should, of course, receive a probationary sentence on the harboring charge. I informed Mr. Connelley that this procedure should not, of course, affect in any manner the prosecution of this woman for violation of the White Slave Traffic Act, which did not come into the Bureau's agreement with her, and that, consequently, the Bureau should not do anything to prevent her from receiving a substantial prison sentence in connection with this violation.

Respectfully,

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

April 27, 1938

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Herbert "Dutch" Akers
and Joe Wakelin.

There is being transmitted here-
with a detailed memorandum concerning
Herbert "Dutch" Akers, former Chief of
Detectives of the Hot Springs, Arkansas,
Police Department, and Joe Wakelin, former
Chief of Police of the Hot Springs,
Arkansas, Police Department, and presently
connected in an unknown capacity with that
Department.

In view of the contemplated prosecu-
tion of these individuals in connection
with the harboring of Alvin Karpis, I
thought you would be interested in again
receiving the facts concerning Akers and
Wakelin.

Respectfully,

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

Dear Sir:

Re: BREKID

I am forwarding herewith three copies of the testimony of various witnesses bearing on the arrest of CONNIE MORRIS at New Orleans, Louisiana on May 1, 1936 and different interviews had with CONNIE MORRIS and GRACE GOLDSTEIN in connection with the harboring case at Hot Springs, Arkansas. Copies of this testimony are to be used in connection with the summary report of Special Agent D. P. SULLIVAN, Little Rock, Arkansas, dated December 10, 1937 in connection with the harboring case at Hot Springs, Arkansas and will not be furnished to the United States Attorney at Little Rock, Arkansas at this time, but will be available in the event prosecution is had against GRACE GOLDSTEIN and CONNIE MORRIS.

Copies of this testimony are also being designated for the Chicago, Cincinnati and Cleveland Field Divisions, who have previously received copies of the above mentioned summary report.

Very truly yours,

H. B. Fletcher
H. B. FLETCHER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Inspector,
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Will testify that he interviewed GRACE GOLDSTEIN in the presence of Special Agent BERTIE L. DAMRON at Hot Springs, Arkansas on March 31, 1936, and he will testify that GRACE GOLDSTEIN advised that on the night of March 25, 1936 a cab driver named BROCK advised CONNIE MORRIS, who was then staying at her (GRACE'S) place, that Post Office Inspectors were investigating CONNIE MORRIS, and that BROCK advised her in general what was to be expected would happen to CONNIE as a result of the investigation, BROCK stating that the Post Office Inspectors had indicated that CONNIE was going to the United States Penitentiary at Alderson, West Virginia and that FRED HUNTER was also going to be apprehended; that GRACE GOLDSTEIN stated that as a result of this information CONNIE did not go to bed at all on the night of March 25, 1936, and early the following morning at daylight, CONNIE walked up over the mountain with a black Great Dane dog, the property of GRACE GOLDSTEIN.

INSPECTOR CONNELLEY will state further that GRACE GOLDSTEIN advised him that this dog belonged to her, and that the dog was given to her by the young man she knew as EDDIE KING, brother of HAROLD KING, and that GRACE GOLDSTEIN identified FRED HUNTER as being HAROLD KING, but that GRACE GOLDSTEIN would not identify ALVIN KARPIS as being identical with EDDIE KING.

This witness will testify further that GRACE GOLDSTEIN stated that on Thursday morning, March 26, 1936, CONNIE MORRIS went to the Marquette Hotel, thereafter returning to the Hatterie Hotel; that upon CONNIE'S return, a telegram was waiting for her from her mother, inquiring of CONNIE as to why she was being sought, and that CONNIE MORRIS thereupon called her mother on the telephone; that CONNIE immediately thereafter advised GRACE that she would have to leave immediately and asked GRACE to pick her up at the Marquette Hotel.

This witness will testify that GRACE GOLDSTEIN stated, that as planned, she did pick up CONNIE MORRIS, and take this girl south on Highway #67 to a point north of Arkadelphia, Arkansas where she left CONNIE out of the car, and CONNIE was apparently, immediately picked up by a party who evidently had been looking or waiting for her.

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The witness will state that GRACE GOLDSTEIN advised that she then took the black Great Dane dog to her brother's place; that he thereupon questioned her but GRACE GOLDSTEIN refused to identify herself by any other name than GRACE GOLDSTEIN and also refused to give any information as to her family or where her family was located.

This witness will testify that he questioned GRACE GOLDSTEIN and that she admitted that she visited with EDDIE KING and with FRED HUNTER at Dyers Landing, a cottage on a lake in the vicinity of Hot Springs, Arkansas, at which time FRED HUNTER and the man she described as EDDIE KING had two dogs; that she stated that a white gold wrist watch he then had was purchased in Hot Springs, Arkansas by FRED HUNTER, and that she understood that this watch was purchased for CONNIE MORRIS; that she did not know that HUNTER intended it for her (GRACE).

The witness will state that he questioned GRACE GOLDSTEIN as to the residence of FRED HUNTER and ALVIN KARPIS, known as EDDIE KING, at the Fairchild Home on the Malvern Road, and that she denied that she knew of the location of this house, but stated that these two men visited her place frequently at times just sitting around with her and paying her for the time they consumed at her place; that Grace Goldstein denied knowing the true identity of EDDIE KING as being ALVIN KARPIS.

This witness will testify further that he again interviewed GRACE GOLDSTEIN at Little Rock, Arkansas on November 10, 1936, at which time she stated that she knew that HERBERT AKERS had a rather large country home known as "AKER'S ACRE" which is reached by going out Malvern Road about two miles beyond the Fairchild Home and turning to the right about one mile on said road; that she (GRACE GOLDSTEIN) advised that she discussed with AKERS, during the summer of 1936, the matter of going out to live at his place in the country, but that no discussion was had as to just what would be paid in the way of rental; that, although she did not discuss it with AKERS, she at that time planned to take the boys with her, namely - ALVIN KARPIS and FRED HUNTER, who would have lived with her and CONNIE MORRIS at AKERS' country home in the event she rented same.

The witness will further testify that he questioned GRACE GOLDSTEIN concerning the time that KARPIS and HUNTER lived at Dyers Landing, and that GRACE GOLDSTEIN stated that she and CONNIE MORRIS lived with HUNTER and KARPIS at that place up until the week that the place was searched by Special Agent Damron and another agent; that in this connection, she stated that the place at Dyers Landing, as she recalled, was searched on October 5, 1935, the date being a Saturday;

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that, however, ALVIN KARPIS and GEORGE, the latter being HARRY CAMPBELL, had left the place on either Thursday or Friday, October 3 or 4, 1935 and had proceeded to some unknown destination; that FRED HUNTER and SAM COKER were also in Hot Springs at this time and stayed at her (GRACE'S) house on the night of October 4th; that COKER and HUNTER left for some unknown destination at about 3:00 a.m. on October 5, 1935, and that sometime during Saturday morning, October 5th, she went out to Dyers Landing in order to thoroughly clean the place up, which she did, and that the green Chevrolet coupe seen at Dyers Landing was her car, and that it was her understanding that about one hour after she left, Agent DAMRON and another Agent went out to Dyers Landing and searched it for fingerprints.

The witness will state that GRACE GOLDSTEIN definitely stated that subsequent to this date, HERBERT "DUTCH" AKERS advised her that her thumb print had been found on a mirror in the house which KARPIS and HUNTER had occupied at Dyers Landing.

The witness will testify that GRACE GOLDSTEIN stated that HUNTER and COKER had a big party at GRACE GOLDSTEIN'S house the night before they left, and that it was sometime later before KARPIS returned to Hot Springs; that HUNTER, however, from time to time, would return to Hot Springs and bring her notes of communication from KARPIS, during the time that KARPIS WAS away.

INSPECTOR CONNELLEY will testify that he questioned GRACE GOLDSTEIN as to the manner in which KARPIS and HUNTER first contacted her, and that GRACE GOLDSTEIN stated that she did not know, absolutely, how this came about, but that it possibly resulted from the fact that in 1930 HUNTER had been treated by DR. PAUL Z. BROWN, Medical Arts Building, Hot Springs, Arkansas for a social disease, and that thereafter HUNTER returned to Hot Springs in 1935 for additional treatments, and that somebody at that time furnished the name and address of GRACE GOLDSTEIN to KARPIS and HUNTER, who first appeared at her place when she was operating at 123 Palm Street, at which time she was informed that they asked for her, and that this was the beginning of her association with KARPIS and HUNTER.

The witness will state that GRACE GOLDSTEIN advised that after the Garrettsville, Ohio train robbery, HUNTER and MILTON LETT, an associate of HUNTER, came to Hot Springs to her place on a number of occasions, she being located at that time at the place she had rented on Third Street in South Hot Springs.

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INSPECTOR CONNELLEY will testify further that he questioned GRACE GOLDSTEIN as to the probability that MORRIS LOFTIS, the caretaker at Dyers Landing, advised KARPIS of the search of that place, but that GRACE GOLDSTEIN said that she did not know just what LOFTIS told KARPIS, and she stated that LOFTIS was still employed as caretaker at Dyers Landing; that he questioned GRACE GOLDSTEIN as to the report that two men had seen KARPIS at a grocery store in the vicinity of Dyers Landing and had reported this to the Hot Springs Police Department in October, 1935, whereupon GRACE GOLDSTEIN advised that she believed that the person responsible for making this report was a man named WILSON who operated WILSON'S TAVERN, at which place she and KARPIS drank considerable beer, and that she understood that this man was angry at KARPIS because KARPIS would practice shooting near the lake where ducks belonging to WILSON would swim around; that he questioned GRACE GOLDSTEIN as to whether she had any information as to whether HERBERT AKERS was acquainted with ALVIN KARPIS, and that GRACE GOLDSTEIN stated that she did not believe she could place HERBERT AKERS in the presence of ALVIN KARPIS, knowing that he was ALVIN KARPIS, but that she, GRACE GOLDSTEIN, stated that HERBERT AKERS, had, over a considerable period of time, seen her in her car with KARPIS and HUNTER, driving about the city.

This witness will testify further that he again interviewed GRACE GOLDSTEIN at Little Rock, Arkansas on or about April 7, 1937, at which time he particularly questioned her concerning the residence of ALVIN KARPIS and FRED HUNTER at Dyers Landing on Lake Hamilton and for details relative to the departure of these men from Dyers Landing around the first part of October, 1935, and that GRACE GOLDSTEIN stated that KARPIS and HARRY CAMPBELL left Dyers Landing probably on the afternoon of about October 2, 1935; that either that same night or on the previous night KARPIS and CAMPBELL and others had a big party at her place in Hot Springs, Arkansas; that all were drunk, and that CAMPBELL was drunk when he left Hot Springs; that CAMPBELL and KARPIS left together in one of the Hudson coupes; that KARPIS and CAMPBELL had come to Hot Springs on this particular occasion with the black Great Dane dog which KARPIS gave her and which she understood was brought by KARPIS from Ohio; that FRED HUNTER and SAM COKER, the latter being known to her as TOMMY COLEMAN stayed at the Hatterie Hotel, drinking until the morning of October 5, 1935 when they also left in the other Hudson coupe which this gang used; that subsequent to October 5, 1935 and previous to November 10, 1935, when the mail train at Garrettsville, Ohio was robbed, HUNTER came back to Hot Springs and called upon her and advised that he wanted to see CONNIE MORRIS; that at this time he visited with CONNIE MORRIS, and on this occasion HUNTER stayed a part of the time at the Marquette Hotel, and that this was the first occasion that she believed that HUNTER was there to see CONNIE MORRIS; that she, GRACE GOLDSTEIN,

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was definitely certain of the identity of ALVIN KARPIS, and that this was prior to the Garrettsville, Ohio mail robbery; that during the period from October 5th to November 10th, 1935, she had learned of the search of the cottage which KARPIS and HUNTER had occupied at Dyers Landing, and investigation conducted there by Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and she advised that around this period, between October 5th and November 10th, 1935, either Chief of Police JOSEPH WAKELINE or Chief of Detectives HERBERT AKERS advised her that they had been out driving in the vicinity of the cottage at Dyers Landing and had noted the automobiles belonging to the persons stopping at this place, and that among the automobiles there at that time, when they checked these cars, was the green Chevrolet coupe which was her property; that GRACE GOLDSTEIN stated definitely that either WAKELINE or AKERS told her that they had seen her automobile at Dyers Landing at that time, although GRACE GOLDSTEIN would not, at this time, say whether it was AKERS or WAKELINE who advised her of this information, she claiming that she could not recall.

The witness will state that GRACE GOLDSTEIN stated that she had also learned from the newspapers that the cottage which KARPIS and HUNTER had occupied at Dyers Landing had been checked.

INSPECTOR CONNELLEY will testify further that GRACE GOLDSTEIN stated that either by advice from HUNTER, when HUNTER called on two occasions between the period of October 5th and November 10th, 1935, or through a note or letter sent to her by ALVIN KARPIS, through FRED HUNTER, she and CONNIE MORRIS learned that they were to meet HUNTER and KARPIS at the Municipal Airport at Hot Springs, Arkansas on November 9, 1935, and that she and CONNIE MORRIS were at the airport practically all day, there being a large number of people around the airport who were shooting at targets, she and CONNIE being in her (GRACE'S) green Chevrolet coupe; that when KARPIS and HUNTER did not arrive, she and CONNIE returned home; that on the following day, KARPIS and HUNTER arrived in Hot Springs, but she or CONNIE were not there to meet them; that they were brought into town by JOHN STOVER, and that KARPIS and HUNTER thereafter contacted CONNIE MORRIS and herself; that at this time, she (GRACE GOLDSTEIN) advised ALVIN KARPIS of the check which had been made by Government Agents at his former residence at Dyers Landing, and that she and KARPIS then drove out to Dyers Landing and talked to MORRIS LOFTIS, as to just what had occurred, and LOFTIS at that time told her and KARPIS that Federal Agents had investigated at the cottage at Dyers Landing a very short time after she had left there on the morning of October 5, 1935, when she had cleaned the place up; that he thereupon

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questioned GRACE GOLDSTEIN as to where she had obtained the information that her fingerprint was found on a mirror in a house at Dyers Landing, and that GRACE GOLDSTEIN advised that she could not recall ever having stated previously that AKERS or WAKELINE had advised her of the finding of her fingerprint, and that she stated further that she was not certain as to who had told her this.

INSPECTOR CONNELLEY will further testify that GRACE GOLDSTEIN continued by stating that on November 10, 1935, when KARPIS and HUNTER returned to Hot Springs, Arkansas, she (GRACE GOLDSTEIN) was then residing at 602 South 3rd Street, and that she felt that HERBERT AKERS knew at that time where she was living in Hot Springs, as she understood from the prostitute named "GINGER", who had previously worked at the Hatterie Hotel, that "GINGER" had advised HERBERT AKERS of the fact that she (GRACE GOLDSTEIN) was living at this address with CONNIE MORRIS, ALVIN KARPIS and FRED HUNTER; that GRACE GOLDSTEIN stated that sometime before Christmas, 1935, she moved to a house on Fincel Street, where she, CONNIE MORRIS, ALVIN KARPIS and FRED HUNTER continued to live until about February 12, 1936, when they all moved to the Fairchild place on Malvern Road; that all of these places where she and the others lived were furnished houses, and that she moved her radio, victrola, clock and so forth from the house on Fincel Street to the Fairchild place.

The witness will also testify that GRACE GOLDSTEIN stated that the Fairchild place on the Malvern Road is in the vicinity of HERBERT AKERS' country home, known as "AKERS' ACRE"; that on numerous occasions, when she was living at the Fairchild place with KARPIS, HUNTER and CONNIE MORRIS, from February 12, 1936 to March 26, 1936, she would meet HERBERT AKERS on the Malvern Road as he went out each morning to feed his chickens, and GRACE GOLDSTEIN stated that she was satisfied that HERBERT AKERS was fully aware of the fact that she was living at the Fairchild place on Malvern Road.

MR. CONNELLEY will testify that GRACE GOLDSTEIN stated, that in December, 1935, she traded in her green Chevrolet coupe for a new green Buick coupe which was purchased for her by KARPIS; that during the last part of January, 1936, KARPIS obtained a maroon colored Buick sedan which was subsequently used by KARPIS, particularly for long trips; that during most of the time from November 10, 1935 to March 26, 1936, KARPIS was back in Hot Springs, and that KARPIS used her green Buick coupe for traveling about town; that she, GRACE GOLDSTEIN, stated that KARPIS and herself drove about in Hot Springs in her car; that KARPIS had come to the Hatterie Hotel where she was operating her house of prostitution, - in her green Buick coupe, and that in fact, on one occasion, she and KARPIS drove up to where AKERS was, on the street in Hot Springs, sufficiently close to AKERS for her to have reached out and touched him; that GRACE GOLDSTEIN insisted,

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however, that she cannot say that AKERS actually knew who KARPIS was, that is - that AKERS knew that the man she was associating with at that time was ALVIN KARPIS.

JOHN L. MADALA

Special Agent,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Little Rock, Arkansas.

Will testify that on April 27, 28 and 29, 1936 he interviewed GRACE GOLDSTEIN at Little Rock, Arkansas, and that from time to time during this period, Special Agent CHAPMON FLETCHER was present with him during this questioning, and Agent MADALA will state that GRACE GOLDSTEIN gave practically the same information as is set out under the testimony of INSPECTOR EARL J. CONNELLEY, as to the interview had by INSPECTOR CONNELLEY with GRACE GOLDSTEIN at Hot Springs on March 31, 1936; that during the early portion of these interviews, she, GRACE GOLDSTEIN, repeatedly denied knowing ALVIN KARPIS or anything about him, although she did admit knowing and having associated with one - EDDIE KING; that he again interviewed GRACE GOLDSTEIN at the office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Little Rock, Arkansas on May 1 and May 2, 1936, after the arrest of ALVIN KARPIS at New Orleans, Louisiana on May 1, 1936, and that GRACE GOLDSTEIN stated that at the time she first became acquainted with ALVIN KARPIS in June, 1935, that ALVIN KARPIS and FRED HUNTER whom she knew as HAROLD KING, came to her place in Hot Springs and had parties with two of the girls in her house, and that when she observed that KARPIS had plenty of money, she "made a play" for him and that since that time she had been in his constant company, during which time KARPIS furnished her with considerable money; that she had received information in October, 1935 from a source which she would not disclose, concerning the fact that the Government was making inquiries about KARPIS, HUNTER and herself at Hot Springs, Arkansas, and that she was successful in getting KARPIS and HUNTER out of the house at Dyers Landing at Lake Hamilton, just a few hours before Federal Agents made an inspection of that place, and that she, GRACE GOLDSTEIN, further admitted that someone whose identity she refused to disclose had informed her that a smudged fingerprint was found on a mirror in the house which KARPIS and HUNTER had occupied at Dyers Landing, which fingerprint she was made to understand was her fingerprint; that GRACE GOLDSTEIN further advised that she was acquainted with HARRY CAMPBELL, SAM COKER, GEORGE "BURHEAD" KEATY and MILTON LETT, and that the entire gang was in Hot Springs during September, 1935; that HARRY CAMPBELL, whom she knew as "GEORGE", had remained in Hot Springs for three days, during which time he was almost continuously intoxicated; that HARRY CAMPBELL became somewhat infatuated with one of her girls, named GRETA SEANSON.

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This witness will state that GRACE GOLDSTEIN advised that she knew SAM COKER under the name of TOMMY COLEMAN, and that from KARPIS' conversation and others of the gang, she understood that KARPIS was responsible for obtaining COKER'S release from the Oklahoma State Penitentiary; that KARPIS met COKER at the prison gates when COKER was released, and that he, KARPIS, brought COKER to Hot Springs where COKER stayed with KARPIS for sometime; that thereafter, FRED HUNTER took COKER to Toledo, Ohio, where HUNTER established COKER with the criminal element in that city; that from the conversation of the members of this gang, she is positive that SAM COKER took part in the Garrettsville mail train robbery, and that she believed that the information as to COKER having been in the hospital at the time of the above robbery was merely a "Phony" alibi; that she understood that SAM COKER at one time was shot through the mouth, and as a consequence COKER spoke in a very low and soft tone of voice; that KARPIS told her on one occasion that COKER was doing well for himself at Toledo, Ohio.

The witness will testify that GRACE GOLDSTEIN stated, in referring to MILTON LETT, that other members of the gang called him "THE KID", and that LETT accompanied her and HARRY CAMPBELL to Hot Springs, Arkansas on September 1, 1936; that she also understood from the conversation of KARPIS and others of the gang that LETT came from Oklahoma; that she stated she had no information as to where LETT might be located.

The witness will testify that he questioned GRACE GOLDSTEIN concerning GEORGE "BURHEAD" KEATY, and that GRACE GOLDSTEIN stated that she understood from members of the gang that KEATY was a "big shot" from Tulsa, Oklahoma, and that COKER and KEATY were good friends; that she did not believe that KEATY was involved in the Garrettsville, Ohio mail train robbery, although she had heard that Post Office Inspectors had arrested him in connection with this robbery; that she understood from conversations with this gang that the only part that KEATY played in that robbery was to exchange a certain sum of money with a man named BROCK, in his gambling establishment.

The witness will testify that GRACE GOLDSTEIN remarked that KARPIS and FRED HUNTER would not have gone to New Orleans if they had listened to her, as she knew that New Orleans was "hot", and that when she was advised that ALVIN KARPIS had been arrested without a shot being fired, GRACE GOLDSTEIN expressed surprise and mentioned that KARPIS had often made the assertion to her that he would never serve another day in the penitentiary; that KARPIS was kind to her and very liberal with his money, but that she realized that every cent she received from him, she had earned ten-fold, and stated that she, on two different occasions

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saved KARPIS' life, in referring to the period when KARPIS was living at Hot Springs, Arkansas, although GRACE GOLDSTEIN did not go into detail on these statements as to the exact manner in which she had saved KARPIS' life.

EARL J. CONNELLEY

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

Will testify that on May 1, 1936, he directed a party of Special Agents, assembled for the purpose of raiding Apartment No. 3, at 3343 Canal Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, in order to apprehend ALVIN KARPIS and FRED HUNTER, and that as the raid was about to be made, KARPIS and HUNTER left the above apartment house and entered a 1936 Plymouth coupe, parked in front of this apartment house, and that he with other agents, thereupon arrested ALVIN KARPIS and FRED HUNTER who admitted their identity to him.

INSPECTOR CONNELLEY will also testify that immediately after arresting KARPIS and HUNTER he with other agents entered Apartment No. 3 at 3343 Canal Street where they found RUTH ROBSION, alias CONNIE MORRIS, who admitted her identity and who was thereupon taken into custody.

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"When I got out of the hospital I returned to the Hatterie Hotel. I have never lived with anyone in Hot Springs other than GRACE GOLDSTEIN, with the exception of the few weeks I lived with FRED HUNTER.

"Shortly after I left the hospital, HUNTER made a trip out of town. He advised me that he went to New York City to see the Baer-Louis fight. I do not believe that KARPIS accompanied him on this trip.

"I do not know exactly how KARPIS and HUNTER ever came to visit GRACE GOLDSTEIN'S place at 123 Palm Street, but as I recall they were sent there by some bartender in Hot Springs. When HUNTER returned from his trip we continued to see each other until about November 15, 1935, when he and I went to visit my sister in San Antonio, Texas, in an airplane which belonged to someone in Hot Springs. Although I saw HUNTER and KARPIS regularly between the time I left the hospital and the time of my departure from San Antonio, Texas, I did not see them every day. I believe they were still living at Lake Hamilton during this time. HUNTER and I stayed about one week with my sister in San Antonio, Texas. My sister's name is MRS. GLENN F. KIRKPATRICK, and at that time she was living on San Pedro Street. Both HUNTER and I stayed with my sister, whom I advised that we were married.

"HUNTER and I went from San Antonio to Corpus Christi, Texas, by bus and stopped at the Princess Louise Hotel where we registered as MR. and MRS. HAROLD KING. We were at this hotel about two weeks, during which time HUNTER bought a 1936 Ford Coupe. While in Corpus Christi we did not see KARPIS or anyone else previously known to us. After our two weeks' stay in Corpus Christi, we went to Galveston in the Ford Coupe and stayed two or three nights at Hawkins Tourist Cabins. We drove from there to New Orleans, Louisiana, where we stayed one night at the Arrow Tourist Camp. We went from New Orleans back to Hot Springs, Arkansas, going through Mississippi. Upon arrival in Hot Springs, we stopped at the Mountain View Tourist Camp, registering there as MR. and MRS. HAROLD KING.

"I visited GRACE GOLDSTEIN at the Hatterie Hotel while we were stopping at the Mountain View Tourist Camp. GRACE GOLDSTEIN visited us at the cabin and so did KARPIS, although they were never there together.

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"After about two weeks HUNTER drove me as far as Frederick, Oklahoma, from which place I took a bus and visited my mother at Davidson, Oklahoma. HUNTER remained in Frederick, Oklahoma where he stayed at the Frederick Hotel. I left my mother's home a day or two before Christmas, 1935 and FRED HUNTER and I were back in Hot Springs for Christmas Day. We again stopped at the Mountain View Tourist Camp. KARPIS was in town and we saw him as well as GRACE GOLDSTEIN.

"After about a two weeks' stay in Hot Springs, Arkansas, I accompanied KARPIS and HUNTER in HUNTER'S Ford Coupe to Corpus Christi, Texas, where HUNTER and I stayed in a cabin at the Grande Tourist Camp. KARPIS occupied another cabin in the same camp. After a few days in Corpus Christi, FRED HUNTER and I left in the Ford Coupe for a trip to Florida. We left KARPIS in Corpus Christi.

"We went to Florida by way of Houston, Texas, and New Orleans, Louisiana. We spent the first night at the Tropical Inn near Bay Street in Louis, Mississippi.

"The next night we spent at a tourist camp at Tallahassee, Florida, another night at Ocala, Florida, and spent quite a while at Orlando, Florida, probably two or three weeks, going to Lake Apopka to fish. We stopped at Tampa, Florida, staying at a rooming house on Nebraska Avenue, during the Fair, and at Tampa Springs, for a period of about two weeks. We stopped at a tourist camp one night at Naples, Florida, and stayed at a hotel at Homestead, Florida, for two or three days, going to Key Largo to fish. We stopped at a tourist camp at Melbourne, stopped overnight at Daytona Beach, stayed one day at San Augustine, Florida, stopped at Live Oak, Florida, through Biloxi and Gulfport, Mississippi, arriving at New Orleans, Louisiana, about March 5, 1936.

"While we were in Florida, I do not recall HUNTER meeting anyone that he had known previously. We fished and saw the scenery and took life easy. I think HUNTER received one letter from KARPIS while we were some place in Florida.

"While at Orlando, Florida, we made plans to be back in New Orleans for the Mardi Gras and I telegraphed GRACE GOLDSTEIN at Hot Springs for RUTH'S address in New Orleans. I do not know RUTH'S correct name. She formerly worked for GRACE at Hot Springs, Arkansas, where I met her. My telegram to GRACE was not answered. Upon our arrival in New Orleans we stopped at the Dixie Cabins, where we spent about a week. We had no contact with any people previously known to us while staying at New Orleans.

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"From New Orleans we went to Hot Springs, Arkansas, where we stopped at a tourist camp which is about two blocks from the Mountain View Tourist Camp. We were there only two or three nights. I called GRACE upon our arrival but she was out. I called her again the next day and she came over to the tourist camp and took me to the Hatterie Hotel where I visited with the girls. KARPIS was in town and had rented a house located across the road from Lake Catherine about seven or eight miles from Hot Springs, Arkansas, and HUNTER and I went out there to live with him after spending two or three nights at the tourist camp.

"HUNTER took me out to the house by Lake Catherine the first time I went out there. KARPIS was there, although I do not know how he got back from Corpus Christi, Texas. I stayed at the house for a few nights.

"One night I got tight and drove HUNTER'S car to Hot Springs, Arkansas. He and I had a fuss about my driving the car into town and I stayed at the Hatterie Hotel after that. GRACE and I often visited KARPIS and HUNTER at the house near Lake Catherine after I began to live at the Hatterie Hotel. At no time did I ever see anyone other than we four at this house.

"On or about the 26th of March, 1936, a taxi driver named BROCK who lives in Hot Springs, Arkansas paid me a visit at the Hatterie Hotel. He drank considerable beer but I did not drink anything. He got quite drunk during the evening and told me that I had been running around with FRED HUNTER and ALVIN KARPIS.

"Although I referred to KARPIS and HUNTER in the preceding parts of my statement, up until this time I knew them only as HAROLD KING and ED. KING.

"I was quite excited at what BROCK had told me. GRACE did not come in until the next afternoon, at which time I advised her of what BROCK had said. We made arrangements to immediately notify KARPIS and HUNTER. I took a taxi from the Hatterie Hotel to the Marquette Hotel, where I got out and went in the front door. I went through the lobby and out the back door where I got in the car with GRACE GOLDSTEIN, who drove me to a night club about four blocks from the house where KARPIS and HUNTER were living near Lake Catherine. When GRACE let me out she probably went back to town. I walked alone to the house where I told the boys about what BROCK had said. Immediate plans were made for departure. I don't remember who left first, nor did I know where HUNTER and I were going when we left. HUNTER and I spent that night in Alexandria, Louisiana. At about 6 P.M. the next day HUNTER and I arrived at a tourist camp near Rockport, Texas. KARPIS was already there and I suppose he came in his red Buick sedan, which was there. We all three stayed there for about two days. We were contacted by no people that we had previously known.

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"KARPIS left his Buick at Corpus Christi, Texas, and HUNTER, KARPIS and I came to New Orleans, Louisiana in HUNTER'S Ford Coupe. Upon arrival in New Orleans, Louisiana, HUNTER rented an apartment for him and me at 3343 Canal Street. KARPIS got an apartment at another address in New Orleans.

"GRACE GOLDSTEIN spent about a week in New Orleans shortly after HUNTER, KARPIS and I came there, and while in New Orleans she visited HUNTER and me on Canal Street. I do not know how she found out where we were nor how she came to New Orleans, and neither do I know how she returned to Hot Springs.

"While HUNTER and I were living at 3343 Canal Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, we used the name of MR. and MRS. E. O'HARA.

"KARPIS visited HUNTER and me at 3343 Canal Street and took some of his meals with us at New Orleans, Louisiana. I do not know where his apartment was and I was never over there. I know that he made trips out of town but I do not know where to.

"I was arrested on the afternoon of May 1, 1936, in the apartment on Canal Street, #3343 Canal, New Orleans, Louisiana, just after FRED HUNTER and ALVIN KARPIS were arrested as they were entering HUNTER'S Plymouth Coupe parked at the side door.

"HUNTER obtained the Plymouth coupe after our arrival in New Orleans. KARPIS purchased a Terraplane coupe after our arrival in New Orleans.

"During the times I traveled with HUNTER, I noticed that he carried a pistol but I did not think this unusual since many travelers carry guns.

"I thought the rifles that KARPIS carried were for hunting.

(Signed) RUTH HAMM ROBSION

Witnessed:

W. L. BUCHANAN, Special Agent,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

R. L. TOLLETT, Special Agent,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice, New Orleans, Louisiana.

R. L. TOLLETT

Special Agent,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Little Rock, Arkansas.

Will corroborate the testimony of Special Agent
W. L. BUCHANAN and will testify that he was present when RUTH HAMM ROBSION
was interviewed at New Orleans, Louisiana by Agent BUAHCNAN on May 3, 1936
and was present when RUTH HAMM ROBSION signed the above statement.

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BERTIE L. DAMRON

Special Agent,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Little Rock, Arkansas.

Will testify that on March 29, 1936 HERBERT AKERS, then Chief of Detectives of the Hot Springs, Police Department, Hot Springs, Arkansas, accompanied him to the Hatterie Hotel, a house of prostitution in Hot Springs, where he (DAMRON) interviewed GRACE GOLDSTEIN, who stated that she was 30 years of age, and that she operated the Hatterie Hotel, a house of prostitution, and that she catered to the "call" trade and also used rooms in the hotel for purposes of prostitution; that she originally came from around Corpus Christi, Texas, and that she had been in the business of operating houses of prostitution for a long time; that any time she could get a man with plenty of money she would "play him" strong; that she formerly had a cottage on Central Avenue, just beyond the 505 Garage in Hot Springs, Arkansas; that he questioned her as to whether she had ever stayed with FRED HUNTER and ALVIN KARPIS in a house on Third Street in South Hot Springs, but GRACE GOLDSTEIN stated that she had never been in a house with HUNTER or any man who may have been KARPIS on South Third Street, but that she had formerly rented a house on South Third Street for her own business, but that HUNTER or anyone associated with him had not been in that house; that GRACE GOLDSTEIN stated that about a year prior to this interview she took CONNIE MORRIS into her hotel and gave CONNIE a job as a prostitute, as CONNIE was down and out and had hitch-hiked to Hot Springs, Arkansas, and that CONNIE had said that her right name was RUTH, but did not tell GRACE GOLDSTEIN what her last name was; that GRACE GOLDSTEIN stated that she did not know where CONNIE came from or anything about CONNIE'S personal history, except that CONNIE had been married when 15 years of age and originally came from Oklahoma, possibly from somewhere in the vicinity of Wichita Falls; that she had bought CONNIE MORRIS some clothing and put her to work "hustling" at her (GRACE GOLDSTEIN'S) house; that about the early part of the summer of 1935, two men came to the Hatterie Hotel for dates, and that these two men called themselves - HAROLD KING and ED. KING, stating that they were brothers, and that this was the first time she had ever seen either of these men; that she did not know who, if anyone, had sent them to her place; that she did not know where they were staying or anything about them, as she had always made it a practice that neither she nor any of the girls working for her would ask men personal questions, as her trade consisted primarily of married men who did not desire that they be asked personal questions.

The witness will further testify that he exhibited to GRACE GOLDSTEIN a photograph of FRED HUNTER, and that she identified this photograph as being a photograph of HAROLD KING; that he also showed her a photograph of ALVIN KARPIS, HARRY CAMPBELL, WILLIAM HUNTER AND MILTON LETT, and that GRACE GOLDSTEIN stated that none of these photographs were identical with the man known to her as ED. KING; that ED. KING was older than his

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brother HAROLD and had dark brown hair and brown eyes; that these two brothers - HAROLD and ED. KING - were about the same build, and that she was positive that ED. KING had no scars on his face or body; that ED. KING occasionally wore shell-rimmed glasses; that he (DAMRON) questioned GRACE GOLDSTEIN further, but she denied knowing nothing whatever about the identity of ED. KING AND HAROLD KING or anything about their previous movements or residence at Hot Springs, Arkansas, except the cottage at Dyers Landing.

This witness will further testify that GRACE GOLDSTEIN stated that when HAROLD KING, namely FRED HUNTER, and ED. KING, first came to her hotel, they were strangers, and asked for no certain girl; that one of the men who she believes was HAROLD KING asked for an "accomodating" (French) date; that she told him that she had no "accomodating" date that night, and that on this occasion the two men merely sat around and drank beer and talked; that these men did not have dates that night; that about two or three days later the two men returned to the hotel and just sat around, no dates being filled, and that they continued to drop into her place at night, intermittently, for the next two or three months; that apparently CONNIE MORRIS and HAROLD KING became attached to each other; that it could be said that CONNIE MORRIS was HAROLD KING'S girl; that later, CONNIE became sick and went to St. Joseph's Infirmary where she remained for two or three weeks under the name of CONNIE MORRIS; that later, about August 26 or 27, 1935, CONNIE returned to the hospital for an operation which was performed by a DR. BLAKE; that HAROLD KING gave her, GRACE GOLDSTEIN, the money to pay the doctor and hospital bills; that she personally paid these bills; that HAROLD KING seemed to have lots of money and gave her \$100.00 bills with which to pay the doctor and hospital bills; that on several occasions, she, GRACE GOLDSTEIN, and CONNIE MORRIS went out to the cabin at Dyers Landing with HAROLD and ED. KING and had dinner at the cabin, after which they would sit around and drink; that nothing out of the ordinary happened at any of these visits at the cabin, and that she, GRACE GOLDSTEIN, never saw any other men in their company or at the cabin.

This witness will testify that he questioned GRACE GOLDSTEIN as to the automobiles used by these two men, and she stated that the only automobiles she knew that ED. KING OR HAROLD KING used was a Hudson coupe which carried Ohio license plates.

This witness will also testify that he questioned GRACE GOLDSTEIN as to the negro maid or cook who was employed by ED. and HAROLD KING at their cabin on Lake Hamilton, and that she first stated that she did not know who it was, and when the name of "ROSY" was mentioned, she hesitated, but she refused to state that this was the negro woman who had worked there, but did state that "ROSY" had formerly worked for her; that

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GRACE GOLDSTEIN stated that she did not know anything about the automobiles being used at that time by ED. and HAROLD KING except the one Hudson coupe with Ohio license plates, and that the only time she had ever seen this car was when it was parked in the yard in front of the cabin at Dyers Landing and when parked in front of the Hatterie Hotel when she had ridden in it.

This witness will testify that GRACE GOLDSTEIN denied that she had ever left town with ED. KING but did state that CONNIE MORRIS made several trips out of town with HAROLD KING and on one occasion had taken an airplane trip with him to either San Antonio or Dallas, Texas; that CONNIE MORRIS was in and out of Hot Springs, Arkansas quite a bit, but that she could not remember the dates of CONNIE'S arrivals and departures; that the above airplane trip was made during the fall of 1935, and that time CONNIE MORRIS said she was going to see her sister; that when CONNIE left on this occasion, HAROLD KING was with her, and that she, GRACE GOLDSTEIN, had not seen CONNIE anymore until Christmas, 1935 when CONNIE dropped into the Hatterie Hotel to say hello, and she, GRACE, did not know where CONNIE was staying at that time or whether CONNIE had returned to Hot Springs with HAROLD KING, or anything else about her; that CONNIE remained for only a short time and then left, and that she did not again see CONNIE until March 10, 1936, at which time CONNIE returned but did not say where she had been or whom she had been with; that she, GRACE GOLDSTEIN, did not see HAROLD KING after March 10th; that CONNIE MORRIS stayed at the Hatterie Hotel from March 10 until March 26, 1936; that on Thursday morning, March 26th, CONNIE called her mother on the telephone from the Hatterie Hotel, and thereafter told her (GRACE) that she had to go home or leave town and asked GRACE to pick her up at the rear of the Marquette Hotel, and that she, GRACE GOLDSTEIN, thereupon obtained her car and later picked up CONNIE MORRIS at the rear of the Marquette Hotel on Malvern Avenue as CONNIE had requested, and that they drove to Arkadelphia, Arkansas, where she, CONNIE, left her, GRACE'S, automobile at the Capital "Y" in the road; that as she, GRACE GOLDSTEIN, was turning around to return to Hot Springs, she believed that she saw CONNIE enter a coupe, bearing some kind of an insignia on the side of the car; that CONNIE MORRIS, at this time, made no explanation as to where she was going or why she was leaving, except to say that she, GRACE GOLDSTEIN, was to see the cab driver named "BROCK".

The witness will state that GRACE GOLDSTEIN continued by saying that when she returned to the Hatterie Hotel she got in touch with "BROCK" and learned that "BROCK" had scared CONNIE MORRIS by telling her that some men were looking for HAROLD KING, and that they were going to send her, CONNIE, to the Women's Reformatory at Alderson, Oklahoma; that he (DAMRON) thereupon questioned GRACE GOLDSTEIN as to whether she knew

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where CONNIE had gone but GRACE GOLDSTEIN emphatically stated that she did not know where CONNIE had gone and had no information as to where she might be located at that time.

RESPECTFULLY REFERRED
FOR ACKNOWLEDGMENT
AND CONSIDERATION

W.M. Cutler

Secretary to the President

Houston, Texas

514 1/2 Dallas Ave.,

April 28, 1938

How. President Franklin D. Roosevelt
Washington,
D.C.,

How. President of United States

I am writing you in reference
to a raid which occurred at my home,
Rogers, Arkansas, last August 16, in
which my son was taken in custody

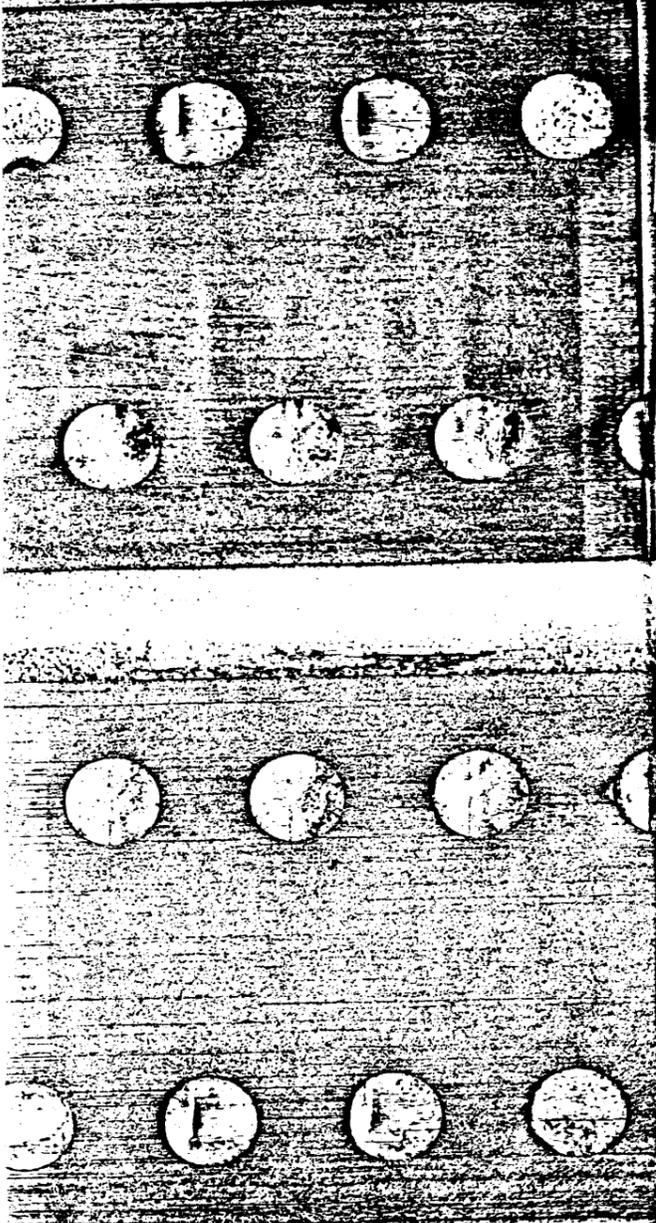
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There was (\$56⁰⁰) nine hundred
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at 5/19/38. See San Antonio Herald-Examiner

Notice
Adm. S. Brown
Director of Justice Agents
Chicago



I have conferred with federal
officers at Little Rock, Arkansas and
here and they ignore my claim.

I feel and I know that you will
help me as I am in dire need and this
money is legally mine. I am a widow
woman with two sons and a daughter.

I would appreciate your immediate
action.

Very truly yours,
Mrs. Mary Morris

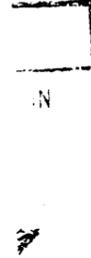
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Norris, Mary (Mrs)
Houston, Tex. (514 $\frac{1}{2}$ Dallas Ave.)
Houston, Tex.

4-28-38

Re: States that there was a raid in her home and
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Mrs. Mary Morris
514 1/2 Dallas Avenue
Houston, Texas

Dear Mrs. Morris:

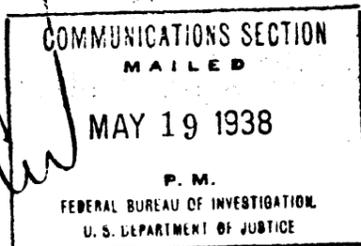
Your letter of April 28, 1938, addressed to President Franklin D. Roosevelt, has been referred to this Bureau for acknowledgment.

Inasmuch as the disposition of the \$967 recovered at the time of the arrest of your son, T. E. Morris is a matter to be determined by the United States Attorney at Fort Smith, Arkansas, it is suggested that you communicate with that official relative to the monies in question.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

cc-San Antonio
Little Rock



Post Office Box 1469
Little Rock, Arkansas
May 3, 1938

Mr. W. A. Moore,
Automobile Registration Division,
State Department of Revenues,
State Capitol Building,
Little Rock, Arkansas.

Re: BREKID. *Edward G. ...*

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that any stop notices placed
against 1935 Ford V-8 two door sedan, motor number 2,044,337
and 1935 Plymouth sedan, motor number PJ 322,772, serial
number 2,519,857, may now be discontinued.

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

Very truly yours,

H. B. FLETCHER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

May 2, 1938.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Little Rock, Arkansas.

Re: FUGED *Edward G. Bremer*

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to letter from the Little Rock Office, dated March 29, 1938, relative to contacting United States Attorney EMERICH B. FREED in the matter of the application of the harboring statute in connection with the activities of police officers in harboring federal fugitives.

Please be advised that United States Attorney FREED has been contacted and he stated that he has requested his assistants at Toledo, Ohio, to conduct a search for the law applicable to instant case; further advising that he had been under the impression that he had prepared a brief on instant question, however, he had been unable to locate it.

MR. FREED stated that his assistants at Toledo would furnish him with the desired information in the near future and he would immediately transmit the same to the Cleveland Office.

Very truly yours,

AL ROSEN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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May 4, 1938.

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AIRMAIL-SPECIAL
DELIVERY

Special Agent in Charge,
San Antonio, Texas.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

This office is in receipt of a letter from the Little Rock Division dated April 8, 1938 requesting that appropriate inquiries be made at Monroe, Louisiana to ascertain whether or not MRS. PHILLIP DAVID is still residing in that city.

Please be advised that it is probable that MRS. DAVID will be a necessary witness before the U. S. Grand Jury that will convene at Little Rock on May 16, 1938.

It was determined from MR. N. DAVID, 207 ADAMS STREET, Monroe, Louisiana, father-in-law of MRS. PHILLIP DAVID, that MRS. DAVID recently moved to 1100 Waugh Drive, Houston, Texas and is presently residing at that address.

It is suggested that you make appropriate inquiries at 1100 Waugh Drive to ascertain whether MRS. DAVID is still at that address. In the event she is located she should be requested to immediately notify your office in the event of a change of address.

MRS. DAVID should not be informed of the fact that it is contemplated that the harboring case at Hot Springs, Arkansas will be presented to a Grand Jury at Little Rock in the near future.

Very truly yours,

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E. E. Conroy,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Edward G. Bremer

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice

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

May 7, 1938.

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

Dear Sir:

In connection with my conversation with you as to the possible newspaper release which will be considered at the time of the apprehension of the various persons it is expected will be arrested in connection with the harboring cases at Little Rock, Arkansas, I am attaching hereto four copies of a suggested possible release, based upon the release previously submitted to me by Mr. Tamm of the Bureau, while at Washington.

Very truly yours,

E. J. Connelley
E. J. CONNELLEY,
Inspector.

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Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Boardman
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Crowl
Mr. Dawsey
Mr. Egan
Mr. Foxworth
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Mr. Lester
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

The Department of Justice announced today the taking into custody by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation of nine persons. Of those arrested Grace Goldstein is charged with having violated the White Slave Traffic Act. Herbert "Dutch" Akers is charged in one instance with having harbored Thomas Nathan Morris and also, together with others, with having harbored Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell. Those charged with having harbored Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell at Hot Springs, Arkansas and vicinity, are the following:

Herbert "Dutch" Akers, Former Chief of Detectives,
Hot Springs, Arkansas, Police Department.

Joseph Wakelin, former Chief of Police, Hot Springs,
Arkansas, Police Department, who was recently
reinstated to duty with that department.

Cecil Brook, former Lieutenant, Hot Springs,
Arkansas, Police Department.

Garnett Moore, police officer, Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Connie Morris.

John Stover.

Morris Loftis.

Mrs. Al. C. Dyer.

All of these persons are of Hot Springs, Arkansas, and the police officers above indicated, charged with having harbored federal fugitives, are charged with having done so during the period they were on active duty with the Hot Springs Police Department.

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The Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, subsequent to the apprehension of Alvin Karpis at New Orleans, Louisiana on May 1, 1936, and Harry Campbell at Toledo, Ohio on May 7, 1936, began an intensive investigation of all persons who harbored, aided or abetted these fugitives and other members of the publicized Karpis-Barker gang who were under indictment for the kidnaping of Edward George Bremer, a wealthy banker of St. Paul, Minnesota, on January 17, 1934.

During the course of the investigation conducted by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation regarding the abduction of Mr. Bremer, which resulted in the conviction of numerous members of the notorious Karpis-Barker gang and the death of three others while resisting arrest, it was learned that the gang spent many months in Toledo and Cleveland, Ohio, as well as Hot Springs, Arkansas, where they resided unmolested. They shared among themselves a part of the \$200,000 ransom money collected from the Bremer family and spent it freely in drinking, vice and gambling. Action was delayed against the individuals who harbored and otherwise aided and abetted the gang until such a time as all of the abductors were captured. Nine individuals were convicted in the summer of 1937 in Cleveland, Ohio, for harboring and otherwise assisting members of the Karpis-Barker gang in Toledo, Ohio and vicinity. The members of the gang who found protection in Hot Springs, Arkansas were Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell and Fred Hunter.

Alvin Karpis, an ex-convict from the Kansas State Penitentiary and a fugitive from the State of Missouri on a charge of murdering the popular Sheriff C. R. Kelly of West Plains, Missouri on December 19, 1931; and Harry Campbell, wanted on a murder charge in the State of Oklahoma, have since been given life sentences. Harry Campbell was given a life sentence for the kidnaping and interstate transportation from St. Paul, Minnesota to Bensonville, Illinois of Mr. Bremer. Karpis is now serving life imprisonment for the kidnaping of William A. Hamm, Jr., a wealthy brewer of St. Paul, Minnesota, on June 15, 1933. (Fred Hunter is presently serving a sentence of two years for conspiracy to harbor Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell. Hunter also stands convicted and sentenced to twenty-five years for the robbery of a mail train at Garrettsville, Ohio on November 7, 1935.)

In June, 1935, Alvin Karpis, together with Fred Hunter, moved to Hot Springs, Arkansas, residing in cottages on the various lakes and daily frequented the houses of prostitution operated by Grace Goldstein. Grace Goldstein became a constant companion of Alvin Karpis, and one of her prostitutes, Connie Morris, associated herself with Fred Hunter. They were visited in their rendezvous in Hot Springs, Arkansas, by Harry Campbell and others of the gang from time to time, and they all moved about freely in Hot Springs without any apparent fear of arrest. The association of Karpis and Hunter with Grace Goldstein and Connie Morris continued almost uninterrupted until the apprehension by Special Agents of the Federal

Bureau of Investigation of Alvin Karpis in New Orleans, Louisiana, on May 1, 1936, at which time Fred Hunter and Connie Morris accompanied Alvin Karpis. Fred Hunter is the individual who participated with Karpis and others in the mail robbery at Garrettsville, Ohio, on November 7, 1935. On May 7, 1936, Fred Hunter received a sentence of two years for conspiracy to harbor Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, to be served in a Federal Penitentiary. *WDR*

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Herbert "Dutch" Akers, the former Chief of Detectives of the Hot Springs, Arkansas, Police Department; Joseph Wakelin, the former Chief of Police, and recently reinstated to the Hot Springs Police Department; Cecil Brock, former police lieutenant in charge of the Identification Division; and Garnett A. Moore, an officer of the Hot Springs, Arkansas, Police Department, were aware of the identity of Alvin Karpis and visited at the houses of prostitution operated by Grace Goldstein at Hot Springs, Arkansas. Herbert "Dutch" Akers was observed on one occasion in conversation with Alvin Karpis, and Chief of Police Joseph Wakelin had almost nightly clandestine meetings with Grace Goldstein during the time Karpis and Hunter resided in Hot Springs, Arkansas. Morris Loftis and Mrs. Al C. Dyer rented a cottage at Dyers Landing to Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter, and informed Karpis and Grace Goldstein as to the details of the investigation being conducted at Hot Springs, Arkansas, in December, 1935. John Stover, a commercial pilot at the Hot Springs, Arkansas, Municipal Airport, flew Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter and their female companions to various sections of the country and otherwise assisted them in avoiding

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their detection and apprehension. Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter are named in the indictment returned against each of the individuals charged with harboring them as co-spirators. ² 1
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Grace Goldstein is charged with a violation of the White Slave Traffic Act in that on October 16, 1935, she transported by automobile Margaret Jones, her niece, from Paris, Texas to Hot Springs, Arkansas, where Margaret Jones was induced to engage in prostitution at one of the houses of prostitution operated by Grace Goldstein. The violation of the White Slave Traffic Act carries a more severe penalty than the violation of the Federal Harboring Statute.

Herbert "Dutch" Akers, the former Chief of Detectives of the Hot Springs, Arkansas, Police Department, in addition to being charged with the harboring of Alvin Karpis, is charged with the harboring of Thomas Nathan Norris. Thomas Nathan Norris was one of the robbers of the Palmetto State Bank, Lake City, ^{S.C.} Florida, which was robbed on September 4, 1934 of \$114,000. The robbery of this bank did not come under the investigative jurisdiction of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, but on May 8, 1936, a complaint was issued at Charleston, South Carolina, charging Norris with unlawful flight to avoid prosecution. On November 13, 1936, complaints were filed at Fort Worth, Texas, charging T. N. Norris and others with unlawful flight to avoid prosecution for three armed robberies perpetrated at Fort Worth, Texas during October, 1936. It was also definitely determined that Norris and others attempted to rob the Bank of Lake, Lake, Mississippi just prior to the robbery of the Palmetto State Bank

at Lake City, ^{S.C.} Florida, and in connection with this unsuccessful attempt another complaint charging Norris with unlawful flight to avoid prosecution was filed at Vicksburg, Mississippi on April 9, 1937.

The investigation conducted by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation in connection with the harboring of T. N. Norris by the former Chief of Detectives, Herbert "Dutch" Akers, of the Hot Springs Police Department, has developed that Norris and his associates, Sam Stegal Haynes, Alfred "Sonny" Lamb and Goldie H. Hairston, were harbored by Akers at Hot Springs, Arkansas, from March 15, 1937, to August 10, 1937. Akers has admitted to Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation his guilt in connection with this violation of the Federal Harboring Statute.

On July 29, 1937, Norris, Haynes, Hairston and Lamb proceeded to Houston, Texas, where on July 31, 1937 these men robbed the Shipside Construction Company at Houston, Texas, obtaining \$3,400. The gang thereupon returned to Hot Springs, Arkansas, where they associated together for the most part until August 15, 1937. On this date Haynes proceeded to the home of his wife at Benton, Arkansas, where he was arrested by the Arkansas State Police. Later that day the Arkansas State Police killed Alfred "Sonny" Lamb as he was resisting arrest in Hot Springs, Arkansas. Norris was taken into custody one mile west of Rogers, Arkansas, on August 16, 1937, in a raid on the home of his mother, at which time he was shot in both arms and legs, while resisting arrest.

Goldie Hairston, wanted for violation of the National Motor Vehicle Theft Act, was found dead of gunshot wounds near Gretna, Louisiana after he and companions had fired upon two officers of the Gulfport, Mississippi Police Department on September 7, 1937, killing one of the officers.

Thomas Nathan Norris is presently incarcerated in the Texas State Penitentiary on one 99 year sentence for murder, two 99 year sentences for armed robbery and a sentence of 5 to 40 years for armed robbery. Sam Stegal Haynes is presently incarcerated in the Texas State Penitentiary at Huntsville, Texas, where he is serving a sentence of from 5 to 12 years and is awaiting trial on an indictment returned November 9, 1937, in the State District Court at Richmond, Texas, charging him with the murder of Robert Rutledge at Stafford, Texas. This is the murder charge for which Norris received a 99 year sentence.

Norris, Sam Stegal Haynes, Goldie Hairston and Alfred "Sonny" Lamb are being named as co-conspirators in the indictment returned against Herbert "Dutch" Akers for his participation in the harboring of Thomas Nathan Norris.

(1) As a result of the investigations conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation the members of the Karpis-Barker gang, who kidnaped William A. Hamm, Jr., St. Paul, Minnesota, June 15, 1933, and Edward George Bremer, St. Paul, Minnesota, January 17, 1934, obtaining \$100,000 and \$200,000 respectively, for the release of the victims,

together with various persons who harbored and aided or abetted them,
have been disposed of as follows:

Alvin Karpis	Life sentence	Kidnaping - Hamm
Harry Campbell	" "	" - Bremer
Charles Fitzgerald	" "	" - Hamm
Arthur "Doc" Barker	" "	" - Bremer
William Weaver	" "	" "
Volney Davis	" "	" "
Harry Sawyer	" "	" "
Oliver A. Berg	" " (Berg also serving life on State charge)	" "
Fred Barker	Killed resisting arrest January 16, 1935.	" "
Kate Barker	Killed resisting arrest January 16, 1935.	" "
Russell Gibson	Killed resisting arrest January 8, 1935.	" "
William J. Harrison	Killed January 5, 1935 by associates.	" "
Fred Goetz, alias Shotgun Ziegler	Killed March, 1934 by associates.	" "
Bryan Bolton	Four 3-year sentences	Kidnaping - Hamm and Bremer
Wynona Burdette	Five year sentence	Harboring Karpis and Campbell
Dolores Delaney	Five year sentence	" " " "
Myrtle Eaton	Six months sentence	Harboring Weaver
Edna Murray	Serving twenty-five years on State charge of robbery.	

John J. McLaughlin, alias "Boss"	Five year sentence for money changing (died in prison)	Kidnaping - Bremer
Harold Farmer <i>Alderton</i>	Twenty year sentence	Provided hideout Bremer kidnaping
Elmer Farmer <i>Edmund C.</i>	Twenty year sentence	Provided hideout Bremer kidnaping
Bartholmey (Postmaster, Bensenville)	Six year sentence	Provided hideout Hamm kidnaping.
James J. Wilson	Five year sentence	Kidnaping - Bremer
Jack Piefer <i>Piefer</i>	Thirty year sentence (committed suicide the date of sentence)	Kidnaping - Hamm
Cassius McDonald	Fifteen year sentence	Kidnaping - Bremer
Fert Angus	<i>two</i> three year sentence <i>two months</i> and \$500 fine	Harboring of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell at Toledo, Cleveland, and vicinity.
Ted Angus	<i>two</i> three year sentence <i>two months</i> and \$500 fine	"
Arthur W. Hebebrand	<i>two</i> three year sentence <i>two months</i> and \$1000 fine	"
Edward McGraw	Two and one-half yr. sentence and \$500 fine	"
Clara McGraw	Two and one-half yr. sentence and \$500 fine	"
Edith Barry	Two and one-half yr. sentence and 500 fine	"
John F. Gorman	Three year sentence and \$1000 fine	"
Frank Greenwald	One and one-half yr. <i>months</i> sentence	"
Anthony Amersbach	Two and one-half yr. sentence and \$1000 fine	"
Sam Coker	Not sentenced as now serving thirty year sentence at Oklahoma.	"

~~Frank Hunter - Tony ...~~

Bruno Austin,
alias "Whitie"

Life sentence State Court
for murder

Associate Arthur "Doc"
Barker

Jesse Doyle

Ten year sentence State Court
for bank robbery

Associate of Volney
Davis.

Federal Bureau of Investigation

H. S. Department of Justice
Post Office Box 1469
Little Rock, Arkansas
May 7, 1938

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

Dear Sir:

Re: BREKID

In connection with the intended presentation of the harboring case at Hot Springs, Arkansas, in the above entitled case, to a Federal Grand Jury, convening at Little Rock, Arkansas on May 16, 1938, the United States Attorney has indicated that the presence of the following Bureau Agents will be necessary as witnesses in the presentation of this case:

- ✓ E. J. CONNELLEY, Inspector
- B. L. DAMRON - El Paso
- W. L. BUCHANAN - Okla. City
- B. M. SUTTLER - Rich.
- H. A. SNOW - Okla.
- ✓ JOHN L. MADALA
- ✓ D. P. SULLIVAN

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Special Agents MADALA and SULLIVAN are now located at Little Rock, Arkansas on special assignment, but the whereabouts of the other Agents are unknown. It is therefore requested that the Bureau advise the respective offices where these agents are now located in order that the presence of these agents before a Grand Jury at Little Rock, Arkansas on May 16, 1938 may be had. Inasmuch as the United States Attorney will undoubtedly desire to personally interview these agents prior to their appearance before the Grand Jury, and inasmuch as there is a possibility that it might be desired that the subjects of this case be taken into custody on May 14, 1938, it is suggested that the above agents be requested to report at the Little Rock Office at 9:00 a.m. on May 14, 1938 in order that they may be available.

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Very truly yours,

H. B. Fletcher

H. B. FLETCHER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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BREMER KIDNAPPING

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Post Office Box 1469

Little Rock, Arkansas

May 7, 1938

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

Re: BREKID

HERBERT AKERS, with aliases, et al;
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

JEWELL LAVERNE GRAYSON, with aliases;
MARGARET THOMPSON - VICTIM;
White Slave Traffic Act.

Dear Sir:

Confirming telephone conversation had by Special Agent D. P. SULLIVAN with MR. TAMM of the Bureau on this date, please be advised that a conference was had by Special Agents JOHN L. MADALA and D. P. SULLIVAN with United States Attorney FRED A. ISGRIG and Assistant U. S. Attorney LEON CATLETT at Little Rock, Arkansas on May 6, 1938. At that time, MR. ISGRIG advised that he intended to present the harboring case in the BREKID file to the Grand Jury, convening at Little Rock, Arkansas on May 16, 1938, and that he intended to ask that indictments be returned against JOSEPH WAKELIN, HERBERT AKERS, CECIL BROCK, GARNETT MOORE, JOHN STOVER, MORRIS LOFTIS, MRS. AL C. DYER, GRACE GOLDSTEIN and CONNIE MORRIS.

Of the above mentioned persons, HERBERT AKERS formerly was Chief of Detectives, and CECIL BROCK formerly was Lieutenant of Police of the Hot Springs, Arkansas Police Department but are no longer employed by that Police Department. Inquiry at Hot Springs resulted in the information that AKERS and BROCK are still located in that city and are now engaged jointly in conducting a private detective business. The status of JOSEPH WAKELIN is not definitely known. This man was suspended by Mayor LEO P. McLAUGHLIN during the middle of last year but was reinstated on the first of January of this year; however, he apparently was not actively engaged as Chief of Police. Information was obtained yesterday to the effect that Mayor McLAUGHLIN discontinued WAKELIN'S connection with the Hot Springs Police Department on or about May 1, 1938, pending the action of the Federal Grand Jury

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which will convene at Little Rock, Arkansas on May 16, 1938, McLAUGHLIN probably having the idea that WAKELIN might be indicted by this Grand Jury. GARNETT MOORE is still employed as a patrolman by the Hot Springs Police Department.

As a result of discreet inquiries made, it was learned that all of the above persons with the exception of GRACE GOLDSTEIN and CONNIE MORRIS are located in Hot Springs, Arkansas at the present time. JOHN STOVER is still managing the Hot Springs Municipal Airport, and MRS. AL C. DYER is operating tourist cabins at Dyer's Landing. MORRIS LOFTIS is still employed by MRS. DYER at Dyer's Landing as a caretaker.

The St. Louis Office has advised this office by letter, dated April 14, 1938 that CONNIE MORRIS was presently residing at a house of prostitution operated by JOHN SONNEN at 5439 Lucas Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri, under the name of MISS JEAN BARON.

MR. ISGRIG also indicated that he would ask that an indictment be returned against GRACE GOLDSTEIN for the transportation of her niece, MARGARET THOMPSON, from the vicinity of Paris, Texas to Hot Springs, Arkansas on October 16, 1935, for immoral purposes, this being set out in the file entitled "JEWELL LAVERNE GRAYSON, with aliases; MARGARET THOMPSON - VICTIM; White Slave Traffic Act".

MR. ISGRIG further advised that he intended to ask that an indictment be returned against HERBERT AKERS in the file entitled "HERBERT AKERS, with aliases, et al; National Motor Vehicle Theft Act; Harboring of Fugitives;" in connection with the harboring of T. N. NORRIS and members of his gang at Hot Springs, Arkansas during the year 1937.

MR. ISGRIG stated that in connection with the harboring charges against GRACE GOLDSTEIN, in connection with the BREKID file, he would recommend to the United States District Judge that GRACE GOLDSTEIN be placed on probation at such time that she came up for sentence. He stated further that he was quite intimate with THOMAS C. TRIMBLE, U. S. District Judge at Little Rock, Arkansas, and that he could give every assurance that JUDGE TRIMBLE would follow out any suggestions he might make as to the sentencing of GRACE GOLDSTEIN.

Inquiry was made at Hot Springs, Arkansas, and it was ascertained that on May 2, 1938, GRACE GOLDSTEIN left Hot Springs, Arkansas in her Buick automobile, accompanied by her black Great Dane dog called "SHINE". It was also learned that GRACE GOLDSTEIN had talked about borrowing \$1200.00 prior to making this trip. This woman did not advise anyone where she intended going but indicated to MAXINE KELLIHER, a prostitute whom she left in charge of the Hatterie Hotel at Hot Springs, that she would communicate with this woman as soon as she got settled.

Information was thereafter obtained from DR. J. O. BOYDSTONE of the WADE CLINIC in Hot Springs, that GRACE GOLDSTEIN was infected with syphilis, in the secondary stage, and that this condition was quite serious, and that he indicated to her that she needed constant treatment in order to arrest the disease. A mail cover was placed on all mail addressed to the Hatterie Hotel and contact was had with the Western Union Telegraph Company, who agreed to place a cover on all telegrams received by or sent from the Hatterie Hotel that might contain information as to GRACE GOLDSTEIN'S whereabouts.

On May 6, 1938 MAXINE KELLIHER telephoned the Little Rock Office and requested that she be contacted as she had some information which she desired to impart to this office. Contact was thereafter had with this woman, and she exhibited a letter, postmarked at Blossom, Texas on May 5, 1938, the same having been written by GRACE GOLDSTEIN on Tuesday night, May 3rd or Wednesday morning, May 4, 1938. This letter from GRACE GOLDSTEIN indicated that she was not feeling well but did not state what her plans were as to whether she expected to remain at Blossom, Texas. It may be noted that GRACE GOLDSTEIN'S brothers, namely LEONARD and BRYAND GRAYSON, both live with their families on the outskirts of Blossom, Texas, and GRACE GOLDSTEIN is undoubtedly staying with one of her brothers. MARGARET THOMPSON, niece of GRACE GOLDSTEIN and the girl who GRACE GOLDSTEIN transported from the vicinity of Paris, Texas to Hot Springs, Arkansas in October, 1935, also resides with her mother and father, on a farm in the vicinity of Blossom, Texas. A subpoena has been issued for MARGARET THOMPSON, for her appearance at Little Rock, Arkansas in connection with the White Slave Traffic Act charges against GRACE GOLDSTEIN. This woman is absolutely a necessary witness before the Grand Jury in connection with the above White Slave Traffic Act charge. It is entirely possible that GRACE GOLDSTEIN might induce MARGARET THOMPSON to accompany her on a trip in order that this woman would not be available to the Government on May 16, 1938 at which time the White Slave Traffic Act case is to be presented against GRACE GOLDSTEIN.

On May 7, 1938, INSPECTOR E. J. CONNELLEY was telephonically contacted at New York City by Special Agent D. P. SULLIVAN, and he indicated that he believed it advisable that a Bureau Agent should serve the subpoena on MARGARET THOMPSON, preferably by Special Agent SULLIVAN or Special Agent JOHN L. MADALA, who have previously interviewed her, with the idea in mind of ascertaining at this time, what this woman's attitude is toward the Government and GRACE GOLDSTEIN. MR. CONNELLEY also indicated that it might be advisable to have a subpoena issued for GRACE GOLDSTEIN'S appearance before the Federal Grand Jury at Little Rock, Arkansas on May 16, 1938, and that same be served on her in the event that she was located at Blossom, Texas.

In accordance with the Bureau's instructions, this matter was discussed with United States Attorney FRED A. ISGRIG, and he indicated that he deemed it desirable that a Bureau Agent personally serve a subpoena on MARGARET THOMPSON for the purpose of ascertaining her present attitude toward the Government. MR. ISGRIG, at this time, indicated, however, that he did not believe it advisable to have a subpoena issued for GRACE GOLDSTEIN for the reason that a subpoena would definitely place GRACE GOLDSTEIN on notice that prosecutive action might be instituted against her and others by the Federal Grand Jury convening on May 16, 1938 at Little Rock, Arkansas, and that inasmuch as she undoubtedly felt that she will be prosecuted in connection with the harboring of KARPIS or for the interstate transportation of her niece, MARGARET THOMPSON, a subpoena would not tend to prevent her from fleeing, in view of the sentences she might receive on these charges. MR. ISGRIG stated further that he believed that the issuance of a subpoena upon GRACE GOLDSTEIN at this time might prove a hinderance to the Government in the future trial of GRACE GOLDSTEIN, in that the defendants could allege that trickery had been used against GRACE GOLDSTEIN in compelling her presence at the Grand Jury at Little Rock, Arkansas on May 16, 1938 in order that she might be placed under arrest by Bureau Agents. A subpoena therefore was not issued for GRACE GOLDSTEIN. It is intended, however, that either Special Agents SULLIVAN or MADALA will proceed to Blossom, Texas in the next day or two and there personally serve a subpoena issued for MARGARET THOMPSON. When last contacted, this girl was very cooperative and felt kindly toward the Government, and it is believed that she will not advise her family that she has been placed upon subpoena for the reason that she never advised her family of the fact that she was engaged in prostitution at GRACE GOLDSTEIN'S Hatterie Hotel in Hot Springs, Arkansas during the fall of 1935.

As to the manner in which the subjects in the above cases should be apprehended, the suggestion was made to INSPECTOR CONNELLEY that complaints and bench warrants possibly could be issued for these persons on Saturday, May 14, 1938, in order that they might be taken into custody prior to the convening of the Grand Jury on May 16, 1938. MR. CONNELLEY indicated that he intended to proceed to Little Rock, Arkansas around the middle of the week, beginning May 8, 1938, and that he would at that time discuss with the United States Attorney the manner in which the persons to be indicted will be taken into custody.

It had been intended that the U. S. District Court at Little Rock, Arkansas would have a term beginning early in June of this year. MR. ISGRIG advised, however, that due to a lack of sufficient appropriation Court will be unable to convene as had been intended, and that the next term of Court will convene during the month of October, 1938, at which

time he intends to present the above cases for trial. The fact that these cases cannot be tried immediately, after indictments have been returned should not, however prove a detriment to the Bureau, as it will give the Bureau an opportunity to thoroughly interview subjects in the above cases after they have been taken into custody.

Very truly yours,

H. B. Fletcher

H. B. FLETCHER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc E. J. Connelley, New York City
Cincinnati

AIRMAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

Post Office Box 1630
San Antonio, Texas
May 7, 1938

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Special Agent in Charge,
Little Rock, Ark.

Re: BREKID

Edward G. Bremer

Dear Sir:

In compliance with letter from the New Orleans office to the San Antonio office dated May 4, 1938, investigation at Houston, Texas, has developed that Mrs. Phillip David is employed at 1100 Waugh Drive, Houston, Texas, and resides at 1118 Willard Street, Houston, Texas.

Very truly yours,

Gus T. Jones,
Special Agent in Charge.

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BROKID GRACE GOLDSTEIN RESIDED FOR WEEK AT BLOSSOM, TEXAS, LEAVING
MONDAY LAST AND STATING SHE INTENDED VISITING FLORIDA, TOWN UNKNOWN,
FOR TWO OR THREE MONTHS. COVERS PLACED ON MAIL OF MOTHER AND BROTHER
LEONARD GRAYSON AT BLOSSOM, AS SHE INDICATED SHE WOULD COMMUNICATE
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DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
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May 10, 1938.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

The case involving the harboring of Karpis, et al, at Hot Springs, Arkansas, will be presented to the grand jury at Hot Springs on May 16, 1938. We had anticipated immediate trials of these cases, but are now advised by the United States Attorney that the June term of Court will not be held because of lack of funds, and that the next term of Court which will convene will be during the month of October, 1938. It appears, consequently, that while we will be able to get our indictments next week, we cannot hope for trial until October of this year.

Respectfully,

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E. A. TAMM.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

United States Department of Justice

Post Office Box #1469

Little Rock, Arkansas

May 13, 1938

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

Dear Sir:

Special Agent B. M. SUTTLER arrived
at Little Rock, Arkansas, 1:30 P.M., May 13, 1938,
to appear as a witness for the Grand Jury conven-
ing May 16, 1938, at Little Rock, Arkansas in the
Brekid case.

Very truly yours,

H. B. Fletcher

H. B. FLETCHER
Special Agent In Charge

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
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Washington, D. C.

May 6, 1938.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

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Attached hereto is a suggested press release prepared for possible issuance in connection with the proceedings to be brought against the individuals at Hot Springs, Arkansas, who harbored members of the Barker-Karpis gang. This memorandum has been approved by Special Agent D. P. Sullivan, who has been assigned to this matter, and a copy has been furnished to Mr. Connelley for check. We have not yet heard from Connelley.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

There was announced today at the Department of Justice the taking into custody by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation of the following named nine individuals, upon warrants charging eight of these persons with having harbored Alvin Karpis. Grace Goldstein is charged with a violation of the White Slave Traffic Act, and Herbert "Dutch" Akers is also being charged with the harboring of Thomas Nathan Norris. Those arrested by Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation are all of Hot Springs, Arkansas, and are as follows:

Herbert "Dutch" Akers, former Chief of Detectives,
Hot Springs, Arkansas, Police Department.

Joseph Wakelin, former Chief of Police, Hot Springs,
Arkansas, Police Department.

Cecil Brock, former Lieutenant in charge of Identifi-
cation, Hot Springs, Arkansas, Police Department.

Garnett Moore, an officer of the Hot Springs, Arkansas,
Police Department.

Grace Goldstein

Connie Morris

John Stover

Morris Loftis

Mrs. Al C. Dyer

There is attached hereto a memorandum outlining the activities of the persons against whom indictments have been returned by the Federal Grand Jury at Little Rock, Arkansas.

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The Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, subsequent to the apprehension of Alvin Karpis at New Orleans, Louisiana, on May 1, 1936, and Harry Campbell at Toledo, Ohio, on May 7, 1936, began an intensive investigation of all persons who harbored, aided or abetted these fugitives and other members of the publicized Karpis-Barker gang who were under indictment for the kidnaping of Edward George Bremer, a wealthy banker of St. Paul, Minnesota, on January 17, 1934.

During the course of the investigation conducted by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation regarding the abduction of Mr. Bremer, which resulted in the conviction of eighteen members of the notorious Karpis-Barker gang and the death of three others while resisting arrest, it was learned that the gang spent many months in Toledo and Cleveland, Ohio, as well as in Hot Springs, Arkansas, where they resided unmolested. They shared among themselves a part of the \$200,000 ransom money collected from the Bremer family and spent it freely in drinking, vice and gambling. Action was delayed against the individuals who harbored and otherwise aided and abetted the gang until such a time as all of the abductors were captured. Nine individuals were convicted in the summer of 1937 in Cleveland, Ohio, for harboring and otherwise assisting members of the Karpis-Barker gang in Toledo, Ohio and vicinity. The members of the gang who found protection in Hot Springs, Arkansas, were Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell and Fred Hunter.

Alvin Karpis, an ex-convict from the Kansas State Penitentiary and a fugitive from the State of Missouri on a charge of murdering the popular Sheriff C. R. Kelly of West Plains, Missouri on December 19, 1931, and Harry Campbell, wanted on a murder charge in the State of Oklahoma, have since been given life sentences. Harry Campbell was given a life sentence for the kidnaping and interstate transportation from St. Paul, Minnesota to Bensenville, Illinois, of Mr. Bremer. Karpis is now serving life imprisonment for the kidnaping of William A. Hamm, Jr., a wealthy brewer of St. Paul, Minnesota, on June 15, 1933. Fred Hunter is presently serving a sentence of two years for conspiracy to harbor Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, at the expiration of which he is to serve twenty-five years for his participation in the Garrettsville, Ohio, mail robbery.

In June, 1935, Alvin Karpis, together with Fred Hunter, moved to Hot Springs, Arkansas, residing in cottages on the various lakes and daily frequenting the houses of prostitution operated by Grace Goldstein. Grace Goldstein became a constant companion of Alvin Karpis, and one of her prostitutes, Connie Morris, associated herself with Fred Hunter. They were visited in their rendezvous in Hot Springs, Arkansas, by Harry Campbell and others of the gang from time to time, and they all moved about freely in Hot Springs without any apparent fear of arrest. The association of Karpis and Hunter

with Grace Goldstein and Connie Morris continued almost uninterrupted until the apprehension by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation of Alvin Karpis in New Orleans, Louisiana, on May 1, 1936, at which time Fred Hunter and Connie Morris accompanied Alvin Karpis. Fred Hunter participated with Karpis and others in the mail robbery at Garrettsville, Ohio, on November 7, 1935. On May 7, 1936, Fred Hunter received a sentence of two years for conspiracy to harbor Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, to be served in a Federal Penitentiary.

Herbert "Dutch" Akers, the former Chief of Detectives; Joseph Wakelin, the former Chief of Police; Cecil Brock, former lieutenant in charge of the Identification Division; and Garnett A. Moore, an officer, all of the Hot Springs, Arkansas, Police Department, were aware of the identity of Alvin Karpis, and were visitors at the houses of prostitution operated by Grace Goldstein at Hot Springs, Arkansas. Herbert "Dutch" Akers was observed on one occasion in conversation with Alvin Karpis, and Chief of Police Joseph Wakelin had almost nightly clandestine meetings with Grace Goldstein during the time Karpis and Hunter resided in Hot Springs, Arkansas. Morris Loftis and Mrs. Al C. Dyer rented a cottage at Dyers Landing to Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter, and informed Karpis and Hunter in December, 1935, of the details of an investigation conducted by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation at Hot Springs, Arkansas, in October, 1935, looking to the location and apprehension of Alvin Karpis.

John Stover, operator of the Hot Springs, Arkansas, Municipal Airport, flew Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter and their female companions to various sections of the country and otherwise assisted them in avoiding detection and apprehension. Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter are named as co-conspirators in the indictments returned against each of the individuals charged with harboring Alvin Karpis.

Grace Goldstein is charged with a violation of the White Slave Traffic Act in that on October 16, 1935, she transported by automobile Margaret Thompson, her niece, from Paris, Texas, to Hot Springs, Arkansas, where Margaret Thompson was induced to engage in prostitution at one of the houses of prostitution operated by Grace Goldstein. The violation of the White Slave Traffic Act carries a more severe penalty than the violation of the Federal Harboring Statute.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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May 13, 1938

Inspector E. J. Connelley
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
300 Rector Building
Little Rock, Arkansas

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RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your teletype of May 12,
1938, and pursuant thereto there is enclosed herewith
press release which has been prepared concerning the har-
boring phase of the instant case.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

- Mr. Nathan
- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. Baughman
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Coffey
- Mr. Crowl
- Mr. Dewsey
- Mr. Egan
- Mr. Foxworth
- Mr. Glavin
- Mr. Harbo
- Mr. Hottel
- Mr. Lester
- Mr. McIntire
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- Mr. Tamm
- Mr. Tracy
- Miss Gandy

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Post Office Box 1469
Little Rock, Arkansas
May 11, 1938

Special Agent in Charge,
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Re: BREKID *Edward G. Bremer*

Please be advised that Special Agent D. P. SULLIVAN, while working in your district in the vicinity of Paris, Texas, on special assignment, ascertained that GRACE GOLDSTEIN resided with her mother, MARGARET GRAYSON, and her brother, LEONARD GRAYSON, at LEONARD GRAYSON'S home located about three and one-half miles north-east of Blossom, Texas, for one week until Monday, May 9, 1938.

GRACE GOLDSTEIN undoubtedly will be indicted in connection with instant case, by a Federal Grand Jury that will convene in Little Rock, Arkansas on May 16, 1938. There is no process outstanding for this woman at the present time, but it is desired that the Bureau be kept advised of her whereabouts. It was learned that GRACE GOLDSTEIN expected to visit someplace in Florida when she left Blossom, Texas last Monday, and she indicated that she would communicate with her mother or brother in the next week or two. A mail cover was therefore placed by Agent SULLIVAN on all first class mail addressed to all members of the GRAYSON family residing at the LEONARD GRAYSON home which is served on a rural route out of Blossom, Texas. The Postmistress at Blossom, Texas advised that she would immediately forward to the Dallas Office any tracings obtained as a result of this mail cover.

It is requested that the Dallas Office immediately notify this office in the event that any mail tracings are received which may have come from letters sent by GRACE GOLDSTEIN to her mother or brother.

Very truly yours,

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice

Post Office Box 1469
Little Rock, Arkansas
May 14, 1938

Director,
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Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Special Agent H. A. SNOW arrived at Little Rock, Arkansas at 1:30 a.m. May 14, 1938 under subpoena to appear as a witness before the Federal Grand Jury convening at Little Rock, Arkansas on May 16, 1938 in the Brekid matter.

Very truly yours,

H. B. Fletcher

H. B. FLETCHER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

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I want to point out that the cover memorandum of this press release may be changed so as to reflect any condition which may arise in connection with the presentation of the facts to the Grand Jury, over which we have no control.

Respectfully,

J. E. Lawler.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Morris Loftis

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	Life sentence	Kidnaping - Hamm
Alvin Karpis		
Harry Campbell	" "	" - Bremer
Charles Fitzgerald	" "	" - Hamm
Arthur "Doc" Barker	" "	" - Bremer
William Weaver	" "	" "
Volney Davis	" "	" "
Harry Sawyer	" "	" "
Oliver A. Berg	" "	" "
	(Berg also serving life on State charge)	
Fred Barker	Killed resisting arrest January 16, 1935	" "
Kate Barker	Killed resisting arrest January 16, 1935	" "
Russell Gibson	Killed resisting arrest January 8, 1935	" "
William J. Harrison	Killed January 5, 1935 by associates	" "
Fred Goetz, alias Shotgun Zeigler	Killed March, 1934, by associates	" "

Bryan Bolton	Four 3-year sentences	Kidnaping - Hamm and Bremer
Wynona Burdette	Five year sentence	Harboring Karpis and Campbell
Dolores Delaney	Five year sentence	" " "
Myrtle Eaton	Six months' sentence	Harboring Weaver
Edna Murray	Serving twenty-five years on State charge of robbery	
John J. McLaughlin, alias "Boss"	Five year sentence for money chagging (died in prison)	Kidnaping - Bremer
Harold Alderton	Twenty year sentence	Provided hideout Bremer kidnaping
Elnor Farmer	Twenty year sentence	Provided hideout Bremer kidnaping
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Arthur W. Hebebrand	Two-year sentence and \$1000 fine	" " "
Edward McGraw	Two-year sentence and \$500 fine	" " "

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Anthony Amersbach	Two and one-half year sentence and \$1000 fine	"
Sam Coker	Not sentenced as now serving thirty-year sentence at Oklahoma	"
Bruno Austin, alias "Whitie"	Life sentence State court for murder	Associate Arthur "Doc" Barker
Jesse Doyle	Ten-year sentence State court for bank robbery	Associate of Volney Davis

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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

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There is attached hereto a proposed press release concerning the Hot Springs, Arkansas, harboring investigation.

As the situation now stands, it appears that an indictment will be returned against Grace Goldstein for the harboring of Alvin Karpis, for which she will receive a probationary sentence. Her present whereabouts is not known at this time, and it appears that Connie Morris is residing in St. Louis, Missouri.

I want to point out that the 'cover memorandum of this press release may be changed so as to reflect any condition which may arise in connection with the presentation of the facts to the Grand Jury, over which we have no control.

Respectfully,

J. E. Lawler
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

It was announced today at the Department of Justice that Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation had taken into custody nine individuals upon warrants charging each with having harbored Alvin Karpis at Hot Springs, Arkansas and vicinity.

Herbert "Dutch" Akers is likewise charged with having harbored Thomas Nathan Norris, and Grace Goldstein is also charged with having violated the White Slave Traffic Act.

Those arrested by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation are as follows:

Herbert "Dutch" Akers, former chief of Detectives, Hot Springs, Arkansas, Police Department.

Joseph Wakelin, former Chief of Police, Hot Springs, Arkansas, Police Department.

Cecil Brock, former Lieutenant in charge of Identification, Hot Springs, Arkansas, Police Department.

Garnett Moore, an officer of the Hot Springs, Arkansas, Police Department.

Grace Goldstein

Connie Morris

John Stover

Morris Loftis

Mrs. Al C. Dyer

All of these persons are of Hot Springs, Arkansas, except Connie Morris, who was located and apprehended by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation at St. Louis, Missouri. The police officers above named are charged with having harbored Alvin Karpis while they were on active duty with the Hot Springs, Arkansas, Police Department.

There is attached hereto a memorandum outlining the activities of the persons against whom indictments have been returned by the Federal Grand Jury at Little Rock, Arkansas.

MEMORANDUM

The Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, subsequent to the apprehension of Alvin Karpis at New Orleans, Louisiana, on May 1, 1936, and Harry Campbell at Toledo, Ohio, on May 7, 1936, began an intensive investigation of all persons who harbored, aided or abetted these fugitives and other members of the publicized Karpis-Barker gang who were under indictment for the kidnaping of Edward George Bremer, a wealthy banker of St. Paul, Minnesota, on January 17, 1934.

During the course of the investigation conducted by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation regarding the abduction of Mr. Bremer, which resulted in the conviction of numerous members of the notorious Karpis-Barker gang and the death of three others while resisting arrest, it was learned that the gang spent many months in Toledo and Cleveland, Ohio, as well as in Hot Springs, Arkansas, where they resided unmolested. They shared among themselves a part of the \$200,000 ransom money collected from the Bremer family and spent it freely in drinking, vice and gambling. Action was delayed against the individuals who harbored and otherwise aided and abetted the gang until such a time as all of the abductors were captured. Nine individuals were convicted in the summer of 1937 in Cleveland, Ohio, for harboring and otherwise assisting members of the Karpis-Barker gang in Toledo, Ohio and vicinity. The members of the gang who found protection in Hot Springs, Arkansas, were Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell and Fred Hunter.

Alvin Karpis, an ex-convict from the Kansas State Penitentiary and a fugitive from the State of Missouri on a charge of murdering the popular Sheriff C. R. Kelly of West Plains, Missouri on December 19, 1931, and Harry Campbell, wanted on a murder charge in the State of Oklahoma, have since been given life sentences. Harry Campbell was given a life sentence for the kidnaping and interstate transportation from St. Paul, Minnesota to Bensenville, Illinois, of Mr. Bremer. Karpis is now serving life imprisonment for the kidnaping of William A. Hamm, Jr., a wealthy brewer of St. Paul, Minnesota, on June 15, 1933.

In June, 1935, Alvin Karpis, together with Fred Hunter, moved to Hot Springs, Arkansas, residing in cottages on the various lakes and daily frequenting the houses of prostitution operated by Grace Goldstein. Grace Goldstein became a constant companion of Alvin Karpis, and one of her prostitutes, Connie Morris, associated herself with Fred Hunter. They were visited in their rendezvous in Hot Springs, Arkansas, by Harry Campbell and others of the gang from time to time, and they all moved about freely in Hot Springs without any apparent fear of arrest. The association of Karpis and Hunter with Grace Goldstein and Connie Morris continued almost

uninterrupted until the apprehension by Special Agents of the (Federal) Bureau of Investigation) of Alvin Karpis in New Orleans, Louisiana, on May 1, 1936, at which time Fred Hunter and Connie Morris accompanied Alvin Karpis. On May 7, 1936, Fred Hunter received a sentence of two years for conspiracy to harbor Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, to be served in a Federal Penitentiary. Hunter also stands convicted and sentenced to serve twenty-five years in a Federal Penitentiary for his participation with Karpis and others in the Garrettsville, Ohio mail train robbery on November 7, 1935.

Herbert "Dutch" Akers, the former Chief of Detectives; Joseph Wakelin, the former Chief of Police; Cecil Brock, former Lieutenant in Charge of the Identification Division; and Garnett A Moore, an officer, all of the Hot Springs, Arkansas, Police Department, were aware of the identity of Alvin Karpis, and were visitors at the houses of prostitution operated by Grace Goldstein at Hot Springs, Arkansas. Herbert "Dutch" Akers was observed on one occasion in conversation with Alvin Karpis, and Chief of Police Joseph Wakelin had almost nightly clandestine meetings with Grace Goldstein during the time Karpis and Hunter resided in Hot Springs, Arkansas. Morris Loftis and Mrs. Al C. Dyer rented a cottage at Dyers Landing to Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter, and informed Karpis and Hunter in December, 1935, of the details of an investigation conducted by (Special) Agents of the (Federal) Bureau of Investigation at Hot Springs, Arkansas, in October, 1935, looking to the location and apprehension of Alvin Karpis.

John Stover, operator of the Hot Springs, Arkansas, Municipal Airport, flew Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter and their female companions to various sections of the country and otherwise assisted them in avoiding detection and apprehension.. Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter are named as co-conspirators in the indictments returned against each of the individuals charged with harboring Alvin Karpis.

Grace Goldstein is charged with a violation of the White Slave Traffic Act in that on October 16, 1935, she transported by automobile Margaret Thompson, her niece, from Paris, Texas, to Hot Springs, Arkansas, where Margaret Thompson was induced to engage in prostitution at one of the houses of prostitution operated by Grace Goldstein. The violation of the White Slave Traffic Act carries a more severe penalty than the violation of the Federal Harboring Statute.

Herbert "Dutch" Akers, in addition to being charged with the harboring of Alvin Karpis, is charged with the harboring of Thomas Nathan Norris. Thomas Nathan Norris was one of the robbers of the Palmetto State Bank,

Lake City, So. Car., which was robbed on September 4, 1934 of \$114,000. The robbery of this bank did not come under the investigative jurisdiction of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, but on May 8, 1936, a complaint was issued at Charleston, South Carolina, charging Norris with unlawful flight to avoid prosecution. On November 13, 1936, complaints were filed at Fort Worth, Texas, charging T. N. Norris and others with unlawful flight to avoid prosecution for three armed robberies perpetrated at Fort Worth, Texas during October, 1936. It was also definitely determined that Norris and others attempted to rob the Bank of Lake, Lake, Mississippi, just prior to the robbery of the Palmetto State Bank at Lake City, and in connection with this unsuccessful attempt, another complaint was filed at Vicksburg, Mississippi on April 9, 1937, charging Norris with unlawful flight to avoid prosecution.

The investigation conducted by (Special) Agents (of the Federal Bureau of Investigation) in connection with the harboring of T. N. Norris by Herbert "Dutch" Akers, developed that Norris and his associates, Sam Stegal Haynes, Alfred "Sonny" Lamb and Goldie H. Hairston, were harbored by Akers at Hot Springs, Arkansas, from March 15, 1937 to August 15, 1937. Akers has admitted to Special Agents his guilt in connection with this violation of the Federal Harboring Statute.

Norris, Haynes, Hairston and Lamb committed numerous crimes of violence, including armed robberies and a murder, while being protected by Akers at Hot Springs, Arkansas. On August 15, 1937, Haynes was arrested at Benton, Arkansas, by the Arkansas State Police. Later that day the Arkansas State Police killed Alfred "Sonny" Lamb as he was resisting arrest in Hot Springs, Arkansas. Norris was taken into custody one mile west of Rogers, Arkansas, on August 16, 1937 in a raid on the home of his mother, at which time he was shot in both arms and legs while resisting arrest by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Arkansas State Police, and local authorities.

Goldie Hairston, wanted for violation of the National Motor Vehicle Theft Act, was found dead of gunshot wounds near Gretna, Louisiana, after he and companions had fired upon two officers of the Gulfport, Mississippi Police Department on September 7, 1937, killing one of the officers.

(Thomas Nathan Norris is presently incarcerated in the Texas State Penitentiary on one 99-year sentence for murder, two 99-year sentences for armed robbery, and a sentence of 5 to 40 years for armed robbery. Sam Stegal Haynes is presently incarcerated in the Texas State Penitentiary at Huntsville, Texas, where he is serving a sentence of from 5 to 12 years for armed robbery, and is awaiting trial on an indictment returned November 9, 1937, in the State District Court at Richmond, Texas, charging him with the murder of Robert Rutledge at Stafford, Texas. This is the murder charge for which Norris received a 99 year sentence.)

Norris, Sam Stegal Haynes, Goldie Hairston and Alfred "Sonny" Lamb are being named as co-conspirators in the indictment returned against Herbert "Dutch" Akers for his participation in the harboring of Thomas Nathan Norris.

As a result of the investigations conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the members of the Karpis-Barker gang who kidnaped William A. Hamm, Jr., St. Paul, Minnesota, June 15, 1933, and Edward George Bremer, St. Paul, Minnesota, January 17, 1934, obtaining \$100,000 and \$200,000 respectively, for the release of the victims, together with various persons who harbored and aided or abetted them, have been disposed of as follows:

Alvin Karpis	Life sentence	Kidnaping - Hamm
Harry Campbell	" "	" - Bremer
Charles Fitzgerald	" "	" - Hamm
Arthur "Doc" Barker	" "	" - Bremer
William Weaver	" "	" "
Volney Davis	" "	" "
Harry Sawyer	" "	" "
Oliver A. Berg	" " (Berg also serving life on State charge)	" "
Fred Barker	Killed resisting arrest January 16, 1935	" "
Kate Barker	Killed resisting arrest January 16, 1935	" "
Russell Gibson	Killed resisting arrest January 8, 1935	" "
William J. Harrison	Killed January 5, 1935 by associates	" "
Fred Goetz, alias Shotgun Zeigler	Killed March, 1934, by associates	" "

Bryan Bolton	Four 3-year sentences	Kidnaping - Hamm and Bremer
Wynona Burdette	Five year sentence	Harboring Karpis and Campbell
Dolores Delaney	Five year sentence	" " "
Myrtle Eaton	Six months' sentence	Harboring Weaver
Edna Murray	Serving twenty-five years on State charge of robbery	
John J. McLaughlin, alias "Boss"	Five year sentence for money changing (died in prison)	Kidnaping - Bremer
Harold Alderton	Twenty year sentence	Provided hideout Bremer kidnaping
Elmer Farmer	Twenty year sentence	Provided hideout Bremer kidnaping
Edmund C. Bartholmey (Postmaster, Pensenville)	Six year sentence	Provided hideout Hamm kidnaping
James J. Wilson	Five year sentence	Kidnaping - Bremer
Jack Peifer	Thirty-year sentence (committed suicide the date of sentence)	Kidnaping - Hamm
Cassius McDonald	Fifteen-year sentence	Kidnaping - Bremer
Bert Angus	Two-year ten month sentence and \$500 fine	Harboring of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell at Toledo, Cleveland and vicinity
Ted Angus	Two-year ten month sentence and \$500 fine	"
Arthur W. Hebebrand	Two-year sentence and \$1000 fine	"
Edward McGraw	Two-year sentence and \$500 fine	"

Clara McGraw	Two-year sentence and \$500 fine	Harboring of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell at Toledo, Cleveland, and vicinity
Edith Barry	Two-year sentence and \$500 fine	"
John F. Gorman	Three-year sentence and \$1000 fine	"
Frank Greenwald	One-year three month sentence	"
Anthony Amersbach	Two and one-half year sen- tence and \$1000 fine	"
Sam Coker	Not sentenced as now serving thirty-year sentence at Okla- homa	"
Bruno Austin, alias "Whitie"	Life sentence State court for murder	Associate Arthur "Doc" Barker
Jesse Doyle	Ten-year sentence State court for bank robbery	Associate of Volney Davis

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United States Department of Justice
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May 16, 1938

Time: 3:25 pm

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

RE: BREMER CASE

I talked with Inspector Connelley at Little Rock and inquired whether he had received the press release in this case, and he advised in the affirmative. I told him that if the facts of the case were released at Little Rock, the first typed page of the press release would have to be changed.

Mr. Connelley stated they were making arrangements to pick up Connie Morris at St. Louis; that Grace Goldstein was in Arkansas somewhere, but they did not know where; that it was doubtful whether they would have her in custody. He advised that arrangements were being made to pick up the rest of the individuals involved in the case on Tuesday night; that as soon as they were taken into custody he should advise me, which he stated he would do.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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DIRECTOR

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

EAT:ps

May 17, 1938

Time: 4:15 pm

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

RE: BREMER CASE

I called Inspector Connelley at Little Rock and advised him that you would be unable to come down there, and that he should go ahead with the plans to pick up the individuals at Hot Springs, Arkansas, involved in this case. He stated he would call tomorrow morning regarding the release, and that these people would be picked up tonight.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
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EAT:ps

May 18, 1938

Time: 12:30 pm

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR
RE: BREMER CASE

Inspector Connelley called regarding releasing information as to the taking into custody of Herbert "Dutch" Akers, Wakelin, Cecil Brock, John Stover, Morris Loftis and Mrs. Dyer. He advised that Connie Morris was also in custody at St. Louis; that she was not to be prosecuted on a White Slave Traffic Act violation, but was to be indicted on the harboring of Karpis charge.

I told him that he could release the information around 1:30 and that the facts would be given out in Washington immediately.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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United States Department of Justice
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Time-1:10 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Alvin Karpis;
Harboring

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Roger Hawthorne, of the Associated Press, called and told me that he has a story from Little Rock stating that five men and two women have been arrested in connection with the above case. I told Mr. Hawthorne that this story is being released locally and will not be released in Washington. Mr. Hawthorne asked if the FBI was connected with the counterfeiting arrests in Kansas and Texas. I stated that this Bureau does not handle any counterfeiting cases and consequently would not know anything about such arrests.

Respectfully,
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 ARKANSAS, OVER ACT NUMBER THREE THAT ON ABOUT OCTOBER TWENTY
 FOUR, NINETEEN THIRTY FIVE, JEWELL LEVERNE GRAYSON WITH ALIASES
 RENTED A HOUSE AT SIX NAUGHT TWO THIRD STREET, HOT SPRINGS,
 TO BE USED AS A HIDING PLACE FOR THE SAID ALVIN KARPIS, AND
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May 16, 1938

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

RE: HARBORING CASE AT HOT SPRINGS,
ARKANSAS

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Mr. Connelley telephoned from the Little Rock Office advising that the Grand Jury today returned an indictment against all of those persons previously mentioned with the exception of Garrett Moore, an officer of the Hot Springs, Arkansas, Police Department. He indicated that an indictment was also returned in the White Slave Traffic Act case involving Grace Goldstein, who is also involved in the harboring charges. Those who have been indicted in the harboring case are Herbert "Dutch" Akers, Joseph Wakelin, Cecil Brock, Grace Goldstein, Connie Morris, John Stover, Morris Loftis and Mrs. Al C. Dyer. Mr. Connelley indicated the grand jury will continue tomorrow and an effort will be made to have secret warrants issued on the above named individuals tomorrow in order to take these individuals into custody tomorrow night. He stated that some of the agents are working on the White Slave Traffic Act case with the idea of breaking it at the time these individuals are apprehended. He advised that there will be six individuals to be taken into custody: Akers, Wakelin, Brock, Stover, Loftis and Mrs. Dyer and there are only seven available men at the Little Rock Office. He suggested contacting the Memphis Office and securing five agents and two cars to assist in this investigation.

Mr. Connelley was informed that there are now only four men at the Memphis Office including the Agent in Charge and it was suggested that he contact the Oklahoma City and Memphis Offices securing two men from each office, holding in abeyance any steps to apprehend these individuals until the facts in the matter have been presented to the Director, who may want to be present and participate therein. I told Mr. Connelley that you are presently en route to the Middle West and due to arrive there tomorrow. Mr. Connelley was informed that after furnishing these facts to you, he, Connelley, will be given your instructions and desires in the matter.

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Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

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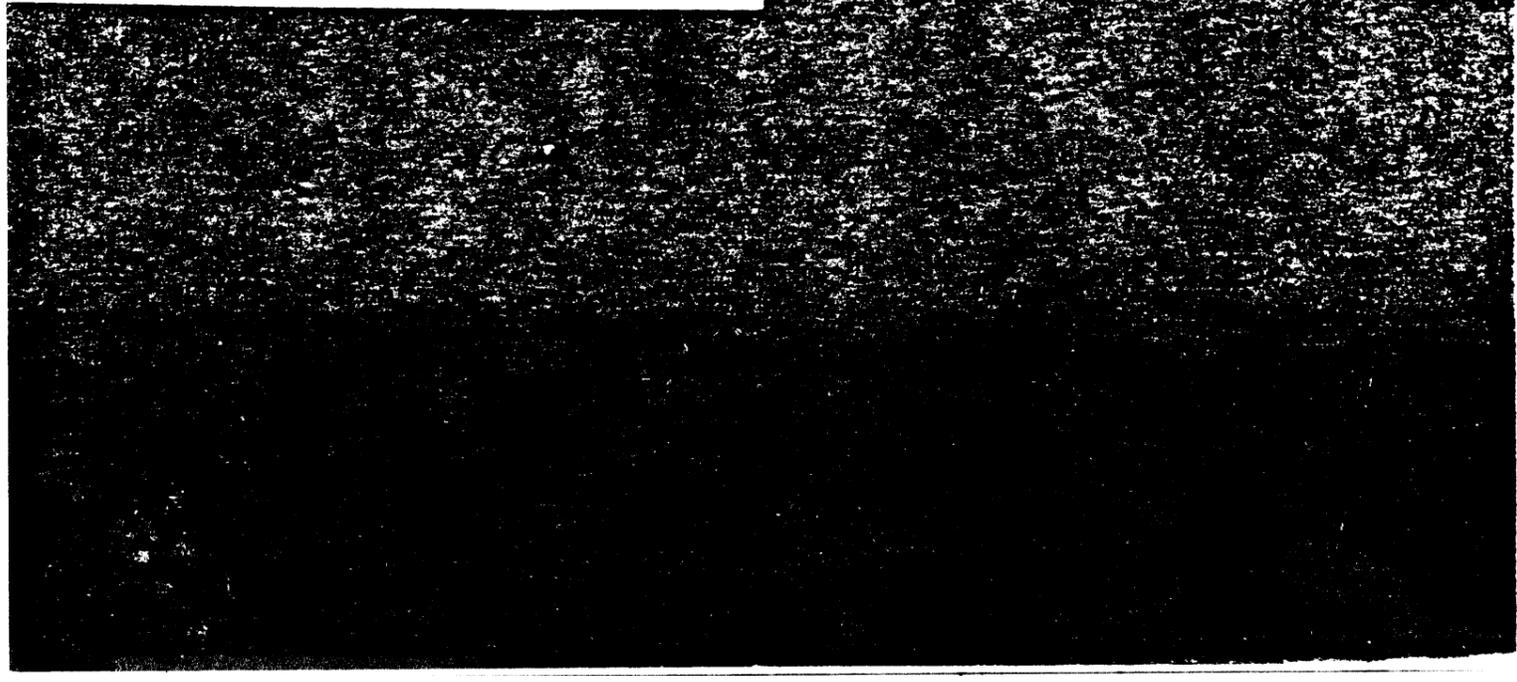
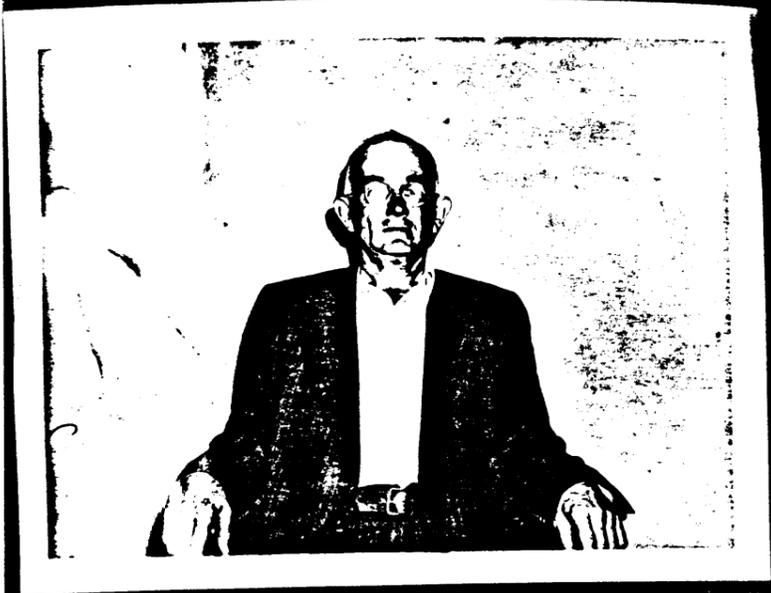
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Federal Bureau of Investigation
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
PostOffice Box #1469
Little Rock, Arkansas
May 17, 1938.

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Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Please be advised Special Agents E. M. HEAVRIN and A. E. LEONARD arrived at Little Rock, Arkansas, at 9:30 A. M., May 17, 1938, from Memphis Field Division on special assignment in the BREKID case.

Special Agents W. L. BUCHANAN and C. O. HURT of the Oklahoma City Field Division arrived at noon, May 17, 1938, on special assignment on the BREKID case.

All of these Agents are making no arrangements for hotel rooms, and their address is the Little rock Field Office.

Very truly yours,

H. B. FLETCHER,
Special Agent in Charge.

HBF:IN
cc:Memphis
Oklahoma City

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

United States Department of Justice
Post Office Box #1469
Little Rock, Arkansas
May 18, 1938

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

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Re: B R E K I D

Dear Sir:

There are being forwarded herewith fingerprint cards and two photographs of each of the following subjects:

*Fingerprint cards
taken
photographed
detached
for comparison*

- MORRIS LOFTIS^o
- Mrs. AL C. DYER^o
- CECIL C. BROCK^o
- JOHN STOVER^o
- JOSEPH WAKELIN^o
- HERBERT AKERS^o

It is respectfully requested that fingerprint records be furnished this office.

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Very truly yours,

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H. B. Fletcher

H. B. FLETCHER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Florence S. C.

F.B.I.
Sir: I read in papers about your dept catching up with the Hot Springs Police Dept. The ex chief harbouring Keyis gang. I passed through Hot Springs some time ago and was arrested for minor charge & had to pay bail \$10. I was told by lawyer it was split 3 ways. I wish you would check further on their methods. Thanking you. I remain
& respects. W.J. Riley = 215 City

W. J. Riley

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June 3, 1938

Mr. W. J. Riley
Florence
South Carolina

Dear Mr. Riley:

Receipt is acknowledged of your communication postmarked May 20, 1938. I have noted the information which you have forwarded, and it is with regret that I must advise that the matters which you have mentioned in your letter do not constitute a violation of Federal Statutes coming within the investigative jurisdiction of this Bureau.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. Nathan
- Mr. Tamm
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Coffey
- Mr. Dawsey
- Mr. Egan
- Mr. Foxworth
- Mr. Glavin
- Mr. Harbo
- Mr. Lester
- Mr. McIntire
- Mr. Nichols
- Mr. Tracy
- Miss Gandy

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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

June 3, 1938

Mr. W. J. Riley
Florence
South Carolina

Dear Mr. Riley:

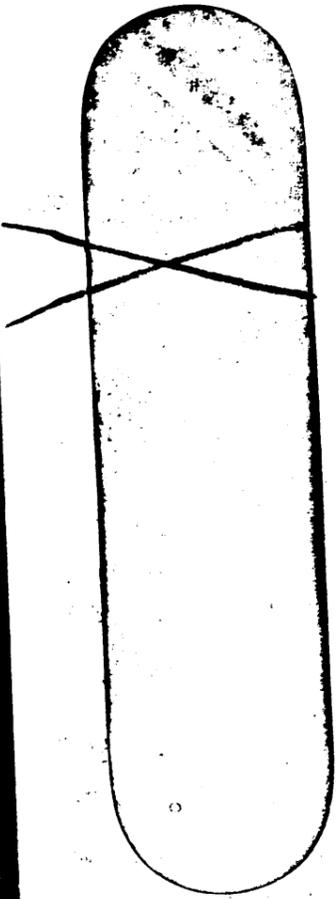
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J. E. Hoover
John Edgar Hoover
Director

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Cincinnati** S.A. FILE NO. **7-41**

REPORT MADE AT San Antonio, Texas	DATE WHEN MADE May 20, 1938	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 5/6, 16, 18/38	REPORT MADE BY T. H. Sisk
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases; I.O. #1232- FUGITIVE; ANTHONY J. AMERSBACH, with aliases; FUGITIVE, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim			CHARACTER OF CASE Kidnaping; Harboring of Fugitives; Obstruction of Justice National Firearms Act

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Mrs. Phillip David lives at 1118 Willard Street, Houston, Texas, and is employed at a barbecue stand 1100 Waugh Drive, Houston, Texas. Her husband advised May 18, 1938, that she had received subpoena and had proceeded to Little Rock previous week. Wanted notice on Ford V-8 Sedan Motor #2044337 cancelled in Texas Highway Department. RUC.

Reference: Letter from New Orleans office to San Antonio office dated May 4; letter from San Antonio office to Little Rock office dated May 7th.

DETAILS: At Houston, Texas.

Agent ascertained that Mrs. PHILLIP DAVID is at present living with her husband at 1118 Willard Street, Houston, and that she and her husband are both employed at Frenchie's Barbecue Stand, 1100 Waugh Drive, Houston. She was not advised of the fact that a subpoena would be issued for her appearance at Little Rock.

The Little Rock office was advised of the location of Mrs. DAVID by letter on May 7th, 1938.

On May 18th, PHILLIP DAVID phoned the writer that during the week previous, Mrs. DAVID had been served with a subpoena and had proceeded to Little Rock, Ark. in answer to this subpoena.

At San Antonio, Texas.

The Wanted notice placed in the files of the Automobile Registration

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>[Signature]</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES <div style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold;">MAY 24 1938</div> <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold;">7-576-3-322</div> <div style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">MAY 23 A.M.</div> <div style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">ONE STATE SECRETARY</div>
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Division, State Highway Department, Austin, Texas, on August 9, 1937, against Ford V-8 Sedan Motor #2044337 was removed at the request of this office in compliance with the circular letter from the Cincinnati office dated April 21, 1938.

Referred upon completion.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

No. T-1

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

Bu. File #--

May 20, 1938

Special Agent in Charge
Little Rock, Ark.

Re: BREKID

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:

- #7-2, Morris Loftis
- #7-2, Mrs. Al C. Lyer
- #7-2, Cecil C. Brook
- #7-2, John Stover
- #7-2, Joseph Wakelin
- #7-2, Herbert Akers

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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.

June 3, 1938

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Special Agent in Charge
Little Rock, Arkansas

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

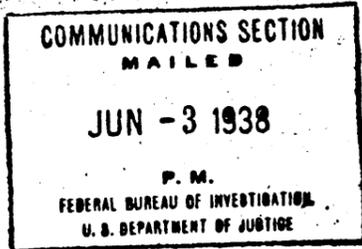
There are enclosed herewith photostatic copies
of an anonymous communication received in the Bureau
on May 25, 1938 which are furnished for your information
and appropriate attention.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure.

cc-Cincinnati (with enclosure)



ANONYMOUS COMMUNICATION
KEEP ENVELOPE ATTACHED

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Mr. Hammer in the morning
I met where to find a
welly to give out
You found that
As Mrs Shannon I try
Very hard to sell her fur
also 6-a. of ground attend
of Carlisle out Whitting
Tom at 8. I feared she
app. had smelt a mouse
Mrs Grace Goldstein
Being caught they were
Died Sherman I said
wishing you all Gods
Blessings I remain for
Honesty + right living
A well wisher

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,
Bureau of Investigation,
Washington,

W.D. C.

AFTER 5 DAYS RETURN TO



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ANONYMOUS COMMUNICATION
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5-19-38

Mr. E. J. Connelley
MAY 23 1938 P.M. 9
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

I am much interested in
your effort of invest. The
Cooks in Hot Springs around
I feel you have admitted one spe-
cial party in passing by
Clara Shannon of 132 1/2 Cent-
ral ave. North Central Room
As she figured quite a lot
I think in the ^{alvin} Karpis case
she was in contact quite
often reading for Grace Har-
dstein & whom knows but
what she was helping her
hide Karpis's whereabouts
Shannon claims to be a
Real fortune teller ^{del little girl claim 4/3/38, etc} & also claims to
be a spiritualist & also claims to
understand the Black art

Hypnotism In fact all that
does along with fortune teller
always saying her forces
tells her No & No she is a
Rounder herself says she
has been married 6 times
& followed Bruce & Wallace
shows for yrs & she taken
Shannon from his wife
& children at Pine Bluff
& came to Hot Spgs & lived
with ^{him} for yrs before they ma-
ried then when he died
quite a little gossip was
rumored CONC. his sudden
death & Lena Bruce an inv-
alid living at 128 Oak St
when she died ^{recently} was appear-
as well as common on Sat
Afternoon when a Mrs
Elkins called to get work
when she went back Sun
get Mrs Bruce know of the

could care for her ⁽²⁾ she was lying
inconscious & Mrs Shannon was
searching about the City for Parties
whom had cared for Leona Bruce
In order to have them testify that
Mrs Bruce had always intended
Mrs Shannon to have her belongings
As soon as she passed out & a very
number of people have heard
Mrs Bruce mention that she had
No earthly use for Clara Shannon
& Shannon herself ^{has} after
Remarked how her & Bruce
Fought like Cats & dogs fight.
But when Mrs Bruce died Shannon
Taken her back to Troy N. York for
Burial as she only had 1 Aunt
& 2 Cousins living there in Troy
New York & Bruce was 66 yrs. old
Shannon had been plan - on going
to Baltimore Md. to visit her son
For some time previous to Bruce's
Death but had not the means of Transp.
As she had lost an awful lot of money
Herself & her car gone

She now has Bruce Car & all her
valuable paintings furniture & 4
Lab dogs one valued at \$500.
Full terrier breed Shannon has
caused a lot of confusion &
reparations between man & wife
Walter far & near. Is still defrauding
the people. Jim assured she has
had quite a lot to do in the Karpis
case as Grace Goldstein was
to see her & have her read for her
every few days Shannon at that
time was rooming in Room 1-
Green apts 116 1/2 Central Ave
Grace was in charge of
the Hatterie apts just acc-
treat a reputable House
Shannon influenced one
Sam Bowley owner of North
Central Rooms 132 1/2 Central
to sell out to her & go to Califor
to live his as Lina Cough
and leave once he landed there

(3)
He had been gassed in time of war
also had an asthma cough in his
Pinto had given blood for many
transfusions in St Joseph Infirmary
Dr Tribble can vouch for that he
was very dissatisfied after she got
his place from him he was
supposed to be crazy as he was
drawing a big lot of money
from the Gov. also an insur-
ance each month some more
of Shannon's schemes as he had
no good sense as any out-living
in good health except asthma
Cough Ray Smith was his insur-
reducer he had out a lot of insur-
ance at his death Nov. 19 first
He was on his way back from Cal
got in an accident in Mexico
it was said Shannon had requested
him visit Mexico to investigate
Gov Oil land she was trying hard
to defraud some people in that way
in Margie Higdon's case were at
times at that scheme she also

In Irish Herb. In Ireland
selling any amt of tickets
to Parties here in Hat Spr
As she has a hypnotic inf
over people & also gives the
seances of night & she
has said they made her
as high as \$40 in one nite
She is a dangerous charac
ter anywhere & such things
as her & Grace Goldstein
cleaning out also one Mr
Mike Blaccher 325
Benton Street Hat Spr Ark
Makes & sells drinks she
has after remarked that
she is Old Marie from Wash
D.C. & so far no one has
been smart enough to cat
me she is a Catholic & stand
in with May or McLaughlin
is said she acc. front room
right upstairs as you go up

5/11/38

EARL L. LEVY
WALLEN HOTEL
PHONE 8-6411
MEMPHIS, TENN.

U.S. Veterans Facility
North Little Rock, Ark

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Mr J. Edgar Hoover,
Chief, Dept. of Justice
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Mr. Hoover:-

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In the Spring of 1936 I wrote you from
 NORMAL, TENN. advising that some gangsters
 who visited Hot Springs, Ark had left an
 Australian Sheep Dog with a Dr McCrary
 or MCCRORY a dentist there. I understand
 they gave Dr. McCrary or MCCRORY the dog
 in payment, or part payment, or gratitude
 for dental work or professional services
 Not knowing whether you received my
 previous letter from NORMAL, TENN. I am
 again writing you in view of the arrests and
 publicity pertaining to the recent Karpis
 developments in Hot Springs, Ark. as
 you may want to investigate the
 Dr. MCCRARY OR MCCRORY matter or angle

I also have certain information
 of value to the Narcotic Division and if you
 want I will furnish it

wh 4/9/38 - Att. Book 843

10/1/38

Care to have one of their men, or rather request
that they have one of their men call to see me
here, I will be glad to relate the details. Reported
ed a marijuana matter to them in
Memphis in February over the phone and
shortly afterwards was made the victim of
an attack in the Wm Lee Hotel and otherwise
abused which resulted in my being com-
mitted to this Institution, viz, U.S. Veterans
Facility, a Nervous & Psychiatric Hospital at
North Little Rock, Ark. - There are also certain
family matters involved and I can further
inform you that the SOHO CLUB in Kansas
City is a hideout for gangsters.

I may respectfully refer you to
1. Bruce Billaski war time chief of the Dept of
Justice. I was special Agent of the U.S. Gov't
(Census Dept) at one time; also have assisted
almost every branch of the U.S. Prosecuting
Agencies as Informant. I have been a
newspaperman ^(and did police work) for thirty years and I am
not insane despite the Commitment Charge.

In further reference to the Solo Club in
Kansas City I can put you in touch with a

EARL L. LEVY

WALLEN HOTEL
PHONE 8-3444
MEMPHIS, TENN.

U.S. Veterans Facility
North Little Rock, Ark
5/19/38

Page 3. Mr. J. Edgar Hoover

a party in St. Louis who knows of certain gangsters and their methods. This party has information also of value to the Narcotic Division,

I wish that you kindly treat the letter in due confidence, and I believe it would pay you to handle this matter personally, as I can inform you of a certain party in Memphis, a personal and trusted friend of yours, a high st police official who has abused the confidence of both the Dept of Justice, and you personally.

I am on Ward 102A of this Hospital and if you send one of the F.B.I. men, or the Narcotic Division men, let them bring a copy of this letter as a further means of identification and also request a good pass in order that I may discuss the matter freely without being overheard on the Ward.

(OVER)

Any consideration given ^{by you personally to} this letter, will be greatly appreciated by the undersigned -

Thanking you, and trusting that you will personally and carefully consider the contents of this letter which I saw asking a friend who is leaving the Hospital in the morning to mail for me, I am,

Respectfully yours,
Earl L. Levy

ADDRESS:-

EARL L. LEVY,
U.S. VETERANS HOSPITAL (FACILITY)
NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARK.

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June 9, 1938.

RECORDED Mr. Earl L. Levy
U. S. Veterans Facility
North Little Rock, Arkansas

Dear Mr. Levy:

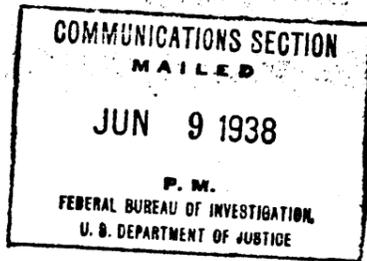
This will acknowledge receipt of your letter dated
May 19, 1938.

Please be advised that the information which you have
supplied has been furnished to Mr. H. B. Fletcher, Special Agent
in Charge of this Bureau's Little Rock, Arkansas, Field Division,
Post Office Box 1469, Little Rock, with instructions that a Special
Agent be designated to interview you relative thereto within the
near future.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

*Reply mailed in
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June 9, 1938.

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Special Agent in Charge
Little Rock, Arkansas

Dear Sir:

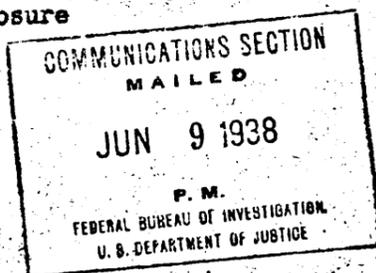
There are enclosed herewith copies of a letter dated May 19, 1938, from Mr. Earl L. Levy, United States Veterans Facility, North Little Rock, Arkansas, together with the Bureau's reply thereto dated June 9, 1938.

It is desired that a Special Agent be designated to interview Mr. Levy relative to the information which he has furnished in his letter. Please be advised that a check of the Bureau files fails to reflect the letter written by Mr. Levy in the spring of 1936 which he mentions in his letter.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure



Letter

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Drawer V, Plaza Station,
Saint Louis, Missouri,
May 20, 1938.

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

A I R M A I L
SPECIAL DELIVERY

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting herewith to the Bureau the photograph and fingerprints of RUTH ROBSION, alias CONNIE MORRIS, alias RUTH ROBINSON, alias RUTH HALL, alias JOAN BARRON, alias JOAN HAMMER, Saint Louis Police Department number 45,020, who was arrested at Saint Louis on May 18, 1938.

Photo A.P. det. for 5-22-38 JSB:AMS

RUTH ROBSION was released from federal custody at Saint Louis May 20, 1938 upon furnishing \$10,000 bond.

Posted 5-22-38 JSB:AMS

Please furnish copies of RUTH ROBSION's previous criminal record to the Cincinnati, Little Rock and Saint Louis Offices of the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

G. B. Norris
G. B. NORRIS,
Special Agent in Charge

JSB:A
cc Cincinnati
cc Little Rock--AMSD

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

EAT:JHR

United States Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

May 21, 1938.

Time-3:05 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Harbor Case;
Little Rock, Arkansas.

While talking to Mr. Connelley at Cincinnati, I mentioned that the Director has seen pictures of Connie Morris being arrested by the St. Louis police, who picked her up in connection with investigations made in Hot Springs, Arkansas to get the people who harbored Karpis and Campbell, no reference being made to the Bureau. I stated that from what the Bureau has been able to learn, the police were invited in on the raid and just stole the whole show. I told Mr. Connelley that the Director wants to ascertain whether he had issued any instructions to SAC Norris to take the local police in. Mr. Connelley advised me that he had no knowledge of such a plan and was not aware of the situation until the next day when he called SAC Norris. Mr. Connelley said that he went to St. Louis the night he went down to Little Rock and stopped at the St. Louis Office; that at no time was anything said about taking the local police along. Mr. Connelley was of the same opinion as SAC Norris in stating that all the papers gave credit to the agents of the FBI in effecting the arrests.

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1206 Tower Petroleum Building
Dallas, Texas

May 20, 1936

Special Agent in Charge
Little Rock, Arkansas

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

A mail tracing has been received from the Postmaster at Blossom, Texas, reflecting that Mrs. LOIS GRAYSON received a letter postmarked Skull Creek, Colorado, which the rural carrier believes to be in the handwriting of GRACE GOLDSTEIN.

According to press reports, GRACE GOLDSTEIN is in custody in Los Angeles. In the event she has been apprehended, please advise the Dallas Office, in order that the mail cover placed by Agent SULLIVAN may be withdrawn.

Very truly yours,

E. E. CONROY
Special Agent in Charge

RCC:FB
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cc-Cincinnati
cc-E. J. CONNELLEY, New York

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 Mr. Quinn
 Mr. Nichols
 Mr. Tracy
 Miss Gandy

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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 MAY 18 1938
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FBI LITTLE ROCK ARKASAS 5-18-38 8-43 AM IN
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BREKID MORRIS, LOFTIS, MRS. AL C. DYER, HERBERT AKERS, CECIL C. BROCK,
 JOSEPH WAKELIN AND JOHN STOVER APPREHENDED LAST NIGHT AND EARLY
 THIS MORNING ON WARRANTS CHARGING HARBORING OF ALVIN KARPIS. PICTURES
 AND FINGERPRINTS WILL GO FORWARD TODAY. INTERVIEWS BEING CONDUCTED
 AS TO ALL WITH LITTLE MATERIAL ~~RECORDED~~ ADDITIONAL INFORMATION BEING
 OBTAINED. WILL CONFER LATER THIS MORNING WITH USA AS TO ARRAIGNMENT.
 WILL ADVISE BUREAU IN TELEPHONE CALL AS TO FURTHER ACTION TODAY BEFORE
 ANY NOTICE GIVEN AS TO PERSONS HELD. SAINT LOUIS WAS REQUESTED LAST
 NIGHT TO PICK UP CONNIE MORRIS. NO FURTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE
 AS TO LOCATION OF GRACE GOLDSTEIN BUT INFORMANT IN TEXAS WILL TRY
 TO GET INFORMATION.

CONNELLY
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 OK FBI WASHINGTON DC GLS

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FBI LOS ANGELES 5-18-38

SAC LITTLE ROCK

BREKID. GRACE GOLDSTEIN AS JEWELL L. GRAYSON TODAY BOOKED
PASSAGE FOR HONOLULU ON SS MATSONIA, SAILING FROM LOS ANGELES
NEXT FRIDAY NOON. SHE IS PRESENTLY REGISTERED LOCAL HOTEL.
ADVISE IF ANY ACTION IS DESIRED.

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 BREKID WAKELIN, AKERS, STOVER, DYER, LOFTIS MADE REQUIRED BOND AND
 RELEASED MAY EIGHTEEN, BROCK MADE BOND MAY NINETEEN. REPORT OF
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 AKERS HAS INDICATED HE WILL TELL ME SOMETING BEFORE OCTOBER BUT
 HE IS ALWAYS A DOUBTFUL QUANTITY. A WOMAN LOCATED TODAY SAW
 AKERS AT GRACE GOLDSTEINS PLACE ONE TWO FOUR CLUBB STREET, HOT
 SPRINGS AND ALSO IDENTIFIED KARPIS THERE AFTER WHICH SHE PERSONALLY
 REPORTED THIS TO JOSEPH WAKELIN. THIS WILL MATERIALLY ASSIST
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 PACIFIC RAILROAD, TRAIN TWO, LOWER ONE, CAR NINE, ARRIVING SAINT LOUIS
 EIGHT THIRTY AM, LEAVING NINE FIFTEEN AM B AND O RAILROAD TRAIN TWO,
 CHAIR CAR ARRIVING CINCINNATI FIVE FORTY FIVE PM. AS DISCUSSED
 PREVIOUSLY WITH YOU I WILL TAKE TWO WEEKS LEAVE BEFORE PROCEEDING
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 WHICH ~~WOULD~~ WOULD WARRANT AN EARLIER RETURN TO NEW YORK.
 AGENT J L MADALA WILL PROCED HIS HEADQUARTERS NEWARK, H A SNOW
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Post Office Drawer V,
Plaza Station,
St. Louis, Missouri,
May 20, 1938.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. HOOVER

Re: George Timney, with aliases;
Dr. Joseph P. Moran, with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I. O. 1238; et al;
Edward George Bremer - Victim;
Kidnaping; Obstruction of Justice; Harboring
of Fugitives; National Firearms Act.

Shortly before noon today, Mr. E. A. Tamm of the Bureau called me by long distance telephone and stated he had received information that a photograph appeared in a newspaper this morning, showing a St. Louis police officer and Connie Morris, and that the Bureau had not received proper credit for her arrest. He stated the St. Louis, Missouri, Police Department should not have been taken in on the raid in connection with her arrest, and made inquiry as to why it was done.

I advised Mr. Tamm that on the evening when this raid was to be made, I received a long distance telephone call from Inspector Connelley, who was at Little Rock, at approximately 7:30, while I was at the Kingsway Hotel addressing the Business Circle of St. Louis, and immediately upon completion of the talk I returned to the St. Louis Office and contacted Agents J. S. Bush and G. C. Thompson. All other Agents of this office were on annual leave at this time, including our night clerk, excepting Special Agents H. G. Maynor, who was in Southern Missouri in connection with a jail case, and D. W. Maher, and for this reason Special Agent J. S. Bush and I contacted the police in the Ninth District and arranged with Sergeant Harry Powell to obtain sufficient men to assist us in the raids at 3439 Lucas and the adjoining house. There were nine prostitutes in the place where we raided, together with two negro maids and many customers, and all the doors had Yale locks on them, and the minute they discovered the identity of the persons making the raid, all prostitutes fled for cover. It took several hours to locate and identify Connie Morris and the officers participating in the raid acted entirely under my direction, and the local newspapers gave the Bureau the credit for the raid and arrest and investigation upon which they were based.

I advised Mr. Tamm that I acted in accordance with the best dictates of my judgment, in view of the fact that time was of the essence.

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I submit the above for your consideration, together with the newspaper clippings in connection therewith.

Respectfully submitted,

G. B. Norris,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc Mr. E. A. Tamm

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

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U. S. Department of Justice
Post Office Drawer V,
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cc Mr. E. A. Tamm

Caught in G-Men's Net



Connie Morris, 21 years old, arrested by agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and police early today in St. Louis as part of a federal roundup of persons indicted at Hot Springs, Ark., on charges of harboring members of the notorious Barker - Karpis gang. Above, she shields her face from newspaper photographers. At right, a picture taken by the police for the Bertillon files.



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St. Louis Star-Times,
St. Louis, Mo.,
May 18, 1938.

Re: BREKID
St. L. #7-43.

U. S. ACCUSES 7 OF SHELTERING KARPIS GUNMEN

Three Former Hot Springs Police Officials Are Indicted by Grand Jury.

WOMAN ARRESTED HERE

Roundup Climaxes Two-Year Investigation by G-Men — Charges Made at Little Rock.

Pictures on Page 3.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK., May 18.—(U. S.)—Seven persons, including three former officers of the Hot Springs Police Department, were indicted in federal court here today on charges of harboring members of the Barker-Karpis gang.

Those named in federal indictments returned in federal court here this afternoon were:

Herbert (Dutch) Akers, former Hot Springs detective chief.

Joseph Wakelin, former Hot Springs police chief.

Cecil Brook, former Hot Springs police lieutenant in charge of the identification division.

John Stover, operator of the Hot Springs municipal airport.

Morris Loftis.

Mrs. Al C. Dyer.

Connie Morris, St. Louis.

The five men and two women were charged with harboring Alvin Karpis, gang leader, and Fred Hunter, a member of the gang. Both Karpis and Hunter are now serving terms in Alcatraz prison.

Federal agents went to Hot Springs early today and took in custody the three former police officers, and Stover, Loftis and Mrs. Dyer. About the same time the Morris woman was arrested in St. Louis.

Bond for Akers and Wakelin was set at \$10,000 each. Bond for the others was set at \$5,000 each.

The defendants are expected to be arraigned before Federal Judge J. C. Trimble some time next week.

The roundup climaxed an investigation by G-men over a period of two years. It sprang from discovery that members of the Barker-Karpis gang, through much of the time they were eluding federal agents, were in hiding in Hot Springs.

Announcing the arrests at Kansas City, J. Edgar Hoover, Federal Bureau of Investigation director, made it clear that he did not desire to clean up police departments.

"But," he said, "when members of a police department, or other citizens, harbor desperate criminals sought by the federal government, it is no longer a local matter. They must deal then with Uncle Sam."

Stover, the airport manager, Hoover said, will be charged with flying planes in which Karpis and members of his bank-raiding mob flew to and from the scenes of their crimes and their hideouts.

"At the time the former police officers are charged with helping the Barker-Karpis gang elude the G-men," Hoover asserted, "they were members of the Hot Springs Police Department."

Nation-Wide Search Ended By Arrest of Woman Here

The nation-wide search for Connie Morris, under indictment at Hot Springs, Ark., on charges of harboring members of the Barker-Karpis gang, ended in St. Louis at 2:50 a. m. today when G-men and police broke in a door on the third floor of a house in the 3400 block of Lucas avenue and took her into custody.

Trailed to St. Louis by the FBI, the 21-year-old woman is being held at police headquarters. Investigators said she is a former sweetheart of Fred Hunter, notorious member of the kidnaping gang now serving a term with Alvin Karpis in the federal prison on Alcatraz Island. She is charged with harboring both Hunter and Karpis at Hot Springs.

The St. Louis arrest came after FBI men, who had had the house at the Lucas avenue address under surveillance for three months, went there with Detective Sergt. Harry Powell and eight detectives and were admitted by a maid. The G-men in the group were Gerald B. Norris, in charge of the local FBI office, and J. S. Bush, a local agent.

When the officers identified themselves, several women in the house locked themselves in rooms on the first and second floors, and the police broke down seven doors before finding three blond women answering a description of the Morris woman. On the way to headquarters the officers decided none of the three was the one they sought and they returned to the house. There they discovered another locked room on the third floor and broke down the door. The woman inside admitted she was Connie Morris, police said. She had dyed her blond hair red.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat,
St. Louis, Missouri,
May 19, 1938.

Re: BREKID
St. L. #7-43.

Seize Sweetheart of Karpis Here

Six Other Persons Held in Hot Springs for Harboring Thug

Connie Morris, auburn-haired sweetheart of Alvin Karpis while that desperado was ranked Public Enemy No. 1, was arrested by police and Federal Bureau of Investigation agents in a surprise raid at 2:30 a. m. on a disorderly house at 439 Lucas avenue yesterday, following her indictment at Hot Springs, Ark., on a charge of harboring Karpis. The girl is one of seven persons named in the true bill, including former high officials of the Hot Springs Police Department.

The police and the federal agents have had the Lucas avenue house under surveillance for some time, awaiting action of the federal grand jury which investigated circumstances under which Karpis and associates lived openly in Hot Springs and vicinity for some time before his arrest May 1, 1936, at New Orleans. He subsequently was sentenced to life imprisonment at Alcatraz.

SURROUND HOUSE

Federal agents under G. D. Norris, in charge of the local G-men, and detectives under Detective Sergeant Harry Powell, surrounded the Lucas avenue house prior to the raid and one of the federal agents knocked on the door. As a Negro maid admitted him, one girl at a window warned the maid to lock the door as police were approaching.

"Sorry, the police are already here," the maid replied, as she recognized the badge the agent who had gained entry displayed.

Doors were quickly locked against the officers, however, and some of the women escaped through a door and others by leaping out of a window and seeking refuge in a house next door.

Police finally broke down several doors and took three women into custody. On the way to the police station they compared the description of those held with that of their quarry and realized they did not have the woman sought.

HIDES IN ROOM

Returning they searched the house again and on the third floor, in a room which had been searched previously, they found the woman hiding behind a trunk. She admitted her identity and was taken to Police Headquarters.

Federal agents said that on the arrival of the copy of the indictment, she will be arraigned before United States Commissioner Burke and proceedings for her return to Arkansas started.

The girl also gave police the name of Ruth Ham, another of the many she has used from time to time. Police pointed out Karpis was sentenced to life imprisonment after he had pleaded guilty to the kidnaping of William Hamm Jr., St. Paul brewery head. At the time of Karpis' arrest she was with him and known as Ruth Robinson.

SEIZED IN RAID



—Staff Photo

Ruth Ham, alias Connie Morris, 21-year-old, self-made red head, who was seized by police and federal agents in a 2:30 a. m. surprise raid yesterday on a house at 439 Lucas avenue, following her indictment yesterday at Hot Springs, Ark., on a charge of harboring Alvin Karpis, former public enemy No. 1 now serving life in Alcatraz. The girl is one of seven persons, including high police officials of Hot Springs, named in the true bills.

St. Louis Post-Dispatch,
St. Louis, Mo.,
May 18, 1938.

Re: BREKID.
St. L. #7-43.

SEVEN INDICTED, ACCUSED OF HIDING KARPIS AND AIDS

Three Officers of Hot
Springs, Ark., Police
Force, Two Women in
Group; One Seized Here.

GANGSTERS MOVED ABOUT FREELY

Report Charges Detective
Chief Talked With Leader
—Group Sent to Prison
for Kidnaping.

By the Associated Press.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., May 18.—
A Federal grand jury today indicted seven persons, three of them former Hot Springs police officials, on charges of harboring Alvin Karpis, once public enemy No. 1.

Six of those indicted were arrested by Federal Bureau of Investigating agents at Hot Springs early today. The seventh, a woman, was arrested by agents at St. Louis.

Names of Prisoners.

Federal agents and United States District Attorney Fred Isgrig announced the names of the prisoners were:

Herbert (Dutch) Akers, former Hot Springs Chief of Detectives.

Joseph Wakelin, former Chief of Police at Hot Springs.

Cecil Brock, former Lieutenant of detectives at Hot Springs.

John Stover, manager of the Hot Springs Municipal Airport.

Morris Loftis, caretaker for a boat landing near Hot Springs.

Mrs. Al C. Dyer, owner of the boat landing.

The woman arrested in St. Louis, Federal agents said, was Connie Morris, 22 years old.

Karpis at Alcatraz.

Karpis, who was captured at New Orleans after eluding Federal agents in a raid at Hot Springs, is now serving a Federal sentence for kidnaping, on Alcatraz Island.

Wakelin and Brock were dismissed from the Hot Springs police force in January, 1937, during an investigation of the death of John Dickson, city jail prisoner. Wakelin later was reinstated but resigned from the department May 1, 1937, on account of ill health. Akers resigned from the department last July because of ill health.

Brock was indicted with four other members of the police department for second degree murder in connection with Dickson's death. The state charged they fatally beat the man while questioning him about an assault on Wakelin. All five were tried and acquitted.

They Were Unmolested.
Inspector E. J. Connelley in his report to Isgrig said that during investigation of the activities of the notorious Karpis-Barker gang, "it was learned that the gang spent many months in Toledo and Cleveland, O., as well as in Hot Springs, Ark., where they resided unmolested."

Connelley's report charged specifically that Karpis, Harry Campbell and Fred Hunter, members of the gang, found protection in Hot Springs.

Karpis and Campbell have been given life sentences, the former for the kidnaping of William A. Hamm Jr., wealthy St. Paul (Minn.) brewer, and Campbell for the kidnaping of Edward George Bremer, St. Paul banker.

In June, 1935, Alvin Karpis together with Fred Hunter, moved to Hot Springs, Ark., residing in cottages on the various lakes," Connelley's report said.

Kept Company With Women.
Saying the two kept company with two Hot Springs women, one of whom was Connie Morris, the report added:

"They were visited in Hot Springs by Harry Campbell and others of the gang from time to time and they all moved about freely in Hot Springs without any apparent fear of arrest."

The report charged Akers, Wakelin, Brock and another unnamed member of the Hot Springs Police Department at that time, were "aware of the identity of Alvin Karpis." It said Akers was observed on one occasion in conversation with Karpis and that Former Police Chief Wakelin "had almost nightly clandestine meetings" with Karpis' woman companion during the time Karpis and Hunter resided at Hot Springs.

Others Named in Plot.

Loftis and Mrs. Dyer, the report alleged, rented a cottage at Dyers Landing to Karpis and Hunter and "informed Karpis and Hunter in December, 1935, of the details of an investigation conducted by special agents at Hot Springs in October, 1935, looking to the apprehension of Alvin Karpis."

The report also charged Stover

Gangster's Associate



CONNIE MORRIS.

SEVEN ARRESTED, ACCUSED OF HIDING KARPIS AND AIDS

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flew Karpis, Hunter and "their female companions" to various sections of the country and "otherwise assisted them in avoiding detection and apprehension."

Akers also was accused of harboring Thomas Nathan Norris, described as one of the robbers of the Palmetto State Bank at Lake City, S. C., where \$114,000 was taken on Sept. 4, 1934. Norris also was charged with robberies and attempted robberies in Texas and Mississippi.

Connelly's report said Norris and his associates, Sam Stegal Haynes, Alfred (Sonny) Lamb and Goldie Hairston, "were harbored by Akers at Hot Springs from March 15, 1937, to Aug. 15, 1937." The report said Akers admitted this.

The report charged Norris, Haynes, Hairston and Lamb "committed numerous crimes of violence while being protected by Akers."

Norris is now serving sentences totaling 337 years in the Texas penitentiary.

Woman Arrested in St. Louis Under Surveillance a Year.

Connie Morris was arrested by police and Department of Justice agents at 2:30 a. m. today in an establishment in the 3400 block of Lucas avenue. She had been in St. Louis for about a year and under surveillance throughout that time, agents said.

She was with Karpis and his associate, Fred Hunter, when they were arrested at New Orleans two years ago. At that time she was using the name "Ruth Robinson." She was released then, with no charge against her.

St. Louis Star-Times, St. Louis, Mo.,
May 20, 1938.

Held for Aiding Karpis

Re: BREKID
St. I. #7-43.



—Associated Press Wirephoto.
JOSEPH WAKELIN (above),
former Hot Springs (Ark.) po-
lice chief, and **JOHN STOVER**,
airport manager, who were in-
dicted by a Federal grand jury
on charges of harboring Alvin
Karpis, gangster.

Post Office Box 1469
Little Rock, Arkansas
May 19, 1938

Special Agent in Charge,
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Re: BREKID

Inasmuch as GRACE GOLDSTEIN was taken into custody by Bureau Agents at Los Angeles, California on the afternoon of May 18, 1938, there is no longer any necessity to maintain the cover placed on the mail addressed to GRACE GOLDSTEIN'S mother, MARGARET GRAYSON, and her brother, LEONARD GRAYSON, near Blossom, Texas.

This mail cover therefore can be discontinued.

Very truly yours,

H. B. FLETCHER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc Bureau
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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

May 23, 1938

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Special Agent in Charge
Los Angeles, California

Dear Sir:

Referring to your fingerprint card quoted below please be advised that a search of the fingerprint files of the Federal Bureau of Investigation fails to disclose data concerning this individual in addition to that already in your possession.

Contributor: Bu. Field Div. Los Angeles, Calif.
Subject: Grace Goldstein, f--
Date arrested or received: 5-18-38
Charge: harboring
Disposition: To USM, Los Angeles, Calif. 5-19-38

Edw. G. Brennan

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J. E. Hoover

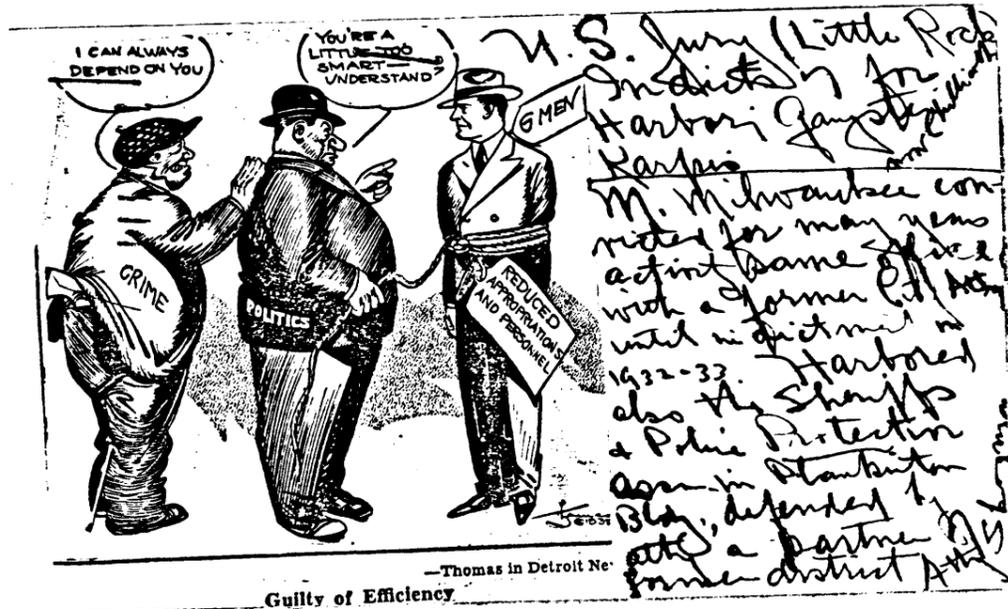
John Edgar Hoover,
Director

THE ABOVE SUBJECT HAS BEEN ASSIGNED NUMBER FBI 1523906, WHICH NUMBER SHOULD BE QUOTED IN FUTURE CORRESPONDENCE. FOR COMPLETION OF OUR RECORDS THE DISPOSITION IN EACH CASE IS REQUESTED.

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P. L. BUCY
TECHNICAL INVESTIGATOR

Oklahoma City, Okla.
May 23rd 1938.

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- Mr. Tamm.....
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- Mr. Lester.....
- Mr. Quinn.....
- Mr. Nichols.....
- Mr. Tracy.....
- Miss Gandy.....

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,
Department of Justice,
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir;-

I understand that you have rounded up the Chief Wakelin gang of Hot Springs Arkansas, I am sure that when you picked the parties you laid hands on a greater criminal gang than the Carps gang.

This Wakelin gang were kidnaping, extorting and if it come to murder they would do that; The reason I make this statement because they had framed to bump me and possibly John Williams of Hot Springs. I was called to Hot Springs April 10th 1931, to check up a title, While there a Mr. Goss come to me and asked me to help a Mrs. Willmot, who the parties in the Community Bank there had swindled out of about \$185,000 cash her home worth \$35,000 and had traded to her two old apartment buildings that was mortgaged for more than they were worth. I checked this and found what they had done, I asked them in a kind way to give this lady back her home which they agreed to do, but later changed their minds and framed with the Wakelin gang to give me the bump. This Cook and two other members of the gang come to my room at the Hotel at 2 A.M. and arrested me, I asked the charge and to call John Williams, they pulled their gun and said that they would brain me, then took me to the station, Asked if I had any money and where it was at, and if I had any relatives or friends that had some money I had better get them to get it to me pretty quick, They had three sawed off shot Guns in the car and intended to take me for a ride, but I used the Phone just the same which caused them to give up the pumping job. I seen them extort money, I seen them sell liquore, I seen them hold up a young man for 4 watches worth \$150 and \$68 in money, this boy was an agent for some Watch Company and had done nothing, Two of their gang was representing themselves to be Federal agents which I knew was untrue. I will be gald to give you the whol record of this matter if it will be of interest now.

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P. L. BUCY

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Yours truly,
P. L. Bucy, General Delivery
Oklahoma City, Okla.

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May 31, 1938

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JEL:MK
Mr. P. L. Busy
General Delivery
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Mr. Busy:

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated May 23, 1938, concerning the conditions at Hot Springs, Arkansas.

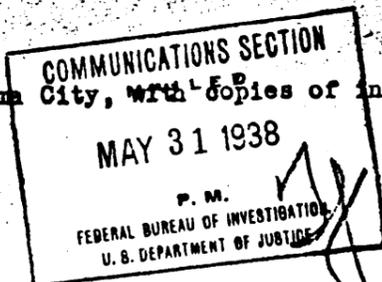
You indicate that you will be glad to give me all the information which is in your possession concerning the individuals mentioned in your letter. It will be appreciated if you will call on Mr. E. P. Guinane, Special Agent in Charge, Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, 234 Federal Building, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and furnish him with all details in your possession concerning these individuals, with a view to ascertaining if there is a violation of a Federal law over which this Bureau has investigative jurisdiction.

A copy of your letter is being transmitted to Mr. Guinane, and I want to express to you my sincere appreciation for your interest in calling this matter to my attention.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc Oklahoma City, with 5 copies of incoming letter



1206 Tower Petroleum Bldg.,
Dallas, Texas.

May 21, 1938.

~~Confidential~~

Mrs. Louis H. Clark,
Postmaster,
Blossom, Texas.

Re: BREKID.

Dear Madam:

The cover placed on the mail of the Grayson
family may be discontinued immediately.

Your cooperation in this matter is duly ap-
preciated.

Very truly yours,

E. E. CONROY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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CC- Little Rock

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J. EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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

JEL:MK May 11, 1938

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

10 A.M.

Pursuant to your instructions, the writer called Mr. Connelley at New York and ascertained that Harold Farmer, mentioned on page 9 of the proposed press release transmitted with his letter of May 7, 1938, should be Harold Alderton.

It was pointed out to Inspector Connelley that a number of sentences indicated for the individuals in his release were at variance with the Bureau's records. Mr. Connelley advised that his sentences and names were obtained from memory, which fact he inadvertently omitted from his letter of reference.

Respectfully,

J. E. Lawler
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Edward O. Brennan

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H. B. FLETCHER, FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION,
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LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS,

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BREKID JEWEL LEVERNE GRAYSON ORDERED REMOVED THIS DATE BUT ACTUAL
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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice

1130 Enquirer Building
Cincinnati, Ohio

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May 26, 1938.

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

Re: "BREKID."

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to letter of the Little Rock Office, dated May 23, 1938, in the above entitled matter, in which the most recent developments are indicated, and particularly the conference with United States Attorney, FRED A. ISGRIG.

It is believed that it might be to the advantage of the development of the above indicated case if consistent with the Bureau plans, that Agent D. P. SULLIVAN be assigned to the Little Rock office in order that he might carry forward any necessary work on this case while engaged upon general assignment, there. It is believed that the addition of Special Agent D. P. Sullivan to the Little Rock office would materially strengthen the personnel assigned to that office and also would assist in maintaining the position of advantage which we have obtained by our recent initiation of prosecution as against various persons from the Hot Springs Police Department, inasmuch as he is thoroughly familiar with everyone in that locality and also would be of particular advantage in maintaining the contact with the numerous confidential informants that we have developed at Hot Springs, Arkansas while working this particular case.

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Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,
Inspector.

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June 9, 1938.

Mr. E. J. Connelley
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
1300 Biscayne Building
Miami, Florida

Mr. Connelley:

With reference to your letter of May 26, 1938, suggesting that Special Agent D. P. Sullivan be assigned to the Little Rock Office, you are advised that the Bureau deems it inadvisable at this time to make this assignment. The Bureau has authorized Agent Sullivan to remain in Little Rock for a period of several days in order that he might complete the investigation of the various outstanding minor leads in connection with the harboring cases at Hot Springs, Arkansas, including an interview with Grace Goldstein.

The Bureau believes that it is to the best interest of Agent Sullivan that he proceed to his new office of assignment in order that he may obtain experience in the handling of general investigative matters.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

- Mr. Tolson.....
- Mr. Nathan.....
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- Mr. Clegg.....
- Mr. Coffey.....
- Mr. Crowl.....
- Mr. Dawsey.....
- Mr. Egan.....
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Farmville, Virginia, May 20, 1958.

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Mr. Hoover:

Mrs. Smith joins me in sending hearty congratulations to you on the excellent address you delivered before the Triennial Convention of the Federal Federation of Women's Clubs at Kansas City Missouri, last Tuesday, and thank you cordially for your courtesy and thoughtfulness in sending us a copy of it. We saw an A.P. excerpt of the address in the press of the 18th and clipped it. Our desire for a more complete report of it has been supplied through your kindness.

We heartily agree with and approve of the sentiments, purposes, objectives and condemnations you gave expression to. This country has been in urgent need of just such a forceful presentation of the facts as you made.

Your department, and you as director, merit the highest commendation for the excellent work you are doing in enforcing criminal justice and discouraging crime. Yesterday's papers report a splendid accomplishment by your department in Hot Springs, Arkansas. Congratulations upon it.

I assure you of our earnest desire to cooperate with you in any way we can.

We entertain every good wish for the success of yourself and your department.

Sincerely yours,
/s/ARTHUR M. SMITH
(Arthur M. Smith)

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Mr. Arthur M. Smith
Farmville
Virginia

Dear Mr. Smith:

I have your letter of May 20, 1938,
in which you have acknowledged receipt of a copy of
my address delivered before the Triennial Convention
of the General Federation of Women's Clubs at Kansas
City, Missouri, on May 17, 1938.

I was delighted to know that Mrs. Smith
and you enjoyed the address and I do want to thank
you both for your very kind approbation of the work of the
Federal Bureau of Investigation under my administration.
It is most encouraging to me to know that the law abiding
citizens of the nation are so interest-d in our activi-
ties. May I assure you that we will make every effort to
continue to be worth of your faith and esteem.

With best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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

May 20, 1938.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

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I called SAC Norris at St. Louis regarding the arrest of Connie Morris in the above entitled case. I told Mr. Norris that I wanted to ascertain why the local police were taken along when Connie Morris was picked up the other night. Mr. Norris stated that there were only two agents available, as the rest were on leave; I said that the Bureau could have sent some agents in from other offices. SAC Norris admitted that Mr. Connelley had not authorized him to take the local police; Mr. Norris reported that the police had been working with the Bureau on another case and Connie Morris was found working in a house connected with the other case. I told Mr. Norris that the Bureau had a Federal warrant for Connie Morris on the Harboring charge and there was no justification for taking the local police along with the result that they stole the whole show. I stated that I have been informed that there is a picture of a St. Louis detective who arrested Connie Morris, there being no mention of the Bureau at all; in other words, after working on this case for three years, the Bureau does not even get credit for one arrest. Mr. Norris advised me that the articles appearing in the papers the other day gave all the credit to the Bureau; I stated that evidently Connie Morris was not in federal custody because she had her picture taken with a St. Louis detective. I was told that Mr. Connelley was not told of the lack of agents in the St. Louis Office. SAC Norris said that three houses had been under surveillance in connection with the White Slave Traffic Act and that he entered the one in which Connie Morris was working. I stated that there was no necessity for this, as the Bureau had a warrant and could have just picked her up; that this would not have hurt the other investigation, in fact it might have done it good. I asked SAC Norris why he didn't call and ask for more agents; Mr. Norris said that Mr. Connelley told him that simultaneous raids were to be conducted and he was afraid that publicity from these raids would hurt his chance to arrest Connie Morris. I stated that there would have been sufficient time; that we sent men

*200. D. Bremer
St. Louis - North St. Louis Dept

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into Little Rock from Oklahoma City and Memphis.
I told SAC Norris that my purpose in calling was to ascertain
merely why the local police had been taken along in this
arrest. Mr. Norris stated that he and Agent Bush were the
two agents that went with the police.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

HOT SPRINGS

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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BUILDING HOT SPRINGS, ARKANSAS

May 18 1938

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Honorable Edgar Hoover,
Washington D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Thank GOD again for the F.B.I. and what you are doing to help us.

Nash, Lamb, Karpis and other crooks made this city their hideout and it was known to Mayor McLaughlin as well as his police department.

McLaughlin has no regard for honesty and no respect for any law.

There was much rejoicing here today when the newspapers reported indictment of Wakelin, and Akers, but they have been mere tools for McLaughlin.

McLaughlin wanted the big time crooks to come here with their bank rolls and satchels of stolen currency.

For a while he maintained correspondence with Luciana, Owney Madden and other big time crooks and entertained them at the night club here.

People feel more free to tell what they know now and I believe that in due time it can be proven that McLaughlin is the man behind our corruption and disloyalty to our federal government and that he has never paid an honest federal income tax report.

McLaughlin claims he discharged Wakelin when it was proven that Wakelin was abusing prisoners and shaking down visitors, but you can prove that Wakelin has been a plain clothes man and that McLaughlin approved Akers employment during the past season at Oaklawn race track, indicating that McLaughlin continued his control of these two officers after the Dickson probe in 1937.

Hot Springs is a wonderful resort. We can have 100,000 more visitors annually if they felt that they were safe here from con men, whorse, gamblers and crooks. Please continue your efforts to help us.

Sincerely yours,

Hot Springs Business Interests.

by Milton Hobles
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Mr. Milton Nobles
Manager
Western Union
Hot Springs, Arkansas

Dear Mr. Nobles:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of May 18, 1938, concerning crime conditions in Hot Springs and I want to express to you my deep appreciation for your kind commendatory remarks regarding the efforts of the Federal Bureau of Investigation under my administration.

I appreciate very much your interest in ridding your community of crime and I assure you that the FBI will continue to vigorously investigate all matters coming within its jurisdiction.

With best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

- Mr. Nathan
- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. Baughman
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Coffey
- Mr. Crowl
- Mr. Dawson
- Mr. Egan
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Los Angeles, Calif.

Mr J. Edgar Hoover.

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Dear Sir:-

The L.A. papers announced the arrest
of Joseph Wakelin, former Police of Hot Springs
and Herbert (Dutch)ickers and Cecil Brown
his former aids. Am happy to see this. Will
you look into their activities of supply and
selling narcotics please. Could tell you go
a story concerning same.

Sincerely yours.

Mrs E. Johnson.

former Narcotic Agent
1002 Magnolia Ave.

P.S. If interested, will you write me

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7-576-3-545 June 10, 1938
DEB:MK

Honorable H. J. Anslinger
Commissioner, Bureau of Narcotics
Treasury Department
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Anslinger:

There are inclosed herewith copies
of a letter received from Mrs. E. Johnson, 1002
Magnolia Avenue, Los Angeles, California, post-
marked May 27, 1938, concerning the sale of nar-
cotics at Hot Springs, Arkansas, for any attention
you deem appropriate.

Mrs. Johnson has been advised of this
reference.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Mrs. E. Johnson
1002 Magnolia Avenue
Los Angeles, California

Dear Mrs. Johnson:

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter which was postmarked May 27, 1938, concerning possible narcotic violations at Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Please be advised that the contents of your communication have been referred to Honorable H. J. Anslinger, Commissioner, Bureau of Narcotics, Treasury Department, Washington, D. C., for any attention he deems appropriate.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc Los Angeles
Little Rock

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REPORT MADE AT Little Rock, Arkansas	DATE WHEN MADE 5/24/38	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 5/16, 20/38	REPORT MADE BY D. P. SULLIVAN DTR
TITLE Changed: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases: Albin Francis Karpavicz, A. Carter,		CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING - HARBORING	
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Raymond Handley, George Haller, Earl Peeli, Alvin Karpis, George Dunn, R. E. Hamilton, Ray Hunter, Kay Karpis, E. L. Burns, R. L. Burns, J. J. Burns, William Lohman, William B. Lohman, R. E. Nelson, Earl Lyman Burns, Marion Bradford, Marion Bradford, H. J. Milgreth, H. G. Milgreth, Howard Milgreth, E. L. Burnes, Ray Hall, Dan Murphy, "Chi" Karpis, Raymond Hadley, E. F. Parker,		Alvin Karpis, 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, Ed Parker,	
JOSEPH WAKELIN; HERBERT AKERS, alias "Dutch" Akers; CECIL C. BROCK; JOHN STOVER; MORRIS BROOKS LOFTIS; MRS. AL DYER; JEWELL LAVERNE GRAYSON, with aliases: Grace Goldstein, Mrs. Ed Woods, Helen Woods; RUTH HAMM ROBSION, with aliases: Mrs. Jean Baron, Connie Morris; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases: "Doc" Moran, Joseph S. Moran, Joseph C. Moran, J. Hammon - FUGITIVE, I.O. #1232;			
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EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.

Synopsis of Facts: Hot Springs, Arkansas harboring case presented to Federal Grand Jury, Little Rock, Arkansas on May 16, 1938. On May 17, 1938, pending return of indictments, complaint sworn to and warrants issued for JOSEPH WAKELIN, HERBERT AKERS, CECIL BROCK, JOHN STOVER, MORRIS LOFTIS, MRS. AL C. DYER, JEWELL LAVERNE GRAYSON and RUTH HAMM ROBSION by United States Commissioner W. M. RANKIN, Little Rock, Arkansas, charging conspiracy to harbor ALVIN KARPIS, WAKELIN, AKERS, BROCK, STOVER, LOFTIS and MRS. DYER arrested by Bureau Agents at Hot Springs, Arkansas on above warrants on night of May 17th and early morning of May 18th, 1938. These subjects brought to the Little Rock Office and thereafter turned over to U. S. Marshal's Office at Little Rock, Arkansas on May 18, 1938, after Grand Jury had returned indictments against WAKELIN, AKERS, BROCK, STOVER, MRS. DYER, LOFTIS, JEWELL LAVERNE GRAYSON and RUTH HAMM ROBSION for conspiracy to harbor ALVIN KARPIS. AKERS and WAKELIN RELEASED ON \$10,000.00 bonds, and JOHN STOVER, MRS. DYER and MORRIS LOFTIS released on \$5,000.00 bonds on May 18, 1938. CECIL BROCK released on \$5,000.00 bond on May 19, 1938. HERBERT AKERS still maintains innocence in connection with harboring of KARPIS, but indicates he had knowledge of KARPIS being in Hot Springs, Arkansas during the time he was a fugitive and in a fugitive status; also intimates that WAKELIN probably gave protection to KARPIS through GRACE GOLDSTEIN and indicates he will give full story of conspiracy prior to his trial in October, 1938. MRS. VEDA NYBERG, in signed statement, says she saw Hot Springs Police in house of KARPIS at 124 Club Street during December, 1935, after she and MRS. PHILLIP DAVID contacted WAKELIN at the Police Department and told him they knew KARPIS' location in Hot Springs and offered to take WAKELIN to the place where KARPIS was residing but WAKELIN did not appear interested. MRS. DAVID corroborates statements of MRS. NYBERG and indicates that she saw WAKELIN and AKERS at KARPIS' house on Club Street on two occasions after the above instance.

Synopsis Of Facts (Cont.):

JOSEPH WAKELIN interviewed and admits he loaned GRACE GOLDSTEIN a set of his license plates to be used on her car for a trip to Texas in December, 1935; also states he first began to associate with GRACE GOLDSTEIN in June or July, 1936, although facts show otherwise; denies ever having seen KARPIS, HUNTER, et al in Hot Springs during the years 1935 and 1936 and denies that he provided them with police protection. Other subjects interviewed but furnished little information other than that previously reported.

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DETAILS: The title of this case is changed for the purpose of omitting the names and aliases of FRED JOHN HUNTER, HARRY CAMPBELL, GARNETT MOORE, ARCHER L. COOPER, SAM COKER, GEORGE H. KEADY, MILTON LETT and A. T. DAVIES, as the United States Attorney at Little Rock, Arkansas has indicated that he does not intend to authorize prosecution against these persons.

The names and aliases of JEWELL LAVERNE GRAYSON and of RUTH HAMM ROBSION are being added in view of their indictment by the U. S. Grand Jury at Little Rock, Arkansas on May 18, 1938 for conspiracy to harbor ALVIN KARPIS. The full names of CECIL BROCK and MORRIS LOFTIS are also set out in the title of this report.

In conference had with U. S. Attorney FRED A. ISGRIG, Little Rock, Arkansas, he advised that the harboring case at Hot Springs, Arkansas would be presented to the Grand Jury convening at Little Rock, Arkansas on May 16, 1938, and that he would ask for indictments against JOSEPH WAKELIN, HERBERT AKERS, CECIL BROCK, GARNETT MOORE, JOHN STOVER, MORRIS LOFTIS, MRS. AL C. DYER, GRACE GOLDSTEIN and CONNIE MORRIS.

The facts in the harboring case were thereafter presented to the Grand Jury at Little Rock, Arkansas on May 16, 1938, and this Grand Jury returned true bills of indictment against all of the above named persons with the exception of GARNETT MOORE. Information was obtained from various sources at Hot Springs, Arkansas that pointed to the possibility that HERBERT AKERS and JOSEPH WAKELIN might possibly flee prior to the return of indictments by the present Federal Grand Jury. United States Attorney ISGRIG was interviewed, and he authorized the filing of complaints against JOSEPH WAKELIN, HERBERT AKERS, CECIL BROCK, JOHN STOVER, MORRIS LOFTIS, MRS. AL C. DYER, GRACE GOLDSTEIN and CONNIE MORRIS, and same were sworn to by the writer, against the above named individuals on May 7, 1938 before U. S. Commissioner W. M. RANKIN,

at Little Rock, Arkansas, charging conspiracy to harbor in connection with ALVIN KARPIS. Warrants were issued for the above named persons by the U. S. Commissioner on the same date. The Bureau was kept advised of developments in this case by Inspector E. J. CONNELLEY, and plans were made so that the subjects would be taken into custody on the night of May 17, 1938 or the early morning of May 18, 1938 on the Commissioner's warrants that had been previously issued.

The following agents were assigned by INSPECTOR CONNELLEY to pick up the respective defendants:

HERBERT AKERS	- Special Agents JOHN L. MADALA and CLARENCE HURT.
JOSEPH WAKELIN	- Special Agents D. P. SULLIVAN and W. L. BUCHANAN.
CECIL BROCK	- Special Agents H. A. SNOW and E. M. HEAVRIN.
JOHN STOVER	- Special Agents J. J. PIEPER and W. A. WINTER.
MORRIS LOFTIS MRS. AL C. DYER	- Special Agents B. M. SUTTLER, L. L. MITCHELL, A. E. LEONARD and Special Agent in Charge H. B. FLETCHER.

To avoid the possibility that the arrest of the other subjects might cause AKERS and WAKELIN or BROCK to flee, arrangements were made to pick up BROCK and AKERS, as well as WAKELIN shortly prior to the others. All of the above agents left Little Rock, Arkansas in separate cars, between 9:00 and 9:15 p.m. on the night of May 17, 1938 and proceeded to Hot Springs, Arkansas where they took up definite stations. Shortly thereafter, CECIL BROCK was arrested by Special Agents H. A. SNOW and E. M. HEAVRIN, at his residence at the DeSoto Rooms on Chapple Street, at about 11:50 p.m. A short while later, during the early morning of May 18, 1938, JOSEPH WAKELIN, HERBERT AKERS and the other defendants were arrested by the assigned agents as designated by INSPECTOR CONNELLEY on the warrants issued by U. S. Commissioner Rankin.

All of the defendants were immediately brought to the Little Rock Office for safe keeping and questioning. The result of this questioning will be set out later in this report. Immediately upon arrival at the Little Rock Office, each of the defendants was photographed and fingerprinted. Copies of these fingerprints and photographs were immediately forwarded to the Bureau.

Upon the return of indictments by the U. S. Grand Jury at Little Rock, Arkansas on the afternoon of May 18, 1938, the defendants were turned over to the U. S. Marshal's Office at Little Rock, Arkansas. Bonds of \$10,000.00 each were set for JOSEPH WAKELIN and HERBERT AKERS, CONNIE MORRIS and GRACE GOLDSTEIN. Bonds of \$5,000.00 each were set for CECIL BROCK, JOHN STOVER, MRS. AL C. DYER and MORRIS LOFTIS, and these bonds were made returnable for the October term of the U. S. District Court at Little Rock, Arkansas.

Each of the defendants arrested at Hot Springs, Arkansas, with the exception of CECIL BROCK, was successful in making bond on May 18, 1938, and CECIL BROCK was released on bond on May 19, 1938.

On the night of May 17, 1938, INSPECTOR CONNELLEY telephonically communicated with the St. Louis Office and requested that that office arrange to pick up CONNIE MORRIS. On the morning of May 18, 1938, the St. Louis Office telephonically advised INSPECTOR CONNELLEY at Little Rock, Arkansas that CONNIE MORRIS had been arrested by Bureau agents in St. Louis at 3:00 a.m. that same day.

Information previously was obtained from various sources that GRACE GOLDSTEIN possibly might be planning to go to Honolulu, and the Los Angeles and San Francisco Offices were requested by letter to check the passenger lists of outgoing boats to Honolulu. The Los Angeles Office advised by teletype on May 18, 1938 that GRACE GOLDSTEIN, as JEWELL GRAYSON, had booked passage on the Steamship Matsonia, leaving Los Angeles for Honolulu on May 19, 1938. The Los Angeles Office was requested by teletype to immediately arrest the Goldstein woman, sufficient facts being given to that office to file on her. The Los Angeles Office thereafter advised the Little Rock Office by teletype on May 18, 1938 that the Goldstein woman had been taken into custody by Bureau agents, she indicating that she would waive removal to Little Rock, Arkansas.

In connection with the subjects arrested at Hot Springs, Arkansas, they were immediately thereafter brought to the Little Rock Office where they were questioned. Detailed logs as to each subject were maintained, and these logs have been placed in the files at the Little Rock Office.

JOSEPH WAKELIN was questioned by Special Agent W. L. BUCHANAN and the writer, after his arrival at the Little Rock Office, and he stated that he was born on May 21, 1876 at Hot Springs, Arkansas; that he was raised in that vicinity and discontinued his schooling in the seventh or eighth grade. He stated that he has three sisters, namely - MRS. MAUD WARD, who lives in Tulsa, Oklahoma, name of street not known, but the number on this street being 1213; another sister named MRS. VERN LEDGERWOOD, wife of City Judge LEDGERWOOD at Hot Springs, Arkansas and a sister named MRS. EDNA HOYT, who he believes lives in Miami, Florida.

JOSEPH WAKELIN stated that he has one son named JOSEPH RAYMOND (BUD) WAKELIN who resides at Hot Springs, Arkansas, and he stated that his wife is named ADDIE. WAKELIN stated further that he has been engaged in law enforcement work practically all of his adult life, at various times being connected with the Sheriff's Office and Police Department as well as doing private detective work at Hot Springs, Arkansas; that he was appointed Chief of Police at Hot Springs in April, 1927, and that he held this job continuously until January 1, 1937; that he was not connected with the Hot Springs Police Department from January 1, 1937 to May or June, 1937, but that he thereafter returned as Chief of Police and held the job up until April, 1938 when he was laid off by Mayor LEO P. McLAUGHLIN. He stated that the position of Chief of Police at Hot Springs pays a monthly salary of \$200.00, but that several years ago, during the depression, his salary was cut to \$140.00 per month; that he later received \$20.00 a month of that cut, and that the job still pays a monthly salary of \$160.00.

WAKELIN further stated that the position of Chief of Police at Hot Springs, Arkansas is one wherein the Chief of Police is at the head of the police department and is kept advised by the various police officers working under him of most of the developments in cases of any importance, which are being handled by that police department. WAKELIN stated, however, that during the time that HERBERT AKERS was employed by the Hot Springs Police Department as Chief of Detectives, and particularly during the last few years, AKERS often would make investigations concerning which he would not advise him (WAKELIN), until AKERS had practically completed the investigation; that AKERS did practically what he wanted to do and made his arrests and performed other police work without previously advising WAKELIN. WAKELIN stated that it could not be said that he had a complete authority and a free hand in running the Police Department. In this connection, he cited a case wherein he suspended a man for ten days for insubordination, and shortly thereafter he was called to the Mayor's Office by Mayor McLAUGHLIN who told him that he should make an effort to get along better with his personnel.

WAKELIN was specifically asked whether he knew that houses of prostitution were openly operated at Hot Springs, Arkansas during the years of 1935 and 1936, and he stated that he did; that he knew that such houses were operated at 350 Malvern Avenue, at The Pigley-Wigley Rooms on Central Avenue, at Ada Garner's Place and Lillian Pirroew's place, both on Central Avenue, at the Proctor Hotel, operated by MRS. PROCTOR on Central Avenue and at the Hatterie Hotel, operated by GRACE GOLDSTEIN. WAKELIN was also asked whether he knew that gambling houses were openly operated in Hot Springs, Arkansas during the years 1935 and 1936, and he stated that he did know this.

WAKELIN was thereupon asked whether he ever raided houses of prostitution or gambling houses, and he stated that he would not raid a gambling house unless he received orders to do so. Upon further questioning, he stated that he had raided a gambling house during his tenure as Chief of Police of the Hot Springs Police Department, but when asked whether he had ever raided the Southern Club, Kentucky Club, Ohio Club, Bill Miller's Place and the Blue Ribbon Club, the same being the most notorious houses in Hot Springs, he said that he never raided these places. He also stated that the Police Department never raided any of the above named houses of prostitution in Hot Springs, Arkansas. He indicated that he or other officers connected with the Hot Springs Police Department would arrest a person for petty larceny or pocket-picking whenever such an offense occurred, but when asked what distinction he made between violations of the gambling laws and for operating disorderly houses and petty larceny and pocket-picking, he could not explain the difference, except to state that he would not raid a gambling house or put a house of prostitution out of business unless he first received orders from some one higher up, WAKELIN not stating exactly who would be the person to give him orders.

WAKELIN stated that he has known GRACE GOLDSTEIN for many years, and that he was acquainted with her when she operated a house of prostitution on Broadway some years ago and later when she was located on South Central Avenue, in Hot Springs. Upon questioning, he stated he had never visited her place on Broadway and had only visited her house on South Central Avenue on one occasion when he went there to interview a prostitute named "FLO" in connection with some complaint. WAKELIN stated that he could not recall that GRACE operated a house of prostitution at 123 Palm Street and stated that he did not know that she had operated at that address until a long while after KARPIS was arrested. He stated that he remembered that GRACE GOLDSTEIN occupied the Hatterie Hotel where she operated a house of prostitution, but that he had never visited that place.

JOSEPH WAKELIN was questioned further in connection with statements made by GRACE GOLDSTEIN that she frequently visited the Hot Springs Police Department at night and would talk with whatever officers were there, but WAKELIN stated that he could not recall that GRACE GOLDSTEIN ever visited the Hot Springs Police Department at night; that she might have visited the Hot Springs Police Department two or three times during the course of a month, this being in the day time and in connection with some girl employed by GRACE GOLDSTEIN, who possibly was in trouble; that GRACE GOLDSTEIN never talked with him in his private office at the Police Department, and he indicated that he could not recall this woman driving by the Police Department at night, during the time when she was operating at 123 Palm Street in the summer of 1935.

WAKELIN was asked whether he knew that GRACE GOLDSTEIN resided at 602 Third Street during the fall of 1935, but he stated that he did not know at that time that she lived at that address and that he did not know where KARPIS lived while he was staying in Hot Springs, Arkansas, and that he was never acquainted with any of the places of residence of ALVIN KARPIS in Hot Springs, Arkansas while that man was residing in Hot Springs and did not know any places where GRACE GOLDSTEIN may have been residing in Hot Springs other than at the Hatterie Hotel, during the years 1935 and 1936.

JOSEPH WAKELIN further advised that he could not recall that GRACE GOLDSTEIN had a Chevrolet coupe during the summer and fall of 1935; that he recalls the first car which she had which he noticed was a Buick coupe which she purchased during December, 1935. He stated that shortly after that GRACE GOLDSTEIN was at the Hot Springs Police Department, and she asked him about obtaining a set of license plates, she advising that she did not want to buy a set of new license plates, inasmuch as there was only a couple of weeks left before the new year, and she did not want to put up the cost of a license plate for those two weeks; that she asked him, Wakelin, if he had a set that she could borrow, and he agreed to lend her a set of license plates which he then had on an old Auburn car which he was using. WAKELIN stated that the GOLDSTEIN woman stated that she intended to make a trip to Texas, and he thereupon loaned her the license plates; that two or three days later, CECIL BROCK desired to borrow his, WAKELIN'S car, to make a trip to Dallas, Texas, and he, WAKELIN, recalled that there were no license plates on the car, and he told CECIL BROCK that he had loaned the license plates to GRACE GOLDSTEIN and suggested to BROCK that he go up and take them off of her car; that this was the first real association he had with GRACE GOLDSTEIN, and that he never had a date with this woman prior to this time, and that he did not again contact her until shortly after Bureau agents raided the Fairchild Home, owned by MR. WOODCOCK on the Malvern Road. He stated that he was contacted by Post Office Inspector HAYNES and some other post office inspectors who asked him to talk with GRACE GOLDSTEIN in an effort to learn from her the location of ALVIN KARPIS and FRED HUNTER. WAKELIN stated that he drove up over the mountain and met GRACE GOLDSTEIN at Happy Hollow and talked with her for about an hour, attempting to learn from her whether KARPIS was in Hot Springs or if she knew his exact location at that time, but the GOLDSTEIN woman would not give him any information in this regard. WAKELIN stated further that shortly after the raid on the above house, he accompanied Chief of Detectives HERBERT AKERS and Special Agent B. L. DAMRON to the Hatterie Hotel where DAMRON and AKERS questioned GRACE GOLDSTEIN in an effort to learn the whereabouts of ALVIN KARPIS. WAKELIN advised that he did not see the GOLDSTEIN woman again until about two months after the raid on the Fairchild Home, and that he thereafter saw her from time to time and had dates with her; that this association with GRACE GOLDSTEIN may have begun as late as July, 1936, but that he is certain that he did not begin to associate with her prior to June, 1936.

WAKELIN further stated that he recalls some months before the raid on the Fairchild Home, AKERS obtained information, possibly from WALTER EBEL, a newspaper correspondent located at Hot Springs, Arkansas, about KARPIS making some purchases at a drugstore on Central Avenue, and AKERS advised him of same and indicated that he intended to check the license plates on the car used by the man believed to be KARPIS on the following morning, and WAKELIN made an appointment to meet AKERS at the Police Department. WAKELIN stated that on his arrival at the Police Department at about 8:30 a.m. on the following morning, he learned that AKERS had already left with CECIL BROCK. When BROCK and AKERS returned that morning, telegrams were sent to the State Automobile Bureau in Ohio and thereafter to the Police Department of the city where the registrant of the automobile license was located, in an effort to check up on the owner of the car seen by AKERS and BROCK, but that they were advised that the address given by the owner of the car was a vacant lot. WAKELIN was questioned at great length along these lines, but he indicated that he could not recall the details of what was done, inasmuch as it was handled by AKERS and BROCK. He stated that he could not recall the nature of the story that appeared in a Hot Springs newspaper shortly after investigation was conducted by Bureau agents at Dyers Landing during October, 1935, nor could he recall that the newspapers carried a story to the effect that he had advised that the person believed to be KARPIS, who had resided at Dyers Landing, was not, in fact, ALVIN KARPIS, but some visitor from the east, but he stated that if he reported that to the newspapers, it was only for the purpose of diverting the newspapers' attention from the true facts in the case, in order that the investigation being conducted by the Bureau might not be hampered.

WAKELIN recalled that Special Agent DAMRON and another agent were called in by HERBERT AKERS, and that they came to the Police Department. He could not recall that he talked with DAMRON, but he remembered that the other officers laughed because the agents who were sent down had fishing equipment, consisting of reels used in deep-sea fishing, that they were to use in this investigation on Lake Hamilton.

In connection with his activities while employed as Chief of Police at the Hot Springs Police Department, WAKELIN stated that he worked from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. and longer when necessary; that he spent approximately two-thirds of his time at the Police Department and about one-third of his time riding around the streets of Hot Springs; that HERBERT AKERS would customarily ride around the streets of Hot Springs looking for hot cars, practically every morning, before reporting for work at 9:00 a.m.; that he, WAKELIN, would sometimes accompany AKERS, possibly as much as three or four times a month, in an effort to locate stolen automobiles; that they generally covered the vicinity of The Public Health Service, which is located near Palm Street; that whenever he or AKERS saw an out-of-state license plate which looked suspicious, they would make a notation of the number and wire that state

for information on it, and if they found something wrong with the car they would conduct an investigation. WAKELIN stated, however, that he could not recall ever having seen GRACE GOLDSTEIN in any suspicious car, nor could he recall ever having seen ALVIN KARPIS at anytime in Hot Springs, Arkansas. At this time, WAKELIN was shown photographs of ALVIN KARPIS, FRED HUNTER, HARRY CAMPBELL, SAM COKER, MILTON LETT and BENSON GROVES, among others, but he was unable to recognize any of them as any persons he had ever seen.

It may be noted here that at the time WAKELIN was taken into custody and searched, he had in his possession a photograph of MILTON LETT, which he advised had been turned over to him by JOE ANDERSON of the Kansas State Police, around the time that the Post Office Inspectors were seeking KARPIS and HUNTER in Hot Springs, during the spring of 1936, and that he had retained same on the possibility that he might locate this man in Hot Springs.

It was pointed out to WAKELIN that he would scarcely lend GRACE GOLDSTEIN a set of his license plates unless she was a particularly good friend of his, but he stated that when he loaned his license plates to GRACE GOLDSTEIN, he was not intimate with her and had at that time never had a date with her; that he loaned her these license plates, merely as a friendly gesture, and that he now realizes that she may have used these license plates for any unlawful purpose without his knowledge, and that he now fully understands that it was a very foolish thing to do, but at that time he did not give it a second thought.

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The following is submitted by Special Agent HENRY A. SNOW:

JOHN STOVER, Upon being questioned at the Little Rock Field Office on the early morning of May 18th, 1938, supplied the personal history of himself to Agent.

He stated that he is married and his wife's name is Mrs. MAE STOVER, who resides with him at their residence at the Hot Springs Municipal Airport, Hot Springs, Arkansas. He has one child, a girl who is thirteen years of age, and whose name is VERA LEE STOVER. JOHN STOVER was born in 1902 at England, Arkansas, where he received a grammar school education through the fourth grade. Upon leaving grammar school there, he was employed on a farm until he was nineteen years of age near England, Arkansas. When he was nineteen years of age he was employed at a motor company at England, Arkansas, and remained so employed until about 1927. In that year he took a course in flying instructions at Stuttgart, Arkansas, and later operated a flying training school at that town and also at England, Arkansas. He also resided at McGehee, Arkansas, for a period of one year about this time and during 1931 he moved to Hot Springs, Arkansas, where he was engaged as Manager of the Hot Springs Municipal Airport, and also operated a flying service there through his personally owned airplane. He has resided at Hot Springs since that year, 1931. This man claims to have no previous criminal record.

Upon being questioned further regarding his participation in instant harboring case at Hot Springs, Arkansas, STOVER refused to make any admissions whatsoever as to his guilt in this matter. He further denied to Agent that he had known the identity of GRACE GOLDSTEIN at the time he was questioned by Bureau Agents at Hot Springs, Arkansas, which is contrary to the information supplied by GRETA GILLSTRAP, a prostitute employed by GRACE GOLDSTEIN. He denied that he ever visited the house operated by GRACE at the Broadway Hotel during the year 1932 or 1933, or at any other house of prostitution operated by her.

The following personal history was obtained by Agent from defendant CECIL BROCK, through interrogation at the Little Rock Field Office during the early morning of May 18th, 1938:

BROCK advised that he is thirty-four years of age, and at present is single, having divorced a previous wife some years ago. He stated that he had married this woman at the age of nineteen, and had one child by her, who resides with her mother at Hot Springs, Arkansas. BROCK was born at Nashville, Arkansas, on January 16, 1904, and received a grammar school education at Nashville, Arkansas, Paris, Texas, and Hot Springs, Arkansas, through the 8th grade. He has resided at Hot Springs since the year 1922, and for a period of about twelve years was employed by the Hot Springs Police Department as Superintendent of the Bureau of Identification. Upon being released from that Police Department on January 2nd, 1937, he was engaged as a house detective at the Eastman Hotel in that City, which position he held for several months until being released from service there; the past months BROCK has been engaged at Hot Springs, Arkansas, in the operation of a private detective agency, known as the Tri-State Detective Agency, and stated that he has conducted several investigations while being so engaged. Most of his work he stated consists in "shadowing" people and the furnishing of reports to his clients as to the actions of his subjects.

BROCK has relatives residing at Hot Springs, Arkansas; namely father, J. T. BROCK, Lamar Hotel, Hot Springs, whose occupation is that of a carpenter; he has two brothers at Hot Springs, JAMES ERCELL BROCK and GERALD BURTON BROCK, the latter resides with him at a rooming house located at 132 Chapple Street. His mother, Mrs. LILLIE B. TAYLOR, resides at Graysonia, Arkansas, where she is Postmaster of the Fourth Class Post Office there.

Upon being questioned as to his participation in instant violation, BROCK denied any guilt of such violation, and refused to give any information which would implicate him therein.

On the early morning of May 18, 1938, Special Agent B. M. SUTTLE interviewed subject CECIL BROCK at length, in the detention room of the Little Rock Field Office.

BROCK stated that he had been accused unjustly; that he did not have anything to do with harboring ALVIN KARPIS; that he had never seen KARPIS in his life to his knowledge, and that if Chief of Detectives HERBERT AKERS and Chief of Police JOSEPH WAKELIN knew that KARPIS was in the city of Hot Springs, they did not inform him of this fact. Agent SUTTLE stated to BROCK, that he (Brock) as the Identification Officer of the Hot Springs Police Department should have been able to recognize KARPIS if seen on the streets of Hot Springs, Arkansas, in view of the fact that he (Brock) had admitted in previous interviews that a large photograph of KARPIS and a wanted circular of him had hung in a very prominent place in the Hot Springs Police Department for more than a year; further, that he (Brock) had admitted previously that he had received Identification Orders on KARPIS and other members of the Karpis-Barker gang, from various agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. BROCK was also reminded of the fact that besides these above named photographs and identification orders coming in to his possession, that numerous photographs of KARPIS and articles relating to the KARPIS mob appeared in the Hot Springs newspapers during the time KARPIS lived in various places in Hot Springs. That these newspapers had been delivered to the Hot Springs Police Department daily. BROCK was reminded of the fact that a state trooper had informed him around January 1, 1936 that KARPIS might possibly come into Hot Springs, Arkansas, and that a man should be designated as a lookout in order to apprehend KARPIS upon his arrival there; that this in itself should have been some notice to him to be on the lookout for KARPIS, in his position as Identification Officer.

In answer to the above statements and questions, BROCK stated that he did not at any time suspect that ALVIN KARPIS was in Hot Springs, until he learned of the raid at the Woodcock Home by Bureau agents in March, 1936. He stated that, AKERS did not inform him in October, 1935, that he (Akers) thought that ED PARKER, the owner of the Ohio license plates, that he and AKERS checked on, was identical with ALVIN KARPIS. BROCK stated at this time that he did not know that Chief of Detectives AKERS had called the Little Rock Office of the Bureau and informed them that he suspected ED PARKER as being identical with ALVIN KARPIS; that the first time he heard of this was when Bureau agents interviewed him in the summer of 1937.

During the course of the interview, BROCK cried on several occasions and made the following statements: "Christ was crucified, and I reckon I will be crucified. I have never harmed anybody in my life or harbored anybody. If they convict me, it will be on damned lies of witnesses or circumstantial evidence because of my associates", meaning

his associations, probably with HERBERT "DUTCH" AKERS and JOSEPH WAKELIN, BROCK stated at one time during the interview that the circumstantial evidence did put him in a "bad light". He stated - "Because I ran around with "DUTCH" AKERS and worked for JOE WAKELIN, the Bureau thinks I know as much as JOE and DUTCH. He denied, however that he had any knowledge whatsoever that he had not already turned over to the Bureau in previous interviews with Bureau agents.

BROCK was questioned closely as to whether or not he had any information in his possession or could furnish the Bureau with the names of any witnesses who might give the Bureau information about LEO P. McLAUGHLIN having knowledge of ALVIN KARPIS' presence in Hot Springs, Arkansas during 1935 and 1936. BROCK stated that he personally did not like LEO P. McLAUGHLIN and had so advised Bureau agents in previous interviews of this fact; that LEO McLAUGHLIN had never done him any personal favors and was fully cognizant of the fact that he, Brock, did not like him, McLaughlin.

Agent SUTTLER advised BROCK that it was rather unusual that a man serving in the capacity of Identification Officer of a small local police department such as the Hot Springs Police Department and being closely associated with such characters as HERBERT "DUTCH" AKERS and JOSEPH WAKELIN, and working directly under the supervision of LEO P. McLAUGHLIN, could not furnish any information as to the inner workings of the police department and the political setup in general. To this statement, BROCK replied that he was one of the "small fry" and that HERBERT AKERS had never taken him nor anyone else into his confidence; that he was very close mouthed, and so was JOSEPH WAKELIN, and for this reason, he would not be able to furnish the Bureau with any information concerning JOSEPH WAKELIN or "DUTCH" AKERS, or any secrets that they might possess or any dealings that they might have had with LEO McLAUGHLIN. He stated that all of the political allies of LEO P. McLAUGHLIN were so closely associated with McLAUGHLIN and the "higher-ups" in Hot Springs, that the ordinary police officers could not get any information as to how the officials of the Hot Springs Police Department obtained money, or whether or not they did obtain money for protecting criminals in that city.

Agent SUTTLER questioned BROCK closely as to how he could account for the following situation:

HERBERT AKERS has a general reputation among local citizens of Hot Springs, Arkansas of being able to "spot" out-of-town licenses on automobiles soon after their arrival in Hot Springs, Arkansas. A Ford car belonging to ALVIN KARPIS and bearing Kentucky license plates stayed parked in front of or on the side of 123 Palm Street for about six weeks in the summer of 1936. This address of 123 Palm Street is located very near the U. S. Government Clinic where many out of town people call each week for the treatment of syphilis. In a previous statement given to reporting agent in the summer of 1937, BROCK

admitted that he and HERBERT AKERS cruised in a police car practically every day in the vicinity of the U. S. Government Clinic in the neighborhood of 123 Palm Street, looking for out-of-town licenses on automobiles, in an effort to check them and to locate and apprehend wanted criminals who were receiving treatment at the U. S. Government Clinic. BROCK also stated that they passed up and down Palm Street and in front of 123 Palm Street where KARPIS and HUNTER lived with GRACE GOLDSTEIN and CONNIE MORRIS and where witnesses can testify that KARPIS' car with the Kentucky license plates attached thereto was parked practically every day during the month of June and Month of July, 1936.

After admitting all of the above, BROCK stated that it was a peculiar situation and an odd circumstance that he and "DUTCH" AKERS did not notice KARPIS' car parked in front of GRACE GOLDSTEIN'S house at 123 Palm Street, but he emphatically denied that he ever did see the car to his personal knowledge. He stated that if HERBERT AKERS ever saw KARPIS' car parked in front of 123 Palm Street, that he, Akers, did not inform BROCK that it was KARPIS' car at any time.

Agent SUTTLER asked BROCK how he could account for the fact that KARPIS' Hudson automobile, bearing Ohio license plates, stayed parked in front of the Hatterie Hotel, on the main street of Hot Springs, Arkansas for several months in 1936 without being detected by him and AKERS during the time that they were cruising in the city, and particularly when the purpose of these cruises was to notice outof town state licenses. BROCK merely answered this inquiry by stating - "I don't know, if "DUTCH" knew he never did tell me".

Agent SUTTLER also asked BROCK if he knew the real reason why GRACE GOLDSTEIN borrowed Chief of Police WAKELIN'S license plates, and BROCK stated that he did not. Agent asked BROCK to again relate how it came about, that he, Brock, was designated to take Chief WAKELIN'S license plates off of GRACE GOLDSTEIN'S car, and BROCK stated that he learned one day that his own mother was ill and at the point of death in Texas, so he asked Chief of Police WAKELIN to loan him an old Auburn sedan in order that he might visit his mother. He stated that Chief WAKELIN told him that the Auburn sedan mentioned did not have any license plates on it at that time, because he had loaned the plates to GRACE GOLDSTEIN to use on her new car in order to take a trip to Texas. Agent SUTTLER asked BROCK at this time to be very particular in his explanation of this incident in order to give the exact details. BROCK stated that that was the situation as well as he could recall; that after Chief WAKELIN told him that he had loaned the license plates to GRACE GOLDSTEIN, that she had made the trip, and that the plates were still on the car. He stated that Chief WAKELIN advised him to go by the Hatterie Hotel, and without saying anything to GRACE GOLDSTEIN, merely take the license plates off of her car and bring them back and put them on the Auburn car. BROCK stated that he did this.

Agent reminded BROCK at this point that this story varied from the information obtained from him last summer by Bureau agents, inasmuch as in the previous interview, he stated that CHIEF WAKELIN instructed him to take the license plates off of GRACE GOLDSTEIN'S car because his, Chief Wakelin's, wife wanted to use the car, and he had loaned the license plates to GRACE GOLDSTEIN and wanted them back immediately. BROCK stated that he was a little bit hazy at this time as to just what the circumstances were as to why he took the plates off of GRACE GOLDSTEIN'S car, but he did recall that at one time, his mother was sick, and he wanted to use the Auburn car and thought that that was the time he learned that the license plates on the Auburn had been turned over to GRACE GOLDSTEIN.

Agent then advised CECIL BROCK that the reason Chief of Police WAKELIN had loaned the license plates off of his car to GRACE GOLDSTEIN was because GRACE GOLDSTEIN wanted to make a trip to Texas and had not purchased license plates for her car at that time so borrowed CHIEF OF POLICE WAKELIN'S license plates, put them on her car and took ALVIN KARPIS to her home in Texas for a visit. BROCK stated that he did not know that ALVIN KARPIS had ridden in the car to Texas with GRACE GOLDSTEIN, with Chief of Police WAKELIN'S license plates on the car. He stated that Chief WAKELIN had never mentioned anything to him about why he loaned the license plates to GRACE GOLDSTEIN, nor had he ever mentioned to him that GRACE GOLDSTEIN took ALVIN KARPIS to Texas on a vacation trip at the time his license plates were on her car.

BROCK also stated that he could not understand why the Bureau was trying to convict him on a harboring charge when he had not at any time tried to harbor ALVIN KARPIS and had never seen ALVIN KARPIS in his life; that he did not know that ALVIN KARPIS was in Hot Springs until the Woodcock raid in March, 1936, and that he had always been friendly to the Bureau and to Bureau agents.

Agent SUTTLER was in the detention room of the Little Rock Field Office with CECIL BROCK for approximately four hours, at which time BROCK talked at random about various subjects but made no further admissions than those recorded in the above interview.

The following was submitted by Special Agents W. A. WINTER and JOSEPH J. PIEPER in connection with subject JOHN STOVER:

Shortly after STOVER was arrested by the above agents on the early morning of May 18, 1938, he was brought to the Little Rock Field Office for questioning. Enroute to the Little Rock Field Office, STOVER was questioned and talked briefly in regard to his associations with ALVIN KARPIS. At the time STOVER was placed under arrest, he asked what the charge was, and Agents informed him that it was based upon a charge of conspiracy to harbor. At that time, STOVER was not informed that he was under arrest for conspiracy to harbor ALVIN KARPIS, but he shortly thereafter commenced talking about ALVIN KARPIS and stated that he took KARPIS by airplane on two trips from Hot Springs, Arkansas, to some place in Ohio, and he commented that on one of these trips he was forced to make a landing someplace in Kentucky on account of engine trouble. STOVER further stated that on the other trip, KARPIS and he were returning to Hot Springs by airplane and were compelled to make a forced landing near Benton, Arkansas on account of engine trouble. STOVER stated that MRS. KARPIS, who he also referred to as GRACE, meaning GRACE GOLDSTEIN, was along on this second mentioned trip, and this his (Stover's) wife, was also along. STOVER provided no further information than the above at this time.

MORRIS BROOKS LOFTIS was interviewed by Special Agent B. M. SUTTLER on the morning of May 18, 1938, after he arrived at the Little Rock Office. LOFTIS stated that he could not add anything more to the statement originally taken from him at Hot Springs during the past summer, as to his association with ALVIN KARPIS. LOFTIS indicated that he provided all the information that he possibly could at the time of that interview.

LOFTIS stated, however, that since he was last interviewed by Bureau agents in August, 1937, he has seen GRACE GOLDSTEIN at Chief of Police WAKELIN'S lakeside residence, located next door to Dyer's Landing, on at least six or more occasions, and that the GOLDSTEIN woman was at Chief WAKELIN'S house either on Christmas Day or Christmas night, 1937. LOFTIS further recalled that about two months ago, Chief of Police WAKELIN told him to listen in on the "Public Hero Number One" radio program that same evening; that when he, Loftis, told Chief WAKELIN that his radio was not working, WAKELIN invited him over to his home to listen in. LOFTIS added that he did not think much about it, so he went over to WAKELIN'S home, as the subject of the program was a case which JOSEPH WAKELIN had worked on while he was connected with the Hot Springs Police Department, and that when he, Loftis, arrived at WAKELIN'S house, GRACE GOLDSTEIN and another woman accompanied by a small boy and girl were all in the living room, and that GRACE GOLDSTEIN introduced him to this woman and told him that the woman was KARPIS'S sister, GRACE referring to KARPIS as "ED"; that

immediately after the radio program was completed he, Loftis, left and has not seen this woman supposed to be the sister of KARPIS since that time.

It may be noted that LOFTIS undoubtedly is referring to CLARA VENUTE, sister of ALVIN KARPIS, who makes her home at Chicago, Illinois, but who is known to have been in Hot Springs for about two months during the first part of the year 1938.

LOFTIS was questioned as to whether he had ever seen Mayor LEO P. McLAUGHLIN or A. T. "SONNY" DAVIS, City Attorney for Hot Springs, Arkansas, around JOSEPH WAKELIN'S cottage or around Dyer's Landing during the time that ALVIN KARPIS was living there, but he stated that he did not know either McLAUGHLIN or DAVIS and had seen McLAUGHLIN on only one occasion as McLAUGHLIN was passing by in downtown Hot Springs while riding a horse.

MRS. AL C. DYER was interviewed by Special Agents B. M. SUTTLER and JOHN L. MADALA on the morning of May 18, 1938, but this woman did not provide any information in addition to that which agents had obtained from her when she was interviewed on several occasions during the past summer. The DYER woman exhibited a repentant attitude and indicated that she was very foolish in getting mixed up with GRACE GOLDSTEIN and ALVIN KARPIS.

HAS:IN

The following information was obtained by Special Agents HENRY A. SNOW and DANIEL P. SULLIVAN from the Office of the Clerk, United States District Court, Little Rock, Arkansas:

Defendants in this case were allowed to make bond on May 18th, 1938, with the exception of CECIL BROCK, who was allowed to make bond on May 19th, 1938. The following persons were listed as bondsmen for defendants in this matter:

HERBERT AKERS - DEFENDANT

BONDSMEN - BREKID CASE:

W. E. VANCE, Hot Springs, Arkansas
W. A. AKERS, Hot Springs, Arkansas

BONDSMEN - NORRIS CASE:

MOSE KLYMAN, Hot Springs, Arkansas
W. A. AKERS, Hot Springs, Arkansas

JOSEPH WAKELIN - DEFENDANT

BONDSMEN

MOSE KLYMAN, Hot Springs, Arkansas
JOHN C. WOLF, Hot Springs, Arkansas
VANN LYELL, Hot Springs, Arkansas

CECIL BROCK - DEFENDANT

BONDSMEN

C. J. SPENCER, Hot Springs, Arkansas
GERALD BROCK, Hot Springs, Arkansas

JOHN STOVER - DEFENDANT

BONDSMEN

EARL RICKS, Hot Springs, Arkansas
W. H. WILLIAMS, North Little Rock, Arkansas

MRS. AL C. DYER - DEFENDANT

BONDSMEN

ROBERT T. OWENS, North Little Rock,
Arkansas
J. D. LOFTIS, North Little Rock,
Arkansas

MORRIS LOFTIS - DEFENDANT

BONDSMEN

ROBERT T. OWENS, North Little Rock,
Arkansas
J. D. LOFTIS, North Little Rock,
Arkansas.

JIM:IN

The following is submitted by Special Agent JOHN L. MADALA, and covers investigation made at Hot Springs, Arkansas, on May 18th and 19th, 1938.

HERBERT AKERS, former Chief of Detectives, Hot Springs Police Department, was brought to the Little Rock Office by Special Agent C. O. HURT and the writer, and was questioned continuously from 3:00 A. M. to 9:00 A. M., May 18th, 1938. He was apprehended by the above Agents at his home, 349 Harrell Avenue, Hot Springs, Arkansas, on a warrant issued by Commissioner W. M. RANKIN at Little Rock, Arkansas.

AKERS, upon interview by the writer, reiterated for the most part the information he had previously furnished to Inspector E. J. CONNELLEY, which is contained in the report of Special Agent D. P. SULLIVAN dated at Little Rock, Arkansas, March 2nd, 1938. Throughout the entire interview, he stoutly maintained that he is innocent of the KARPIS harboring case, but that he will admit his guilt in the harboring of THOMAS NATHAN NORRIS. However, during the course of the interview, AKERS would make certain off-hand remarks which indicated without a doubt that he had full and complete knowledge that ALVIN KARPIS was in Hot Springs, Arkansas, during the period concerned in this case. He attempted to divert suspicion from him to JOE WAKELIN, who was formerly Chief of Police at Hot Springs.

He repeatedly stated that if he were given the opportunity to confer with Director J. EDGAR HOOVER, Washington, D. C., he believes that he could convince the Director that he would probably be more valuable to the Government as an informant than as a prisoner in the United States Penitentiary. He indicated that he by all means does not want to go to the penitentiary, and that if there is any way out of his going to prison, he will take that opportunity. Agent made it plain to him that in all probability the Director would not grant him an interview, and would refer him to Inspector E. J. CONNELLEY to take whatever information he has to offer. In this regard, he stated that he will keep in touch with Inspector E. J. CONNELLEY from time to time, until October, 1938, when he is expected to go to trial, in the hopes that he will eventually come to some agreement with the Government, whereby he could trade information for immunity in this case as well as in the NORRIS case.

AKERS maintained throughout the entire interview that IEO P. McLAUGHLIN is responsible for the lawlessness and corrupt conditions in Hot Springs, Arkansas, and that were it not for the manner in which he ran his administration, the officers of the Hot Springs Police Department would not be as "crooked as they are now". He stated that the officers salaries are so low that they are practically forced to steal in order to make a living. He further indicated that IEO McLAUGHLIN probably knows everything that is going on in Hot Springs, including the harboring of various fugitives, and that if there is any money paid for protection the Mayor has always seen to it that he got part of it. AKERS, however, refused to make any statements relative to the KARPIS case. In substantiation to his above remarks, he cited for example that Mayor McLAUGHLIN had full knowledge that FRANK NASH was in Hot Springs, Arkansas, during the time that this fugitive resided there in 1935, and indicated by off-hand remarks that Mayor McLAUGHLIN received part of the protection money that was paid by NASH. On another occasion he changed his version of the reason why FRANK NASH was in Hot Springs, Arkansas, stating that IEO McLAUGHLIN had FRANK NASH brought into that town to get rid of his political enemies.

Reverting to the KARPIS case, AKERS stoutly maintained that he had no knowledge of KARPIS being in Hot Springs, Arkansas, until a week before the raid on the WOODCOCK home on March 31, 1936, at which time Post Office Inspector HAYNES contacted him in the Post Office and told him that his Department had received definite information to the effect that KARPIS had been hiding out in Hot Springs, Arkansas; that the Post Office Inspectors had further developed that KARPIS was brought into Hot Springs by plane after a Post Office robbery in Ohio, and that KARPIS had probably remained in Hot Springs since that time. AKERS further stated that HAYNES asked him at this time whether he had any information about KARPIS being in Hot Springs, and as to where he could be located. AKERS stated that he, of course, had had no information about KARPIS being in town and so advised Inspector HAYNES. He, however, promised Mr. HAYNES that he would do everything in his power to ascertain whether KARPIS was in fact in Hot Springs, and should he develop anything in this regard he would furnish this information to him. HAYNES indicated to AKERS that he had just arrived in Hot Springs, Arkansas, and that he was checked into the Howe Hotel. AKERS set this time as the occasion when HAYNES first contacted him with reference to KARPIS. It might be stated

that in previous investigation in Hot Springs it was disclosed that Post Office Inspector HAYNES registered into the Howe Hotel on March 24, 1936, at which time he remained there for two or three days. It is probably this time when HAYNES first contacted AKERS relative to the possibility of locating KARPIS through AKERS.

AKERS continued by stating that after his contact with HAYNES on the above occasion, he told Chief of Police JOSEPH WAKELIN about the same and questioned him whether he had any information concerning whether KARPIS was in Hot Springs, and WAKELIN replied to AKERS that he had not. At this time AKERS made the statement that he now believes that WAKELIN had the continuous knowledge of the fact that KARPIS was in Hot Springs, and was in association with GRACE GOLDSTEIN, and that probably after he talked with WAKELIN on the above occasion relative to his contact with Inspector HAYNES, WAKELIN got in touch with GRACE GOLDSTEIN and advised her of this information, which later resulted in KARPIS leaving Hot Springs, Arkansas, a few days prior to the raid on the WOODCOCK home, made by Bureau Agents and Post Office Inspectors.

At one juncture during the interview with AKERS, he asked Agent MADALA whether the Bureau knew for how long a time prior to the WOODCOCK raid for KARPIS had Chief WAKELIN been having clandestine meetings with GRACE GOLDSTEIN. Agent informed him that the Bureau investigations disclosed that these meetings had been taking place since the time that GRACE GOLDSTEIN was running her house of prostitution at 123 Palm Street in May, 1935. AKERS displayed surprise as to this, and made the statement that he now sees the whole case more clearly, leaving the inference with Agent that it was JOE WAKELIN who was responsible for the harboring of ALVIN KARPIS at Hot Springs, Arkansas. AKERS was closely questioned as to this, but he refused to make any statement, stating that he wants to have time to think out the whole matter, after which time he will be ready to give it to the Bureau through Inspector CONNELLEY. He said that he will want to make some investigation of his own between now and the time of the trial in October, to satisfy himself of just who was responsible for KARPIS being in town without molestation.

Agents specifically asked AKERS as to the number of times he visited the address at 123 Palm Street, during the time that GRACE GOLDSTEIN operated her house of prostitution there. He recalled that he visited this address on at least four or five occasions, and in explanation of these visits he

stated that he had sold CONNIE MORRIS and GRACE GOLDSTEIN some jewelry around that time, and that he went to 123 Palm Street on the occasions mentioned by him to collect payment from these girls for the rings. He stated that he also sold GRETA SWANSON, one of the prostitutes, a car sometime prior to the occupancy of GRACE GOLDSTEIN and her girls of 123 Palm Street, and that he likewise saw GRETA with reference to the payments on this car on the occasions he visited at that address. He, of course, denied that he saw either ALVIN KARPIS or FRED HUNTER at the 123 Palm Street address while he was there talking with the girls. He also denied that he at any time ever saw a man or men at that address. AKERS further denied that he called at the above address every Monday afternoon and drove around with GRACE GOLDSTEIN for several minutes thereafter. He also denied that he discussed with GRACE GOLDSTEIN on his visits to the above address the fact that the neighbors had been complaining about the noise caused by the girls, and by the taxi cabs going to and from the house, and likewise denies that he discussed with her the possibilities of her moving her house of prostitution elsewhere in Hot Springs. He further stated that he does not now recall ever having seen a black Ford Coupe with Kentucky license plates ever parked in front of the Palm Street address.

With reference to the DYER'S Landing investigation made by the Bureau in October, 1935, after he had reported to the Little Rock Office that suspicious persons, one of whom might have been ALVIN KARPIS were living at DYER'S Landing, he stated that to the best of his recollection he and JOE WAKELIN received information from WALTER EBEL, a local newspaper correspondent at Hot Springs, Arkansas, to the effect that several men had purchased medical supplies at Braughton's Drug Store in Hot Springs, and that these men had inquired where they could locate a cottage on one of the two lakes in Hot Springs; that someone at the drug store referred them to BURCH'S Landing on Lake Hamilton. AKERS stated that upon receipt of this information from WALTER EBEL, he and CECIL BROCK proceeded to Lake Hamilton and got the license number off of a car which was parked in front of one of the cottages at DYER'S Landing, which number he later transmitted to Columbus, Ohio, for data pertaining thereto.

When Agent confronted AKERS with the fact as to why he made an investigation at DYER'S Landing after having

received the information from WALTER EBEL that the men in question were living at BURCH'S Landing which is located next to DYER'S Landing, AKERS seemed somewhat disturbed and stated that he does not now recall just why he had made that investigation at DYER'S Landing instead of BURCH'S Landing other than the possibility that he had received information from either Mr. BURCH or some one else to the effect that the men could not obtain a cottage at BURCH'S Landing and were referred by either Mr. BURCH or his caretaker to DYER'S Landing. He likewise could not explain how he knew that the car he had checked on was owned by the men whom he was investigating and who were reported to him. After AKERS realized that it was apparent to the writer that he, AKERS, was not telling the truth, he made the statement, "Well I don't know right now just what happened, but believe me, I will have it straight at the time of trial. I've got to do a little investigating of my own."

Throughout the entire interview with AKERS, he stoutly maintained that he did not know that GRACE GOLDSTEIN was hiding out ALVIN KARPIS and associating with him until he was so informed by the Post Office Inspectors around the time of the WOODCOCK raid. He emphatically stated that he at no time ever saw a strange man riding around with GRACE GOLDSTEIN in her car or in someone else's car during the time KARPIS was living in Hot Springs. In this regard he stated that he very seldom notices GRACE GOLDSTEIN as she is riding around town; that he usually sees her at the Hot Springs Confectionary in Hot Springs, at which time she usually is alone or is with one of her girls. He further stated that he never received any information from anyone to the effect that GRACE GOLDSTEIN was running around with a "live wire" during 1935 and the early part of 1936; that he frequently saw her with the large black Great Dane dog, but at no time ever heard or made any inquiries as to where she obtained this dog; that he observed that she was driving a new Buick Coupe around the latter part of 1935, but at no time did he ever question her as to where she obtained this automobile, or under what circumstances. He further denied that he knew around that time that GRACE spent very little time at the Hatterie Hotel, and that she was living with a boyfriend somewhere else in town. He also denied that he was told by anyone around December of 1935 that ALVIN KARPIS was in Hot Springs and was consorting with GRACE GOLDSTEIN. He stated that if he had received this information that he certainly would have taken a squad of men to where KARPIS was living and would have apprehended him.

On one occasion during the interview with AKERS, Agent asked him point-blank whether he knew if PRETTY BOY FLOYD was in Hot Springs during 1933 and 1934; he being advised that this information had come to the Bureau from numerous sources during the course of the Bureau investigation at Hot Springs during the past eighteen months. AKERS stated that he does not think that FLOYD was in Hot Springs as was reported, and when asked to explain this, AKERS made the statement that FLOYD was very close to a certain Sheriff in Oklahoma who had been hiding him out, and that if FLOYD wanted to come to Hot Springs to hide out, this Sheriff undoubtedly would have gotten in touch with him, AKERS, and arranged with him to allow FLOYD to live in Hot Springs.

AKERS stated that he is in dire financial circumstances at the present time, and that he hasn't any money with which to defent himself at the time of trial. He asked the writer for the present whereabouts of Special Agent FRANK SMITH, stating that he would like to get in touch with him within the next month or so, and talk with him about the KARPIS case. He indicated that Agent SMITH has full confidence in him, AKERS, and that Agent SMITH is fully aware of AKERS' efforts to apprehend ALVIN KARPIS around the time of the WOODCOCK raid. He further stated that he likewise has complete confidence and faith in Agent SMITH and that should he decide to talk between now and October 31st, 1938, he would like to give his statement to either Agent SMITH or Inspector CONNELLEY. He further indicated that he probably will ask Agent SMITH and Post Office Inspector HAYNES to testify in his behalf at the time of trial. When asked what he expects these men to testify to, AKERS stated that they are fully cognizant of the hard work and cooperation he rendered to the Government at the time when the Government was very anxious to apprehend KARPIS around the period that both of these men were making investigations looking toward the apprehension of KARPIS in Hot Springs.

It might be stated that throughout the entire interview with HERBERT AKERS he displayed every indication that he was not telling the truth relative to his participation in the harboring of KARPIS, and he frequently wanted to leave Agent MADALA with the impression that the persons who actually were responsible for KARPIS being hid out in Hot Springs were GRACE GOLDSTEIN and JOSEPH WAKELIN. He, however, refused to furnish anything definite in this regard.

With reference to the harboring of THOMAS NATHAN NORRIS, AKERS made the statement that he realizes that he did wrong in permitting NORRIS to remain in Hot Springs after he was duly notified by Special Agents of the Bureau that NORRIS was a Federal fugitive. He again said the reason he did not report NORRIS' presence in Hot Springs at the time the latter resided there was because he was "sore" at the Bureau at that time over the way in which they had treated him in the KARPIS case. He stated that after this controversy with the Bureau back in March of 1936, he lost complete faith in the Special Agents of the Bureau, and had no desire whatever to confine in them or cooperate with them in any way.

AKERS further stated that after he was interviewed by Inspector E. J. CONNELLEY at the Little Rock Office on March 1st, 1938, and after Mr. CONNELLEY indicated to him that the Bureau was very anxious to locate a man by the name of "BLACKIE", he made considerable effort to learn of the identity of this individual. He stated that two weeks ago he had occasion to go to Dallas and Fort Worth, Texas, and while at Fort Worth he talked to Detective WEATHERFORD relative to the NORRIS gang. He told WEATHERFORD that when NORRIS and his crowd first came to Hot Springs in March of 1936, NORRIS was accompanied by a man named "BLACKIE" whom he described to WEATHERFORD, and asked WEATHERFORD whether he knew who this individual was. AKERS stated that from the description that he gave Detective WEATHERFORD, the latter was able to identify this man as "BLACKIE" COWHART, a resident of Texas. He stated that WEATHERFORD told him that he had just received recent information to the effect that COWHART was in prison at Garnett, Kansas, on some minor charge. AKERS stated that knowing that Inspector CONNELLEY was interested in this individual and believing that he might be a Bureau fugitive, he arranged through Detective WEATHERFORD to obtain a photograph and description of "BLACKIE", in order that he could send it to Inspector CONNELLEY for his assistance in locating this individual. He stated that after he had secured this photograph from Detective WEATHERFORD, he immediately recognized it as the third man who was with NORRIS and HAYNES at the time these men first contacted him at DECK SHEFFIELD'S station in Hot Springs, Arkansas. Agent questioned AKERS whether he was positive in his identification of "BLACKIE" COWHART and AKERS stated that he was; that he saw him with NORRIS on only two or three occasions, but that he would frequently see him at the race track by himself.

Continuing AKERS stated that Detective WEATHERFORD told him while he was in Fort Worth, Texas, two weeks ago that he had received reliable information to the effect that BLACKIE COWHART was one of the participants in the Southern Club robbery in Hot Springs, Arkansas, in March, 1937. He asked the writer whether the Bureau had any information which implicated "BLACKIE" in this robbery. Agent advised him that the Bureau had not, and in this regard he made the statement that he is somewhat certain that "BLACKIE" and a crowd of men did rob the patrons of the Southern Club, and that they were assisted in this robbery by JERRY "SWEDE" WATKINS, who is now Day Captain of Police. He indicated that he heard from some source that "BLACKIE" and JERRY WATKINS were close buddies in Texas when WATKINS worked at some gambling house in that State as a bouncer. He made the request of Inspector CONNELLEY that the Bureau investigate "BLACKIE'S" participation in the Southern Club robbery and that if it developed that "BLACKIE" was assisted in this robbery by JERRY "SWEDE" WATKINS that this information be published in order that the suspicion on him for this robbery which W. S. JACOBS, owner of the club, now holds would be lifted.

On the morning of May 19th, 1938, Agent MADALA received a telephone call from Mrs. PHILIP DAVID, formerly Mrs. TOBY FINCEL, who had been subpoenaed before the Grand Jury as a Government witness. At the time Mrs. DAVID telephoned the writer, she was in Hot Springs, Arkansas, and requested that Agent MADALA meet her at the Arkansas Trust Company. She indicated over the telephone that on one occasion when she saw AKERS and WAKELIN enter the KARPIS residence next door to her at 124 Clubb Street, a young woman was visiting her and that this woman likewise saw these officers go into that house. She further indicated that she had just talked with this woman, and that this woman distinctly recalled the above incident, and was willing to furnish a statement to that effect. Mrs. DAVID stated that this woman's name is Mrs. VADA NYBERG, and that Agents can locate this woman through her.

Special Agent H. A. SNOW and the writer proceeded to Hot Springs, Arkansas, on May 19th, 1938, where contact was had with Mrs. PHILIP DAVID. At this time she reiterated the above information and thereafter introduced Agents to Mrs. VADA NYBERG, who is employed as a salslady at the New York Dress Shop, located on Central and Prospect Streets, Hot Springs, Arkansas. Thereafter Agents jointly interviewed Mrs. NYBERG and Mrs. PHILIP DAVID at the former's residence at 310 Orange Street, Apartment # 9, Hot Springs, Arkansas, where Mrs. NYBERG is living with her husband, JACK NYBERG, who is a free

lance photographer. The following signed statement was obtained from Mrs. NYBERG in the presence of Mrs. PHILIP DAVID and JACK NYBERG. The original is being retained in the Little Rock Field Division files:

Hot Springs, Ark.

May 19, 1938.

"I, Mrs. VADA NYBERG, make the following statement to JOHN L. MADALA and HENRY A. SNOW, Special Agents, Federal Bureau of Investigation, freely and voluntarily and acknowledge that the facts contained herein are true to the best of my knowledge.

"I have known Mrs. PHILIP DAVID, who was formerly Mrs. TOBY FENCIL, for about four years. During the time that she and her husband were residing at 202 Fincel Street, Hot Springs, Ark. I frequently visited with them at their home.

"I am also acquainted with former Chief of Police JOSEPH WAKELIN and Chief of Detectives HERBERT "DUTCH" WAKERS, and know both of these men by sight.

"Sometime during November, 1935 I was at the Police headquarters at Hot Springs, Ark., and while there I engaged officer JERRY "SWEDE" WATKINS in conversation. At that time he showed me a photograph of ALVIN KARPIS and told me that if I saw this man around Hot Springs to call him. He said that I went to a lot of places and that I might see him. He also showed me a lot of other photographs of wanted fugitives. A short time later, about two weeks, I was visiting my friends Mr. and Mrs. FINCEL at their home at 202 Fincel street on a Sunday. This was early in December, 1935. I recall that we had duck for Sunday dinner which was served during the afternoon. Shortly before dinner I observed a man in the back yard of the house which adjoins the Fincel home which house was located at 124 Clubb Street. When I saw this man I recognized him as being ALVIN KARPIS from the photograph which had been shown to me by officer JERRY WATKINS. In order to more closely observe the man KARPIS I went into the bed-room of Mrs. FINCEL and looked at him out of the window. Also went to the back porch of the FINCEL house and at that time I was positive that this man was KARPIS. I recall that he was very neatly dressed in a dark suit and a very light colored felt hat. This hat was almost white in color. I told Mrs. FINCEL at that time that that man next

door was either KARPIS "or his twin brother". Mrs. FINCEL just laughed and said she had never heard of KARPIS. I told her that he was a big bank robber or something like that, and she said that she certainly didn't want any body like that living next door.

"Shortly thereafter Mr. TOBY FINCEL came in from town and I told him about the man who was living next door resembling the picture of KARPIS. TOBY said I was crazy and that this man was a wealthy person who was in Hot Springs to rest and get away from people.

"Later that same afternoon we saw a woman stop in front of the house where the man was living and this woman went in to visit him. She had a muskrat fur coat on and I remember that we discussed the fact that the man must be wealthy. I have later learned that this woman was GRACE GOLDSTEIN, as she has been pointed out to me on the streets of Hot Springs and I remember on one occasion seeing her on the streets with a large black Great Dane dog.

"After the occasion mentioned above when she stopped in front of the house where KARPIS resided I saw the woman, GRACE GOLDSTEIN, visit at the house on three or four occasions, one of which was on a holiday.

"A few days after the first occasion that I recognized KARPIS as the man who resided next to the FINCELS, and who was renting the house from them, I accompanied Mrs. FINCEL to the Hot Springs Police Department on some other matter. While there I told Chief of Police JOSEPH WAKELIN that there is a reward out for KARPIS and "if he cut me on half of it I would tell him where he is". He just laughed and said "you're crazy", pulled his hat down and walked off. He didn't seem interested. Mrs. FINCEL will recall this incident. At that occasion WAKELIN turned very red in the fact and appeared to be very uncomfortable. I insisted to him that the man was KARPIS and that if he didn't desire to accompany me to the place where he was, then he could send a plain clothes officer. I also suggested that we could drive to the place where he was living in Mrs. FINCEL'S car if he didn't want to go in the Police car. He just remarked that KARPIS was not in town.

"A short time after the above mentioned incident I was visiting Mrs. FINCEL and saw the Hot Springs Police Department car parked in front of the KARPIS house. I recall that this car had a Police license and a Police emblem on the side of the car. At this time Mrs. FINCEL had just driven up to her house and I saw a tall man going into the front door of the KARPIS house. I did not see the face of this man, but I recall that Mrs. FINCEL remarked that "that's "DUTCH" AKERS now." I recall that I remarked to Mrs. FINCEL that "he cant be so bad if the police visit him". By "him", I meant the man whom I identified as KARPIS.

"Shortly after I saw the police car drive up to the KARPIS house, I heard a lot of laughing and talking inside of their house and it sounded like they were having a good time. Mrs. FINCEL and I remained at her house for only a short while, and when we left the police car was still there.

"I saw the police car in front of the KARPIS house on just, one other occasion, this being at night when Mrs. FINCEL and I came to her house for supper.

"When I saw GRACE GOLDSTEIN on the first occasion she was in a green Chevrolet Coupe. On another occasion she was in a large red sedan.

"I have read the foregoing statement which consists of ten (10) pages, & I swear it is true.

/s/ MRS. VADA NYBERG"

Witnesses:

JOHN L. MADALA
HENRY A. SNOW,
Special Agents, FBI,
U. S. Dept. of Justice, 500 Rector Bldg. L.R.

In addition to the above statement, Mrs. NYBERG stated that sometime after the arrest of ALVIN KARPIS she had occasion to see Chief of Police JOSEPH WAKELIN at the Police Department, at which time she told him that if he had followed out her requests at the time she and Mrs. DAVID contacted him in December, 1935, relative to the location of KARPIS he would have apprehended him. At that time she stated that WAKELIN replied that he now realizes that she was correct in her identification and that he was a "damfool" for not acting upon the information she was willing to furnish him at that time.

With reference to the time that she first saw the police car at 124 Clubb Street after she had observed and identified ALVIN KARPIS as living there, Mrs. NYBERG stated that she did not see the car as it drove up to the house; that her attention was called to it when Mrs. DAVID made the remark, "There is "DUTCH" AKERS now". She stated that after Mrs. DAVID made that statement she immediately looked out and saw a tall man walk toward the back of the house. She stated that she did not get a good look at this man, but that, however, she noticed that he was tall and lanky and somewhat stooped and looked very much like AKERS. She stated that if Mrs. DAVID had not made the remark about this man being AKERS she probably would not have connected the man whom she saw as this subject. She, however, was very positive in her identification of the automobile as being the Hot Springs Police car.

It might be stated that this woman makes a very good appearance, and appears to be above the average in intelligence. It is believed that she will make an impressive witness.

During the course of the interview with Mrs. NYBERG and after they revealed that Mrs. DAVID accompanied Mrs. NYBERG to the Police Department in December, 1935 and reported to JOE WAKELIN the fact that KARPIS was living in Hot Springs, Arkansas, and could be located through them, Agents asked Mrs. DAVID to explain why she had not previously furnished this information to the Bureau. She stated that at the time she was questioned relative to her knowledge of the KARPIS case, she was somewhat afraid that she might implicate herself in the case if she divulged the fact that she had known of the fact that the man to whom she and her husband had rented their house was in fact ALVIN KARPIS. She further stated that she likewise did not want to involve any of her friends in the case without seeing and talking to them first, in an effort to find out whether they would be willing to give testimony in the case. She stated that after she was dismissed by the United States Attorney on May 16th, 1938, she proceeded to Hot Springs, Arkansas, for the express purpose of talking with Mrs. NYBERG in order to see if she was willing to testify as to what she saw on those occasions when she visited her at 202 Fencil Street. She stated that after talking with Mrs. NYBERG about this matter Mrs. NYBERG indicated to her that she was willing to tell all she knew about the case if she were contacted by a Bureau Agent.

With reference to the portion of the statement made by Mrs. NYBERG concerning her interview with JOSEPH WAKELIN in December, 1935, and informing him that she knew where ALVIN KARPIS could be located in Hot Springs, Arkansas, and suggesting that he and some men go with her to apprehend this fugitive in order that they could collect a reward that might be outstanding for him, Mrs. DAVID corroborated this information in every detail. She emphatically stated that it was after they had put WAKELIN on notice to the fact that KARPIS WAS in town that she saw WAKELIN and AKERS enter the KARPIS residence.

Both Mrs. DAVID and Mrs. NYBERG stated that after they had reported the above information to JOSEPH WAKELIN and then later seen the police car at the KARPIS residence on several occasions, they thought that they probably were mistaken in Mrs. NYBERG'S identification of KARPIS, and for that reason made no further report on him to anyone else.

The following descriptions of subjects were obtained through personal observation and questioning:

Name: JOSEPH WAKELIN
Age: 61 (Born 5/21/76 at Hot Springs, Ark.)
Height: 5 ft. 11 in.
Weight: 172
Build: Medium
Hair: Brown
Eyes: Blue
Complexion: Ruddy
Scars: 2 in. scar center of forehead
Residence: Hot Springs, Arkansas
Occupation: Former Chief of Police, Hot Springs, Ark.
Marital Status: Married
Race: White
Nationality: American
Photograph: Taken and retained in Little Rock Office
Handwriting Specimen: On fingerprint card forwarded to Bureau
Criminal Record: Requested from Bureau.

Name: HERBERT AKERS, alias "Dutch" Akers
Age: 42 (Born 4/26/94 at Hot Springs, Ark.)
Height: 6 ft. 4 in.
Weight: 180
Build: Slender
Hair: Brown
Eyes: Blue-gray
Complexion: Sallow
Teeth: Poor - front teeth out
Scars: 1 in. scar on right wrist
Residence: Hot Springs, Arkansas
Occupation: Former Chief of Detectives, Hot Springs, Ark.
Race: White
Nationality: American
Photograph: Taken and retained at Little Rock Office
Handwriting Specimen: On fingerprint card forwarded to Bureau
Criminal Record: Requested from Bureau.

Name: CECIL C. BROCK
Age: 34 (Born 1/16/04 at Nashville, Ark.)
Height: 5 ft. 9 3/4 in.
Weight: 165
Build: Medium
Hair: Dark brown
Eyes: Brown
Complexion: Fair
Scars: 1 in. cut scar left forearm and
1 in. cut scar left index finger.
Residence: Hot Springs, Arkansas
Occupation: Former detective, Hot Springs, Ark. P.D.
Marital Status: Divorced
Race: White
Nationality: American
Photographs: Taken and retained at Little Rock Office.
Handwriting Specimens: On fingerprint card forwarded to Bureau.
Criminal Records: Requested from Bureau.

Name: JOHN STOVER
Age: 35 (Born 7/31/02 at England, Ark.)
Height: 5 ft. 5 1/2 in.
Weight: 155
Build: Medium
Complexion: Ruddy
Scars: Appendectomy scar; 1/4 in. scar on chin;
1/2 in. scar base right thumb.
Residence: Hot Springs, Arkansas
Occupation: Aviator; manager Hot Springs Airport.
Marital Status: Married
Race: White
Nationality: American
Photographs: Taken and retained at Little Rock Office
Handwriting Specimens: On fingerprint card forwarded to Bureau
Criminal Records: Requested from Bureau.

Name: MORRIS BROOKS LOFTIS
Age: 57 (Born 10-11-92, Jenesboro, Ark.)
Height: 5 ft. 7 in.
Weight: 160
Build: Medium
Hair: Gray, slightly bald
Eyes: Gray
Complexion: Dark
Scars: Left thumb broken 1st joint; 1 in. scar palm left hand; tattoo mark back left hand; 2 in. scar back of 4th finger on right hand.
Eyeglasses: Gold rimmed
Residence: Hot Springs, Ark.
Occupation: Caretaker for tourist lodge
Race: White
Nationality: American
Photograph: Taken and retained at Little Rock Office
Handwriting Specimen: On fingerprint card forwarded to Bureau.
Criminal Record: Requested from Bureau.

Name: MRS. AL C. DYER
Age: 45 (Born 7/5/93, Beirnie, Ark.)
Height: 5 ft. 4 in.
Weight: 160
Build: Medium stout
Hair: Brown
Eyes: Blue
Complexion: Fair
Scars: 1 in. scar middle finger on left hand.
Residence: Hot Springs, Arkansas
Occupation: Operator of resort camp
Marital Status: Widowed
Race: White
Nationality: American
Photograph: Taken and retained at Little Rock Office.
Handwriting Specimen: On fingerprint card forwarded to Bureau.
Criminal Record: Requested of Bureau.

P E N D I N G

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Cincinnati, Ohio

FILE NO. 7-43

REPORT MADE AT St. Louis, Missouri	DATE WHEN MADE 5/26/38	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 5/17, 18, 19, 26/38	REPORT MADE BY J. S. Bush AM
TITLE "CHANGED" GEORGE TIMINEY, with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. 1232; RUTH ROBSION, with aliases: Ruth Hamm, Mrs. Melvin Robsion, Connie Morris, Mrs. Harold King, Ruth Robinson, Joan Barron, Jean Baron, Joan Hammer - FUGITIVE; ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <div style="float: left; width: 20%; font-size: small; opacity: 0.5;"> <p>RECEIVED MAY 27 1938 FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE</p> </div> <p>RUTH ROBSION apprehended by Agents and detectives of the St. Louis, Missouri, Police Department at house of prostitution operated by JOHN SONNEN, 3439 Lucas Avenue, St. Louis, early morning of May 18, 1938, and orally admitted she had associated with KARPIS and HUNTER for approximately one year prior to time she was apprehended in company with them at New Orleans, Louisiana. Fugitive complaint filed by U. S. Attorney, St. Louis, May 18, 1938, charging ROBSION with violation of Section 88, Title 18, U. S. Code, and on same date she was arraigned before U. S. Commissioner, St. Louis, pleaded not guilty, and in default of \$10,000.00 bond was committed to the City Jail, St. Louis. On May 19, 1938, ROBSION was released upon posting \$10,000.00 bond. On May 26, 1938, ROBSION appeared before U. S. Commissioner, St. Louis, and posted \$10,000.00 bond for her appearance in Federal Court at Little Rock, Arkansas, on October 17, 1938.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P</p> <p>REFERENCE: Letter from the Little Rock Office dated May 11, 1938 Teletype from the St. Louis Office to the Bureau and the Little Rock Office dated May 19, 1938.</p> <p>DETAILS: The title is being changed only for the purpose of reflecting the name and aliases of RUTH ROBSION, with aliases: RUTH HAMM, Mrs. MELVIN ROBSION, CONNIE MORRIS, Mrs. HAROLD KING, RUTH ROBSION, JOAN BARRON, JEAN BARON, JOAN HAMMER. The matter of further changing the</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>[Signature]</i>		SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	
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3 Bureau 2 Cincinnati 4 Little Rock (1 Inspector E. J. Connelley; 1 U. S. Atty., Little Rock) 1 U. S. Atty., St. Louis 3 St. Louis (1 in 31-2746) <i>cc C W 1-3-38</i>		JUN 2 1938 1576-3 345 MAY 31 A.M. ONE STAT. SEC.	

title to include the names and aliases of the persons recently indicted in connection with this matter at Little Rock, Arkansas, is being left to the Little Rock Office, which has complete information regarding the names and aliases of these individuals, as well as regarding the names and aliases of persons heretofore carried as subjects in this case. // *weight*

It is noted in the letter of reference that RUTH ROBSION has resided for some time at 3439 Lucas Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri, which is a house of prostitution operated by JOHN SONNEN, a subject in the file entitled JOHN SONNEN, with aliases; et al; MARY MAY ROSS, with aliases, et al, Victims; White Slave Traffic Act.

During the evening of May 17, 1938, Inspector E. J. CONNELLEY, from the Little Rock Office, telephonically advised Special Agent in Charge G. B. NORRIS of the St. Louis Office that an indictment had been returned against RUTH ROBSION and several other individuals at Little Rock, Arkansas, in connection with the harboring of ALVIN KARPIS and FRED HUNTER, and that ROBSION should be immediately taken into custody.

Reporting Agent immediately endeavored to get in touch with Patrolman WILLIAM FISHER of the Ninth District of the St. Louis Police Department, who resides at 4956a Lindenwood Avenue, St. Louis, and who, according to information contained in the aforementioned White Slave Traffic Act case, was the only person known to the St. Louis Office who was acquainted with RUTH ROBSION and who could positively identify her. It was telephonically ascertained from Patrolman FISHER's wife that he and several other policemen were on a fishing trip or outing at a cabin on the Meramec River, in the vicinity of Maxville, Missouri, and neither Mrs. FISHER nor any of the policemen on duty at that time at the Ninth District of the St. Louis Police Department could furnish Agent information which would enable him to telephonically communicate with or locate Patrolman FISHER. Agent continued his efforts to locate Patrolman FISHER until approximately 11:30 P. M., at which time it was decided other steps would have to be taken immediately to locate and identify RUTH ROBSION, in view of the fact it was believed that should she learn the indictment had been returned at Little Rock, Arkansas, she would leave the city.

It should be noted Special Agent in Charge G. B. NORRIS, Special Agents G. C. THOMPSON and D. W. MAHER, and the reporting Agent were the only Agents available for the purpose of locating and apprehending RUTH ROBSION at that time, owing to the fact that all other Agents were either out of the city or on annual leave. It should also be noted it was necessary for Special Agent G. C. THOMPSON to remain in the St. Louis Office at that time, due to the fact the night clerk was likewise on vacation. It was, therefore, necessary that the assistance of the St. Louis Police Department be enlisted for the purpose of locating and apprehending ROBSION, especially in view of the fact it was known three houses on Lucas Avenue, namely, 3435 Lucas Avenue, 3437 Lucas Avenue, and 3439 Lucas Avenue, are operated by JOHN SONNEN as his residence and servants' quarters and as a house of prostitution, as a result of which it would be necessary to raid these three houses simultaneously to prevent the escape of

persons therein. In this connection, it should be noted it was subsequently ascertained JOHN SONNEN resided with ROBSION at 3435 Lucas Avenue; that the negro servants occupied the house at 3437 Lucas Avenue; and that the house at 3439 Lucas Avenue, which is the largest of the three, is operated as a house of prostitution.

In view of the foregoing, Special Agent in Charge G. B. NORRIS and reporting Agent contacted Sergeant HARRY POWELL of the Ninth District of the St. Louis Police Department, who is well known to Agents of the St. Louis Office and who had previously given Agents of the St. Louis Office his wholehearted cooperation in matters of this kind, and exhibited photographs of RUTH ROBSION to Sergeant POWELL, as well as to the other detectives working with him. However, none of them remembered having seen ROBSION. Appropriate arrangements for the three houses operated by JOHN SONNEN to be simultaneously raided were immediately made with Sergeant POWELL, and at approximately 2:30 A. M., May 18, 1938, Special Agent in Charge NORRIS, Sergeant POWELL, and the reporting Agent entered the front door to the house at 3439 Lucas Avenue, after Detectives ARTHUR EGENREITHER, RICHARD FOEGE, LEE TOZER, WILLIAM PIKIT, and WALTER BAUER had been stationed at points around the three houses. Several white prostitutes and negro maids were located in the house at 3439 Lucas Avenue and were subsequently taken to the Ninth District of the St. Louis Police Department by Sergeant POWELL and the other detectives, and it was at first believed one JEAN MARSH, whose physical description was similar to that of ROBSION and who bore a strong resemblance to the photograph of ROBSION, was identical with the ROBSION woman. However, it was subsequently ascertained she was not identical with ROBSION, and later in the morning Special Agent in Charge G. B. NORRIS and Sergeant HARRY POWELL located ROBSION, who was hiding in a room on the third floor of the building at 3439 Lucas Avenue, at which time she admitted her identity and stated her name was RUTH HAMM. RUTH HAMM voluntarily permitted Agents to search her quarters in the house at 3435 Lucas Avenue, where she admitted she resided with JOHN SONNEN, and numerous letters were located, some of which may be of value in connection with the aforementioned White Slave Traffic Act case. However, it was observed none of these letters contained any information regarding the instant matter. These letters are being retained in the St. Louis Office, and further investigation will be conducted in connection therewith in the aforementioned White Slave Traffic Act case. The aforementioned prostitutes and maids were interviewed in connection with the above mentioned White Slave Traffic Act case, after which they were released by the St. Louis Police Department.

RUTH ROBSION was subsequently interviewed at great length in connection with this matter, as well as in connection with the aforementioned White Slave Traffic Act case. She refused to make any written statement of any kind or sign a waiver, but orally admitted to Agents she had associated with ALVIN KARPIS and FRED HUNTER at Hot Springs, Arkansas, for approximately one year prior to the time she was apprehended in company with them at New Orleans, Louisiana, and that the three of them had traveled together from Hot Springs, Arkansas, to New Orleans, Louisiana. She also admitted she came to

St. Louis during the spring of 1937 on a train from Hot Springs, Arkansas, to attend a "dog show" and to visit JOHN SONNEN; that, however, JOHN SONNEN did not pay her transportation to St. Louis, nor did he induce her to travel to St. Louis; that on the occasion when she came to St. Louis, Missouri, from Hot Springs, Arkansas, she purchased a round-trip ticket, owing to the fact that she fully intended to return to Hot Springs, Arkansas, but that upon her arrival in St. Louis, she decided to remain there; and that since that time she has practiced prostitution in JOHN SONNEN's house and lived with him. She also indicated she did not desire to return to Little Rock, Arkansas.

RUTH ROBSION was placed in the Central District hold-over of the St. Louis Police Department, and on May 18, 1938, a fugitive complaint was filed by U. S. Attorney HARRY C. BLANTON at St. Louis before U. S. Commissioner JOHN A. BURKE, based upon the indictment returned against ROBSION at Little Rock, Arkansas, charging her with violation of Section 88, Title 18, U. S. Code. On the same date ROBSION was arraigned before U. S. Commissioner JOHN A. BURKE, at which time she pleaded not guilty, and in default of \$10,000.00 bond she was committed to the City Jail, St. Louis. On May 19, 1938, she was again brought before the U. S. Commissioner, at which time she was released upon furnishing \$10,000.00 bond, and her hearing was set for May 26, 1938. On May 26, 1938, ROBSION again appeared before the U. S. Commissioner with her bondsmen and lawyer, at which time she furnished \$10,000.00 bond for her appearance in the Federal Court at Little Rock, Arkansas, on the third Monday in October, 1938, which it is noted is October 17, 1938. It was noted the following professional bondsmen furnished bond for ROBSION, and it is believed these individuals were undoubtedly paid by JOHN SONNEN: FRED HERGET, 5165 Dresden, St. Louis; JOHN BUSALAKI, 5236 Loughborough, St. Louis; LEO McADAMS, 4556 Clarence, St. Louis.

Information with reference to the prostitutes and other persons who were taken into custody in the houses operated by JOHN SONNEN is being reported in the aforementioned White Slave Traffic Act case, in view of the fact that it apparently has no bearing on the instant case.

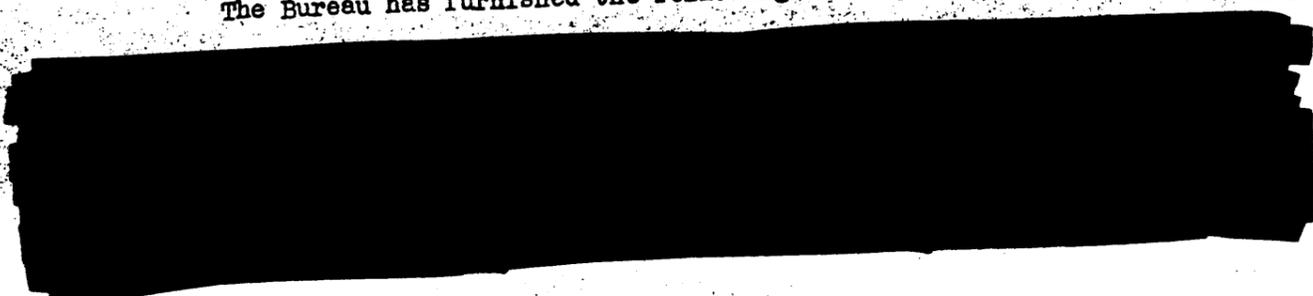
* It should be noted that on May 26, 1938, RUTH ROBSION's attorney, HANS WULFF, Wainright Building, St. Louis, advised reporting Agent it is his intention to arrange for ROBSION to go to Little Rock, Arkansas, and plead guilty to the indictment in this case at the earliest practicable time, and that he will confer with ROBSION regarding this matter at an early date, and within the next week or two it is his intention to endeavor to persuade her to furnish the St. Louis Office all the information she may possess regarding this case, as well as in connection with the aforementioned White Slave Traffic Act case. Mr. WULFF assured Agent it is his intention to cooperate fully with the St. Louis Office, and that he will endeavor to procure such information as ROBSION may be able to furnish, within the next few days.

A photograph and the fingerprints of ROBSION were forwarded to the Bureau on May 20, 1938.

The following description was obtained by personal observation and interrogation:

Name	Ruth Robsion, with aliases: Ruth Hamm, Mrs. Melvin Robsion, Connie Morris, Mrs. Harold King, Ruth Robinson, Joan Barron, Jean Baron, Joan Hammer
Age	21 years (Born November 25, 1916, at Davidson, Oklahoma)
Height	5 feet, 2½ inches
Weight	110 pounds
Hair	Natural color - sandy blonde; presently dyed auburn
Eyes	Blue
Complexion	Fair
Teeth	Good
Marital Status	States she was married to Melvin Robsion of Frederick, Oklahoma, in 1932, but lived with him for only one year, at the end of which time they were separated
Education	States she finished the eighth grade in school at Davidson, Oklahoma
Occupation	Prostitute
Fingerprints	St. Louis, Missouri, Police Department #45020; FBI-1523551
Relatives	Father - John Hamm, Davidson, Oklahoma Mother - Gertrude Hamm, Davidson, Oklahoma Brother - Frank Hamm, Davidson, Oklahoma Brother - Leonard Hamm, Davidson, Oklahoma Brother - Howard Hamm, Davidson, Oklahoma Brother - Raymond Hamm, Davidson, Oklahoma Sister - Dorothy Kirkpatrick, San Antonio, Texas Sister - Opal Marshall, Frederick, Oklahoma Sister - Bertha Gossitt, Davidson, Oklahoma Sister - Thelma Muse, Davidson, Oklahoma

The Bureau has furnished the following criminal record for ROBSION: **B3**



UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

The ST. LOUIS Office at St. Louis, Missouri, will keep in touch with HANS WULFF, Wainright Building, in an effort to procure any additional information regarding the instant matter and in connection with the St. Louis file entitled JOHN SONNEN, with aliases; et al; MARY MAY ROSS, with aliases, et al, Victims; White Slave Traffic Act.

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J. H. HANSON
 FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
 U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
 810 SOUTH SPRING, ROOM 603
 LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

BREKID ADVISE IMMEDIATELY PROBABLE DATE REMOVAL JEWELL LEVERNE GRAYSON

A.B. FLETCHER

CC Bureau Cincinnati
 OFFICIAL BUSINESS
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
423 U. S. COURT HOUSE & CUSTOM HOUSE BLDG.,
ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI

o BREKID ADVISE IMMEDIATELY PROBABLE DATE REMOVAL RUTH HAMM ROBSION

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
500 RECTOR BUILDING
LITTLE ROCK ARKANSAS

BREKID RUTH HAMM ROBSION FURNISHED TEN THOUSAND DOLLAR BOND
FOR APPEARANCE FEDERAL COURT LITTLEROCK OCTOBER SEVENTEENTH
NEXT HER ATTORNEY ADVISED THIS OFFICE HE INTENDS HAVING
HAMM RETURN LITTLEROCK ENTER PLEA GUILTY DATE NOT DETERMINED

cc BUREAU
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cc Cincinnati

J. R. NORRIS

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Mr. J. E. Hoover, Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

FBI LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA
(Name and address of Contributor)

MAY 25, 1938
(Date)

Dear Sir:

7/10 Jm

The following is additional record in a case on which fingerprints have been mailed to the Federal Bureau of Investigation:

1523906

FBI Number _____
Name, Aliases and Number GRACE GOLDSTEIN, aliases Jewell LeVerne Grayson, Ruth Wilson,
Mrs. Ed. Woods, Helen Woods, Mrs. Ed. Parker - USM, Los Angeles #6504

Fingerprint Classification _____
(To be given if FBI number not known)

Date of Arrest, or Received 5-18-38

Charge Harboring

Date of Disposition 5-23-38

Disposition Ordered removed E.D. Arkansas *Post*

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

VIP:AB
CC Cincinnati
Little Rock

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Very truly yours,
J. H. Hanson
J. H. HANSON
Special Agent in Charge
(Official Title)

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Grace Goldstein wpa

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
LOS ANGELES FIELD DIVISION

N. B. I. No.

Name

Aliases

Residence

Crimes

Age 22 Height 5'

Weight 120 Build fat

Hair blond Eyes blue

Color

Born Paris, Tex. 1-29-06

Occupation

Remarks:

C. P. Class.



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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
LOS ANGELES FIELD DIVISION

F. B. I. No.

Name

Aliases

Residence

Crimes

Age *27* Height *5'*

Weight *150* Build *fat*

Hair *black* Eyes *blue*

Color

Born *Paris, Fr. 1-29-06*

Occupation

Remarks

F. P. Class.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CINCINNATI, OHIO**

L.A. FILE NO. **7-42**

REPORT MADE AT LOS ANGELES	DATE WHEN MADE 5-25-38	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 5-13, 18, 19-38 5-23-38	REPORT MADE BY R. N. PRANKE AB
TITLE CHANGED GEORGE TIMINEY, with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. #1232; GRACE GOLDSTEIN aliases Jewell LeVerne Grayson, Ruth Wilson, Mrs. Ed. Woods, Helen Woods, Mrs. Ed. Parker - FUGITIVE; ET AL. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</p> <p>Appropriate arrangements made with MATSON NAVIGATION COMPANY and DOLLAR STEAMSHIP LINE, INC., LTD., Los Angeles, to watch for GRACE GOLDSTEIN, with aliases. As a result of these stop notices, information was received that GRACE GOLDSTEIN as JEWELL LEVERNE GRAYSON purchased a ticket for Honolulu on the MATSON LINE on 5-18-38. She was apprehended the same date. Fugitive complaint was filed 5-19-38; arraigned same date and waived removal. She declined to give signed statement but orally admitted harboring KARPIS and claimed no others involved. GOLDSTEIN ordered removed 5-23-38. Disposition sheet herewith. - RUC -</p>			
<p>REFERENCE:</p> <p>Letter Little Rock to San Francisco 5-11-38; Teletypes to and from Little Rock and Bureau 5-18-38.</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>J.M. Hanson</i>		SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	
COPIES OF THIS REPORT			DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3- Bureau 3- Cincinnati 3- Little Rock (1 USA, L.R. W) 2- San Francisco 1- U.S. Atty, L.A. 2- Los Angeles 			<p>76-3-347</p> <p>JUN 2 1938</p> <p>3 1 A.M</p> <p>DISPOSITION SHEET</p> <p>ONE-STAT. SECT</p>

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Letter -

F.E. Loughlin

as -

J.H.

J.M. Hanson

Memo of Disposition

7-2-38

J.H.

DETAILS:

The title of this case is being changed to add the name of GRACE GOLDSTEIN, with aliases JEWELL LEVERNE GRAYSON, RUTH WILSON, MRS. ED. WOODS, HELEN WOODS and MRS. ED. PARKER. It is realized that the title is not complete, but in view of the fact that the complete title for this case is not known by the Los Angeles office, it is believed the above will suffice for identification purposes.

AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

At the MATSON NAVIGATION COMPANY, 723 West 7th Street, telephone Vandyke 2421, reporting Agent interviewed MR. F. E. LAUGHLIN, Chief Clerk, who stated that their office covers the entire southern part of California; that if any individual takes a trip to the Hawaiian Islands, he must board the ship at either Los Angeles, San Francisco, or Vancouver; that the regular passenger lists are maintained at their main office in San Francisco; however, if a passenger buys a ticket at Los Angeles, they would have a record of the same. MR. LAUGHLIN was furnished with the name GRACE GOLDSTEIN, with aliases, as mentioned in reference letter, and stated he would make a check for these names on their passenger lists for two weeks subsequent to May 11, 1938. He stated, however, there is always a possibility that a passenger might go direct to the ship at the Los Angeles Harbor and purchase a ticket at the last moment, and that this record would be at San Francisco instead of at the Los Angeles office. MR. LAUGHLIN suggested that appropriate arrangements be made at the main office in San Francisco.

MR. LAUGHLIN stated that their ship "LURLINE" leaves Los Angeles May 14, 1938 at 5:00 P.M.; that the "MATSONIA" leaves Los Angeles May 20, 1938 at noon and goes to Honolulu via San Francisco; that the "MARIPOSA" leaves Los Angeles May 25, 1938 at 10:00 P.M. and goes direct to Honolulu; that there is another ship leaving Los Angeles May 28, 1938 at 5:00 P.M.

MR. LAUGHLIN had a passenger list for passengers on the "LURLINE", which was checked, but the name GRACE GOLDSTEIN did not appear thereon, neither did any of her aliases; however, it was noted that there was listed a MRS. SAM P. WOODS, Cabin 347, who was to leave on the "LURLINE" from San Francisco on May 13, 1938. It was also noted that a MISS ALICE PARKER was to occupy Cabin 516 on the "LURLINE" leaving San Francisco May 13th. MR. LAUGHLIN stated

that inasmuch as her name was typed in on the passenger list, instead of being mimeographed, she undoubtedly registered for this cabin either on Wednesday, May 11th, or subsequent thereto. It was also noted that there was listed on this passenger list a MRS. JACK PARKER Cabin 510 on the "LURLINE".

MR. LAUGHLIN stated that if he received any information pertaining to GRACE GOLDSTEIN, with aliases, he would immediately communicate with the Los Angeles Bureau office.

At the offices of the DOLLAR STEAMSHIP LINE, INC., LTD., 514 West 6th Street, telephone MUTUAL 321, reporting Agent interviewed MRS. HECKEL who was furnished with the above name and aliases, and promised her cooperation in notifying the Los Angeles Bureau office. She also suggested that appropriate inquiries be made at their main office in San Francisco for the same reasons as mentioned above. MM

MRS. HECKEL stated that their ship "PRESIDENT POLK" left Los Angeles on May 11, 1938 and leaves San Francisco May 13th; that she is quite positive that the name GRACE GOLDSTEIN nor her aliases appeared on this passenger list. She further advised that the "PRESIDENT TAFT" leaves Los Angeles May 21, 1938 and leaves San Francisco May 27th; that the "PRESIDENT COOLIDGE" leaves Los Angeles May 30, 1938 and leaves San Francisco June 3rd.

The following investigation is being reported by Special Agent V. I. Parry:

At about 12:30 P.M. on May 18, 1938, MR. F. E. LAUGHLIN, Chief Clerk at the MATSON NAVIGATION COMPANY, telephoned Agent Parry and advised that a JEWELL L. GRAYSON had been in the office that morning and had made tentative arrangements to purchase transportation on the "SS MATSONIA" sailing at noon on Friday, May 20, 1938, and that she was presently residing at the Stowell Hotel, 416 South Spring Street; that she was due back in that office in the afternoon to purchase her ticket.

Special Agent W. E. Miller immediately contacted MR. LAUGHLIN and again displayed the photograph of GRACE GOLDSTEIN to him, and he advised there was no question but that the two individuals were identical.

While Agent Miller was in the office of the MATSON NAVIGATION COMPANY, GRACE GOLDSTEIN appeared and purchased a cabin class round-trip ticket for the "SS MATSONIA" and was assigned

Stateroom 404. Agent Miller obtained a look at her and verified her identity from the picture.

This information was immediately furnished the Little Rock Field Division and a reply was received that GRACE GOLDSTEIN had been indicted that day and that arrangements should be made to apprehend her. In view of the fact that the newspapers had just come out, listing a number of other individuals who were also indicted on this date, Special Agents W. E. Miller and V. E. Criss immediately proceeded to the Stowell Hotel where, after a short wait, GRACE GOLDSTEIN returned and was taken into custody and brought to the Los Angeles Bureau office, (where she was fingerprinted and photographed.)

GRACE GOLDSTEIN advised that she would not furnish any written statement concerning her participation in this case, but she readily admitted her association with ALVIN KARPIS and the others involved in this case, and she advised Special Agents V. E. Criss and V. I. Parry that she was with ALVIN KARPIS from the Spring of 1935 until the time he was caught. She stated that sometime about March or April, 1935, KARPIS and FRED HUNTER came to her house in Hot Springs, Arkansas, having been sent there by a bartender with whom she had made arrangements to send individuals looking for a house of prostitution. She stated that she went with ALVIN KARPIS and that CONNIE MORRIS went with FRED HUNTER, and that she rented a place with KARPIS at DYERS on a lake near Hot Springs.

GRACE GOLDSTEIN further indicated that JOSEPH WAKELIN and DUTCH WAKERS at no time knew who KARPIS was, and that in fact she did not know who he was until in about October of 1935 when they raided DYERS' place at the lake. She advised that just prior to this raid, KARPIS and HARRY CAMPBELL had gone to Ohio, and that it was her recollection that the raid at DYERS had taken place on a Saturday, and that the same morning COKER and FRED HUNTER had followed KARPIS and CAMPBELL to Ohio.

She further indicated that she was away from DYERS on Saturday morning, and when she came back that afternoon she was told by DYER that a Bureau Agent had been there that morning and had been dressed as if he were going fishing, and made numerous inquiries concerning her and whoever else was living at the place at that time. She stated that after KARPIS and HUNTER came back to Ohio, they lived in various places in Hot Springs, the locations of

which she claims she does not know at this time. She stated that she and KARPIS drove around Hot Springs in plain sight in her automobile and that on occasions he drove her automobile about Hot Springs by himself. She admitted that she was acquainted with WAKELIN and AKERS. Questioned as to whether WAKELIN and AKERS had ever asked her concerning the identity of the man she was riding with, she stated they never had, and that she was positive that WAKELIN, AKERS and the others did not know the identity of KARPIS. She also indicated that WAKELIN and the others had never seen KARPIS, in spite of the fact that he drove about openly in her car.

GRACE GOLDSTEIN admitted that she was going with WAKELIN at the present time, but indicated that she was getting tired of him, and that the reason for her trip to Honolulu was so that she could break away from him and sever her relations with him.

She was questioned also concerning any individuals who might have given her tips concerning the efforts of this Bureau to apprehend KARPIS and others, and she denied that anyone had furnished her or KARPIS with any information as to the activities of Bureau Agents, although she did state that a brother of CECIL BROCK was being employed at that time as a chauffeur by the Post Office Inspectors, and that he called on CONNIE MORRIS one night at her house and tried to get her drunk in order to secure information from her concerning KARPIS and HUNTER. However, CONNIE was given coca cola instead of whiskey, and BROCK himself got drunk and told CONNIE that the Post Office Inspectors were in town looking for AL and FRED.

It is realized that this interview with GRACE GOLDSTEIN is not complete in any detail, but the information in the Los Angeles file is not complete. The information recorded herein was obtained by simply letting GRACE GOLDSTEIN talk, and questioning her concerning the statements she made.

GRACE GOLDSTEIN was allowed to return to the Stowell Hotel in the company of Special Agents V. E. Criss, E. P. Hair and W. H. Osborne, where her belongings were searched and she was allowed to pack them. She was then immediately removed to the Los Angeles County Jail.

The only thing that the above Agents found in their search of her belongings that might be of possible interest is a letter addressed to "RUTH WILSON, General Delivery, Los Angeles, California" from Hot Springs, Arkansas, indicating it was received in Los Angeles on May 12, 1938. She refused to divulge who this

letter was from, but it is believed it is probably from WAKELIN, inasmuch as she sort of grinned when his name was mentioned as the writer of the letter. There was taken from her belongings at this time a notebook bearing the name KERN LIMERICK, Inc., 115 North Spring St., Little Rock, Ark., which notebook contains a list of names and addresses of various individuals, some of whom it is believed have had some connection with this case.

The letter and notebook above referred to are being forwarded to the Little Rock Field Division with copies of this report, for their information, and should be returned to GRACE GOLDSTEIN after they have served their purpose.

It might be noted that GRACE GOLDSTEIN paid \$170.00 for her ticket, and that this ticket was returned to the MATSON NAVIGATION COMPANY and a check made out to JEWELL L. GRAYSON was obtained and given to her at the County Jail. She had further paid \$2.00 for the transfer of her baggage from the hotel to the ship, and the MATSON NAVIGATION COMPANY has indicated that they will forward this \$2.00 in the form of a check to the Little Rock Field Division so that it may be given to GRACE GOLDSTEIN.

The facts in this case were presented to Assistant United States Attorney WM. FLEET PALMER on May 19, 1938, who authorized the filing of a fugitive complaint based upon the information contained in the Little Rock teletype of May 18, 1938. This complaint was filed before United States Commissioner DAVID B. HEAD on May 19, 1938 and GRACE GOLDSTEIN was arraigned, waived removal^{and} on the same date her bond was set at \$10,000.00.

The notes taken by Agents Criss and Parry during the interview with GRACE GOLDSTEIN are being maintained in the Los Angeles office file of this case.

On May 23, 1938, GRACE GOLDSTEIN was ordered removed to the Eastern District of Arkansas. Disposition sheet is being submitted herewith.

The following description of GRACE GOLDSTEIN was obtained by personal interview and questioning by Agent Parry:

Age	32 (Born Paris, Texas, 1-29-06)
Weight	150 lbs.
Height	5 feet
Hair	Bleached Blonde
Eyes	Blue
Complexion	Medium
Build	Fat

ENCLOSURES: TO BUREAU - 2 photographs of GRACE
GOLDSTEIN;
Disposition Sheet

TO LITTLE
ROCK - 2 photographs of GRACE
GOLDSTEIN;
Letter addressed to MISS
RUTH WILSON;
Notebook bearing the name
KERN-LIMERICK, INC.

TO CINCINNATI - 2 photographs of
GRACE GOLDSTEIN.

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July 14, 1938

Mr. F. E. Laughlin
Chief Clerk
Matson Navigation Company
723 West Seventh Street
Los Angeles, California

Dear Mr. Laughlin:

There has recently been brought to my attention the excellent assistance which you rendered the Los Angeles Office of this Bureau, resulting in the location and apprehension of Grace Goldstein, who was wanted by this Bureau in connection with the harboring of Alvin Karpis, one of the perpetrators of the kidnaping of Edward George Bremer at St. Paul, Minnesota, as well as for the violation of the White Slave Traffic Act.

I want to express to you my sincere appreciation for your assistance in this matter, and to assure you that it is by such wholehearted public spirited interest that this Bureau is able to effectively carry forward its duties of crime detection and prevention.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Coffey.....
Mr. Crowl.....
Mr. Dawsey.....
Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Forworth.....
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Mr. Nichols.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

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 U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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 J. E. Hoover
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RHEA WHITLEY
ATTORNEY AT LAW
SOUTHERN BUILDING
WASHINGTON, D. C.

May 20, 1938

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I want to thank you for your letter
of May 18th, transmitting copy of the address
delivered by you at Kansas City, Missouri, on
May 17th, 1938. I enjoyed reading the ad-
dress very much.

Congratulations on the Hot Springs
clean-up; I know that place has been a sore
spot for a long time and I still think that
so-called law enforcement officials who pro-
tect criminals are much worse than the crimi-
nals they protect.

With personal regards, I am

Sincerely,

/s/ RHEA WHITLEY
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May 28, 1938

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Mr. Rhea Whitley,
Attorney at Law,
501B-503 Southern Building,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Rhea:

I wanted to write you this personal note to tell you that I appreciated your thoughtfulness in writing to let me know that you enjoyed my Kansas City address delivered before the General Federation of Women's Clubs.

Also, may I thank you for your congratulatory expressions relative to the Hot Springs situation. I know you can well appreciate just how much effort has been expended in that locality and your remarks are therefore doubly appreciated.

With best regards and all good wishes,

Sincerely

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**Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Los Angeles, California
May 27, 1938**

Mr. Tolson
Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
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Mr. Crowl
Mr. Dawsey
Mr. Egan
Mr. Foxworth
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Harbo
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Mr. Tracy
Miss Gandy

Mr. J. E. Hoover, Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

For your information, Mr. A. W. Stowe, news reporter for the news broadcasts of Radio Station KFWB, contacted me on May 19, 1938, inquiring as to whether it would be possible for me to appear on a news broadcast on the evening of May 19th in connection with the arrest in Los Angeles of Grace Goldstein, one of the individuals indicted in the cases involving the harboring of Alvin Karpis in Hot Springs, Arkansas.

As you will recall, the Bureau authorized the Los Angeles office to make a press release in this case, the account of the arrest obtaining considerable publicity here. Because of the fact that I had commitments between six and six-fifteen P. M., when the broadcast took place, I informed Mr. Stowe that I would not be able to accept this invitation, telling him also, of course, that it was necessary to secure prior authority from the Department in instances of this kind. However, it occurs to me that in cases where the Bureau authorizes releases to newspapers in connection with the activities of the Bureau, it would seem that there would be no particular objection to making a similar release to the radio news commentators. Mr. Stowe stated that his organization would send its sound truck to the Los Angeles office and a transcription would be taken of the interview with me in instances of this kind.

I thought that I should communicate with you about the above and ascertain if it would be permissible in such cases where you authorize the release of certain facts to the press to similarly give the information to the radio news broadcasting stations providing particularly, of course, that they would send their sound truck to the office for the transcribing of the interview.

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Very truly yours,

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

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Special Agent in Charge
Los Angeles, California

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated May 27, 1938 relative to the authorization of making releases to radio news commentators in cases where the Bureau authorizes releases to newspapers in connection with its activities.

The Bureau believes that it is satisfactory to make releases of this nature available to radio news commentators. In this connection, however, it is desired that where you are invited to appear on the news broadcast program, arrangements should be made to go to the radio studio rather than to have the broadcasting station send its sound truck and equipment to the field division for the purpose of transcribing the interview. You should, of course, in each instance, prepare the script to be used on the broadcast and advise the Bureau of your intention to participate in the news broadcast concerning each particular release unless advice to the contrary is received from the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

- Mr. Tolson.....
- Mr. Nathan.....
- Mr. Tamm.....
- Mr. Clegg.....
- Mr. Coffey.....
- Mr. Dawson.....
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It was announced today at the Department of Justice that Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation had taken into custody six individuals upon warrants charging each with having harbored Alvin Karpis at Hot Springs, Arkansas, and vicinity.

Herbert "Dutch" Akers is likewise charged with having harbored Thomas Nathan Norris.

Those arrested by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation are all of Hot Springs, Arkansas. They are as follows:

Herbert "Dutch" Akers, former Chief of Detectives, Hot Springs, Arkansas, Police Department.

Joseph Wakelin, former Chief of Police, Hot Springs, Arkansas, Police Department.

Cecil Brock, former Lieutenant in Charge of Identification, Hot Springs, Arkansas, Police Department.

John Stover

Morris Loftis

Mrs. Al C. Dyer

The police officers named above are charged with having harbored Alvin Karpis while they were on active duty with the Hot Springs, Arkansas, Police Department. On May 16, 1938, the Federal Grand Jury at Little Rock, Arkansas, in addition to returning indictments against the above named individuals also returned indictments against Connie Morris and Grace Goldstein charging both with having harbored Alvin Karpis at Hot Springs, Arkansas. ~~indictment was also returned charging Grace Goldstein with violation of the White~~

There is attached hereto a memorandum outlining the activities of the persons against whom indictments have been returned by the Federal Grand Jury at Little Rock, Arkansas.

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MEMORANDUM

The Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, subsequent to the apprehension of Alvin Karpis at New Orleans, Louisiana, on May 1, 1936, and Harry Campbell at Toledo, Ohio, on May 7, 1936, began an intensive investigation of all persons who harbored, aided or abetted these fugitives and other members of the publicized Karpis-Barker gang who were under indictment for the kidnaping of Edward George Bremer, a wealthy banker of St. Paul, Minnesota, on January 17, 1934.

During the course of the investigation conducted by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation regarding the abduction of Mr. Bremer, which resulted in the conviction of numerous members of the notorious Karpis-Barker gang and the death of three others while resisting arrest, it was learned that the gang spent many months in Toledo and Cleveland, Ohio, as well as in Hot Springs, Arkansas, where they resided unmolested. They shared among themselves a part of the \$200,000 ransom money collected from the Bremer family and spent it freely in drinking, vice and gambling. Action was delayed against the individuals who harbored and otherwise aided and abetted the gang until such a time as all of the abductors were captured. Nine individuals were convicted in the summer of 1937 in Cleveland, Ohio, for harboring and otherwise assisting members of the Karpis-Barker gang in Toledo, Ohio, and vicinity. The members of the gang who found protection in Hot Springs, Arkansas, were Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell and Fred Hunter.

Alvin Karpis, an ex-convict from the Kansas State Penitentiary and a fugitive from the State of Missouri on a charge of murdering the popular Sheriff C. R. Kelly of West Plains, Missouri on December 19, 1931, and Harry Campbell, wanted on a murder charge in the State of Oklahoma, have since been given life sentences. Harry Campbell was given a life sentence for the kidnaping and interstate transportation from St. Paul, Minnesota to Bensenville, Illinois, of Mr. Bremer. Karpis is now serving life imprisonment for the kidnaping of William A. Hamm, Jr., a wealthy brewer of St. Paul, Minnesota, on June 15, 1933.

In June, 1935, Alvin Karpis, together with Fred Hunter, moved to Hot Springs, Arkansas, residing in cottages on the various lakes and daily frequenting the houses of prostitution operated by Grace Goldstein. Grace Goldstein became a constant companion of Alvin Karpis, and one of her prostitutes, Connie Morris, associated herself with Fred Hunter. They were visited in their rendezvous in Hot Springs, Arkansas, by Harry Campbell and others of the gang from time to time, and they all moved about freely in Hot Springs without any apparent fear of arrest. The association of Karpis and Hunter with Grace Goldstein and Connie Morris continued almost

uninterrupted until the apprehension by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation of Alvin Karpis in New Orleans, Louisiana, on May 1, 1936, at which time Fred Hunter and Connie Morris accompanied Alvin Karpis. On May 7, 1936, Fred Hunter received a sentence of two years for conspiracy to harbor Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, to be served in a Federal Penitentiary. Hunter also stands convicted and sentenced to serve twenty-five years in a Federal Penitentiary for his participation with Karpis and others in the Garrettsville, Ohio, mail train robbery on November 7, 1935.

Herbert "Dutch" Akers, the former Chief of Detectives; Joseph Wakelin, the former Chief of Police; Cecil Brock, former Lieutenant in Charge of the Identification Division; all of the Hot Springs, Arkansas, Police Department, were aware of the identity of Alvin Karpis, and were visitors at the houses of prostitution operated by Grace Goldstein at Hot Springs, Arkansas. Herbert "Dutch" Akers was observed on one occasion in conversation with Alvin Karpis, and Chief of Police Joseph Wakelin had almost nightly clandestine meetings with Grace Goldstein during the time Karpis and Hunter resided in Hot Springs, Arkansas. Morris Loftis and Mrs. A. C. Dyer rented a cottage at Dyers Landing to Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter, and informed Karpis and Hunter in December, 1935, of the details of an investigation conducted by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation at Hot Springs, Arkansas, in October, 1935, looking to the location and apprehension of Alvin Karpis.

John Stover, operator of the Hot Springs, Arkansas, Municipal Airport, flew Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter and their female companions to various sections of the country and otherwise assisted them in avoiding detection and apprehension. Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter are named as co-conspirators in the indictments returned against each of the individuals charged with harboring Alvin Karpis.

~~Grace Goldstein is also charged with a violation of the White Slave Traffic Act in that on October 11, 1935, she transported by automobile Margaret Thompson, her niece, from Paris, Texas, to Hot Springs, Arkansas, where Margaret Thompson was induced to engage in prostitution at one of the houses of prostitution operated by Grace Goldstein. The violation of the White Slave Traffic Act carries a more severe penalty than the violation of the Federal Harboring Statute.~~

Herbert "Dutch" Akers, in addition to being charged with the harboring of Alvin Karpis, is charged with the harboring of Thomas Nathan Norris. Thomas Nathan Norris was one of the robbers of the Palmetto State Bank,

Lake City, South Carolina, which was robbed on September 4, 1934 of \$114,000. The robbery of this bank did not come under the investigative jurisdiction of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, but on May 8, 1936, a complaint was issued at Charleston, South Carolina, charging Norris with unlawful flight to avoid prosecution. On November 13, 1936, complaints were filed at Fort Worth, Texas, charging T. N. Norris and others with unlawful flight to avoid prosecution for three armed robberies perpetrated at Fort Worth, Texas, during October, 1936. It was also definitely determined that Norris and others attempted to rob the Bank of Lake, Lake, Mississippi, just prior to the robbery of the Palmetto State Bank at Lake City, and in connection with this unsuccessful attempt, another complaint was filed at Vicksburg, Mississippi on April 9, 1937, charging Norris with unlawful flight to avoid prosecution.

The investigation conducted by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation in connection with the harboring of T. N. Norris by Herbert "Dutch" Akers, developed that Norris and his associates, Sam Stegal Haynes, Alfred "Sonny" Lamb and Goldie H. Hairston, were harbored by Akers at Hot Springs, Arkansas, from March 15, 1937, to August 15, 1937. Akers has admitted to Special Agents his guilt in connection with this violation of the Federal Harboring Statute.

Norris, Haynes, Hairston and Lamb committed numerous crimes of violence, including armed robberies and a murder, while being protected by Akers at Hot Springs, Arkansas. On August 15, 1937, Haynes was arrested at Benton, Arkansas, by the Arkansas State Police. Later that day the Arkansas State Police killed Alfred "Sonny" Lamb as he was resisting arrest in Hot Springs, Arkansas. Norris was taken into custody one mile west of Rogers, Arkansas, on August 16, 1937, in a raid on the home of his mother, at which time he was shot in both arms and legs while resisting arrest by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Arkansas State Police, and local authorities.

Goldie Hairston, wanted for violation of the National Motor Vehicle Theft Act, was found dead of gunshot wounds near Gretna, Louisiana, after he and companions had fired upon two officers of the Gulfport, Mississippi Police Department on September 7, 1937, killing one of the officers.

Thomas Nathan Norris is presently incarcerated in the Texas State Penitentiary on one 99-year sentence for murder, two 99-year sentences for armed robbery, and a sentence of 5 to 40 years for armed robbery. Sam Stegal Haynes is presently incarcerated in the Texas State Penitentiary at Huntsville, Texas, where he is serving a sentence of from 5 to 12 years for armed robbery, and is awaiting trial on an indictment returned November 9, 1937, in the State District Court at Richmond, Texas, charging him with the murder of Robert Rutledge at Stafford, Texas. This is the murder charge for which Norris received a 99-year sentence.

Norris, Sam Stegal Haynes, Goldie Hairston and Alfred "Sonny" Lamb are being named as co-conspirators in the indictment returned against Herbert "Dutch" Akers for his participation in the harboring of Thomas Nathan Norris.

As a result of the investigations conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the members of the Karpis-Barker gang who kidnaped William A. Hamm, Jr., St. Paul, Minnesota, June 15, 1933, and Edward George Bremer, St. Paul, Minnesota, January 17, 1934, obtaining \$100,000 and \$200,000 respectively, for the release of the victims, together with various persons who harbored and aided or abetted them, have been disposed of as follows:

	Life sentence	Kidnaping - Hamm
Alvin Karpis		
Harry Campbell	" "	" - Bremer
Charles Fitzgerald	" "	" - Hamm
Arthur "Doc" Barker	" "	" - Bremer
William Weaver	" "	" "
Volney Davis	" "	" "
Harry Sawyer	" "	" "
Oliver A. Berg	" "	" "
	(Berg also serving life on State charge)	
Fred Barker	Killed resisting arrest January 16, 1935	" "
Kate Barker	Killed resisting arrest January 16, 1935	" "
Russell Gibson	Killed resisting arrest January 8, 1935	" "
William J. Harrison	Killed January 5, 1935, by associates	" "
Fred Goetz, alias Shotgun Zeigler	Killed March, 1934, by associates	" "

Bryan Bolton	Four 3-year sentences	Kidnaping - Hamm and Bremer
Wynona Burdette	Five-year sentence	Harboring Karpis and Campbell
Dolores Delaney	Five-year sentence	" " "
Myrtle Eaton	Six-months' sentence	Harboring Weaver
Edna Murray	Serving twenty-five years on State charge of robbery	
John J. McLaughlin, alias "Boss"	Five-year sentence for money changing (died in prison)	Kidnaping - Bremer
Harold Alderton	Twenty-year sentence	Provided hideout Bremer kidnaping
Elmer Farmer	Twenty-year sentence	Provided hideout Bremer kidnaping
Edmund C. Bartholmey (Postmaster, Bensenville)	Six-year sentence	Provided hideout Hamm kidnaping
James J. Wilson	Five-year sentence	Kidnaping - Bremer
Jack Peifer	Thirty-year sentence (committed suicide the date of sentence)	Kidnaping - Hamm
Cassius McDonald	Fifteen-year sentence	Kidnaping - Bremer
Bert Angus	Two-year ten-month sentence and \$500 fine	Harboring of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell at Toledo, Cleveland and vicinity
Ted Angus	Two-year ten-month sentence and \$500 fine	"
Arthur W. Hebebrand	Two-year sentence and \$1000 fine	"
Edward McGraw	Two-year sentence and \$500 fine	"

Clara McGraw	Two-year sentence and \$500 fine	Harboring of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell at Toledo, Cleveland, and vicinity
Edith Barry	Two-year sentence and \$500 fine	"
John F. Gorman	Three-year sentence and \$1000 fine	"
Frank Greenwald	One-year three-month sentence	"
Anthony Amersbach	Two and one-half year sen- tence and \$1000 fine	"
Sam Coker	Not sentenced as now serving thirty-year sentence at Okla- homa	"
Bruno Austin, alias "Whitie"	Life sentence State court for murder	Associate Arthur "Doc" Barker
Jesse Doyle	Ten-year sentence State court for Bank Robbery	Associate of Volney Davis

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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

PEF:JHR

May 28, 1938.

Time-10:56 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Re: Harbor Case;
Little Rock, Arkansas.

SAC Fletcher called from Little Rock and stated that he has just received a telegram from the Bureau asking when Agent Sullivan would go to El Paso on general assignment. Mr. Fletcher sent a letter to the Bureau on the Brekid case on May 23, stating that unless advised to the contrary, Mr. Sullivan would be kept until Grace Goldstein was removed to Little Rock from Los Angeles. Agent Sullivan is needed to interview her prior to the time she makes bond. Connie Morris, who was arrested at St. Louis, waived hearing yesterday and will be removed to Little Rock next week; in this respect, it might be advisable to have Agent Sullivan talk to her. SAC Fletcher told me that he does not want to delay the departure of Mr. Sullivan to El Paso; at the present time, he is in Hot Springs working on some more evidence on the Stover angle to prove that he had knowledge of the fugitive status of Karpis. Outside of the Goldstein and Morris angles, Sullivan should be ready to leave about Monday night. A wire has been received from Los Angeles stating that the return of Grace Goldstein is indefinite, though it will probably take place within a week. I told Mr. Fletcher that the El Paso Office is in dire need of men; that he should wire the Los Angeles Office for more definite information. Agent Sullivan is the only man in the office outside of the SAC who is familiar with this case and is really needed for the interviews. Mr. Fletcher will keep Agent Sullivan at Little Rock if it is found that the interviews can take place in the near future.

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Edw. J. Connelley
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Respectfully, P. E. FOXWORTH	
F. E. FOXWORTH U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE	
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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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FBI, 603-810 S. Spring St.
Los Angeles, California
May 28, 1938

TELEGRAM VIA WESTERN UNION

H. B. Fletcher
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Little Rock, Arkansas

BREKID REMOVAL DATE JEWELL GRAYSON STILL INDEFINITE
POSSIBLY LEAVE HERE JUNE FIRST. WILL ADVISE WHEN
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- Mr. Carson
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- Mr. Quinn
- Mr. Nease
- Miss Gandy

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United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

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June 2, 1938

Time - 3:20 P. M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Re: Special Agent D. P. Sullivan

I talked with SAC Fletcher, Little Rock, telling him that he might have Special Agent Sullivan remain in Little Rock until the arrival of Gracie Goldstein, which he informed me this morning would be in the next three or four days. Fletcher stated Agent Sullivan had left just a short time ago for El Paso. He will try to reach him and have him return to Little Rock, remaining there until such a time as the Goldstein woman is interviewed.

Respectfully,

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May 19, 1938

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
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Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I want to thank you for your latest enclosure; namely, the one given in Kansas City.

It is certainly most interesting to know that proceedings are taken against people in Little Rock. If enough such incidents take place, it would seem that sooner or later a certain type of politician should gradually get a greater respect of the law.

Cordially yours,

(S) G. H. Estabrooks

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Dr. G. M. Estabrooks
Placement Bureau
Colgate University
Hamilton, New York

Dear Dr. Estabrooks:

Your letter of May 19, 1938, has been received and I was very happy to know that you enjoyed the copy of my Kansas City address which I recently forwarded to you.

I want you to know that it is most encouraging to me to realize that so many of our law-abiding citizens are taking an active interest in the problems which confront the law enforcement profession. May I express my thanks to you for your courtesy in acknowledging the copy of my address and for your continued interest in the work of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

With best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

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kept company with Grace Goldstein from the summer of 1935 and thereafter until Karpis was captured on May 1, 1936. Wakelin telephoned Grace Goldstein practically every night, and would go out with her as often as three or four times a week during the latter part of 1935 and the first part of 1936, while the Goldstein woman was the constant companion of Alvin Karpis. Joseph Wakelin lent to Grace Goldstein a set of his license plates, knowing that she was to place them on her Buick coupe which was to be used in making the trip to Texas, and probably knowing that Karpis would accompany her. With reference to Cecil Brock, he knew that Joseph Wakelin had lent his license plates to Grace Goldstein, and knowing that she was associating with Alvin Karpis, he obtained the license plates of Joseph Wakelin from Grace Goldstein's car after she had finished making use of same, and returned them to Wakelin at Wakelin's request.

Cecil Brock and Garnett Moore were also advised by Della May Jeffries alias "Ginger" Morgan, of the above, on or about December 3, 1935. She also advised them that Alvin Karpis, whose photograph she identified for them, had been keeping company with Grace Goldstein for several months and that Karpis had been frequenting the Hatterie Hotel.

With reference to John Stover, the operator of the Municipal Airport, Hot Springs, Arkansas, it appears that on December 10, 1935, knowing the true identity of Alvin Karpis and that Karpis was wanted by the Federal Government, he drove Karpis and Hunter from the Municipal Airport to downtown Hot Springs on the above date. John Stover flew Fred Hunter and Connie Morris to San Antonio, Texas, on November 12, 1935. Stover made several trips between Hot Springs, Arkansas, and Youngstown, Ohio and Canton, Ohio, with Karpis and Grace Goldstein as passengers during January, 1936. As early as June 23, 1935, John Stover flew Fred Hunter to Tulsa, Oklahoma. On January 21, 1936, John Stover after flying Karpis and Grace Goldstein from Canton, Ohio to the vicinity of Benton, Arkansas, where Stover had a forced landing, accompanied Karpis and Grace Goldstein to the Hot Springs Municipal Airport, and then drove Karpis to 124 Clubb Street, the house that Karpis and Grace Goldstein were then occupying.

With reference to Morris Loftis, the caretaker, and Mrs. Al C. Dyer, the proprietor, of Dyer's Landing, it is noted that these two individuals informed Karpis and Hunter of the details of the investigation being conducted by Agents of the Bureau from time to time, which investi-

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gation was looking to the location and apprehension of Alvin Karpis. Loftis and Mrs. Dyer were aware of the identity of Karpis, and of the fact that he was wanted by the Federal Government when they were informing Karpis or Hunter of our investigation.

With reference to Grace Goldstein, when interviewed on January 4 and 7, 1938, stated that Karpis had a letter of introduction to "Dutch" Akers from some unknown person, which he had destroyed; that she talked Karpis out of contacting Akers upon her assurance that she would be advised by the Hot Springs, Arkansas Police Department in case any inquiry was to be made relating to her or to her house of prostitution. Grace Goldstein admits borrowing Joseph Wakelin's license plates in December, 1935, but states she began to keep company with Wakelin after Karpis was captured. She admits that she and Connie Morris lived with Karpis and Hunter at Milan's Landing in the summer of 1935, but denies the knowledge that Akers or Wakelin knew these men were in Hot Springs prior to March, 1936.

Grace Goldstein states that John Stover undoubtedly knew that Alvin Karpis was "hot", and she denies that she ever asked Stover to refrain from mentioning her name in the event he was questioned.

With regard to the White Slave Traffic Act violation, for which it is contemplated an indictment will be returned, it may be stated that Margaret Thompson nee Margaret Jones, the niece of Grace Goldstein, in a signed statement alleged that on October 16, 1935, Grace Goldstein transported her from her home near Blossom, Texas to Hot Springs, Arkansas, where the Goldstein woman ostensibly was to obtain a job for her as a beauty operator at Hot Springs, Arkansas. Grace Goldstein took the victim to the Hatterie Hotel, a house of prostitution, where they resided and the victim thereafter engaged in prostitution upon the suggestion of Grace Goldstein until December 10, 1935, when the victim returned to Blossom, Texas. The transportation of the victim was verified by the parents and sister of Margaret Thompson, the housekeeper and prostitutes at the Hatterie Hotel corroborating the facts of the victim's presence there during October, 1935. They also stated Grace Goldstein stated she desired the victim to engage in prostitution. Grace Goldstein in an unsigned statement admits the transportation of Margaret Thompson, but states she intended to take her to school at Little Rock, but the victim "hung around" Hot Springs instead until she returned home in December, 1935, and denies knowledge that the victim practiced prostitution in Hot Springs.

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In this connection, it is desired to point out that Grace Goldstein was quite bitter towards Margaret Thompson, and stated to Agent Madala, "This case (referring to the transportation of her niece, Margaret Thompson) is the only thing that you have against me, but Margaret will never testify against me. I will kill her first." When Agent Madala asked her if she would really kill Margaret in the event she testified, Grace Goldstein stated "I won't kill her, but I know some people who will kill her."

With reference to the harboring of Thomas Nathan Norris, it is contemplated that an additional indictment will be returned against Herbert "Dutch" Akers in connection with this situation.

It appears that Thomas Nathan Norris was one of the robbers of the Palmetto State Bank, Lake City, Florida, which was robbed on September 4, 1934, of \$114,000. The robbery of this bank did not come under the investigative jurisdiction of the Bureau, but on May 8, 1936, a complaint was issued at Charleston, South Carolina, charging Norris with unlawful flight to avoid prosecution. On November 15, 1936, complaints were filed at Fort Worth, Texas, charging T. N. Norris and others with unlawful flight to avoid prosecution for three armed robberies perpetrated at Fort Worth, Texas, during October, 1936. It was also definitely determined that Norris and others attempted to rob the Bank of Lake, Lake, Mississippi, just prior to the robbery of the Palmetto State Bank at Lake City, Florida, and in connection with this unsuccessful attempt another complaint charging Norris with unlawful flight to avoid prosecution was filed at Vicksburg, Mississippi.

The investigation conducted by Agents of the Bureau in connection with the harboring of Norris by Akers has developed that Norris and his associates, Sam Stegal, Haynes, Alfred "Sonny" Lamb, and "Oldie H." Hairston, were harbored by Akers at Hot Springs, Arkansas, from March 15, 1937, to August 13, 1937. Akers has admitted to Agents of the Bureau his guilt in connection with this violation of the Federal Harboring Statute.

Norris, Haynes, Hairston and Lamb composed a gang which committed numerous crimes of violence in the southwest while being protected by Akers at Hot Springs, Arkansas, including armed robberies and a murder. On August 13, 1937, Haynes proceeded to the home of his wife at Benton, Arkansas, where he was arrested by the Arkansas State Police. Later that day the Arkansas State Police killed Alfred "Sonny" Lamb as he was resisting

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arrest in Hot Springs, Arkansas. Morris was taken into custody one mile west of Rogers, Arkansas, on August 15, 1937, in a raid on the home of his mother, at which time he was shot in both arms and legs, while resisting arrest.

Goldie Hairston, wanted for violation of the National Motor Vehicle Theft Act, was found dead of gunshot wounds near Gretna, Louisiana after he and companions fired upon two officers of the Gulfport, Mississippi Police Department on September 7, 1937, killing one of the officers.

Thomas Nathan Morris is presently incarcerated in the Texas State Penitentiary on one 99 year sentence for murder, two 99 year sentences for armed robbery and a sentence of 5 to 40 years for armed robbery. Sam Stegal Haynes is presently incarcerated in the Texas State Penitentiary at Huntsville, Texas, where he is serving a sentence of from 5 to 12 years and is awaiting trial on an indictment returned November 9, 1937, in the State District Court at Richmond, Texas, charging him with the murder of Robert Rutledge at Stafford, Texas. This is the murder charge for which Morris received a 99 year sentence.

Norris, Sam Stegal Haynes, Goldie Hairston and Alfred "Gompy" Lamb are being named as co-conspirators in the indictment returned against Herbert "Dutch" Akers for his participation in the harboring of Thomas Nathan Morris.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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

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*City attorney
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On March 30, 1936, Bureau Agents and U. S. Post Office Inspectors raided the Woodcock home on Malvern Road and found that the place had been vacated.

Joseph Wakelin

With reference to Joseph Wakelin, it is to be noted that on October 13, 1935, Hot Springs newspapers carried a story that Federal Agents were seeking Alvin Karpis at a cottage on Lake Hamilton, but had found he had left. Joseph Wakelin issued a statement to the Hot Springs newspapers on October 14, 1935, that the man living on Lake Hamilton who was thought to have been Karpis, was not Karpis, but a doctor from the East. Wakelin, who was then Chief of Police of Hot Springs, Arkansas, during 1935 and 1936 knew that Grace Goldstein operated a house of prostitution. Wakelin

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kept company with Grace Goldstein from the summer of 1935 and thereafter until Karpis was captured on May 1, 1936. Wakelin telephoned Grace Goldstein practically every night, and would go out with her as often as three or four times a week during the latter part of 1935 and the first part of 1936, while the Goldstein woman was the constant companion of Alvin Karpis. Joseph Wakelin lent to Grace Goldstein a set of his license plates, knowing that she was to place them on her Buick coupe which was to be used in making the trip to Texas, and probably knowing that Karpis would accompany her. With reference to Cecil Brock, he knew that Joseph Wakelin had lent his license plates to Grace Goldstein, and knowing that she was associating with Alvin Karpis, he obtained the license plates of Joseph Wakelin from Grace Goldstein's car after she had finished making use of same, and returned them to Wakelin at Wakelin's request.

Cecil Brock (and Garnett Moore) ^{was} also advised by Della May Jeffries alias "Ginger" Morgan, of the above, on or about December 3, 1935. She also advised ~~them~~ that Alvin Karpis, whose photograph she identified for ~~them~~, had been keeping company with Grace Goldstein for several months and that Karpis had been frequenting the Hatterie Hotel.

With reference to John Stover, the operator of the Municipal Airport, Hot Springs, Arkansas, it appears that on December 10, 1935, knowing the true identity of Alvin Karpis and that Karpis was wanted by the Federal Government, he drove Karpis and Hunter from the Municipal Airport to downtown Hot Springs on the above date. John Stover flew Fred Hunter and Connie Morris to San Antonio, Texas, on November 12, 1935. Stover made several trips between Hot Springs, Arkansas, and Youngstown, Ohio and Canton, Ohio, with Karpis and Grace Goldstein as passengers during January, 1936. As early as June 28, 1935, John Stover flew Fred Hunter to Tulsa, Oklahoma. On January 21, 1936, John Stover after flying Karpis and Grace Goldstein from Canton, Ohio to the vicinity of Benton, Arkansas, where Stover had a forced landing, accompanied Karpis and Grace Goldstein to the Hot Springs Municipal Airport, and then drove Karpis to 124 Clubb Street, the house that Karpis and Grace Goldstein were then occupying.

With reference to Morris Loftis, the caretaker, and Mrs. Al C. Dyer, the proprietor, of Dyers Landing, it is noted that these two individuals informed Karpis and Hunter of the details of the investigation being conducted by Agents of the Bureau from time to time, which investi-

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gation was looking to the location and apprehension of Alvin Karpis. Loftis and Mrs. Dyer were aware of the identity of Karpis, and of the fact that he was wanted by the Federal Government when they were informing Karpis or Hunter of our investigation.

Grace Goldstein

With reference to Grace Goldstein, when interviewed on January 4 and 7, 1938, stated that Karpis had a letter of introduction to "Dutch" Akers from some unknown person, which she ~~had~~ destroyed; that she talked Karpis out of contacting Akers upon her assurance that she would be advised by the Hot Springs, Arkansas Police Department in case any inquiry was to be made relating to her or to her house of prostitution. Grace Goldstein admits borrowing Joseph Wakelin's license plates in December, 1935, but states she began to keep company with Wakelin after Karpis was captured. She admits that she and Connie Morris lived with Karpis and Hunter at Milam's Landing in the summer of 1935, but denies the knowledge that Akers or Wakelin knew these men were in Hot Springs prior to March, 1936.

Grace Goldstein states that John Stover undoubtedly knew that Alvin Karpis was "hot", and she denies that she ever asked Stover to refrain from mentioning her name in the event he was questioned.

WSTA violation

With regard to the White Slave Traffic Act violation, for which *on May 14, 1938 by Federal Building at Little Rock Ark and against Grace Goldstein* (it is contemplated) an indictment will be returned, it may be stated that Margaret Thompson nee Margaret Jones, the niece of Grace Goldstein in a signed statement alleged that on October 16, 1936, Grace Goldstein transported her from her home near Blossom, Texas to Hot Springs, Arkansas, where the Goldstein woman ostensibly was to obtain a job for her as a beauty operator at Hot Springs, Arkansas. Grace Goldstein took the victim to the Hatterie Hotel, a house of prostitution, where they resided and the victim thereafter engaged in prostitution upon the suggestion of Grace Goldstein until December 10, 1935, when the victim returned to Blossom, Texas. The transportation of the victim was verified by the parents and sister of Margaret Thompson, the housekeeper and prostitutes at the Hatterie Hotel corroborating the facts of the victim's presence there during October, 1935. They also stated Grace Goldstein stated she desired the victim to engage in prostitution. Grace Goldstein in an unsigned statement admits the transportation of Margaret Thompson, but states she intended to take her to school at Little Rock, but the victim "hung around" Hot Springs instead until she returned home in December, 1935, and denies knowledge that the victim practiced prostitution in Hot Springs.

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Grace Goldstein threatened life of victim
In this connection, it is desired to point out that Grace Goldstein was quite bitter towards Margaret Thompson, and stated to Agent Madala, "This case (referring to the transportation of her niece, Margaret Thompson) is the only thing that you have against me, but Margaret will never testify against me. I will kill her first." When Agent Madala asked her if she would really kill Margaret in the event she testified, Grace Goldstein stated "I won't kill her, but I know some people who will kill her."

Harboring of Thomas Nathan Norris
With reference to the harboring of Thomas Nathan Norris, it is contemplated that an additional indictment ~~will~~ be returned against Herbert "Dutch" Akers in connection with this situation *at Little Rock Ark on May 19, 1938. It is recalled that South Carolina*

South Carolina
It appears that Thomas Nathan Norris was one of the robbers of the Palmetto State Bank, Lake City, Florida, which was robbed on September 4, 1934, of \$114,000. The robbery of this bank did not come under the investigative jurisdiction of the Bureau, but on May 8, 1936, a complaint was issued at Charleston, South Carolina, charging Norris with unlawful flight to avoid prosecution. On November 13, 1936, complaints were filed at Fort Worth, Texas, charging T. N. Norris and others with unlawful flight to avoid prosecution for three armed robberies perpetrated at Fort Worth, Texas, during October, 1936. It was also definitely determined that Norris and others attempted to rob the Bank of Lake, Lake, Mississippi, just prior to the robbery of the Palmetto State Bank at Lake City, Florida, and in connection with this unsuccessful attempt another complaint charging Norris with unlawful flight to avoid prosecution was filed at Vicksburg, Mississippi.

Akers admits Harboring Norris
The investigation conducted by Agents of the Bureau in connection with the harboring of Norris by Akers has developed that Norris and his associates, Sam Stegal Haynes, Alfred "Sonny" Lamb, and Goldie H. Hairston, were harbored by Akers at Hot Springs, Arkansas, from March 15, 1937, to August 10, 1937. Akers has admitted to Agents of the Bureau his guilt in connection with this violation of the Federal Harboring Statute.

Original activities Norris gang
Norris, Haynes, Hairston and Lamb composed a gang which committed numerous crimes of violence in the southwest while being protected by Akers at Hot Springs, Arkansas, including armed robberies and a murder. On August 15, 1937, Haynes proceeded to the home of his wife at Benton, Arkansas, where he was arrested by the Arkansas State Police. Later that day the Arkansas State Police killed Alfred "Sonny" Lamb as he was resisting

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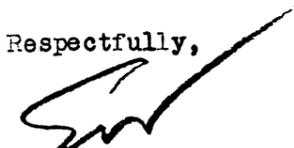
arrest in Hot Springs, Arkansas. Norris was taken into custody one mile west of Rogers, Arkansas, on August 16, 1937, in a raid on the home of his mother, at which time he was shot in both arms and legs, while resisting arrest.

Goldie Hairston, wanted for violation of the National Motor Vehicle Theft Act, was found dead of gunshot wounds near Gretna, Louisiana after he and companions fired upon two officers of the Gulfport, Mississippi Police Department on September 7, 1937, killing one of the officers.

Thomas Nathan Norris is presently incarcerated in the Texas State Penitentiary on one 99 year sentence for murder, two 99 year sentences for armed robbery and a sentence of 5 to 40 years for armed robbery. Sam Stegal Haynes is presently incarcerated in the Texas State Penitentiary at Huntsville, Texas, where he is serving a sentence of from 5 to 12 years and is awaiting trial on an indictment returned November 9, 1937, in the State District Court at Richmond, Texas, charging him with the murder of Robert Rutledge at Stafford, Texas. This is the murder charge for which Norris received a 99 year sentence.

Norris, Sam Stegal Haynes, Goldie Hairston and Alfred "Sonny" Lamb are being named as co-conspirators in the indictment returned against Herbert "Dutch" Akers for his participation in the harboring of Thomas Nathan Norris.

Respectfully,



E. A. Tamm.

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*Little Rock advised
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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Post Office Box 1469
Little Rock, Arkansas
June 4, 1938

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

AIRMAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

Dear Sir:

RE: B R E K I D

Please be advised that JEWEL LEVERNE GRAYSON, alias GRACE GOLDSTEIN arrived in Little Rock, Arkansas, upon her removal from Los Angeles, California at 3:30 a.m. of this date in the custody of Deputy U. S. Marshals. She was immediately brought to the Little Rock Office in order that an opportunity might be had to question this woman prior to her getting in touch with bondsmen or other persons who might be interested in immediately releasing her. She was thereafter questioned throughout the morning of June 4, 1938, and this woman reiterated the same story which she has previously told on several occasions, to the effect that she had no information that former Chief of Police JOSEPH WAKELIN, former CHIEF OF DETECTIVES HERBERT "DUTCH" AKERS or other Hot Springs, Arkansas police officers or city officials knew KARPIS' true identity during the time he lived in Hot Springs, Arkansas during the years 1935 and 1936. This woman made the usual pretense of being ready and willing to tell everything that she knew but continued to assert that she had no information that might involve other persons located at Hot Springs, Arkansas, in connection with the harboring of ALVIN KARPIS.

As to JOSEPH WAKELIN, her paramour, GRACE GOLDSTEIN apparently feels rather upset that he has been indicted in connection with this case, probably due to her realization that it was through her association with WAKELIN that he became involved in the harboring of KARPIS. She stated that she had no fear of serving a sentence in the penitentiary for harboring KARPIS and mentioned that she had a good time while incarcerated in the County Jail at Los Angeles, California while awaiting removal. Mention was made to the GOLDSTEIN woman that she could best aid JOSEPH WAKELIN at this time by inducing him to tell the complete truth relating to the harboring of KARPIS, regardless of whether it effected him or any other city officials in Hot Springs, Arkansas who have not already been indicted. She was advised that JOSEPH WAKELIN and HERBERT AKERS have little chance of an acquittal, in the event they stand trial, and that the United States

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Attorney at Little Rock, Arkansas might take into consideration any aid which WAKELIN or AKERS might render the Government at the time of their sentencing. The GOLDSTEIN woman appeared to give this idea considerable consideration. She stated that she probably had more influence on JOSEPH WAKELIN than any other living person, including his own wife, and that she could convince him to do practically anything that she desired.

It appeared that GRACE GOLDSTEIN was thinking this matter over, and it is not improbable that this woman will induce JOSEPH WAKELIN to provide any and all information he has concerning the harboring of KARPIS by himself and other city officials at Hot Springs, Arkansas. She would not, however, commit herself on what she would or would not do in this matter, giving as her reason that she did not know what the situation was in Hot Springs, inasmuch as she had been absent for about a month, and implying that she desired to make some inquiry in Hot Springs, probably of WAKELIN and others, before she definitely decided on what course she would take.

After the above information was telephonically communicated to the Bureau, GRACE GOLDSTEIN was turned over to the U. S. Marshal's Office at Little Rock, Arkansas. Undoubtedly, this woman will make bond, inasmuch as it has been learned that JOSEPH WAKELIN has taken steps to see that she will make bond immediately upon her arrival in Little Rock.

Special Agent D. P. SULLIVAN interviewed United States Attorney FRED ISGRIG and Assistant U. S. Attorney LEON CATLETT thereafter at their office in the Federal Building, Little Rock and was advised that HANS WULFF, Attorney at 421 Wainwright Building, St. Louis, Missouri, called at the United States Attorney's Office yesterday afternoon and advised that he was representing CONNIE MORRIS in connection with the harboring charge against her in this case. WULFF stated to Assistant U. S. Attorney CATLETT that he felt that CONNIE MORRIS undoubtedly was guilty of the offense charged against her, and that he was desirous of her entering a plea of guilty. He stated further that he hoped that the Government would take into consideration the fact that CONNIE MORRIS would enter a guilty plea and possibly give her a year or eighteen months' sentence which she expects that she would ordinarily get. He told MR. CATLETT also that CONNIE MORRIS has had numerous operations because of a diseased condition, probably due to a venereal disease, and that she advised him that she would probably have to go on relief this summer and is desirous of entering a plea of guilty in order that she may be incarcerated and obtain the necessary medical treatment. WULFF further advised MR. CATLETT that he had questioned CONNIE MORRIS at great length and had found this girl to be of very low intelligence, who he, WULFF, did not

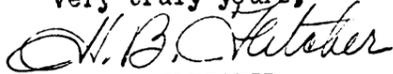
believe had any information concerning the activities of police officers and other city officials in harboring ALVIN KARPIS and FRED HUNTER at Hot Springs, Arkansas.

MR. ISGRIG stated that he believed it would be to the best interests of the Government to accept a plea of guilty from CONNIE MORRIS as soon as possible, and that consideration be shown to her by giving her a sentence of from six months to a year, and stated that he believed that this entry of a guilty plea by CONNIE MORRIS might result in other defendants in this case entering pleas of guilty. He indicated that he believed that CONNIE MORRIS should be thoroughly interviewed, however, concerning any knowledge she might have of police officers or city officials at Hot Springs, having aided in the harboring of KARPIS, and suggested that she immediately be interviewed, prior to his taking any action prior to receiving a guilty plea at this time, and in the event that CONNIE MORRIS should provide information involving JOSEPH WAKELIN, HERBERT AKERS, and possibly others at Hot Springs, who have not yet been indicted, he would arrange that her sentence be deferred, with the idea in mind of using her as a witness.

The St. Louis Office is being requested to thoroughly interview CONNIE MORRIS, in order that the U. S. Attorney may gauge his course in conducting prosecutive action to be taken against CONNIE MORRIS.

Inasmuch as the results of the interview had with GRACE GOLDSTEIN were discussed with United States Attorney ISGRIG, a copy of this letter is not being designated for him.

Very truly yours,



H. B. FLETCHER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc Cincinnati
Inspector Connelley, Miami

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Post Office Box 1469
Little Rock, Arkansas
June 4, 1938

Special Agent in Charge,
St. Louis, Missouri.

AIRMAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

United States Attorney FRED ISGRIG of this city advised today that HANS WULFF, Attorney-at-Law, 421 Wainwright Building, St. Louis, Missouri, called at the U. S. Attorney's Office in Little Rock yesterday and talked with Assistant U. S. Attorney LEON CATIETT.

MR. WULFF stated that he is representing CONNIE MORRIS on the charges of conspiracy to harbor ALVIN KARPIS; that CONNIE MORRIS desires to enter a plea of guilty to these charges as soon as possible. WULFF further indicated that he had questioned CONNIE MORRIS at great length, but that she had not provided him with any information relative to the implication of JOSEPH WAKELIN, former Chief of Police, HERBERT "DUTCH" AKERS, former Chief of Detectives or other Hot Springs, Arkansas officials with the harboring of KARPIS. WULFF stated further that CONNIE MORRIS is in a badly diseased condition, has undergone several operations, and further advised him that unless she was given the opportunity to receive medical treatments as a result of her incarceration, she undoubtedly would have to go on relief at St. Louis, Missouri this coming summer, because of her inability to make a living. WULFF indicated that CONNIE MORRIS was amenable to testifying for the Government as to anything she knew.

United States Attorney FRED ISGRIG, Little Rock, believes it is advisable to receive a plea of guilty from CONNIE MORRIS as soon as possible and stated that he believed that it would be advantageous to the Government to thoroughly interview her at this time with the idea in mind that she might provide information concerning the activities of WAKELIN, AKERS and possibly other city officials at Hot Springs, Arkansas in the harboring of KARPIS, and that in the event that she could provide such information, he would accept her plea of guilty and defer her sentence until such time as she could testify for the Government, otherwise he would arrange to have her given a sentence of possibly six months or a year as consideration for her plea of guilty.

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I am attaching hereto one copy each of the reports of Special Agents D. P. SULLIVAN, dated at Chicago, Illinois February 12, 1938 and JOHN L. MADALA, dated at Little Rock, Arkansas September 22, 1937, which upon being thoroughly read can be used as a basis for questioning CONNIE MORRIS as to the various places of abode and the activities of ALVIN KARPIS and others at Hot Springs. In questioning this woman, particular attention should be made as to any information she might have as to the association of GRACE GOLDSTEIN with former Chief of Police JOSEPH WAKELIN, prior to December, 1935, inasmuch as it is known that GRACE GOLDSTEIN was keeping company with WAKELIN prior to December, 1935, but the testimony of this association will be an aid in the prosecution against WAKELIN.

It is requested that the interview with CONNIE MORRIS be conducted immediately in order that the United States Attorney at Little Rock may learn the results of this interview within the next few days, as he desires that the guilty plea of CONNIE MORRIS be entered during the coming week if at all possible. This interview should, of course, be conducted by an experienced agent.

Very truly yours,

H. B. FLETCHER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CINCINNATI, OHIO.**

FILE NO. **7-33**

REPORT MADE AT San Francisco, Calif.	DATE WHEN MADE 6-2-38	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 5-14-38 5-27-38	REPORT MADE BY T. S. FERGUSON - FB
TITLE GEORGE TIMINEY, with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1232; GRACE GOLDSTEIN, with aliases; ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Passenger lists of all ships sailing to Hawaiian Islands subsequent to May 11, 1938, reviewed with negative results, in effort to determine reservations of GRACE GOLDSTEIN, under her correct name and known aliases. Arrangements made with San Francisco Steamship officials to notify San Francisco Field Office in event bookings received from GRACE GOLDSTEIN and arrangements made to conduct surveillance of all passengers while boarding ships for Hawaii. Investigation discontinued 5/20/38 upon receipt of copy of decoded teletype from Los Angeles Field Office to the Little Rock Field Office dated 5/18/38, reporting GRACE GOLDSTEIN located Los Angeles, California.

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REFERENCE:

Letter from the Little Rock Field Office, dated May 11, 1938;
Copy of decoded teletype from the Los Angeles Field Office to the Little Rock Field Office, dated 5/18/38;
Report of Special Agent R. N. Franke, Los Angeles, California, 5/25/38.

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DETAILS:

AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA.

DONALD W. BEST, Passenger Department, Dollar Steamship Lines, 311 California Street, San Francisco, California, permitted agent to review sailing passenger registers for the sailing of the SS "PRESIDENT POLK" May 13, 1938, and the SS "PRESIDENT TAFT" due to sail May 25, 1938 for Honolulu and Oriental ports. The sailing passenger register failed to contain the reservations of GRACE GOLDSTEIN, under this name or any of her known aliases and arrangements were made with DONALD W. BEST to notify the San Francisco Field Office immediately in the event reservations were requested by GRACE GOLDSTEIN, under this name or any of her known aliases.

MR. BEST further advised that it would be permissible for agents to board the SS "PRESIDENT TAFT" prior to departure from this point in an effort to identify GRACE GOLDSTEIN in the event she was among the passengers.

A. J. PESSEL, Passenger Department, Matson Navigation Company, 215 Market Street, San Francisco, California, advised that the Matson Line had scheduled sailings from this port on May 13th, May 21st, May 24th and May 27, 1938, and the passenger lists for said sailings were reviewed in an effort to identify the reservations of GRACE GOLDSTEIN, under this name or her known aliases, with negative results.

A. J. PESSEL advised that he would notify the San Francisco Field Office in the event reservations were requested by GRACE GOLDSTEIN, under this name or known aliases for sailings to Honolulu on any of the above sailing dates. Arrangements were made with MR. PESSEL whereby agents would be permitted to view all passengers of the Matson Navigation Company ships sailing from this port bound for Honolulu on May 21st, May 24th and May 27, 1938 in an effort to identify GRACE GOLDSTEIN among the passengers.

The Matson Navigation Company and Dollar Steamship Lines are the only two companies operating passenger service between San Francisco and Honolulu.

The above investigation was discontinued on May 20, 1938, upon receipt of copy of decoded teletype from the Los Angeles Field Office directed to the Little Rock Field Office, dated May 18, 1938, reporting GRACE GOLDSTEIN located at Los Angeles, California.

REFERRED UPON COMPLETION TO THE OFFICE OF ORIGIN.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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

EAT:JER

June 4, 1938.

Time-10:35 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILES

Re: Brekid Case.
Little Rock, Arkansas.

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Agent Sullivan called from Little Rock regarding the above entitled case. Mr. Sullivan stated that Grace Goldstein arrived on the 3:30 A.M. train this morning. Grace was questioned by agents who obtained the same story as has been given before, though not desiring to say anything until she knows exactly where she stands. Grace Goldstein will be taken to the county jail, and it is Agent Sullivan's opinion that she will have no difficulty in making the \$10,000 bond. Grace Goldstein has rather a soft spot in her heart for Wakelin, therefore Mr. Sullivan has asked her to prevail upon Wakelin to tell everything and thereby help himself, as there will be no trouble in securing a conviction of Wakelin. Grace stated that she could make Wakelin do anything she desires, as she has more influence over him than anyone else. The United States Attorney told Agent Sullivan that Connie Morris' attorney came down from St. Louis yesterday. The attorney wants to plead Connie Morris guilty so she can begin to serve her sentence. The USA will talk to this attorney today, because if Connie Morris pleads guilty, it will have a beneficial effect in that others will desire to plead guilty. Grace Goldstein, at the present time, pleads lack of time as the cause for not talking. I instructed Agent Sullivan to proceed to El Paso for general assignment.

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Edward P. Brennan

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SAM M. WASSELL
ATTORNEY AT LAW
SUITE 215 PYRAMID BLDG.
LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS
May 19, 1938

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. Nathan
- Mr. Tamm
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Coffey
- Mr. Dawsey
- Mr. Egan
- Mr. Foxworth
- Mr. Glavin
- Mr. Harbo
- Mr. Lester
- Mr. Quinn
- Mr. Nichols
- Mr. Tracy
- Miss Gandy

Mr. John Edgar Hoover
Director of F. B. I.
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Hoover:

I remember a very pleasant visit I had with you at the apartment of Colonel Robert M. Gates, at which among those present were the Attorney General, Brien McMahon, Mr. Stanley Reed, Senator Barkley, and a number of others.

At that time I was in the Claims Section of the Department of Justice at Washington, having gone there in 1933 on the recommendation of Senator Robinson of Arkansas. I retired from the Claims Division on February 1, 1938, and since that time I have been in Little Rock.

I recall that we discussed the Lindberg kidnapping, the Matson slaying, and also Al Capone, as well as Gaston P. Means. I recall that in the course of our visit you stated to me that conditions were pretty terrible with the city law enforcement officials at Hot Springs, and it was also my impression that you stated that at one time the U. S. Commissioner at Hot Springs had been guilty of indiscretion in setting bonds which were ridiculously low.

At that time I stated to you that a new man was being appointed U. S. Judge at Little Rock who made the appointments of Commissioners in his district, and Hot Springs is in his district. Shortly after that, Mr. Thomas C. Trimble, the newly appointed U. S. Judge was in Washington and I took him down to Solomon's Island and spent the night and part of the next day with him. I had a talk with him and related what you had stated to me at Colonel Gates' apartment, and he stated to me that he would be glad to know the name of the Commissioner or any facts about him and he would remove him. I stated at that time to him that I did not know that it was the same Commissioner that might be functioning at Hot Springs.

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The matter escaped my mind after saying this much to Judge Trimble and he probably was waiting for me to bring it up again.

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From the enclosed I see that the conditions at Hot Springs have reached the point where action is being taken and it may

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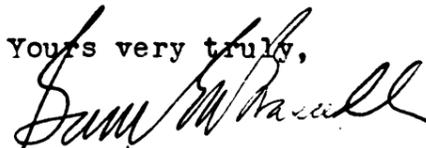
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be interesting to you to see the enclosed clippings from the Gazette, the morning paper, and the Democrat, the evening paper.

You have a good strong prosecutor here who had been active in the defense in criminal cases over the state for some years before taking over his present position as U. S. Attorney and I hope that you are successful in convicting the guilty ones in this matter.

I should like an acknowledgment in order that I may know this reaches you.

Yours very truly,


Sam M. Wassell

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Hideout Inquiry At Hot Springs Brings Arrests

Seven persons, including three former Hot Springs police officers, were under arrest today at the instance of the Federal Bureau of Investigation on charges of having harbored Alvin Karpis, gangster, in 1935, when he was a fugitive from justice. Six of the seven were being detained at the federal building in Little Rock where they were brought last night. The grand jurors, in their first report at 2 p. m. today, revealed that the seven had been indicted on these charges.

Among Seven Accused Of Harboring Karpis



HERBERT (DUTCH) AKERS.

Announcement of their arrests was made earlier by Fred Isgrig, United States district attorney.

Those in custody are:
HERBERT "DUTCH" AKERS, former chief of detectives at Hot Springs.

JOSEPH WAKELIN, former Hot Springs chief of police.

CECIL BROCK, former lieutenant of Hot Springs police, and in charge of the department's Bureau of Identification.

JOHN STOVER, manager of the Hot Springs airport.

MORRIS LOFTIS, caretaker at Dyer's landing on Lake Hamilton.

MRS. AL DYER, owner of the boat landing.

CONNIE MORRIS, 22, who was arrested in St. Louis early today, and is being held there.

Akers faces an additional charge of having harbored Thomas Nathan Norris, who was captured by state officers in a gun battle in Benton county several months ago and turned over to Texas authorities.

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Arrested at Midnight.
The arrests at Hot Springs were made by agents of the FBI about midnight, Mr. Isgrig and agents announced today.

The federal grand jury, when it convened here Monday, was charged by Judge Thomas C. Trimble to investigate reports that fugitives from justice were reported to have been harbored in the state, but made no specific mention of the Karpis case and the gangster's residence in Hot Springs for several weeks before he was finally captured in New Orleans.

FBI agents in giving a summary of their investigation, which was launched immediately after the arrest of Karpis and another member of his gang, said they would charge that Akers, Wakelin and Brock were aware of Karpis' presence in Hot Springs and charged that Akers was observed on one occasion talking to Karpis.

The officers also charged that Wakelin knew Grace Goldstein, who later admitted she married Karpis in New York and lived with him in Hot Springs.

"Tip-Off" Is Claimed.
Loftis and Mrs. Dyer were reported to have rented a cottage at Dyer's Landing on Lake Hamilton to Karpis and John Hunter, also a fugitive from justice. It was charged that it was through Loftis and Mrs. Dyer that Karpis and Hunter learned of the activities of the FBI in October, 1936, when they sought to locate and arrest the pair on federal charges, the FBI agents charge.

The officers disclosed that in their investigation, they learned that Karpis and Hunter moved to Hot Springs in June, 1935, and lived at various places on Lakes Catherine and Hamilton. They were visited by Harry Campbell and other gangsters.

"They all moved about freely in Hot Springs without any apparent fear of arrest," the agents charged in their report.

Connie Morris was reported by the officers to have been seen frequently with Hunter, and Grace Goldstein with Karpis.

Karpis and Hunter were arrested
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EX-OFFICERS ARE ACCUSED OF HAR- BORING KARPIS

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in New Orleans May 1, 1936. Campbell was arrested in Toledo, O., May 7. The arrests were made in connection with the kidnaping of Edward George Bremer, St. Paul (Minn.) banker, in January, 1934.

The members of the gang were credited with having shared the \$200,000 ransom money collected in the Bremer kidnaping.

The FBI agents credited John Stover, manager of the Hot Springs municipal airport, with having flown Karpis and Hunter and their two woman companions to various cities in the nation and "otherwise assisted them in avoiding detection and apprehension.

The investigation of the FBI agents, branching out from the Karpis case, is said to have involved Thomas Nathan Morris, bank robber, and his flight by airplane over the nation to avoid arrest on state charges.

The FBI report on investigation involving the Hot Springs officers charged that Akers harbored Norris, Sam Stegal Haynes, Alfred Sonny Lamb and Goldie H. Hairston in Hot Springs from March 15, 1937, to August 15, 1937.

Haynes was arrested at Benton August 15 last year by state police and later in the day Lamb was killed in resisting arrest in Hot Springs. Norris was captured near Rogers the next day in a raid staged at the home of his mother and he was wounded. FBI officers aided state police in this raid.

Goldie Hairston, who was wanted on a Dyer act charge, was found dead of gunshot wounds near Gretna, La., September 7, last year. He was wounded at Gulfport, Miss., in a gun battle that cost the life of one of the officers pursuing him.

Norris now is held in the Texas penitentiary serving a 99-year term on a murder charge. Haynes also is in the Texas prison, serving a term of five to 12 years on a charge of armed robbery and is awaiting trial on a murder charge in that state.

Karpis, Campbell and Charles Fitzgerald are serving life terms in connection with the Hamm kidnaping and 35 other members of the gang have either been sent to prison or died eluding arrest as the FBI car-

ried on its relentless manhunt to clear the two kidnap cases.

Figured in Prisoner's Death.
Hot Springs—The three former Hot Springs police officers, Joseph Wakelin, Herbert Akers and Cecil Brock, arrested in connection with the Karpis case, all were connected with the Hot Springs police at the time of the death of a city prisoner, John Dickson, which was followed by sensational developments. Brock was the only one of the three indicted. Wakelin, then police chief, was dismissed by Mayor McLaughlin in connection with the Dickson case. Akers, about two months later, resigned, giving ill health as the reason.

Dickson was alleged to have been brutally beaten while a city prisoner in jail and to have died of his injuries. Seven officers, including Brock, were tried and acquitted. The defense testimony was to the effect Dickson died of pneumonia.

Dickson had attacked and beaten Chief Wakelin with a shotgun as Wakelin and other officers sought Dickson and his companions in raids in Perry and Yell counties.

Dickson died Christmas Day, 1936. Arrests and dismissals of officers followed early in 1937.

SED CONSPIRACY TO HIDE KARPIS

Residents of Hot Springs Indicted.

Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation said last night that they had completed their round-up of persons accused of aiding in the "hiding out" in Hot Springs of Alvin Karpis, one-time Public Enemy No. 1.

The eighth person to be arrested was Mrs. Grace Goldstein alias Mrs. Alvin Karpis of Hot Springs. She was taken in custody last night at Los Angeles as she was preparing to board a steamer for Honolulu.

Officers said that her real name is Jewell Laverne Grayson. She formerly operated a rooming house on upper Central avenue in Hot Springs. She is said to have told officers that she married Karpis in New York although she did not then know his real identity.

Announcement of Mrs. Goldstein's arrest was made here by E. J. Connelley of Washington, inspector for the F. B. I., who has pursued the various angles of the Karpis case in every section of the country.

Three Former Hot Springs Police Officers Indicted.

Those indicted in addition to Mrs. Goldstein were:
Herbert ("Dutch") Akers, former chief of detectives of the Hot Springs Police Department.

Joseph Wakelin, former chief of the Hot Springs Police Department.

Cecil Brock, former lieutenant in charge of identification of the Hot Springs Police Department.

John Stover, widely known aviator, operator of the Hot Springs Municipal Airport.

Morris Loftis, caretaker for a boat landing near Hot Springs.

Mrs. Al C. Dyer, owner of the boat landing.

Connie Morris, alias Ruth Hamm Robson, described as a sweetheart of Fred Hunter, Karpis lieutenant.

All except Mrs. Goldstein and the Morris girl were arrested by F. B. I. agents, headed by Mr. Connelley, at Hot Springs shortly after midnight Wednesday. The Morris girl was taken into custody by F. B. I. agents in St. Louis about 3 a. m. yesterday.

FACING FEDERAL CHARGES



JOE WAKELIN
(Before)



JOE WAKELIN
(After)



—Gazette Staff
JOHN STOVER

The two pictures of Joe Wakelin, former Hot Springs police chief might be termed "Before and After." At the left he was very willing to pose while he was working on the Mark Shank murder case in county. In the middle he is shown in Little Rock yesterday fleeing from a camera. Stover, was very smart and said that if the photographer wanted his picture, "it's perfectly all right with me."

Alleged Friends Held



ALVIN KARPIS.

EIGHT ACCUSED OF CONSPIRACY TO HIDE KARPIS

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been beaten fatally while in the Hot Springs city jail.

Karpis-Barker Gang Has Been Completely Broken Up.

Karpis is serving a life sentence on Alcatraz Island for the kidnaping of William A. Hamm Jr., wealthy St. Paul, Minn., brewer.

Norris is serving sentences totaling 337 years in the Texas state penitentiary for murder and armed robbery.

Mr. Connelley's report showed that 37 persons linked with the Karpis-Barker gang either had been killed resisting arrest or captured and sentenced to prison. History of the case dated back to the kidnaping of Edward George Bremer, St. Paul banker, January 17, 1934.

Agent Details Charges Against Hot Springs Defendants.

The report charged that Akers, Wakelin, Brock and a fourth member of the Hot Springs Police Department "were aware of the identity of Alvin Karpis" and were visitors in a certain Hot Springs establishment frequented by the gangster. The report charged that Akers was seen in conversation with Karpis on one occasion and that Wakelin had "almost nightly clandestine meetings" with a Hot Springs woman with whom Karpis was associated.

Mrs. Dyer and Loftis were charged with renting a cottage at Dye Landing to Karpis and Hunter and with informing the gangsters in December, 1935, of the details of an investigation conducted by special agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation at Hot Springs, in October, 1935, looking for the location and apprehension of Akers.

Brock in Jail While Others-M... Bonds

Brock was placed in the Hot Springs county jail last night in default of \$5,000 bond. The other five arrested at Hot Springs succeeded in arranging bail and were released. Bond of \$10,000 was set for both Akers and Wakelin. The others were required to put up \$5,000 bond. The property bonds, aggregating \$35,000, were put up by Little Rock and Hot Springs business men.

Mr. Connelley said Mrs. Goldstein would be brought before a United States commissioner at Los Angeles and that the Morris girl would be brought before a United States commissioner at St. Louis. He said three or four days would be required to return them to Little Rock. Bond of \$10,000 was set for each.

The eight will be tried at the October term of federal court. Harboring statutes provide a maximum penalty of two years. Akers faces a possible sentence of four years since he was indicted on two counts.

Mr. Connelley said in a report of the Karpis case that Akers had confessed to F. B. I. agents that he had harbored Thomas Nathan Norris, member of the Alfred ("Sonny") Lamb gang which operated in Texas, Arkansas and Mississippi.

The F. B. I. inspector said that agents had learned that Mrs. Goldstein left Hot Springs about 10 days ago as the result of suspicion that she would be sought in connection with the Karpis case.

Says Gangsters Appeared To Feel Safe in Hot Springs.

He said that Karpis and Fred Hunter moved to Hot Springs in June, 1935, living in cottages on the lakes near there and frequenting daily the rooming house operated by Mrs. Goldstein. He said that Mrs. Goldstein became the constant companion of Karpis and that one of her employes, Connie Morris, associated with Hunter.

"They were visited in their rendezvous by Harry Campbell and others of the gang from time to time," he said, "and they all moved about freely in Hot Springs without any apparent fear of arrest."

"The association of Karpis and Hunter with Grace Goldstein and Connie Morris continued almost uninterrupted until the apprehension by special agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation of Karpis in New Orleans, La., on May 1, 1936, at which time Fred Hunter and Connie Morris accompanied Karpis."

Mrs. Goldstein told newspapermen in April, 1936, that she had married Karpis in New York in the summer of 1935. She said that Karpis had introduced himself as Ed Wood, "a gentleman of leisure."

In his formal report of the case, Mr. Connelley said Akers, Wakelin and Brock were charged with having harbored Karpis while they were on active duty with the Hot Springs Police Department from June, 1935 to May, 1936.

Akers and Wakelin resigned from the department last year purportedly because of ill health. Brock was dismissed by Mayor Leo P. McLaughlin in January, 1937, during an investigation of the death of John Dickson, city jail prisoner. The police lieutenant and four other members of the department later were tried and acquitted of charges of second degree murder in connection with Dickson's death. The state charged Dickson had

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Karpis Case Long Under Investigation

Special to the Gazette.
Hot Springs, May 18.—The indictment by a Federal Grand Jury at Little Rock today of three former members of the Hot Springs Police Department and four other persons in connection with Gangster Alvin Karpis' visits to this resort provoked much comment here.

It was reported early today that Federal Bureau of Investigation officers had come to Hot Springs last night and taken the seven in custody "for questioning."

Karpis First Appears In September, 1935.

The action was the result of an investigation by government operatives that was begun more than a year ago. The first information that Alvin Karpis was in Hot Springs dates back to an incident early one Sunday in September, 1935. A large automobile carrying an Ohio state license stopped in front of a drug store on lower Central avenue. A clerk was called to the car and asked to bring out antiseptics and bandages. There were several men in the car. The clerk was told that one of the party had been shot accidentally. The clerk suggested that a doctor be called or that the man be taken to a hospital. He was told curtly that those in the car could render all assistance necessary. The spokesman then asked about cottages on Lake Hamilton. The clerk suggested a place on the lake where a cottage might be rented.

The incident was reported to the then Chief of Police Joe Wakelin who, accompanied by Herbert Akers, then chief of detectives, and Cecil Brock, lieutenant in charge of the Identification Department, visited the place to which the men had been directed. Later, it was said, an official of the F. B. I. was called in. The cottage believed to be occupied by the gangsters was raided but it was deserted. Bottles and other articles found in the cottage were confiscated. From them fingerprints were obtained that were said to be those of Karpis. Officers, however, gave out a statement denying that Karpis had been in the cottage.

Karpis Flees Just Before Officers Make Raid.

The next attempt to capture Karpis was made about a year later. Early one morning they raided a large house that Karpis and others of his party were reported to have rented adjoining Potash Sulphur Springs, and near Lake Catherine. They swooped down on the establishment early in the morning, shot out the glass in the windows, threw gas bombs into the place and set a mattress on one of the beds on fire, only to learn that Karpis had left the day before.

A licensed transport pilot was identified with aviation was charged with flying after and "their female companions, various sections of the county and otherwise assisted them in avoiding detection and apprehension." With 12,000 hours in the air to his credit, it is believed that he has flown longer and further than any other pilot in Arkansas. He is manager of the Hot Springs airport.

Following his release last night, Stover attended a banquet held at the Hotel Marion on the eve of an air mail pickup service. He was sworn in as a pilot to participate in air mail pickup throughout the state today.

To date 11 persons have received prison sentences ranging from six months to three years for harboring Karpis.

Karpis and Hunter were named as co-conspirators in the indictments returned against each of the seven charged with harboring Karpis.

Akers Charged With Harboring Notorious Robber.

Detailing the charge of harboring Norris, which was lodged against Akers, Connolly's report said that Norris was one of the robbers of the Palmetto State bank, Lake City, S. C., who got away with \$114,000 on September 4, 1934. Norris also was charged with three armed robberies at Fort Worth, Tex., during October, 1936, and with attempting to rob a bank at Lake, Miss., just prior to robbery of the Palmetto bank.

The report said that "Norris and his associates, Sam Stegal Haynes, Alfred Lamb and Goldie H. Hairston, were harbored by Akers at Hot Springs from March 15, 1937, to August 15, 1937."

"Norris, Haynes, Hairston and Lamb committed numerous crimes of violence, including armed robberies and murder. Later that day the Arkansas State Police killed Alfred ("Sonny") Lamb as he was resisting arrest in Hot Springs.

Norris was taken into custody one mile west of Rogers, August 16, 1937, in a raid on the home of his mother, at which time he was shot in both arms and legs while resisting arrest by special agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Arkansas State Police and local authorities.

"Goldie Hairston, wanted for violation of the national motor vehicle theft act, was found dead of gunshot wounds near Gretna, La., after he and companions had fired upon two officers of the Gulfport, Miss., Police Department September 7, 1937, killing one of the officers."

Norris, Haynes, Hairston and Lamb were named as co-conspirators in the indictment returned against Akers for alleged participation in the harbor-

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At time Karpis had the chance of Grace Goldstein, who was a rooming house on Upper Avenue. Several months later she disappeared and was gone nearly a month. About a week after she returned F. B. I. officials, led by their chief, J. Edgar Hoover, arrested Karpis and Hunter in New Orleans. Connie Morris, young country girl, companion of Hunter, was taken into custody at the same time. Later was released and returned to Hot Springs.

After Karpis had been arrested Miss Goldstein announced that she and Karpis had been married in New York. She could not recall the name of the minister or official who performed the ceremony, but she said that Karpis had spent a large sum on her and given her large amounts of cash. She said Karpis had a couple of suitcases filled with greenbacks.

Federal Officers Question Many Hot Springs Residents.

One day Hot Springs suddenly awoke to the fact that for several months officers of the Federal Bureau of Investigation had been working here. It was said that the inquiry had progressed nearly a year before it became known generally. Then government officials opened offices in the Thompson building. Scores of persons were asked to visit their headquarters and were questioned on many phases of local conditions. Those who were not invited to the office were interviewed at their homes.

When a previous session of the Federal
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KARPIS CASE LONG UNDER INVESTIGATION

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Grand Jury returned no indictments. It was reported that the government had dropped the inquiry. About a month ago federal agents again appeared in Hot Springs. Reports circulated that "the lid would come off" when the next Federal Grand Jury met.

Accused Ex-Officers Have Been Much in Spotlight.

The three former officers are well known throughout the Southwest. Wakelin served as chief of police 10 years. He was appointed when Mayor Leo P. McLaughlin was elected to his first term. He was relieved of his duties when the scandal in connection with the death of John Dickson broke. It was charged that Dickson was horribly tortured while a prisoner in the city jail, suffering injuries that caused his death Christmas Eve, 1937. With Wakelin were dismissed Brock and four other members of the Police Department. Brock and the four others were indicted by the Garland county Grand Jury. They were acquitted when tried. Wakelin was not indicted. It was proved that he was sick in bed at his home when Dickson was alleged to have been mistreated. Wakelin returned to the police force as a special officer, assigned to plain clothes work, in January. He became ill two months ago and resigned. Brock has served on the Police Department almost as long as Wakelin. He is an expert at fingerprinting.

Akers came to the department with Wakelin. He was not involved in the Dickson case. He was requested by Mayor McLaughlin "to take a long vacation" last August, following the killing of Alfred ("Sonny") Lamb, who was shot to death in a house that Lamb had rented on Pullman avenue. Lamb, an escaped Texas convict, was wanted for a series of robberies. Sunday afternoon, August 15, State Police and Sheriff Virgil Rucker of Benton arrested "Goldy" Hariston, companion of Lamb, in Benton. That night state officers and Sheriff Marion Anderson and deputies swooped down on Lamb's house. The young bandit was riddled with bullets when officers said he tried to get his weapons.

Shortly after the arrest of Hariston and Sam Haynes, another of the Lamb gang, it was charged that Akers had known of the presence of Lamb and Hariston here. Mayor McLaughlin was informed of statements officers said they had obtained and announced that he had advised Akers to give up his police activities. Akers had been in poor health for several months.

John Stover, manager of the airport, is one of the best known aviators in the South. He has 12,000 hours in the air to his credit and is believed to hold the Arkansas record in that respect.

Little is known here of Loftis and Mrs. Dyer, and their arrests came as a surprise.

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June 1, 1938

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Mr. Sam M. Wassell
Attorney at Law
Suite 915, Pyramid Building
Little Rock, Arkansas

Dear Mr. Wassell:

I want to express to you my sincere appreciation for your motive in transmitting to me your letter of May 19, 1938, which inclosed newspaper clippings pertaining to the recent arrests of several individuals at Hot Springs, Arkansas, in connection with the harboring of Alvin Karpis.

I recall with pleasure the occasion of the meeting and conversation referred to in your letter, and I want you to know that I appreciate your continued interest in the work of this Bureau. I trust that the work of this Bureau may continue to receive your approbation.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. Nathan
- Mr. Tamm
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Coffey
- Mr. Crowl
- Mr. Dawsey
- Mr. Egan
- Mr. Foxworth
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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM *SW*

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RE: BREKID

While talking with SAC Fletcher at Little Rock on another matter, he stated that Agent Sullivan had returned to Little Rock. Gracie Goldstein is arriving at 3:30 A. M. tomorrow. She has told the Marshal in Los Angeles she would make bond immediately upon arrival in Little Rock. Fletcher states Sullivan will meet her upon her arrival and endeavor to interview her immediately.

Respectfully,

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1448 Standard Building
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June 4, 1938

AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY

Special Agent in Charge
Little Rock, Arkansas

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter to the Cleveland office dated March 29, 1938 relative to contacting United States Attorney Emerich B. Freed at Cleveland and obtaining from him any notes or brief he may have made bearing on harboring of fugitives by police officers, in order that this information might be made available to the United States Attorney at Little Rock, Arkansas.

Please be advised that United States Attorney Freed was contacted as requested and furnished the Cleveland office with a memorandum made in connection with the responsibility of a police officer for his failure to arrest individuals who have committed Federal offenses, which memorandum is being transmitted with this letter in order that it may be presented to the United States at Little Rock.

It will be noted from the inclosed memorandum that this question was considered in connection with some police officers in Toledo in connection with harboring cases involving KARPIS and others. The brief does not purport to be a complete brief of the question involved and is being submitted by United States Attorney Freed for whatever assistance it may be in consideration of the matters under discussion.

United States Attorney Freed desires that no impression be given to the United States Attorney to whom this brief is transmitted that it covers the question fully.

There being no further work to be performed in this district, this case is therefore being referred upon completion to the office of origin.

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June 8, 1938.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILES

Re: Brekid Case;
Little Rock, Arkansas.

SAC Fletcher called from Little Rock and reported that Grace Goldstein is having trouble in making her bond. The bond on the White Slave Traffic Act case has been lowered to \$5,000, which now makes her bond \$15,000, \$10,000 on the Harboring charge and \$5,000 on the White Slave case. Yesterday a \$5,000 bond and a \$10,000 bond were filed and the \$5,000 bond has just been turned down. It has been requested through the United States Attorney's office that the surety on the \$10,000 bond be investigated to prove its worth. I instructed Mr. Fletcher to conduct this investigation.

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Miss Gandy

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

Re: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

Special Agent D. P. SULLIVAN conferred with United States Attorney FRED A. ISGRIG on May 21, 1938, at the request of Mr. ISGRIG, who expressed his interest in the prosecution of the individuals recently indicted in connection with the harboring of ALVIN KARPIS, and advised that he had received favorable comment from several sources on the indictments returned against JOSEPH WAKELIN, HERBERT "DUTCH" AKERS, CECIL BROCK and others. Mr. ISGRIG stated that in his opinion successful prosecution of these indictments would have a salutary effect in the State of Arkansas on the improvement of law enforcement. Mr. ISGRIG expects that the Hot Springs group will attempt to "fix" instant prosecution through influencing witnesses, prospective jurors, or by other means, as he stated that his acquaintanceship with Hot Springs officials and citizens indicated that the only way they know how to successfully defend any action taken against them is through some sort of influence or "fix".

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HERBERT AKERS indicated to Inspector E. J. CONNELLEY on May 18, 1938, that he would furnish valuable information to the Bureau with reference to this case prior to October, 1938, and Mr. ISGRIG stated that when release on bond had not been arranged for CECIL BROCK on May 18, 1938, as it had for other subjects in custody at Little Rock, BROCK expressed his disappointment to some of the Deputy U. S. Marshals and indicated that he could provide valuable information. Mr. ISGRIG believed it not improbable that one or more of those indicted might decide to become Government witnesses and would possibly involve other Hot Springs officials.

The United States Attorney's office plans that Assistant United States Attorney LEON B. CATLETT will in August begin the preparation of this case for trial. In addition to the remarks made by Mr. ISGRIG to Special Agent D. P. SULLIVAN, he contacted this office on the same date by telephone and advised that subject CONNIE MORRIS had demanded a hearing in connection with the fugitive complaint filed against her at St. Louis, Missouri, and that if required, he wanted an agent available to prove her identity. He was assured that the witness would be available if it was found necessary, and that Special Agent W. L. BUCHANAN would be the proper witness for such a purpose, for the reason that Agent BUCHANAN took part in the arrest and later interviewed CONNIE MORRIS at New Orleans, Louisiana. It is noted,

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however, that subject MORRIS has made bond of \$10,000.00, and it is believed that this bond calls for her appearance at Little Rock, Arkansas, in October, 1938, for trial, and that her hearing will be waived at St. Louis, Missouri.

Mr. ISGRIG further requested that GRACE GOLDSTEIN be interviewed upon her removal to Little Rock, Arkansas, and stated that he had made arrangements with the United States Marshal's office to be notified promptly upon her arrival, and he desired that an agent conduct an interview with her prior to her incarceration in the local County Jail in default of bond and before her friends could make arrangements for her bond. He was assured that this would be given proper attention, and it is noted that the Los Angeles Office, who caused her apprehension, did not endeavor to interview her, no agent being available at that office who was fully conversant with the case. This office has further received information from the Los Angeles Office that the removal of GRACE GOLDSTEIN was ordered on May 23, 1938, and that she would be removed within a weeks time. Unless advised to the contrary, Special Agent D. P. SULLIVAN, on special assignment at this office in connection with this investigation, will remain at Little Rock to interview GRACE GOLDSTEIN, for the reason that he is thoroughly acquainted with instant matter and will be able to more intelligently question this subject upon her removal. Agent SULLIVAN will thereafter proceed to the El Paso Field Office on transfer, it not appearing that there is sufficient work remaining at the present time to justify retaining an agent here on special assignment.

In view of the fact that there is a distinct possibility that information of value may be secured from the defendants and others in Hot Springs, Arkansas, in the next few months, the Bureau may consider it desirable to have assigned to this office an agent fully conversant with the facts in this matter, and it is respectfully suggested that the Bureau consider the advisability of placing on general assignment at this office an agent sufficiently conversant with the facts in this case, so that he may thoroughly interview individuals and expeditiously handle all information brought to the attention of this office bearing on instant matter.

Very truly yours,



H. B. FLETCHER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Inspector Connelley (Cincinnati)

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SEVEN INDICTED, ACCUSED OF HIDING KARPIS AND AIDS

Three Officers of Hot Springs, Ark., Police Force, Two Women in Group; One Seized Here.

GANGSTERS MOVED ABOUT FREELY

Report Charges Detective Chief Talked With Leader — Group Sent to Prison for Kidnaping.

By the Associated Press.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., May 18.—

A Federal grand jury today indicted seven persons, three of them former Hot Springs police officials, on charges of harboring Alvin Karpis, once public enemy No. 1.

Six of those indicted were arrested by Federal Bureau of Investigating agents at Hot Springs early today. The seventh, a woman, was arrested by agents at St. Louis.

Names of Prisoners.

Federal agents and United States District Attorney Fred Isgrig announced the names of the prisoners were:

Herbert (Dutch) Akers, former Hot Springs Chief of Detectives.

Joseph Wakelin, former Chief of Police at Hot Springs.

Cecil Brock, former Lieutenant of detectives at Hot Springs.

John Stover, manager of the Hot Springs Municipal Airport.

Morris Loftis, caretaker for a boat landing near Hot Springs.

Mrs. Al C. Dyer, owner of the boat landing.

The woman arrested in St. Louis, Federal agents said, was Connie Morris, 23 years old.

St. Louis Post-Dispatch,
St. Louis, Missouri,
April 18, 1938.

Karpis at Alcatraz

Karpis, who was captured at New Orleans after eluding Federal agents in a raid at Hot Springs, is now serving a Federal sentence for kidnaping, on Alcatraz Island.

Wakelin and Brock were dismissed from the Hot Springs police force in January, 1937, during an investigation of the death of John Dickson, city jail prisoner. Wakelin later was reinstated but resigned from the department May 1, 1937, on account of ill health. Akers resigned from the department last July because of ill health.

Brock was indicted with four other members of the police department for second degree murder in connection with Dickson's death. The state charged they fatally beat the man while questioning him about an assault on Wakelin. All five were tried and acquitted.

They Were Unmolested.

Inspector E. J. Connelley in his report to Isgrig said that during investigation of the activities of the notorious Karpis-Barker gang, it was learned that the gang spent many months in Toledo and Cleveland, O., as well as in Hot Springs, Ark., where they resided unmolested.

Connelley's report charged specifically that Karpis, Harry Campbell and Fred Hunter, members of the gang, found protection in Hot Springs.

Karpis and Campbell have been given life sentences, the former for the kidnaping of William A. Hamm Jr., wealthy St. Paul (Minn.) brewer, and Campbell for the kidnaping of Edward George Bremer, St. Paul banker.

"In June, 1935, Alvin Karpis together with Fred Hunter, moved to Hot Springs, Ark., residing in cottages on the various lakes," Connelley's report said.

Kept Company With Women.

Saying the two kept company with two Hot Springs women, one of whom was Connie Morris, the report added:

"They were visited in Hot Springs by Harry Campbell and others of the gang from time to time and they all moved about freely in Hot Springs without any apparent fear of arrest."

Re: BREKID
St. L. #7-43.

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Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson *John*
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Dwyer
Mr. Egan
Mr. Foxworth
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Lester
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Tracy
Miss Gandy
John

The report charged Akers, Wakelin, Brock and another unnamed member of the Hot Springs Police Department at that time, were "aware of" the identity of Alvin Karpis." It said Akers was observed on one occasion in conversation with Karpis and that Former Police Chief Wakelin "had almost nightly clandestine meetings" with Karpis' woman companion during the time Karpis and Hunter resided at Hot Springs.

Others Named in Plot.

Loftis and Mrs. Dyer, the report alleged, rented a cottage at Dyers Landing to Karpis and Hunter and "informed Karpis and Hunter in December, 1935, of the details of an investigation conducted by special agents at Hot Springs in October, 1935, looking to the apprehension of Alvin Karpis."

The report also charged Stover

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Gangster's Associate



CONNIE MORRIS.

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flew Karpis, Hunter and "their female companions" to various sections of the country and "otherwise assisted them in avoiding detection and apprehension."

Akers also was accused of harboring Thomas Nathan Norris, described as one of the robbers of the Palmetto State Bank at Lake City, S. C., where \$114,000 was taken on Sept. 4, 1934. Norris also was charged with robberies and attempted robberies in Texas and Mississippi.

Connelly's report said Norris and his associates, Sam Stegal Haynes, Alfred (Sonny) Lamb and Goldie Hairston, "were harbored by Akers at Hot Springs from March 15, 1937, to Aug. 15, 1937." The report said Akers admitted this.

The report charged Norris, Haynes, Hairston and Lamb "committed numerous crimes of violence while being protected by Akers."

Norris is now serving sentences totaling 337 years in the Texas penitentiary.

Woman Arrested in St. Louis Under Surveillance a Year.

Connie Morris was arrested by police and Department of Justice agents at 2:30 a. m. today in an establishment in the 3400 block of Lucas avenue. She had been in St. Louis for about a year and under surveillance throughout that time, agents said.

She was with Karpis and his associate, Fred Hunter, when they were arrested at New Orleans two years ago. At that time she was using the name "Ruth Robinson." She was released then, with no charge against her.

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Special Agent in Charge
Little Rock, Arkansas

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated May 29, 1938, requesting that if possible one of the Agents familiar with the Hot Springs, Arkansas investigation in connection with the above entitled matter be assigned to your office.

The Bureau desires to advise that it is impossible at this time to assign an Agent to your office who is familiar with this particular investigation.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Clegg.....
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REPORT MADE AT St. Louis, Mo.	DATE WHEN MADE 6/8/38	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 6/6,7/38	REPORT MADE BY J. S. BUSH JSB:C
TITLE GEORGE TIMINEY, with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. 1232, ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, VICTIM.		CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.	
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: CONNIE MORRIS interviewed by agents at St. Louis Office 6/7/38 with reference to various places of residence and activities of ALVIN KARPIS and others at Hot Springs, Ark.; also, with reference to persons who were contacted by KARPIS and his associates in the vicinity of Hot Springs, but states emphatically that none of the subjects, including GRACE GOLDSTEIN, to her knowledge contacted police officials at Hot Springs prior to the apprehension of KARPIS, with the exception of one occasion when AKERS called at GRACE GOLDSTEIN's place and sold CONNIE MORRIS a ring. CONNIE MORRIS' attorney indicates it is his intention to have her plead guilty to the instant charge at an early date.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- P -</p> <p>REFERENCE: Letter from the Little Rock Office dated June 4, 1938; Report of Special Agent JOHN L. MADALA, Little Rock, Ark., 9/22/37; Report of Special Agent D. P. SULLIVAN, Little Rock, Ark., 2/12/38.</p> <p>DETAILS: At St. Louis, Missouri. Immediately upon receipt of the letter of reference, agent interviewed CONNIE MORRIS' attorney, Mr. HANS WULFF, 421 Mainwright Building, St. Louis, Missouri, who stated that he had just returned from Little Rock, Arkansas, where he conferred with Assistant U. S. Attorney LEON CATLETT and that Mr. CATLETT had indicated to him that he desired that</p>			
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an agent of this Bureau interview CONNIE MORRIS in an effort to procure additional information with reference to the activities of the other subjects in this case at Hot Springs, Arkansas. Mr. WULFF advised agent that he had interrogated CONNIE MORRIS at great length in connection with this matter and that he frankly believed that she could furnish no information of value whatsoever in view of the fact that she apparently was merely a "dumb country girl" who had no knowledge whatever with reference to the true identity of KARPIS and his associates until she was apprehended with them at New Orleans, Louisiana.

Mr. WULFF was subsequently interviewed by Special Agent H. F. SMALL and the reporting agent at the St. Louis Office of the Bureau, at which time he agreed to contact CONNIE MORRIS and make arrangements for her to come to the St. Louis Office of the Bureau in order that she might be interviewed by agents. In this connection, it should be noted that until recently CONNIE MORRIS was living with JOHN SONNEN, the subject of a White Slave case of which the St. Louis Office is the Office of Origin, at a house which he owns at 3435 Lucas Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri, and working as a prostitute in a house owned by SONNEN at 3439 Lucas Avenue; however, the latter place was recently raided by detectives from the St. Louis Police Department and CONNIE MORRIS states that she presently resides in an apartment at 4271 Washington Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri, and works as a call girl.

On June 7, 1938, Mr. WULFF accompanied CONNIE MORRIS to the St. Louis Office of the Bureau, after which he immediately left the office and she was interviewed by Agent SMALL and the reporting agent over a period of several hours in an effort to procure information of value to the prosecution in this case.

CONNIE MORRIS was interviewed at great length with reference to the information contained in the reports of reference and particularly with reference to the information set forth in chronological sequence in the reference report of Special Agent MADALA.

CONNIE MORRIS stated that she had gone to the house of prostitution operated by GRACE GOLDSTEIN at Hot Springs, Arkansas in February 1935, at which time GRACE GOLDSTEIN was living at 1338 Central Avenue and stated that she distinctly remembered that in approximately June 1935 a man, who played a guitar and had a small brother who sang, accompanied KARPIS and HUNTER to GRACE GOLDSTEIN's house at 123 Palm Street. She stated that she did not know the name of the individual who accompanied KARPIS and HUNTER to GRACE GOLDSTEIN's house, but she did remember that he played a guitar and had a small boy who during that evening sang at GRACE GOLDSTEIN's house.

With reference to the date of May 14, 1935, she stated that she remembered that GRACE GOLDSTEIN moved from the Central Avenue

address to 123 Palm Street and that she also remembered when KARPIS and HUNTER rented a cottage at Carpenter's Dam on Lake Catherine; also, that HUNTER owned a Ford Coupe at that time; however, she did not know whether this Coupe bore Kentucky license plates but stated that she and GRACE GOLDSTEIN frequently visited KARPIS and HUNTER during that time and had dinner at the cottage.

CONNIE MORRIS stated that the only time she had seen "DUTCH" AKERS or any other police or city official visit GRACE GOLDSTEIN was on one occasion when she was living at 1538 Central Avenue; that on that occasion AKERS called at that address during the evening and sold her (CONNIE) a diamond ring. She stated that it was her understanding that GRACE GOLDSTEIN had indicated to AKERS that he might be able to sell her this ring. In this connection, she stated that AKERS did not thereafter on any occasion call at GRACE GOLDSTEIN's place or contact her (CONNIE MORRIS) for the purpose of collecting installments on this ring, as has been previously indicated; adding that on the occasion when AKERS sold her this ring he clearly understood that GRACE GOLDSTEIN would pay him for the ring and that she (CONNIE MORRIS) would pay GRACE GOLDSTEIN.

With reference to contacts made by GRACE GOLDSTEIN with JOSEPH WAKELIN, "DUTCH" AKERS and other police and city officials at Hot Springs, Arkansas, CONNIE MORRIS stated that the first and only time she had ever seen GRACE GOLDSTEIN contact WAKELIN was during the Summer of the year 1936 and subsequent to the time when she had been apprehended with KARPIS and HUNTER at New Orleans, Louisiana and released from custody. With reference to this contact, she stated that after she had returned to Hot Springs, Arkansas and was again working for GRACE GOLDSTEIN during the Summer of 1936, GRACE GOLDSTEIN's mother came from Texas for a visit and that GRACE made arrangements for her mother to live in a cottage at Dyer's Landing to prevent her mother learning of her activities in Hot Springs and that a few days after GRACE GOLDSTEIN's mother had arrived at Dyer's Landing, Chief of Police JOSEPH WAKELIN drove her and GRACE GOLDSTEIN in his automobile to Dyer's Landing to see GRACE GOLDSTEIN's mother. CONNIE MORRIS stated that on that occasion GRACE GOLDSTEIN merely stated to her "I want you to meet a friend of mine" and then stated "This is JOE WAKELIN, the Chief of Police". CONNIE MORRIS insisted that this was the first time she had ever seen WAKELIN and that although GRACE GOLDSTEIN might have communicated with WAKELIN as well as with "DUTCH" AKERS, over the telephone, and that she might have contacted these individuals, as well as other officials at Hot Springs, Arkansas, she was positive that the aforementioned two occasions were the only times she had ever seen GRACE GOLDSTEIN contact or talk with WAKELIN and AKERS. She further stated that neither KARPIS nor HUNTER had ever indicated to her that they knew any of the police or other city officials at Hot Springs and she had never heard GRACE GOLDSTEIN indicate that these individuals knew or had contacted any of the police or city officials. She further stated that

she had never seen GRACE GOLDSTEIN pay sums of money to any of the police or city officials in Hot Springs, nor had GRACE GOLDSTEIN ever indicated to her that she was paying money to such officials; however, that on several occasions she had seen GRACE GOLDSTEIN buy a cigar or drink for various police officers whose names she did not know at taverns, night clubs and other places where she would run across these officers in Hot Springs.

CONNIE MORRIS stated that to the best of her recollection, FRED HUNTER had used the name of FRED HUNTER on the occasion when they were in Florida and that when they were at CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS, he used the name HAROLD KING and when they were at New Orleans, Louisiana, he was using the name Mr. O'HARA. She further stated that KARPIS usually used the name ED WOODS at Hot Springs, but that he had also used the name ED KING.

With reference to the date June 28, 1935, mentioned in the first report of reference, she stated that she recalled that GRACE GOLDSTEIN moved from 123 Palm Street to the Hatterie Hotel on approximately that date, at which time she, "GRETA" SWANSON, "GINGER" MORGAN and JACKIE NICHOLS were working for GRACE GOLDSTEIN; however, that she had no recollection of a prostitute named RUTH who was working for GRACE GOLDSTEIN at that time, nor could she remember that a police captain named ARCH COOPER called at 123 Palm Street and had dates with her (CONNIE MORRIS). In this connection, she stated it was possible that such individual did have dates with her at that address, but that she did not know that he was a Police Officer. She further stated that "DUTCH" AKERS did not to her knowledge have dates with "GRETA" SWANSON.

It is noted that on June 28, 1935, JOHN STOVER was alleged to have gone with FRED HUNTER by plane from Hot Springs to Tulsa, Oklahoma. In this connection, CONNIE MORRIS stated that it is entirely possible that STOVER did fly HUNTER to Tulsa on that date; however, that the only time she ever met STOVER was when he flew her and HUNTER to visit her sister at San Antonio, Texas.

She further stated that it was possible that on July 2, 1935, HUNTER and KARPIS went from Hot Springs to Muskegee, Oklahoma in a Ford Coupe; however, that she had no recollection of such incident.

CONNIE MORRIS stated that on approximately July 12, 1935, as indicated in Agent MADALA's report, she commenced taking treatments from Dr. T. N. BLACK at Hot Springs, Arkansas for female trouble and that possibly FRED HUNTER received treatments from Dr. PAUL Z. BROWNE; however, that she had no recollection of that particular matter. She stated that on or about July 17, 1935 KARPIS and HUNTER left Hot Springs, but she did not know where they were going; however, it is her belief that

they were somewhere in Canada, as while they were away HUNTER sent her several pieces of Canadian money as souvenirs.

She also stated that at about that time KARPIS purchased a Hudson automobile, however, she did not remember the description of this automobile. It was CONNIE MORRIS' recollection that KARPIS had had this automobile stored somewhere and that he got the car out of storage on the occasion when he and HUNTER left.

With reference to the cottage which KARPIS and HUNTER were alleged to have had at Milan's Landing on Lake Hamilton, she stated that she had no distinct recollection with reference to this particular cottage.

With reference to the date August 21, 1935, she stated that she remembered that at approximately that time KARPIS and HUNTER rented a cottage from MRS. ELSIE DYER at Dyer's Landing on Lake Hamilton; however, she heard no conversation to the effect that KARPIS and HUNTER had previously rented a cottage in that particular vicinity. She stated that she and GRACE frequently visited KARPIS and HUNTER at the Dyer's Landing cottage.

With reference to August 26, 1935, when she underwent an operation for female trouble, CONNIE MORRIS stated that Dr. T. N. BLACK performed this operation at the St. Joseph Infirmary at Hot Springs and that KARPIS and HUNTER as well as GRACE GOLDSTEIN, visited her two or three times at this hospital. In this connection, she stated that on the first occasion she remained at the hospital for two weeks, during which time the doctor was endeavoring to correct the condition without operating and that at the expiration of two weeks she left the hospital, but that approximately two weeks later it was necessary for her to return to the hospital, at which time she underwent the operation and she remained in the hospital for another period of approximately two weeks. She stated that HUNTER had driven her to the hospital on these occasions from the Hatterie Hotel.

She stated that she remembered the colored girl named ROSALIE LAWS who worked for KARPIS and HUNTER as a maid and cook at Dyer's Landing and that she also remembered that a colored woman named MINA WILER worked for them, but that she had no recollection with reference to the length of time these individuals were employed by them.

CONNIE MORRIS identified the photograph of SAM COKER as an individual whom she knew only as "TOMMY", but could furnish no information of value regarding this individual except that she occasionally saw him with KARPIS and HUNTER.

CONNIE MORRIS also identified the photograph of HARRY CAMPBELL as resembling an individual she had seen with KARPIS and HUNTER at Hot Springs on one or two occasions, but stated she had only a faint recollection

of CAMPBELL and did not remember the name under which he was known at Hot Springs. She stated that she did remember that in approximately September 1935, CAMPBELL appeared at Hot Springs in a Hudson automobile resembling the one which KARPIS had driven.

CONNIE MORRIS stated that she remembered that in September 1935, SAM COKER, whom she knew only as "TOMMY", was stopping with HUNTER and KARPIS at the place at Dyer's Landing and that HUNTER and COKER attended the LOUIS-BAER fight at New York City and that HUNTER brought a souvenir of some type from New York on that occasion but she did not remember whether this souvenir was a program of the Majestic Theatre at New York City.

She further stated that later during that month, GRACE GOLDSTEIN's dog named "Shine" was brought to Hot Springs by HUNTER and some of the other individuals, whose names she could not remember, nor could she remember where they had obtained this dog.

With reference to the party at GRACE GOLDSTEIN's house on October 3, 1935, CONNIE MORRIS stated that she did remember that there was a party at the Hatterie Hotel on approximately that date but that she could not remember the names of persons who attended the party except that most of the subjects were there and that KARPIS and CAMPBELL probably left Hot Springs on the following morning. She further stated that it is her belief that on the following day, FRED HUNTER and some one of the other subjects, perhaps SAM COKER, left Hot Springs.

She stated she had no recollection of a truck from the Murray Transfer Company or any other truck hauling the outboard motor and other personal effects from Dyer's Landing on the following day, but that she heard GRACE GOLDSTEIN say something to the effect that the stuff had been moved.

With reference to OLLIE DOWDY, alias MARY WILLIAMS, she stated she remembered that this prostitute commenced working at the Hatterie Hotel on approximately October 8, 1935 and that occasionally OLLIE DOWDY was in charge at the place during GRACE GOLDSTEIN's absence.

With reference to the Associated Press release on October 13, 1935 to the effect that there were rumors that KARPIS and members of his gang had been residing on Lake Hamilton, CONNIE MORRIS stated that she heard no rumors on that occasion nor at any other time prior to the occasion when she and HUNTER and KARPIS left Hot Springs to go to New Orleans where they were apprehended.

She further stated that she remembered knowing whatever of the statement issued by Chief of Police JOE WAKELIN on approximately October 14, 1935 regarding the individuals on Lake Hamilton, who were alleged to have been KARPIS and his gang.

With reference to the date of October 15, 1935, when she and GRACE GOLDSTEIN and the latter's niece, MARGARET, are alleged to have visited Dyer's Landing and to have talked with MRS. ELSIE DYER relative to the newspaper rumors regarding KARPIS and his gang, she stated that she remember that at approximately that time she accompanied GRACE GOLDSTEIN and MARGARET to Dyer's Landing; however, that while GRACE GOLDSTEIN was talking to MRS. DYER, she and MARGARET were out in front of the building cracking and eating nuts and heard nothing of the conversation which occurred between GRACE GOLDSTEIN and MRS. DYER.

CONNIE MORRIS stated that she remembered that CLAYTON HALL and his wife, who are friends of KARPIS and HUNTER, had come to Hot Springs on one or two occasions and she had attended a party at the Belvedere Night Club at Hot Springs with the HALLS, but that she could not furnish any additional information regarding the HALLS or her activities. It should be noted that she was unable to identify the photograph of MILTON LETT and stated that she did not remember having seen this individual.

With reference to the date of October 24, 1935, CONNIE MORRIS stated that she remembered that GRACE GOLDSTEIN had rented a cottage at 602 South 3rd Street and that for a short time KARPIS and HUNTER lived there while they were in the city, but she pointed out that they were in and out of Hot Springs frequently and did not live continuously at one place for any great length of time.

With reference to the date of October 25, 1935, she stated she remembered that FRED HUNTER had arrived in Hot Springs on approximately that date and registered at the Marquette Hotel, but did not remember that he had gone with GRACE GOLDSTEIN to Dyer's Landing where he talked with MRS. DYER regarding the identity of KARPIS.

With reference to the date of November 9, 1935, CONNIE MORRIS stated that she was positive that she did not go to the airport for the purpose of meeting KARPIS, HUNTER and CAMPBELL and she was almost positive that GRACE GOLDSTEIN did not go to the airport on that date, at which time it was alleged that the plane did not arrive at Hot Springs; furthermore, that neither she nor GRACE GOLDSTEIN went to the airport on the following day to meet these individuals.

With reference to the date of November 12, 1935, she stated that on approximately that date STOVER flew her and FRED HUNTER from Hot Springs, Arkansas to San Antonio, Texas, where they visited her sister, MRS. KIRKPATRICK, and that on or about November 16, 1935 they left San Antonio and went to Corpus Christi, Texas, where they fished for several days, during which time HUNTER purchased a Ford Coupe and that while there, on November 25, 1935, which was her birthday, he purchased a wrist watch for her as a birthday present. She further stated that they subsequently

learned that GRACE GOLDSTEIN and KARPIS had stopped at the ~~Grande Courts~~ Tourist Camp while they were in Corpus Christi, Texas, but she and HUNTER did not contact them on that occasion as they did not know they were there at that time.

With reference to the date of December 5, 1935, she stated that she remembered that GRACE GOLDSTEIN and KARPIS had lived at 124 Club Street, but it was her recollection that this address was 124 Fincel St., and that at that time she and HUNTER were living at the Best Tourist Court at Hot Springs, which was owned by the same individual who owned the Hatterie Hotel and that she and HUNTER visited GRACE GOLDSTEIN and KARPIS frequently at 124 Club Street during that period but that she was positive that none of the police officials or other city officials visited any of them at either of these places. In this connection, she stated that she had heard of City Attorney A. T. "SONNY" DAVIES but that she had never seen this individual, nor had he ever contacted GRACE GOLDSTEIN to her knowledge.

With reference to the occasion when GRACE GOLDSTEIN is alleged to have mentioned to the girls working at the Hatterie Hotel that she would like to rent the summer home of "DUTCH" AKERS on Lake Catherine because of the fact that KARPIS was expecting some friends from Youngstown, Ohio (namely, CLAYTON HALL and his wife), CONNIE MORRIS stated that she had never heard GRACE GOLDSTEIN remark that she would like to rent or use the summer home of "DUTCH" AKERS but that she had heard that "DUTCH" AKERS owned a summer home on Lake Catherine.

With reference to CLAYTON HALL and his wife living with KARPIS and GRACE GOLDSTEIN at 124 Club Street, she stated, as indicated in the foregoing, that she had seen CLAYTON HALL and the latter's wife only once and that was the occasion when she attended the party with them at the Belvedere Night Club.

With reference to the photograph of KARPIS appearing in a Chicago newspaper, which photograph was alleged to have been shown to "GINGER" MORGAN by her niece as resembling GRACE GOLDSTEIN's boyfriend, she stated that she had no recollection whatever of any discussion of such photograph appearing in the newspaper and that if such had been the case she is positive that either GRACE GOLDSTEIN or someone else would have mentioned the matter to her.

With reference to the date of December 11, 1935, when GRACE GOLDSTEIN purchased a Buick Coupe, CONNIE MORRIS stated she remembered the occasion when this automobile was purchased and that GRACE GOLDSTEIN thereafter visited her home at Paris, Texas, but that she had never heard that GRACE GOLDSTEIN had borrowed JOE WAKELIN's license plates on that occasion.

CONNIE MORRIS stated she remembered that she and HUNTER arrived in Hot Springs from Corpus Christi, driving the automobile which he had purchased there, on approximately December 20, 1935.

With reference to whether KARPIS was in Hot Springs, Arkansas on December 23, 1935, she stated that she distinctly remembers that she and FRED HUNTER were in Hot Springs on Christmas Day 1935, but did not remember whether GRACE GOLDSTEIN and KARPIS were there on that day.

With reference to the date of January 7, 1936, CONNIE MORRIS stated that she remembered that she and FRED HUNTER arrived in Florida on approximately that date and proceeded to Orlando and from there to Lake Opeoka, where they lived in a rooming house for approximately two weeks, after which they went to the home of HOWARD SIMS, who promoted cock fights, and that they stayed with the SIMS for approximately three weeks, during which time HUNTER was using the name FRED HUNTER.

She stated that she and HUNTER then proceeded to Paris, Florida and lived with another individual, whose name she could not remember but who promoted chicken fights and whom they had met through SIMS. In this connection, she stated that while they were at Paris, Florida, HUNTER hunted quail with this individual. She stated that it was her recollection that HUNTER did not know HOWARD SIMS or the other individual prior to going to Orlando and that he met them at some cock fight.

With reference to MAUDIE CLARK and PATSY MORRIS, who are alleged to have arrived at the Hatterie Hotel at Hot Springs on January 13, 1936, CONNIE MORRIS stated that she could not remember these individuals but that possibly they had worked there for a short time.

It should be noted that CONNIE MORRIS could furnish no information with reference to the dates from January 14, 1936 to March 10, 1936, mentioned in the first report of reference, owing to the fact that she and HUNTER did not return to Hot Springs from Florida until the latter date.

She stated she remembered that on approximately March 12, 1936, HUNTER and KARPIS left Hot Springs and to the best of her recollection visited SIMS at Orlando, Florida.

With reference to the date of March 22, 1936, CONNIE MORRIS stated that she did remember that she and GRACE GOLDSTEIN and KARPIS were during that period purchasing milk from some dairy in Hot Springs and that FRED HUNTER had beaten her up for driving his automobile from the Fairchild place. In this connection, she stated that she was drunk on that occasion and took HUNTER's car and drove it to Hot Springs and that he later struck her several times because of the fact that she took the car, stating that he objected to her driving the car as she would wreck it on the rough roads between the Fairchild place and Hot Springs.

CONNIE MORRIS stated that it was not until after she was apprehended in New Orleans, Louisiana that she learned that her sister, Mrs. KIRKPATRICK at San Antonio, Texas, had been interviewed by Federal officers.

With reference to the date of March 25, 1936, CONNIE MORRIS stated that ERCELL BROCK, a cab driver who was always about three-fourths drunk, called at the Hatterie Hotel and asked her whether she would like to make a lot of money. She stated that she at first thought that it was just some of his drunken chatter; however, that she finally stated to him "You know I would like to make a lot of money". BROCK then stated "If you want to make a lot of money tell me where FRED and HAROLD are, as they are wanted by the G-Men". CONNIE MORRIS stated that a few minutes later, GRACE GOLDSTEIN came in, at which time she told GRACE what BROCK had said and GRACE immediately instructed CONNIE MORRIS to accompany her to the Fairchild place. Upon their arrival at the Fairchild place, GRACE told KARPIS what BROCK had said to CONNIE, whereupon KARPIS stated "Things don't look so good; I guess we'd better get going". CONNIE MORRIS said that KARPIS and HUNTER then said to her "You go with us", however, she objected, stating that she did not want to leave Hot Springs, whereupon she stated GRACE GOLDSTEIN said "Go on with them, it will be all right". CONNIE MORRIS said that she again protested, stating that she did not want to leave but that KARPIS and HUNTER insisted that she go with them.

CONNIE MORRIS stated that to the best of her recollection, she and KARPIS and HUNTER left Hot Springs early the next morning in two automobiles and that she and HUNTER rode in one of these cars and KARPIS rode alone in the other.

With reference to the telephone call which CONNIE MORRIS received from her mother at Davidson, Oklahoma on March 26, 1936, she stated that there was nothing unusual about this telephone call and that she did not remember talking to the prostitute MARY after the call had been completed, but that she did remember that her mother had called her and asked her to come home as she was afraid that she would get into some trouble at Hot Springs, Arkansas. In this connection, CONNIE MORRIS insisted that her mother was not referring to any particular individual in stating that she might get into trouble and also stated that she was positive that her mother did not know the identity of the individuals with whom she was associating at Hot Springs.

With reference to the manner in which GRACE GOLDSTEIN picked her up on March 26, 1936 prior to going to contact KARPIS and HUNTER at the Fairchild place regarding her conversation with ERCELL BROCK, she admitted she remembered that GRACE GOLDSTEIN had instructed her to take a cab to the Marquette Hotel and that she (GRACE GOLDSTEIN) would pick her up in a few minutes; however, that she did not walk through the Marquette Hotel and meet GRACE GOLDSTEIN at the rear entrance, but that she did walk into the Marquette Hotel and came out and met GRACE GOLDSTEIN at the front entrance a few minutes later, after which they drove to the Fairchild place and informed KARPIS and HUNTER of their conversation with BROCK.

With further reference to her conversation with GRACE GOLDSTEIN, KARPIS and HUNTER on that occasion she stated that GRACE said to her "You had better go ahead with them until things look better". In this connection, CONNIE MORRIS stated that she did not want to accompany KARPIS and HUNTER, but that she was afraid not to go. She stated that it was her understanding that GRACE GOLDSTEIN would have gone with them, but that it was necessary for her to remain in Hot Springs to take care of her business.

It should be noted that CONNIE MORRIS stated that GRACE GOLDSTEIN positively did not attempt to persuade her to remain in Hot Springs and be questioned by "DUTCH" AKERS and Post Office Inspectors relative to her association with HUNTER, but that on the other hand, GRACE GOLDSTEIN insisted that she leave Hot Springs with KARPIS and HUNTER.

It should be noted that CONNIE MORRIS stated that subsequent to leaving Hot Springs on that occasion, she and HUNTER stopped in a tourist camp somewhere in Louisiana or Texas, but that she could not remember the name of location of this camp, and that KARPIS was not with them at that time; that they subsequently met him in Texas.

CONNIE MORRIS stated that KARPIS and HUNTER always appeared to have plenty of money during the period of approximately one year when she knew them, but that the largest amount she had ever seen either one of these individuals exhibit was approximately \$100.00. She stated that HUNTER always paid GRACE GOLDSTEIN for her (CONNIE MORRIS') services and that HUNTER also paid GRACE GOLDSTEIN for her hospital and doctor bills on the occasion when she underwent the operation at Hot Springs and that she understood that the bills amounted to over \$1,000.00.

CONNIE MORRIS further stated that from time to time during the period when she knew KARPIS and HUNTER she, as well as the other girls who were working for GRACE GOLDSTEIN, remarked that these individuals always seemed to have plenty of money and wondered what kind of business they were engaged in; however, GRACE GOLDSTEIN would always claim that KARPIS and HUNTER were from the North and that people from the North were more prosperous than people in the South. CONNIE MORRIS stated that she was satisfied with this explanation and insisted that she did not even suspect that KARPIS and HUNTER and their associates were wanted by the Federal officers or any other officers for that matter until the occasion when ERCELL BROCK told her they were wanted by the "G-Men".

With reference to Mr. HANS WULFF'S statement to Mr. LEON CATLETT at Little Rock, Arkansas to the effect that CONNIE MORRIS is in a badly diseased condition and would have to go on relief at St. Louis, Missouri because of her inability to make a living, reporting agent subsequently talked to Mr. WULFF who stated that he had learned that CONNIE MORRIS apparently is not in that condition at this time. In this connection, it should be noted (as indicated in the foregoing), she

is presently working as a call girl at 4271 Washington Boulevard, which is the Norgene Apartment building.

Before leaving the St. Louis Office, CONNIE MORRIS indicated to agents that she could be contacted at 4271 Washington Boulevard in the event agents desired to interview her further regarding this matter and, as indicated in the foregoing, Mr. WULFF has stated that he intends to arrange for her to enter a plea of guilty in connection with this matter at an early date.

P E N D I N G

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CINCINNATI** **Lo. R. FILE NO. 702**

REPORT MADE AT Little Rock, Arkansas	DATE WHEN MADE 6/7/38	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 5/31/38	REPORT MADE BY D. P. SULLIVAN DR
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

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: JOSEPH WAKELIN, HERBERT AKERS, CECIL BROCK, JOHN STOVER, MORRIS LOFTIS and MRS. AL C DYER arraigned in U. S. District Court, Little Rock, Arkansas before Federal Judge JOHN C. TRIMBLE, on May 31, 1938, and each of these defendants entered a plea of not guilty to the charge of conspiracy to harbor ALVIN KARPIS.

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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent D. P. SULLIVAN, Little Rock, Arkansas, dated 5/24/38.

DETAILS: On May 31, 1938, JOSEPH WAKELIN, HERBERT AKERS, CECIL BROCK, JOHN STOVER, MORRIS LOFTIS and MRS. AL C DYER were arraigned in U. S. District Court, Little Rock, Arkansas, before U. S. District Judge JOHN C. TRIMBLE, on the charge of conspiracy to harbor ALVIN KARPIS, as a result of the indictment returned against them by the U. S. Grand Jury at Little Rock, Arkansas on May 18, 1938. Each of the defendants above named entered a plea of not guilty to the above charge.

JEWEL LEVERNE GRAYSON, alias Grace Goldstein and RUTH HAMM ROBSION, alias Connie Morris were not arraigned, inasmuch as neither of these women had yet been removed to Little Rock. These women will undoubtedly be arraigned shortly after their arrival at Little Rock, Arkansas, upon their removal, respectively, from Los Angeles, California and St. Louis, Missouri.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

LITTLE ROCK FIELD DIVISION at Little Rock, Arkansas will follow

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prosecutive action in this case which is scheduled for trial during the October, 1938 term of Federal Court at Little Rock.

Will also report the pleas entered by GRACE GOLDSTEIN and CONNIE MORRIS upon their arrival in Little Rock, Arkansas, after their removal respectively from Los Angeles, California and St. Louis, Missouri.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
POST OFFICE BOX 1276
OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA
JUNE 10, 1938

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

RE: P. L. BUCY, INFORMANT.

Please refer to Bureau letter of May 31, 1938, (7-156) directed to Mr. P. L. BUCY, General Delivery, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, suggesting that he communicate with this office and furnish any further information than indicated in his letter to the Bureau dated May 23, 1938, concerning Chief of Police WAKELIN and "DUTCH" AKERS, of Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Mr. BUCY called at the office on June 7, 1938. He is a man of about 70 years of age. He stated at the present time he is busy investigating numerous irregularities concerning state officials involving the use of money obtained from oil royalties on state property. However, Mr. BUCY could not inform me as to whom he was working for, stating he was doing it on his own initiative and was deriving no income from his investigations. He appears to be an old gentleman who has nothing to do and who is bordering on senility.

He related the facts as set out in his letter - that in 1931 he was representing a Mrs. WILMOT, of Hot Springs, who was the widow of Judge CLARK, and was attempting to regain some property for her. While he was staying at the Baltimore Hotel, (he was not sure of the name of the hotel), at Hot Springs in 1931, "DUTCH" AKERS and Officer COOPER came up to his room and threatened to take him for a ride and did actually put him in an automobile and drive him around Hot Springs for some time. He was then incarcerated in jail and served about ten days working with a road gang on the streets of Hot Springs. When asked whether any charge was filed against him he stated the above named individuals as well as Chief of Police WAKELIN, had caused the Manager of the hotel where he was staying, which he thinks was the Baltimore Hotel, to lodge a complaint against him for an unpaid hotel bill. BUCY stated he did in fact owe the hotel about \$20.00, but that he had no idea of beating this hotel bill.

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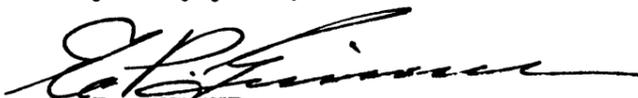
He was questioned concerning his statement in his letter that two of the gang were representing themselves to be Federal Agents. He stated in this connection that he did not have any personal knowledge but it was generally rumored around Hot Springs, in 1931, that whenever these officers wanted to "shake down" anyone they would raid a place pretending they were Federal Officers. BUCY has absolutely no definite information concerning this but stated all his information dates back to 1931.

After reciting the above information BUCY began warming up and related to Agent that he was formerly the Chief Investigator for deceased Senator Walsh, of Montana, and stated Senator Walsh was murdered and that since the death of Senator Walsh he has been carrying on investigations himself and is now interested in investigating state officials in connection with dissipation of money received from oil royalties.

Mr. BUCY had previously called at this office endeavoring to have us investigate a number of lawyers in Oklahoma City and Denver, Colorado, whom he stated were defrauding people in connection with the foreclosure of property by the state for delinquent taxes.

Mr. BUCY does not have any information whatsoever at this time of any Federal violation.

Very truly yours,


E. P. GUINANE
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CINCINNATI, OHIO** LA FILE NO. **7-42**

REPORT MADE AT Los Angeles, Calif.	DATE WHEN MADE 6-10-38	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 6/1 & 2/38	REPORT MADE BY H. A. SMITH
TITLE GEORGE TIMINEY, with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. #1232; GRACE GOLDSTEIN, with aliases; ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

GRACE GOLDSTEIN departed from Los Angeles for Little Rock on 6-1-38. Further information relative to her past activities divulged by U. S. Marshal, Los Angeles.

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Reference:

Report of Special Agent R. N. PRANKE, dated at Los Angeles, 5/25/38;
Telegram to the Little Rock Div. dated 6-1 & 2-38.

Details:

AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

On June 1, 1938 MR. GEORGE ROSSINI, Deputy U. S. Marshal, telephonically advised the Los Angeles Division that a Deputy Marshal was leaving on June 1, 1938 with GRACE GOLDSTEIN for Little Rock, Arkansas, and that they would arrive in Little Rock at 3:30 A.M. on June 4, 1938 on the Rock Island train from Oklahoma City. The Little Rock Division was telegraphically advised of this information.

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On June 2, 1938 MR. ROSSINI advised the Los Angeles Division that prior to the departure of the train on the previous evening, GRACE GOLDSTEIN had divulged certain information relative to her past activities to him regarding which he made notes, and that U. S. Marshal ROBERT CLARK was also present at the time these statements were made. The following is the gist of the information divulged by GRACE GOLDSTEIN:

She stated that she rented a house from relatives of the District Attorney, Hot Springs, Arkansas, which house was located on a hill, naming the place as Lake Catherine; that she had been in business in Hot Springs and had numerous friends on the Police Department. She inferred that she was operating a house of prostitution, stating that she had a weakness for fancy colored automobiles and due to that fact the Police Department members came to know her quite well. She stated that at different times all of the boys of the gang would meet at her house; that the gang left this house at Lake Catherine on the Thursday prior to the Sunday that this house was raided. She advised that she knew that the place was to be raided from friends of hers due to the fact that Post Office officials and G-men were working together at the time and were asking many questions of people in the town at that time.

MR. ROSSINI asked her if she was not afraid of being caught driving in an automobile or riding on a train and she stated that she never rode in an automobile or train in making trips but that she always used an airplane. Upon being asked if she was not afraid of being caught using an airplane, she stated that she always used the same pilot who is presently under arrest. When asked if she was afraid that the pilot would divulge where he had been taking her, she stated that when she desired to go to Cleveland she would instruct the pilot to head north and to land at Toledo and would then take a taxicab from Toledo to Cleveland and if she desired to go to Toledo she would land at Cleveland and take a cab from there. She stated that after a week or two she would come back to where the gang was and they would then move on to a place which she had selected.

During August and the Fall of 1935 she spent the greater portion of her time around Biloxi, Mississippi, where, with the gang, she used to rent a large boat which they would use to go fishing. This boat was rented from a man named JOE who, she stated, was a Frenchman. The boat purportedly used to sail from the Biloxi Yacht Club, which is close to where the car tracks run to the beach. She advised that she nearly always had a big black Great Dane dog, weighing approximately 160 pounds, with her and always thought that this dog would mark her and lead to her apprehension. She stated they paid \$50.00 a day for the boat which had bunks on each side, a radio, and was well equipped. She also advised that they always stopped at the Edgewater Hotel, which was midway between Biloxi and Gulfport, Mississippi.

She further advised that in New Orleans they stayed at the "Jeff Davis" (Jefferson Davis) Parkway, which is on a canal and she believes the address was 3820 Canal Street. She stated the day before KARPIS was arrested she skipped out and that she had lots of friends on the Police Department in New Orleans, mentioning a number of them, but the only name which MR. ROSSINI remembered was GREGSON, whose first name he believed was HARRY. She also advised that she was a very good friend of HARRY NORMANDELE, a reputed police character, and advised that the grandmother of HARRY NORMANDELE has bonds of HARRY'S totaling approximately \$100,000. She advised that her bond would be ready for her as soon as she arrived at Little Rock inasmuch as she received information from a friend of hers that her sweetheart had arranged for bond. Further, she stated that to the best of her knowledge the Little Rock Police Department only saw her in the company of KARPIS on one occasion at which time they were riding in a bright colored automobile.

She stated that it was a good thing that officers never caught up with KARPIS when they were staying at the house on the hill inasmuch as they were well-armed and would have been just too bad for the officers. She advised that she was never in on any of the jobs pulled by the gang but inferred that she had "cased" some of them.

The above information is quoted as well as possible from that received from MR. ROSSINI and is being forwarded to the Little Rock Division for any assistance they are able to derive from it.

The Little Rock Division was advised on June 2, 1938 by telegram of the fact that GRACE GOLDSTEIN contemplated making bond immediately upon her arrival.

There being no further investigation pending in this district, this case is being referred upon completion to the office of origin.

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JHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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

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June 14, 1938

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Re: BREKID HARBORING.

In order that you may be advised as to the information obtained from Connie Morris when she was recently interviewed in the St. Louis office, this is to inform you that she made few admissions which would be of value in the prosecution of the other subjects in this case.

She stated that the only time she had seen "Dutch" Akers or any other police officer visit Grace Goldstein was upon one occasion, date not furnished, when Akers called at 1338 Central Avenue, Grace Goldstein's residence, and sold her (Connie Morris) a diamond ring. The further contacts which she mentions made by Goldstein with Wakelin occurred subsequent to the apprehension of Karpis and Hunter at New Orleans. She does admit, however, that on one occasion, about November 12, 1935, John Stover flew Fred Hunter and herself to San Antonio, Texas, in order that they might visit her sister, Mrs. Kirkpatrick.

Around March 25, 1936, she admits that Ercell Brock, a cab driver, questioned her at the Hatterie Hotel as to whether she would like to make a lot of money, stating that if she would, she should indicate to him where Fred and Harold were (meaning Hunter and Karpis) as they were wanted by the G-men. She admits that she immediately furnished this information to Grace Goldstein, and together they proceeded to the place where Karpis was staying. Shortly thereafter, Karpis, Hunter and Connie Morris left Hot Springs.

Connie Morris still indicates that she will enter a plea of guilty and has stated that she can be contacted at 4271 Washington Boulevard, in the event further interview with her is desired.

Information has been received by the United States Attorney that arrangements would be made for her to enter a plea of guilty in the near future.

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THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

BILLINGS, MONTANA

(Editorial - HARRY GRIFFIN, Editor)

June 1, 1938

NEW LIGHT ON CRIME.

Although no American city has turned wholly sinless and set down pliantly to await the wholesale distribution of harps and haloes, it is nevertheless true that we don't hear nearly so much about gangsters and the underworld as we used to hear.

This is partly because the G-men and other law enforcement agencies have done some pretty effective work. Even more, however, it is simply because the gangsters and the underworld have ceased to be news. Gangs and underworlds still exist, less defiant, less cocky, perhaps, but still in business.

So any new light we can get on the way commercialized crime operates is worth getting and worth thinking about. We shan't really win the long war with gangsterism until we understand fully how and why gangsterism exists and some valuable light on the subject is provided by a recent happening in Arkansas.

There the G-men arrested five men and two women on charges of harboring Alvin Karpis, who

... that the big law agencies do not operate on their own. Their "gangs" are not made up merely of low-browed thugs and snuffing killers they depend for their existence on the active cooperation of respected people.

Gangsters have to move from place to place. They have to hide out from the law. And they don't sink fortively about like trembling fugitives in a moving picture. They have their friends, their "connections" who take care of them. They are able to live outside the law because supposedly decent folk help them to live that way.

Second, they can't operate without an understanding with the forces of law and order. Pat Roche, the famous Chicago detective, once remarked caustically that a one-armed prohibition agent on a bicycle could have dried up Chicago in a week if he had really had the implications of that remark are true of all gangs in all places. Crime is a business and the police are its customers otherwise.

So these gangs are worth...

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5/19/38



ALVIN KARPIS

Hot Springs, Ark., May 14. — Six of them were taken into custody at Hot Springs, Ark., today by federal agents. A grand jury indicted them on charges of harboring a Karpis gang member public enemy.

Standing a woman, was secretly at Hot Springs after midnight by federal agents. Investigation of the woman, Connie Morrell, who is known as a sweetheart of Karpis, Karpis gangster, was made at St. Louis.

District Attorney Fred W. Smith said the six taken into custody at Hot Springs were Herold "Blatch" Akers, former Hot Springs chief of detectives; Joseph Wakelin, former Hot Springs policeman; Cecil Brock, former Hot Springs policeman in charge of identification for the spe police; John Stone, manager of the Hot Springs municipal airport; Morris Loftis, operator for a boat landing near Hot Springs; and Mrs. Al C. Dyer, owner of the boat landing.

Akers also was charged with harboring Thomas Nathan Norwood, member of the Alfred "Sonny" Barker gang which operated in Arkansas, Arkansas and Mississippi.

The six arrested at Hot Springs were brought to the Federal building here this afternoon where they were held to arrange bail, fixed at \$10,000 each for Akers and Wakelin and \$5,000 each for the others. The six were kept locked in the U. S. marshal's office.

Inspector E. J. Connelley of the FBI, in a formal report to Isgrig, said Akers, Wakelin and Brock were charged with having harbored Karpis while they were on duty with the Hot Springs police department, from June, 1935, to January, 1937.

Wakelin resigned his position as chief of police here in 1937. Brock was a member of the Hot Springs police department in 1937.

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year sentence for participation with Karpis and others in the Garrettsville, Ohio, mail train robbery on Nov. 7, 1935.

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 - Mr. McIntire
 - Mr. Nichols
 - Mr. Tracy
 - Miss Gandy
- W. J. [Signature]*

For 'Harboring Criminals'

The federal bureau of investigation announces the arrest of five men and two women charged with harboring a notorious criminal gangster at Hot Springs, Ark., in 1935. The gangster was Alvin Karpis, formerly "public enemy No. 1," who finally was captured by G-men here in New Orleans and now is serving a life sentence at Alcatraz as a convicted kidnaper. During his reported stay in Hot Springs, the FBI agents made a surprise descent upon that city in search of him, but he eluded capture somehow. Now they believe they have the explanation of that escape.

For the five men just arrested in connection with this case, it is noted that three were officials of the Hot Springs police department at the time of the alleged harboring. One is described as a "former chief of police," the second as a "former chief of detectives" and the third as a "former lieutenant of detectives" in charge of the Hot Springs "division of identification." During their sojourn in the Arkansas resort, Karpis and his gangster associates, according to the FBI report, "all moved about freely in Hot Springs without any apparent fear of arrest." Some of them, it is additionally charged, "committed numerous crimes of violence" while enjoying that protection. Two of the gangsters named were shot to death last year in gunfights with officers; others are serving life or long-term sentences in various penitentiaries.

Charges of a direct tieup between public officers and criminals have been frequent and not infrequently have been proved, though proof naturally is difficult. The Hot Springs ex-officers charged with harboring criminals are entitled, it goes without saying, to their day in court. The "federal men" have been working on the Hot Springs angle for a long time. Trial of suspects just gathered in may supply the missing chapters of that underworld mystery story and give American readers a better understanding of what probably is the worst phase of the nation's crime problem.

Mr. Tolson ✓
Mr. Nathan ✓
Mr. Tracy ✓
Mr. Clegg ✓
Mr. Coffey ✓
Mr. Dawsey ✓
Mr. Egan ✓
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OFFICE OF
COMMISSIONER OF NARCOTICS

TREASURY DEPARTMENT
BUREAU OF NARCOTICS
WASHINGTON

June 15, 1938

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In re: Letter from Mrs. E. Johnson,
Los Angeles, Calif. relative to
Joseph Makelin, Herbert (Dutch)
Lakers & Cecil Brock, Hot Springs, Ark.

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Hon. John Edgar Hoover,
Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged with thanks of your letter dated
June 10, 1938, enclosing copies of a letter from the above
named individual postmarked May 27, 1938.

Very truly yours,

Will S. Wood

Will S. Wood,
Acting Commissioner of Narcotics.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
Post Office Box 1469
Little Rock, Arkansas
June 15, 1938

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

Re: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

On June 14, 1938, GRACE GOLDSTEIN, who has been held in the Pulaski County Jail, Little Rock, Arkansas, was released on bonds totaling \$15,000.00, her previous efforts to secure bond having been unsuccessful, and bond not having been accepted by the court.

She was contacted twice while in the Pulaski County Jail in the hope that she would give information to this office. She advised that her arrest has relieved her mind a great deal for the reason that she has been under tension for the past year or so, expecting something to happen.

It can be seen that she will enter a plea of guilty to the harboring charge, and she did not indicate her attitude in connection with the White Slave Traffic Act indictment, but apparently she was somewhat surprised at the return of this indictment. She stated her purpose in securing her release on a bond was so that she could return to Hot Springs and settle her personal matters, prior to entering a plea in this matter.

It is known that she has been advised by CONNIE MORRIS, of Hot Springs, Arkansas, that she should take care of herself in instant case and not endeavor to protect others who might be implicated, and her present attitude is to furnish additional information in connection with this investigation.

Very truly yours,

H. B. Fletcher

H. B. FLETCHER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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601 Richmond Trust Building,
Richmond, Virginia.

June 18, 1938.

Special Agent in Charge,
Little Rock, Arkansas.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

On May 21, 1938 while Special Agent S. M. SUTTLER was on leave in the City of Hot Springs, Arkansas, an informant by the name of KELLY contacted him in a restaurant and informed him that one Dr. M. O. EVANS, a chiropractor in Hot Springs, Arkansas, had some confidential information regarding ALVIN KARPIS and former Chief of Detectives HERBERT AKERS.

Upon being interviewed, Dr. EVANS informed Agent SUTTLER that a patient by the name of MAX BROWN had called at his office some two weeks prior and during the course of conversation mentioned the fact that while he, MAX BROWN, was working in a garage during 1936 ALVIN KARPIS drove into the garage one night with two companions; that he went out to wait on ALVIN KARPIS and as he would look at any other customer he stood there and asked KARPIS what he desired in the way of service; that KARPIS told him not to stare at him and after cursing him told him to send the negro out to wait on him. BROWN informed Dr. EVANS that he immediately stepped into the office of the garage, informed the negro that the man in the car looked like ALVIN KARPIS and instructed the negro to go out and wait on him. The negro was a little frightened and asked him to call the police while he was waiting on him. Dr. EVANS further stated that BROWN informed him that HERBERT "DUTCH" AKERS, former Chief of the Hot Springs Detectives, and Patrolman MONROE YOUNG called at the garage within a few minutes; that AKERS immediately went over to the car and talked to ALVIN KARPIS; that after a few minutes AKERS came into the office and told him, MAX BROWN, that he was mistaken; that the man in the car was not ALVIN KARPIS and that it was his opinion that MONROE YOUNG also was cognizent of the fact that the man in the car was ALVIN KARPIS and his companions were other gangsters or other members of his gang.

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Efforts were made to contact MAX BROWN by Special Agent SUTTLER on the afternoon of May 21, 1938 but in view of the fact that this day was Saturday and MAX BROWN is a driver for the Standard Cleaners in Hot Springs, Arkansas, it was his busy day and agent could not successfully contact BROWN on that particular day.

It should be mentioned here that the garage referred to above is the Burke's Garage, which was located across the street from the Virginia Apartments, where KARPIS lived with GRACE GOLDSTEIN at that time.

It is respectfully suggested that MAX BROWN, truck driver for the Standard Cleaners at 312 Market Street, Hot Springs, Arkansas, be contacted in the near future and a signed statement obtained from him with reference to the above matter in view of the fact that this is very strong evidence against HERBERT "DUTCH" AKERS for his part in the harboring of ALVIN KARPIS in the above entitled case and this evidence should be obtained prior to the trial of AKERS in October, 1938.

The same informant, KELLY, also advised Special Agent SUTTLER to contact one BRYAN DISMUKES, checker for the Yellow Cab Taxi Company at Hot Springs, Arkansas, as he thought DISMUKES had some information regarding the above entitled case.

Agent contacted Mr. DISMUKES on May 21, 1938 and DISMUKES advised that one of his cab drivers in June, 1936 had just made a call to GRACE GOLDSTEIN's house of prostitution at 123 Palmer Street and upon leaving, a car came up and sideswiped him, knocking the door of his cab off; that this car contained ALVIN KARPIS and he thought other members of his gang; that GRACE GOLDSTEIN immediately came out to the car and interceded in behalf of KARPIS, informing the cab driver that she would see that the door was paid for and that this friend of hers was an out of town visitor and urged KARPIS to leave immediately before any trouble started.

DISMUKES stated that this cab driver reported this to his office at once but that GRACE GOLDSTEIN had never made any effort to pay the amount necessary to have the cab repaired.

DISMUKES stated that if this information could be of any value during the trial of the case that upon request he would furnish the name of the cab driver and ascertain where this boy was working at the time; that he was of the impression that the cab driver is now employed as a mechanic or a truck driver and if contacted further with reference to this matter, he would ascertain

the exact location or where he is working in order that he might be interviewed by a Bureau agent.

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It is respectfully suggested that DISMUKES be contacted prior to the trial of HERBERT "DUTCH" AKERS in the above entitled case in October, 1938 in order that the name and address of this cab driver might be obtained. This cab driver should be interviewed and a signed statement obtained from him relative to any circumstances that might tend to show that HERBERT "DUTCH" AKERS or JOSEPH WAKELIN was informed of this particular accident and knew that ALVIN KARPIS was the person involved at the time.

Very truly yours,

M. E. GURNEA
Special Agent in Charge

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cc- Bureau

J. EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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

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June 10, 1938

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Re: BREKID HARBORING.

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. Nathan
- Mr. Tamm
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Coffey
- Mr. Crowl
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All defendants were reinterviewed in connection with the information which they are willing to furnish. Wakelin indicated that he has no knowledge of Karpis being in Hot Springs, and his only admissions of value were in connection with a set of license plates which he furnished Grace Goldstein and which she subsequently used on a Buick automobile in which she drove Alvin Karpis to Texas. He indicated that his association with Grace Goldstein did not begin until after June, 1936. Cecil Brock also denied knowledge of Karpis being in Hot Springs, and furnished little information of value to the investigation. During the questioning of John Stover, he voluntarily began speaking of Alvin Karpis and stated that he took Karpis by airplane on two trips from Hot Springs, Arkansas, to some place in Ohio, and commented that on one of these trips he was forced to make a landing at some point in Kentucky on account of engine trouble. He further indicated that on the other trip Karpis and he were returning to Hot Springs by airplane and were compelled to make a forced landing near Benton, Arkansas, on account of engine trouble. He indicated that Mrs. Karpis, whom he referred to as Grace, meaning Grace Goldstein, was along on this second trip, as was also Mrs. Stover.

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D. E. Balch.

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Respectfully,

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
Post Office Box 1469
Little Rock, Arkansas
June 20, 1938

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

Re: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated June 11, 1938 (7-576), making reference to the report of Special Agent D. P. SULLIVAN, dated at Little Rock, Arkansas, May 24, 1938, in the above entitled matter, and calling particular attention to the information in this report concerning BLACKIE COWHART, as contained on pages 27 and 28.

In the file entitled "HERBERT WAKERS, alias 'Dutch' Wakers; et al; National Motor Vehicle Theft Act", of which Little Rock is origin, on May 19, 1938 a letter was directed to the Kansas City Field Office requesting that BLACKIE COWHART be interviewed, information having been received that this individual, as W. T. COWART, was presently confined in the jail at Garnett, Kansas. It was suggested that inasmuch as COWHART uses the alias of BLACKIE, it might be possible that he is identical with "BLACKIE" ATLAS, a suspect in the MATTSON case, and that he be interviewed concerning his whereabouts and activities from December 27, 1936 to January 11, 1937.

In accord with your suggestion, the Kansas City Field Office, to whom copies of this letter are being directed, are also requested to consider the possibility that this individual may be identical with "BLACKIE" in the RONAP case.

Very truly yours,

H. B. Fletcher
H. B. FLETCHER, JR.
Special Agent in Charge.

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Washington, D. C.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Re: Alvin Karpis;
Harboring;
Little Rock, Arkansas.

Agent Calhoun called from Little Rock and reported that Connie Morris received a year and a day on the harboring charge. She gave a statement which adds one more thirty one case on Grace Goldstein. Connie Morris was the only subject who entered a plea today. Her lawyer came down from St. Louis and entered a plea of guilty.

Respectfully,

P. E. Foxworth
P. E. FOXWORTH.

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June 23, 1938

Mr. Philip Wertz,
Editor
The Union-Star
Schenectady, New York

Dear Mr. Wertz:

The editorial "Mop-Up of the 1935 Crime Wave," which appeared in the May 27, 1938, issue of the Union-Star has been called to my attention and I did want to thank you for your expressions of confidence concerning this Bureau's efforts to eliminate the remaining associates of the Barker-Karpis gang who gave aid and support to those individuals during the period of their violent plundering.

May I assure you of the desire of the Federal Bureau of Investigation to bring to task all of those responsible in furthering the criminal activities of such individuals as the members of that gang, and I also wish to express my appreciation for the comments contained in your column, as I believe that editorial comment such as yours renders a powerful influence in bringing about better law enforcement by fully informing the citizens of the country of the true status of crime.

With best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely yours

J. Edgar Hoover

cc Buffalo

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Post Office Box #1489
Little Rock, Arkansas
June 28, 1938

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Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to a telegram dated June 21, 1938, from the Little Rock Field Division to the Miami Field Division, to the effect that former Chief of Detectives HERBERT AKERS, Hot Springs, Arkansas, telephoned to the Little Rock Field Division, and advised that one TAYLOR was in Hot Springs at that time, and had boasted of having pulled a confidence game in or near Miami, Florida, in which he secured some \$12,000.00 to \$16,000.00.

Although it was felt that HERBERT AKERS might possibly be telephoning the Little Rock Field Division in an effort to build up "evidence" that he was trying to cooperate with the Federal Bureau of Investigation, it was deemed advisable to have the information checked by the Miami Field Division, as the Little Rock Field Division had no information of any case in which this person was involved.

A copy of this letter is being furnished Inspector E. J. CONNELLEY, and a copy is being placed in the BLEKID case in the Little Rock Field Division.

Very truly yours,

E. B. FLETCHER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc Miami
Inspector E. J. Connelley

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TITLE JURY PANEL, October 17, 1938, Term of Court, Little Rock, Arkansas.			CHARACTER OF CASE QUALIFICATIONS OF JURORS

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

At request of United States Attorney, Little Rock, Arkansas, and with Bureau authority, investigation was conducted concerning personnel of jury panel called for October, 1938, Term of Court, which includes prosecution of former Hot Springs, Arkansas, officials and others for harboring ALVIN KARPIS.

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REFERENCE:

Bureau telegrams to Little Rock Field Division dated September 21 and 30, 1938.

DETAILS:

This investigation was made jointly by Special Agents JOSEPH J. PIEPER, HAYNE A. THOMPSON, RALPH V. HARMAN, L. R. WEBER and J. R. CALHOUN.

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*ADAMS, GEORGE H.
Pine Bluff, Jefferson County, Arkansas

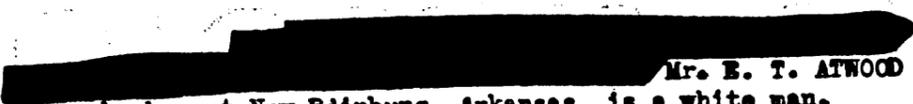
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ADAMS resides at 1200 Chestnut Street in Pine Bluff where he has been a native of the city for many years; that he is sixty years old, married, and has a wife who is his only dependent; that he has been a publisher for a number of years, and presently owns the "Pine Bluff Daily Graphic", a newspaper. They further report that he is very well regarded and takes an active part in civic, religious, and commercial activities; that he owns his home and has an approximate income of \$300 monthly. They report him to be very high esteemed and that he is considered very reliable which is seen in the fact that the merchants are willing to sell him any amount on credit. They report that he owns considerable property and is worth about \$35,000.

Deputy Sheriff L. THOMASSON of Pine Bluff advised that ADAMS is fifty-five years old or over; that he is the publisher of the "Pine Bluff Daily Graphic", a morning newspaper; that he is married and is a brother-in-law of EDGAR BREWSTER, Jefferson County Judge; that he is of good reputation and citizenship and that there is no question of his honesty. THOMASSON stated that ADAMS believes in law enforcement and from the attitude and policy noted in his newspaper he does not uphold lawlessness; that he has noted that ADAMS' newspaper's editorial policy is good and of a progressive tone. No damage suits involving ADAMS were known to THOMASSON, who stated that ADAMS "has his peculiarities which are 'just so'", but THOMASSON could furnish no particular data concerning this remark, neither could he furnish any information of ADAMS' credit rating or financial standing, although he advised that there were times one or two years ago when ADAMS was hard pressed. He further recalled that ADAMS had an opportunity to sell his newspaper several years ago but did not do so, although he was offered a good sum for same

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Sheriff GARLAND BREWSTER of Jefferson County advised that ADAMS' attitude and newspaper editorials were favorable and that he supported law enforcement agencies; that he has known him for fifty years and that there is no question of his honesty and reputation; that his character and habits are good. BREWSTER could not furnish any information concerning any damage suits involving ADAMS, stating that as far as he knew there never had been any such suits. He could not advise the credit rating of ADAMS at the present time but stated that ADAMS has been in bad circumstances but that he is now in shape to come out of same satisfactorily; further that Governor CARL E. BAILEY of Arkansas permitted ADAMS to liquidate \$25,000 to \$50,000 on his newspaper and that ADAMS is presently paying off same.

*ATWOOD, E. T.
New Edinburg, Cleveland County, Arkansas

 Mr. E. T. ATWOOD
is a banker at New Edinburg, Arkansas, is a white man, fifty-three years of age, and is a married man. His habits are quiet, he is well regarded and he has had no court record. His income is estimated at \$3,500.00 a year from his business, and \$1,000.00 a year from investments. He owns his own home and farm land and has a net worth of \$10,000.00. Citizens of his community regard him as a very reliable man, honest and dependable and with a record of fair dealing. He has operated a bank in his community for many years.

Mr. ROBERT W. MAYS, merchant at Fordyce, Arkansas, stated that he had known Mr. ED ATWOOD for many years and that he considered him A-1 in every respect.

Mr. FRED MORTON, the leading attorney at Fordyce, Arkansas, and a former resident of Cleveland County, Arkansas, stated that he considered Mr. EDWARD ATWOOD as a leading citizen of his county, one who is very reliable and not subject to any evil influences.

Sheriff W. R. BENTON, Fordyce, Arkansas, has known Mr. E. T. ATWOOD of New Edinburg, Arkansas, for many years and considers him an upright, excellent citizen.

Mr. CARL HOLLIS, banker at Warren, Arkansas, stated that he had known Mr. E. T. ATWOOD all of his life. He estimated him as being about forty-seven to fifty years of age. He described him as a man of means, a leader in his community and one of the finest citizens of his acquaintance. Mr. HOLLIS stated that Mr. ATWOOD is a man of integrity and that he could not be reached through any undue influences.

MRS. C. H. BAKER,
Park Hill, North Little Rock,
Pulaski County, Arkansas.

Examination of the Little Rock City Directory reveals a listing for Mrs. WILLA B. BAKER, wife of CLOIS H. BAKER, Deputy Circuit Clerk, home address - 723 Pine Street, Park Hill, North Little Rock, Arkansas.

C. G. FINK, Identification Officer, Little Rock Police Department checked his files for a record of Mrs. C. H. BAKER, with negative results.

Mr. BERNIE T. HOFF, County Clerk, Pulaski County, Arkansas informed that he knows both Mr. and Mrs. BAKER and has known them for the past ten years; that Mrs. BAKER is a good woman, possessing good character and excellent reputation; that to the best of his knowledge, neither she nor her husband have ever been involved in any trouble of any kind; that Mr. BAKER receives a steady salary of \$150.00 a month, being employed as Deputy Circuit Clerk; that he formerly worked for Mr. HOFF. According to Mr. HOFF, Mr. BAKER is purchasing his home and is financially responsible, although not wealthy or real well off; that he has had quite heavy medical expenses due to the physical condition of his son, age 15 years, who has some bone infection.

Mr. GEORGE WORTHEN, Vice-President, W. B. Worthen and Company, Bankers, informed that he does not know Mrs. C. H. BAKER, although he does know her husband; that Mr. BAKER possesses an excellent reputation, is financially responsible although not well off and has never been involved in any personal injury suits to the best of his knowledge.

Mrs. HOUSTON, proprietor of a small cafe, located at 1800 Arkansas and Missouri Highway, Park Hill, informed that she is well acquainted with the BAKER family; that they have one son, age about 15; that she considers them very excellent people with good character and reputation; that Mr. BAKER is steadily employed, and that to the best of her knowledge, they are members of the Methodist Church and are Democrats, although not active in politics; that she had never heard anything of a derogatory nature concerning them, nor had she ever heard of them being involved in a personal injury case.

Mr. and Mrs. BISHOP, neighbors of Mrs. BAKER informed that they had resided in this neighborhood for the past nine months, and although they did not know the BAKER family intimately, they considered them to be very good neighbors who bore an excellent

MRS. C. H. BAKER

reputation in the community; that they have never heard anything derogatory pertaining to the BAKER family. Mr. and Mrs. BISHOP stated, that because of their brief acquaintanceship with the BAKER family they were unable to pass on their financial condition.

X BARNES, JOHN
Norman, Montgomery County, Arkansas

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Mr. JOHN BARNES, Norman, Arkansas, is employed at the Black Springs Lumber Company, Norman. He has resided in that city twenty-five years and no previous address is known. He is forty-eight years of age, married, white, American, and has a wife and one son dependent upon him. He has been a mechanic for twenty-five years with the Black Springs Lumber Company and is also Mayor of Norman. No previous employer is known. He has a good permanent position, is well regarded, has good character and reputation, no court action is known against him and he is considered trustworthy.

He has an income of \$125.00 per month in salary; no other income is known. He owns his own home, which is valued at about \$1,500.00.

Sheriff J. M. GLAZE, Mount Ida, Montgomery County, Arkansas, informed that he had known JOHN BARNES for about twenty years; that he estimated his age as about fifty; that he is employed by the Black Springs Lumber Company, is thoroughly reliable, earns a good salary, is financially responsible, has an excellent character and reputation and would be above taking a bribe. He stated he had never heard of him being involved in any trouble or involved in any personal injury suit. He is a Democrat, but not active in politics, and is a member of the Presbyterian Church, Norman, Arkansas.

Mr. P. G. WARNEKE, Norman, Arkansas, informed that he had known BARNES for over twenty years; that he possesses an excellent character and reputation, earns a moderate salary from steady employment and he is financially responsible. He advised that he had never been in difficulty of any kind to the best of his knowledge; that he does not think he would accept a bribe. He is presently Mayor of Norman, Arkansas; is very active in the Presbyterian Church.

Mr. ALBERT REESE, Merchant, informed that the Black Springs Lumber Company is composed of CHARLES F. McKNIGHT of Kansas City, Missouri, President; Mrs. L. J. WITHERSPOON of Mena, Arkansas; J. T. PINKERTON, Norman, Arkansas; S. J. O'NEAL of Benton, Arkansas; and J. D. JONES of Arkadelphia, Arkansas. To the best of his knowledge there are no stockholders residing in Hot Springs, Arkansas.

He stated that BARNES has been employed there at a salary of approximately \$100.00 a month for over twenty years; that he owns his own home, valued at \$1,500.00 and has a Chevrolet Automobile; that it is generally considered that he has a good reputation and character. He is Superintendent of the Presbyterian Sunday School and a deacon of the Church.

Mr. REESE stated that a number of years ago he had been told that BARNES was doing private work on company time and was earning a little income which was not rightfully his, however, he did not know if this was absolutely true. Mr. REESE also stated that sometime ago BARNES had been injured in an accident at the plant and as a result of it he had used a large quantity of dope to relieve his pain; that although he was not in a position to substantiate this he was of the opinion that BARNES had become a dope fiend since this injury though this fact is not generally known in the community. It was difficult to obtain information from Mr. REESE, he appearing very reticent, and it was quite apparent that he did not want to recommend BARNES very strongly.

Mr. ALEX PARSON, Merchant, gave substantially the same information as his partner, ALBERT REESE, however, he did not know anything about BARNES using dope. Mr. PARSON stated the general reputation and character of BARNES was good, however, he would not trust BARNES very much, himself; that he would not want him on a jury if the other side would try to bribe the jury. To the best of his knowledge he was never involved in any personal injury suits.

Mr. PARSON stated that BARNES had some relatives by marriage residing in Hot Springs, Arkansas, namely, DEL ROWAN, EARL ORWAN and C. W. ROWAN. Mr. PARSON also stated that the attorney for the lumber company which employed BARNES is JERRY WITT of Mount Ida, Arkansas, who is the brother of EARL WITT, Circuit Judge, and brother of GIBSON WITT, JR., Prosecuting Attorney in Hot Springs, Arkansas.

BARRETT, J. B.
Stuttgart, Arkansas County, Arkansas

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[REDACTED] BARRETT resides at 406 Vine Street, in Stuttgart; that he is a contractor in his own business and has been a resident of Stuttgart for fifteen years or more; that he is fifty-two years of age, married, has a wife, two married daughters, and a son, age seventeen, who resides at his home; that he is one of the best contractors in Stuttgart and is kept busy; that he is of good character and habits; that no known details of any court record has been uncovered; that he is thrifty and has an estimated income of \$5,000 annually; that his son aids in the earnings of the household during school vacations; further that BARRETT owns his home at the above address which is valued at \$5,000 and he is generally estimated to be worth \$10,000.

[REDACTED] W. E. ALERIGHT, a reference, claims that BARRETT has owed him \$20 since 1932 and that ALERIGHT was unable to explain why BARRETT had not taken care of this account, however, ALERIGHT claimed that he has not tried to collect his money and that therefore, it could be an oversight on BARRETT'S part. A tire company at Stuttgart reported [REDACTED] that BARRETT'S account is considered very satisfactory and that he pays his bills in full from thirty to sixty days, further it is noted that they regard his reputation as being honest and reliable and of good character.

Investigation by Agent, through MORGAN DENMAN of DENMAN Brothers, Jewelers, discloses that BARRETT is about fifty years old, owns his own contracting company, is married and has a large family, some of whom are married; that he attends church, owns his own home, and is of good reputation; that he has known BARRETT for fifteen years; that his reputation and honesty are considered good as well as his credit rating. DENMAN believed that BARRETT owned another home besides his own; that he is a competent contractor. DENMAN advised however, that BARRETT is considered "hot headed" according to information he had received from

men who are employed by BARRETT. DENMAN did not know BARRETT'S attitude on law enforcement although he considered him a good citizen. He believed that BARRETT was arrested at Stuttgart about five years or so ago after he had assaulted a workman employee with a hammer following the workman's remarks to another employee concerning the results of BARRETT'S contracting work, which remarks were overheard by BARRETT; that BARRETT was released at his trial and although the victim of the assault attempted to collect damages from BARRETT the victim was unsuccessful in doing so. DENMAN could not advise the name of the attorney who represented BARRETT during these events.

WALTER B. PFEIFFER, President of the Peoples National Bank of Stuttgart, advised that BARRETT is about fifty-five years old and has resided for many years at Stuttgart during which he has operated his own business as a contractor; that he is a good citizen and is of good reputation, that he believes his attitude on law enforcement is good. PFEIFFER'S bank, however, has not had any credit dealings with BARRETT although his account at the bank is considered very satisfactory by PFEIFFER. He advised that he has heard that BARRETT is inclined to be hot headed. He had no information concerning BARRETT'S arrest of some years ago nor could he furnish any information concerning any damage suit involving BARRETT. He was unable to recall full particulars but advised that Chief McCASLIN could probably furnish information concerning some trouble in which one of BARRETT'S boys had been involved.

JOE F. B. MORRISON, an attorney of Stuttgart, recalled that BARRETT had a son who was sentenced to the Arkansas State Penitentiary on a larceny charge from Stuttgart and that this son who was considered a "mean type" individual later died in the Penitentiary; that MORRISON believed this son had actually been killed by prison authorities as a result of his own actions. MORRISON, who guessed the purpose of Agent's inquiry, advised that BARRETT was not a prosecution type juror and that he would not make a good Government juror.

Chief T. G. McCASLIN of the Stuttgart Police advised that BARRETT is an average citizen and business man; that he is considered high tempered; that he does not know of his attitude as a juror. McCASLIN advised that BARRETT'S son, KENNETH BARRETT, was sentenced to the Arkansas State Penitentiary for one year on a larceny charge about three or four years ago from Stuttgart; that BARRETT worked hard to keep this son straightened out but did not try to prevent his boy from going to the Penitentiary when he was found guilty; that the boy died in the Penitentiary; that this son was young and became involved in a game which led to his downfall; that this son had been arrested by the Stuttgart Police on various charges, mostly misdemeanors. McCASLIN also advised that J. B. BARRETT was arrested but acquitted after striking EVERETT BOUGH, one of his workers, several years ago with a hammer over labor difficulties. The Chief was unable to recall or furnish any further particulars concerning this arrest. He believed, however, that in his own opinion, BARRETT wanted the law enforced but he could not advise BARRETT'S attitude towards law enforcement officers as he claimed same was unknown to him. McCASLIN, who stated that BARRETT is a good hard worker, could furnish no information concerning possible damages involving BARRETT.

BAXTER, EARL
Monticello, Drew County, Arkansas

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BAXTER was to the effect that he had lived at Dermott,
Arkansas, as a boy and at Monticello, Arkansas, for the past
five years.

He was described as being twenty-seven
years of age, married and the owner of the Baxter Lumber
Company. He was described as a man of good character and habits,
with a net worth of \$2,500.00, and with an income of \$200.00
a month. Further information was that he is paying for his
home on the Federal Housing plan at the rate of \$35.00 per
month, and that he pays all his obligations in a very
satisfactory manner.

Investigation at Monticello, Arkansas,
disclosed that EARL BAXTER is an uncle of RUSSELL BAXTER,
formerly employed as a Clerk of the Federal Bureau of
Investigation at Washington, D. C. The BAXTER family is an
outstanding family at Monticello and at Dermott, Arkansas.

Mr. JOE McCLOY, a banker at Monticello,
Arkansas, described EARL BAXTER as about twenty-seven to twenty-
eight years of age. Mr. McCLOY said that Mr. BAXTER had been
employed by the People's Lumber Company, but for the past
few years he had owned his own business and that he was rather
successful at the same. He devotes his energies to the manage-
ment of his business and his morals and habits are good. Mr.
McCLOY stated that the BAXTER family had been fairly successful
in the past, but that they were all known as "money grabbers".
Mr. McCLOY stated that he did not think that EARL BAXTER would
be susceptible to bribery or undue influences, but that he
was a young man who was anxious to get ahead.

Mr. JUAN TROTTER, merchant at Monticello,
Arkansas, said that EARL BAXTER is a young man possessed of
a good education and of better than average intelligence.
Mr. TROTTER stated that Mr. BAXTER'S record in Monticello was
good.

Mr. L. W. BELL, County Clerk, Monticello, Arkansas, stated that EARL BAXTER was reared in the vicinity of Monticello and that his family had moved to Dermott, Arkansas, when he was a school boy, but had moved back to Monticello. Mr. BELL said that he considered Mr. BAXTER one of the most promising young business men in the County. He stated that Mr. BAXTER had not been involved in any Court proceedings, and that he considers him a young man of good moral character.

Mrs. A. PROTHRO, Dermott, Arkansas, stated that EARL BAXTER was a boy when living at Dermott, Arkansas, but that he and his people enjoyed an excellent reputation.

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X BECKHAM, WALTER,
Woolum, Van Buren County, Arkansas.

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Mr. WALTER BECKHAM is described

as
being an orchardist. He is a native of Van Buren County, Arkansas, is a white married man about fifty years of age, and has three or four children. He has been in business for himself for years, is thrifty and has an estimated income of \$600.00 per year. He owns his own home and 160 acres of land and has a net worth of \$1,000.00. He is described as being of excellent character and habits. He has always paid cash for his needs and is highly regarded in his community.

Captain LINDSEY HATCHETT, Arkansas State Police, Little Rock, Arkansas, a graduate of the FBI National Police Academy, stated that Mr. BECKHAM is a native of Mr. HATCHETT'S home county. Mr. HATCHETT considers Mr. BECKHAM as an excellent citizen about fifty years of age. He lives in the mountainous portion of Van Buren County. Mr. HATCHETT stated that, although Mr. BECKHAM lives in a secluded portion of the county, he was anything but ignorant. Mr. HATCHETT stated that Mr. BECKHAM had not been involved in any Court proceedings and that he considers him entirely reliable.

Mr. JOE S. HALL, member of the legislature, Clinton, Arkansas, said that Mr. WALTER BECKHAM is a man of good reputation who lives in the mountainous section of Van Buren County. Mr. HALL described Mr. BECKHAM as a republican in politics and was formerly Postmaster of his settlement. Mr. HALL stated that Mr. BECKHAM is entirely honest and that he could be depended upon to do his duty as a citizen.

Circuit Judge GARNER FRASER, Clinton, Arkansas, a close personal friend of Judge G. W. HENDRICKS, War Risk Insurance Attorney, Little Rock, Arkansas, described Mr. WALTER BECKHAM as an excellent citizen fifty years of age and more than average in intelligence. Judge FRASER stated that BECKHAM had not been involved

in any Court proceedings and he did not recall him as being a member of any jury. Judge FRASER thought Mr. BECKHAM to be a very fair minded man and he is positive that he could not be reached by any improper influence.

*BIBB, Mrs. C. H.
Gould, Lincoln County, Arkansas

Investigation by Agent through CLAUDE H. HOLTHOFF, Gould merchant, discloses that she is the wife of GUY H. BIBB, who owns and operates a drug store at Gould; that she is about forty-five years old, had no children. HOLTHOFF, who has known her about fifteen years at Gould, reports that she and her husband are both fine people and they are "as good as any citizens in the country as they stand for the higher things in life"; that he considers them honest and reliable, and that they never have been in any trouble; that their credit was good; and that they paid their bills promptly; that they were in good financial condition and that they own two or three small farms in addition to their drug store. He reported that they believe in strict law enforcement and that Mrs. BIBB was fair and impartial in her attitude. He had no information concerning a damage suit involving them.

RANSOME E. LAKE, Gould farmer and father of ALLEN LAKE, a plantation manager, advised that he has known Mrs. BIBB for twelve or fifteen years but that he has not been closely associated with her other than as a neighbor; that she was a good moral woman and was well liked by other women; that he considers her above the average woman; further that she was a "high class lady" and is a club and church member; that her husband has a good reputation and both of them are considered very good citizens as they stand for strict law and order. He believed that their finances were in good shape as they own their drug store and home as well as farming property. To his knowledge the BIBB'S were never involved in any damage suit.

X BOYD, SELMA
Bee Branch, Van Buren County, Arkansas

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[REDACTED] Mr. BOYD is from fifty to fifty-four years of age, married and the father of two grown children. He is the owner of his own farm and has eight hundred acres of good land; his habits and character are reported as good [REDACTED] thrifty man, with an income of \$3,000.00 to \$4,000.00 a year. His wife inherited from \$6,000.00 to \$8,000.00. He is believed to be worth \$10,000.00 or more.

Captain LINDSEY HATCHETT, Arkansas State Police Officer, and graduate of the FBI National Police Academy, Little Rock, Arkansas, is a native of Van Buren County, Arkansas. Captain HATCHETT stated that he had known Mr. SELMA BOYD all his life and that he considers him an excellent citizen, except for one failing, that being that he has taken part at times in illegal elections practices. Mr. HATCHETT stated that Mr. BOYD has been involved in no court trouble to his knowledge, and that he is a man above the average in intelligence. He has no connections with Hot Springs, Arkansas, and Mr. HATCHETT believed that Mr. BOYD would be unbiased if called as a juror.

Mr. JOE S. HALL, Clinton, Arkansas, member of the Arkansas State Legislature, stated that he had known Mr. SELMA BOYD for the past eight years, and that he considers him a man to be in excellent financial circumstances for his community. He inherited some property from his wife's father a few years ago and is a thrifty man, somewhat above the average in intelligence.

Mr. HALL described Mr. BOYD as being about forty-eight to fifty years of age. He stated that BOYD is township committeeman, and that he has also been active in politics, and that he is "in good" with the CARL BAILEY faction in State politics. (Mr. HALL, himself, is actively opposed to Governor CARL BAILEY.)

Circuit Judge GARNER FRASER, Clinton, Arkansas, a close friend to Judge G. W. HENDRICKS, War Risk Insurance Attorney at Little Rock, Arkansas, stated that he

has known Mr. SELMA BOYD for a number of years and that he is a leading citizen of the Southeastern portion of Van Buren County. Judge FRASER regards Mr. BOYD as a good citizen and as one of fair intelligence. He did not believe that Mr. BOYD could be approached by undue considerations.

X BROWN, L. R.,
Des Arc, Prairie County, Arkansas.

The following information concerning

L. R. BROWN [REDACTED]

L. R. BROWN is reported as being forty-four years of age, married and has two daughters. He is Cashier of the Farmers & Merchants Bank, has an income of \$175.00 to \$200.00 per month and is generally estimated to be worth between \$15,000.00 and \$20,000.00. He is highly regarded by his associates. His character and habits are good and nothing unsatisfactory [REDACTED] was reported.

Sheriff F. L. GRADY and Deputy United States Marshal V. O. PURVIS advised that BROWN was approximately thirty-eight years of age, married and has resided in Des Arc all of his life. Both informants have known BROWN for the last thirty or thirty-five years. BROWN is employed in the local bank. He has an excellent reputation and has never been known to be involved in any criminal activities or to have been disreputable. He is highly regarded in his community, is a member of local civic groups, has served on juries from time to time and has made an excellent juror. According to Agent's informants, BROWN is in favor of strict law enforcement.

Deputy United States Marshal V. O. PURVIS advised that, in his opinion, BROWN would endeavor to be excused from the jury but that, in his opinion, he should not be permitted to do so because he would make an excellent juror. BROWN has never been involved in any damage suits.

*BURTON, J. C.,
Casa, Perry County, Arkansas.

JOHN G. MOORE, Attorney, Morrilton,
Arkansas, advised that J. C. BURTON is a man sixty years of
age or over; that he has been on the school board for
approximately thirty years, but that within the last year or
two a complaint was lodged against him while he held the office

[REDACTED] but that he doubts whether there is
anything to it. He also advised that his experience with
BURTON makes him believe that BURTON is for law and order, is
mentally alert, sound, and that he would make a fair and safe
juror. He advised that he has watched him on a few occasions
in criminal cases and he has shown himself to be a state juror.

BAYLOR HOUSE, Sheriff, Perryville, Perry
County, Arkansas, advised that J. C. BURTON is a merchant and
that although he has been a member of the County Central
Committee for approximately thirty years he was removed for
bolting the Democratic ticket, and that he voted for HERBERT HOOVER
in the Presidential race; that he also got into some difficulty

[REDACTED] that he does
not consider him as a good juror because if the defendant appears
to be a friend of his he lets him out no matter what the charges
may be; that the Prosecuting Attorney always sees that BURTON is
excused for jury service as it is believed that he can be bought.

CARL ADAMS, a former merchant, Perryville,
Arkansas, advised that BURTON is one of the wealthier individuals
in the county. He advised that a couple of years ago BURTON got
into some difficulty [REDACTED] but that the
matter was settled quietly out of court.

CABE, HORACE,
Gurdon, Clark County, Arkansas.

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Mr. HORACE CABE is single and is about forty-five years of age. His home was formerly at Stamps and at Texarkana, Arkansas, and he is the owner and manager of a lumber company at Gurdon, Arkansas. He is described as a man of excellent character and habits with an income of \$4000.00 to \$5000.00 a year and with a net income of \$25,000.00. He owns his own home and is highly recommended by bankers. His father at one time was rated as a millionaire and each of his sons were set up in business and each one is doing well in his line of work. HORACE CABE has a reputation of meeting all of his obligations promptly.

The Rev. J. M. WORKMAN, Fordyce, Arkansas, formerly President of the Henderson-Brown College at Arkadelphia, Arkansas, advised that he has known the CABE family for the past twenty-five years and that they are an excellent Christian family. He stated that HORACE CABE is one of three brothers and that these boys are now at Gurdon, Arkansas, and all are making good. The Rev. WORKMAN stated that HORACE CABE is a man who can not be reached by any improper influence. Questioned as to any connection between Mr. CABE and JOHN H. LOOKADOO, Lawyer in Arkadelphia, Arkansas, the Rev. WORKMAN stated that Mr. CABE could not be influenced by Mr. LOOKADOO in any manner.

The Rev. JOHN HOOVER, Methodist Minister at Arkadelphia, Arkansas, stated that Mr. HORACE CABE is a church leader at Gurdon, Arkansas, and that he is a man of the highest character.

Mrs. JAMES YOUNG, Gurdon, Arkansas, stated that her husband worked for Mr. HORACE CABE a number of years and that she considers him and his brothers as outstanding

Christian men in their community. She stated that he is a steward in the local Methodist Church, and that he is sober, industrious and thoroughly honest.

The Rev. K. L. SPORE, Methodist Minister in Gurdon, Arkansas, stated that Mr. HORACE CABE is Chairman of the Board of Finance of the Methodist Church in Gurdon and that he is an unusual man in that, although single, he attends all services of the church regularly, and that he has never missed a meeting of the Board of Stewards or the Board of Finance. The Rev. SPORE stated that Mr. CABE manages the local lumber company, which he and his brothers own, and that the other brothers manage their mercantile store, which is the largest in Gurdon. He stated that Mr. CABE is under no influence at present to JOHN H. LOOKADOO, notorious damage suit attorney in Arkadelphia, the County Seat. Mr. SPORE stated that Mr. CABE'S company, after having had numerous damage suits filed against them by LOOKADOO, ended the matter by paying LOOKADOO a retainer fee as their attorney. The Rev. SPORE stated that LOOKADOO "could not get to first base" with HORACE CABE and that no other person could approach him unduly. He stated that Mr. CABE was a college man, he having attended Hendrix College, the school of the Rev. SPORE.

Dr. HENRY A. ROSS, friend of Agent CALHOUN, Arkadelphia, Arkansas, stated that HORACE CABE was one of the leading citizens of Clark County, Arkansas, and that he and his brothers had been set up in business by their father and had maintained their businesses successfully. Dr. ROSS stated that Mr. HORACE CABE is a man of the highest moral type and that he was positive that he could not be approached through any improper considerations.

Mr. HORACE CABE has been known slightly by Agent J. R. CALHOUN for a long number of years, and his brother, LOUIS CABE, was a school mate of Agent CALHOUN in Hendrix College. Agent CALHOUN knows LOUIS CABE to be a citizen of the very highest type.

*CHURCHILL, G. W.,
Hector, Pope County, Arkansas.

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CHURCHILL is approximately seventy years of age and has been in the vicinity of Hector for approximately forty years and is considered a permanent resident. He is a former merchant but is presently not working and is receiving an old age pension from the State of Arkansas, which amounts to approximately \$12.00 per month. He has always been considered honest, reliable with good character and habits. CHURCHILL and his wife reared a big family and were divorced about two years ago, and that at the present time he has no dependents. It is not known whether he owns any real estate.

JOHN G. MOORE, Attorney, Morrilton, Arkansas, advised that he is not very well acquainted with CHURCHILL but that at a recent political meeting he heard his name mentioned as being a leader at Hector, Arkansas.

BURL HARRIS, Deputy Sheriff, Russellville, Arkansas, Pope County, advised that G. W. CHURCHILL seems to be active despite his age, mentally alert and has a fairly likable personality, but that he impresses him as being of a wavering type, as in conversations he seems to be radical and whatever happens to hit his mind at a particular time stays put and nothing can change his ideas about it. He advised that he has noted this particularly in conversations regarding politics, as CHURCHILL is a republican and has been raising the devil about Government expenditures and FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT in general. HARRIS advised that he does not remember of CHURCHILL having served on any of the county juries but believes that he might get off on an odd angle and then nothing would ever change his mind about it.

H. H. HILL, Cashier, Bank of Russellville, Russellville, Arkansas, advised that CHURCHILL is a good citizens

conscientious, fair and unbiased, and that he does not believe that CHURCHILL is in sympathy with law violators; that once he gets an idea he sticks to it and that he believes that this is chiefly due to the fact that the old man is not educated and doubts whether he has finished the eighth grade. He advised that he does not believe that CHURCHILL has been involved in any damage suits and that he does not know the reason for CHURCHILL'S recent divorce.

*COCHRAN, R. E.,
Conway, Faulkner County, Arkansas.

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He came to Conway, Arkansas, from Louisiana when the gas system was first installed in Conway in 1929. He is a white man thirty-eight years of age, is married and has no children. He has been Manager of the Arkansas-Louisiana Gas Company in Conway since 1929. He is highly regarded by his employer and has an excellent personal reputation. His income is \$200.00 a month and he rents his home at Conway. He is a member of the Methodist Church, Rotary Club and other organizations, and is considered a leader in civic affairs.

Dr. THOMAS S. STAPLES, Dean of Men of Hendrix College, Conway, Arkansas, said that he considers Mr. R. E. COCHRAN an intelligent citizen of excellent reputation.

Mr. HARVEY COUCH, JR., President of the First National Bank of Conway, Arkansas, stated that Mr. R. E. COCHRAN is a man about thirty-five years of age and that he has lived in Conway since the Gas Company had had an office and that he had been Manager of the company. Mr. COUCH stated that this man has never been involved in any legal difficulties and that his reputation for paying his bills was excellent. Mr. COUCH regards him as a thrifty citizen and he can not be reached by any undue influence. Mr. COUCH stated that Mr. COCHRAN has been known to Mr. HARVEY COUCH, SR. for a number of years before he came to Arkansas, and that his father also considers him an excellent citizen. (Mr. HARVEY COUCH, SR., one of the leading financiers of the South, was in Mexico City at the time of this investigation)

Mr. R. W. ROBINS, a leading lawyer in Conway, Arkansas, stated that he regards Mr. R. E. COCHRAN as a

good citizen and as a man who would make an excellent juror. He stated that Mr. COCHRAN has not been involved in any legal matters since coming to Conway, Arkansas.

*COOK, SAM H.
Pine Bluff, Jefferson County, Arkansas

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[REDACTED] COOK resides at 1142 Walnut Street in Pine Bluff where he has been a resident of the city for some years; that he is fifty years of age, married, and has a wife who is his only dependent; that he has been employed for years as the Assistant Manager of the Ice Service Company of Pine Bluff; that he is very well regarded by his employer and is also very well regarded as to character, habits, and morals. They report a monthly income of \$300.00; further that he owns his own home and that he is considered very reliable and to own considerable property; that he is worth about \$10,000; that he pays cash for most of his merchandise and the merchants report they would sell him any amount.

Investigation by Agent through Deputy Sheriff L. THOMASSON of Pine Bluff discloses that COOK is Jewish, about fifty years old, and has been with the Ice Service Company of Pine Bluff for twenty years during which period he has been known to THOMASSON, whose impression is that COOK is a stockholder in this company. THOMASSON further advised that COOK is married, is a family man of good reputation and is a good upright, honest citizen, whom he believes owns his own home; that he is the "live, wide awake" type of man and that he has never held anything against him. THOMASSON'S impression is that COOK is in fair financial condition with good living circumstances; that he has never been in any known trouble. THOMASSON was unable to furnish any damage suit data involving COOK. THOMASSON reported that COOK'S attitude towards law enforcement is good.

Sheriff EARLAND BREWSTER of Jefferson County advised that he has known COOK all of his life, which covers the past fifty-five years; that COOK has been an employee with the Ice Service Company for the past twenty-five or thirty years; that he owns his own home, is married, is

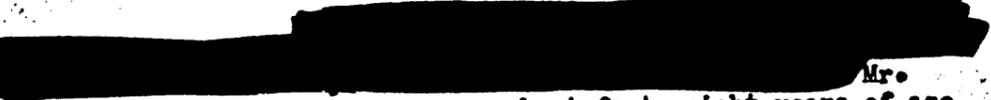
considered a good citizen, and has a good community reputation; that he is a deputy sheriff of Jefferson County by commission and has a good attitude towards law enforcement. The Sheriff had no information concerning any damage suit involving COOK. He was unable to furnish any data concerning COOK'S credit rating but believed that he worked on a salary and that he thought he paid his debts. Other than the income of his salary the Sheriff could furnish no additional information concerning COOK'S financial standing as he advised there was no other known source of income other than COOK'S salary known to him.

*DANIELS, R. JULIUS
Dermott, Chicot County, Arkansas

Mrs. A. PROTHRO, sister-in-law of the late Ex-Governor HARVEY PARNELL, said that Mr. JULIUS DANIELS was born and reared at Dermott, Arkansas, and that he is about fifty to fifty-five years of age. Mr. DANIELS at one time was in fair circumstances, but lost all of his money at the outset of the recent depression, and Mr. HARVEY PARNELL then gave him the job of managing the PARNELL plantation a few miles out of Dermott. After the death of Mr. PARNELL, Mrs. PARNELL retained Mr. DANIELS as the manager of this plantation. Mrs. PROTHRO said that Mr. DANIELS owns his own farm and manages it as well as the PARNELL plantation. She considers Mr. DANIELS a trustworthy citizen.

Mr. G. C. JOHNSTON, Cashier of the Dermott State Bank, Dermott, Arkansas, said that Mr. JULIUS DANIELS has a brother named BUFORD DANIELS who is employed in the Federal Building at Little Rock, Arkansas, by the Agriculture Extension Service. He estimated Mr. JULIUS DANIELS' age to be fifty-two years, and he stated that JULIUS DANIELS has two farms, each of eighty acres; one is located at the edge of the town of Dermott and the other adjoins the plantation of Mrs. HARVEY PARNELL. He manages the plantation of Mrs. PARNELL, and Mr. JOHNSTON described him as a good farmer but not a very good manager. Mr. JOHNSTON regards him as an upright and honest citizen.

Mrs. BESSIE C. WILLIAMS, Post Office Clerk at Dermott, Arkansas, has known Mr. JULIUS DANIELS all her life and she regards him as an upright, honest citizen. b7d


Mr. R. JULIUS DANIELS is a white man, about forty-eight years of age, who has lived at Dermott, Arkansas, all his life. He is married and has two children and has been employed as a plantation manager for the past twenty years, and at present is employed by Mrs. HARVEY PARNELL at Halley, Arkansas. His character, habits and morals are listed as good, and his income is estimated at \$2,500.00 per year. He owns his own home and

is regarded as a very dependable person who meets his obligations. He pays cash for his purchases, but business men in Dermott regard him highly as a credit risk.

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*DAVENPORT, G. D.
Clinton, Van Buren County, Arkansas

[REDACTED] Mr.
G. D. DAVENPORT owns the Variety Store at Clinton, Arkansas, and that he is a man about forty years of age, married and has three children. He has owned his present business for the past five years, and prior to that time he taught school in Oklahoma for about five years.

[REDACTED] as man of good character and habits, one very thrifty and with a net income of \$1,500.00 a year from his business in a small town. He owns his own home and has the net worth of \$5,000.00. His record for paying his bills is good.

Captain LINDSEY HATCHETT of the Arkansas State Police, Little Rock, Arkansas, and a graduate of the FBI National Police Academy, stated that he considers Mr. G. D. DAVENPORT one of the finest citizens in Van Buren County, Arkansas. Mr. HATCHETT stated that Mr. DAVENPORT is a Republican in politics and is the owner of his own business in Clinton. Mr. HATCHETT stated that he is positive that Mr. DAVENPORT could not be reached by any undue influences.

Mr. JOE S. HALL, a member of the State Legislature, stated that he considers Mr. G. D. DAVENPORT "One Hundred per cent O. K.". He described him as a Civic leader, and a merchant who was formerly a school teacher. Mr. HALL stated that Mr. DAVENPORT is a Republican in politics, and he stated that he had never been involved in any court proceedings or any trouble. Mr. HALL is positive that this man could not be reached by any undue influences.

Circuit Judge GARNER FRASER, Clinton, Arkansas, a close friend of Judge G. W. HENDRICKS, former Risk Insurance Attorney of Little Rock, Arkansas, stated that Mr. DAVENPORT is generally known as DEWEY DAVENPORT, and that he considers him the best of the four men from Van Buren County, Arkansas, who are on the present jury panel. Mr. FRASER stated that Mr. DAVENPORT is fair minded, is very intelligent and is absolutely honest.

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MRS. KATHERINE DAVIS,
4314 Woodlawn, Little Rock,
Pulaski County, Arkansas.

A search of the Little Rock City Directory revealed a Mrs. KATHERINE DAVIS, wife of S. PRESTON DAVIS, JR. at the above address.

Lieutenant C. O. FINK, Identification Officer, Little Rock, Arkansas, advised, after making a search of his files, that there is no criminal record listed for Mrs. DAVIS.

Mr. GEORGE WORTHEN, Vice-President, W. B. Worthen and Company, Bankers, informed that he does not know Mrs. DAVIS personally, but does know her husband, S. PRESTON DAVIS, who is in the cotton seed products business; that he considers Mr. DAVIS a very high-class man who is financially stable; that to the best of his knowledge, no one in the DAVIS family had ever been involved in any personal injury cases.

Mr. ZACK WOOD, Secretary, Union National Bank, informed that he knows Mr. and Mrs. DAVIS; that he has known them for the past ten years; that he estimated Mrs. DAVIS' age to be 38 or 39 years; that she and her husband possessed an excellent character and reputation; that the DAVIS family are very reliable people, live very comfortably, although not wealthy, are protestant by religion, Democrats as to politics, and to the best of his knowledge and opinion, Mrs. DAVIS was of sufficient character to refuse any bribe which might be offered her.

Mrs. COHN, residing at 4314 Woodlawn, across the street from the DAVIS home informed that Mr. and Mrs. DAVIS were very excellent neighbors and high-type citizens of Little Rock, Arkansas; further, that Mr. DAVIS is a reliable business man; that the DAVIS family has two children, a girl in college and a son in junior high school; that they belong to the Methodist Church and live in moderate circumstances; that to the best of her knowledge, she has never heard anything derogatory against the DAVIS family, nor heard of them being involved in any personal injury cases of any kind.

The DAVIS home was noted to be a nice looking, modern, small frame house, located in a nice neighborhood.

ALBERT P. DEMERS, JR.,
El Dorado, Union County, Arkansas, or
900 North Street, Pulaski County, Arkansas.

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[REDACTED] DEMERS' address as El Dorado, Arkansas. His employment
as laborer in the oil fields at El Dorado, Arkansas, where he has
been but a short time.

[REDACTED] that he has resided
at the following addresses in Little Rock, Arkansas: 1210 Bishop;
1910 Main; 2209 Cedar and 716 Summit. DEMERS' age is [REDACTED]
23 or 25 years. He is married and a white American citizen. His
dependents are [REDACTED] his wife and one child. [REDACTED] further
disclosed that he has been employed in oil fields as a laborer for
possibly two or three months. His former employers are [REDACTED]
B. F. GOODRICH COMPANY, Little Rock, Arkansas and The National
Standard Insurance Company.

[REDACTED] DEMERS is well regarded, has good character and habits,
and no court record of DEMERS is known. [REDACTED]
DEMERS is not receiving any salary at the present time, but that
prospects looked good and that he will get paid soon, the amount of
his pay not being known. [REDACTED] further revealed that he does not
have any other source of income, his estimated worth not being over
\$500.00. No bank experience is known [REDACTED]

In the reports furnished by individual merchants, one
department store advised that they have refused DEMERS further credit.
Two other merchants indicate satisfactory credit, and a hospital in-
forms that a bill in the amount of \$40.95 was placed in the hands of
an attorney for collection on August 23, 1938.

Lieutenant C. O. FINK, Identification Officer, Little
Rock Police Department advised that there is no record of ALBERT P.
DEMERS, JR. in his Identification Unit. Chief of Police J. A.
PITCOCK, informed that he does not know ALBERT P. DEMERS, JR. but
that he does know his father who is a practicing attorney in the
City of Little Rock; that ALBERT P. DEMERS, SR. possessed good
character and reputation and is considered very responsible and
reliable.

ALBERT P. DeMERS, JR.

Mr. GEORGE WORTHEN, Vice-President, W. E. WORTHEN & COMPANY, Bankers, Little Rock, Arkansas, advised that he does not know ALBERT P. DeMERS, JR., but he is acquainted casually with ALBERT P. DeMERS, SR. whom he described as an average type lawyer.

The address furnished for the residence of ALBERT P. DeMERS, JR. was 1880 West 6th Street; however, investigation revealed that there is no such number on Sixth Street. Inquiry in the neighborhood of 900 North Street, which is the address of ALBERT P. DeMERS, SR. revealed that ALBERT P. DeMERS, JR. was no longer living in Little Rock, but was working in the oil fields at El Dorado, Arkansas. It is noted that [REDACTED] neighborhood investigation indicated that DeMERS is residing in El Dorado, Union County, Arkansas, which is in the Western District of Arkansas. b7d

Mr. E. L. SPEIGHT, Deputy U. S. Marshal telephonically informed that notice had been sent to ALBERT P. DeMERS, JR. addressed to 1880 West 6th Street, and that a registered return receipt was received, signed by Mrs. ALBERT DeMERS, which return receipt was postmarked Calion, Arkansas on October 7, 1938. Calion, Arkansas is located in Union County, which is in the Western District of Arkansas.

Mr. BENTLEY WOFFARD, in the office of B. F. GOODRICH COMPANY, 5th & Broadway Streets, Little Rock, Arkansas furnished Agent with their file on ALBERT P. DeMERS, JR. This file indicated that DeMERS made an application on August 27, 1937 for position as gasoline attendant. His address at this time was given as 900 North Street, Little Rock. Applicant was employed by this concern as an attendant until January 8, 1938, at which time he was released in order to reduce the force. This application indicates that DeMERS was born March 5, 1914; that he attended Little Rock High School and graduated in 1932, after which he attended the University of Arkansas for two years, until 1934. Under references in this application, is noted the name of United States Attorney FRED A. ISGRIG, Little Rock, Arkansas.

The facts developed in this particular instance were discussed with U. S. Attorney FRED ISGRIG, who informed that he has personally known ALBERT P. DeMERS, JR. for over 20 years; that in his opinion it wouldn't make much difference whether he was on or off the jury, inasmuch as he does not possess sufficient fortitude to sway the deliberations of a body of men. Mr. ISGRIG stated that inasmuch as he knows this particular individual, no further investigation should be conducted.

DOLLAR, PHINAS A.,
Morrilton, Conway County, Arkansas.

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[REDACTED] Mr.
DOLLAR is approximately thirty-eight years of age, married and has two children; that he is employed by the Arkansas Power & Light Company at Morrilton, Arkansas, and has been in Morrilton for a period of six years; that his former residence was Russellville, Arkansas, where he lived for approximately twenty-five years. DOLLAR is of excellent character and habits, his reputation is good and he is considered very reliable, pays his local obligations in a very satisfactory manner and is considered good by Morrilton merchants. His prospects of permanent employment are good and he is well regarded by his employers. There is no Court record known and he has the reputation for being thrifty. He has a monthly salary of \$150.00, owns three houses in Russellville worth \$5,000.00, is generally estimated to be worth \$10,000.00, pays \$20.00 a month rent and is prompt in paying his rent.

JOHN G. MOORE, Attorney, Morrilton, Arkansas, advised that he has known PHINAS A. DOLLAR for ten years, goes hunting with him and has found him to be a man of high ideals, alert, keen, open minded, definitely in favor of law enforcement and a staunch member of the Baptist Church. He advised that ^{all} types of crookedness are repulsive to DOLLAR and that there is not a finer man in the whole community. Mr. MOORE further advised that DOLLAR is President of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, past President of the Kiwanis Club and is a live wire and an active member in everything in which he participates.

BURL HARRIS, Deputy Sheriff, Russellville, Arkansas, advised that P. A. DOLLAR'S reputation is the very best and that DOLLAR has a brother-in-law in Russellville who has a habit of getting drunk and DOLLAR has given the order that whenever this brother-in-law gets drunk to throw him in the furthest back cell.

*DRAKE, A. C.
Fordyce, Dallas County, Arkansas

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[REDACTED] Mr. A. C. DRAKE as a man about sixty-five years of age, married with a grown daughter who is now employed. Mr. DRAKE is a timberman by occupation, but has been unemployed for the past four years. He has lived at Fordyce, Arkansas, for the past thirty-five years, and is described as being a man of good character and habits. He owns his own home but has a mortgage on the same. He formerly was employed by the Hampton Stave Company which later became the Ashcraft and Hampton Manufacturing Company, which firm has been out of business for the past eight years. Mr. DRAKE then ran a tie mill owned by HY HEARNSBERGER.

Mr. DRAKE is considered [REDACTED] as honest and reliable, but his age has been against him in finding new employment.

Sheriff W. R. BENTON, Fordyce, Arkansas, stated that Mr. A. C. DRAKE is thoroughly reliable in every way.

Mr. CLARK BENTON, Vice President of the Fordyce Bank and Trust Company, Fordyce, Arkansas, stated that Mr. DRAKE is a man sixty years of age or more and that he is conscientious and honest. Mr. BENTON stated that Mr. DRAKE has been in financial trouble due to unemployment for several years. Mr. CLARK BENTON felt that Mr. DRAKE was a man of such high character that he could not be approached by undue considerations.

Mr. J. WILLARD CLARY, Hempstead Jewelry Company, Fordyce, Arkansas, described Mr. DRAKE as an elderly man of excellent reputation. He had a mortgage on his home, but the house burned recently. His daughter worked for the W. P. A. in Fordyce for a modest salary, and she and her parents live on this income. Mr. CLARY stated that the reputation of Mr. DRAKE was absolutely above reproach.

Mr. ROBERT W. MAYS, merchant at Fordyce, Arkansas, stated that he believed Mr. DRAKE to be a man of good character. Mr. DRAKE has been out of a job for some years and is an elderly man.

Mr. FRED MORTON, leading attorney in Fordyce, Arkansas, stated that Mr. A. C. DRAKE has been a lumberman for many years and that he was in fair circumstances until a few years ago when he was unable to secure employment. Mr. MORTON stated that Mr. DRAKE is a Republican, one of the few in Dallas County, Arkansas. He described him as a law abiding citizen.

The Rev. J. M. WORKMAN, Methodist Minister at Fordyce, Arkansas, described Mr. A. C. DRAKE as a fine citizen; a man of good intelligence and one who could not be reached by any undue influences.

EHEMANN, MIKE,
Atkins, Pope County, Arkansas.

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EHEMANN is a native of Atkins, Arkansas, and is approximately sixty-five years old; that he is married and has four dependent children and other married children who are self dependent; that he has been engaged in farming and has been so employed for a number of years; that he has a good character, habits and is well regarded by local merchants as he always pays his local obligations in a very satisfactory manner. The income from his farm is estimated at \$1500.00 per year, which land is worth approximately \$4000.00 and consists of 160 acres. Local merchants recommend a \$500.00 credit. His bank experience has been very satisfactory and he is reputed to be a very thrifty individual.

JOHN G. MOORE, Attorney, Morrilton, Arkansas, advised that he has not had very much experience with MIKE EHEMANN but that his general reputation is very good.

BURL HARRIS, Deputy Sheriff, Russellville, Pope County, Arkansas, advised that MIKE EHEMANN is the highest type of citizen; that he is pretty broad minded and very well liked in his community. He advised that EHEMANN is not educated but has good common sense and is a very good business man. He further advised that he is a devout Catholic and takes a deep interest in all Catholic Church affairs. He advised that EHEMANN is definitely for law and order; that as far as he knows he has never been involved in any damage suits. HARRIS stated that "if you are looking for a jurymen for the Hot Springs trial, you couldn't go wrong with this man".

It is to be noted that HARRIS appears to be an upright, honest law enforcement officer not in sympathy with any allegiance between law enforcement officers and criminals.

*EZELL, CHARLES A.,
Thornburg, Perry County, Arkansas.

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[REDACTED] EZELL is forty-eight years of age, married, has three children, has been in Thornburg, Arkansas, for the past twenty years and his former residence is not known; that he is employed in his own Mercantile business and has been so employed since living in Thornburg; that his character and habits are good and he is well regarded in the community; that his wife helps him in his business; that his income is \$1,200.00 per year, owns his own home and other property which is valued at \$1000.00, and he is generally estimated to be worth \$2000.00. He is considered honest, reliable and a trust worthy citizen. There is no known Court record.

JOHN G. MOORE, Attorney, Morrilton, Arkansas, advised that he has known EZELL for approximately ten years and that he is a man of sound judgement and, as far as he knows, is a good citizen; that he drinks a little and has made three unsuccessful attempts for the office of Sheriff of Perry County; that about two or three years ago his store was robbed and he is very bitter against law violators; that he has been on the County and State Juries and has been regarded as a State juror.

Sheriff BAYLOR HOUSE advised that C. A. EZELL was tried for first degree murder approximately twenty years ago after he had killed a man in a fight. He advised that the jury was hung for about twenty-four hours; that he believed that the jury had been fixed. Sheriff HOUSE advised that EZELL does not believe in convictions and that there have been complaints that he handled liquor. Sheriff HOUSE does not believe that he would make a favorable jurymen as he is known to drink.

CARL ADAMS, former merchant, Perryville, Arkansas, advised that EZELL sells drinks quite a bit, at least he has in the past, and ran for Sheriff two or three times against

BAYLOR HOUSE, who is presently Sheriff. He believes that the reason EZELL did not succeed in defeating HOUSE is that HOUSE is a better politician than he is. He advised that as a young man EZELL got into a fight with another man and hit him over the head with a club, from which injury this individual died, and that EZELL was tried for first degree murder and was acquitted.

*FAISST, HUGO,
Bigelow, Perry County, Arkansas.

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FAISST is a native of his community, approximately forty years of age and married; that he is the owner and operator of a sawmill at Bigelow and has been so employed for a number of years; that his income is from \$200.00 to \$300.00 per month; that his character and habits are good, is well regarded in the community by associates and is a trustworthy citizen. He pays his local obligations in a very satisfactory manner. It also states that FAISST is of German extraction and participated in the sawmill business with his father before going into business for himself; that he has a record of being thrifty, owns his home and timber land, which is valued at \$3,000.00 to \$4,000.00, and is generally estimated to be worth \$10,000.00; that his bank experience is good.

JOHN G. MOORE, Attorney, Morrilton, Arkansas, advised that he has known FAISST for approximately twelve years; that when FAISST talks he has the smell of liquor on his breath but that he is not a drunkard; that, being of German extraction, he drinks quite a bit of wine but no liquor.

J. E. BRAZIL, Attorney, a law partner of Mr. JOHN G. MOORE, advised that he is from Bigelow and that FAISST is a good business man, owns a lot of property, has always impressed him as being a good, straight-forward man and, though he has been involved in a number of law suits, he does not believe that any of them were damage suits.

Sheriff BAYLOR HOUSE, Perryville, Perry County, Arkansas, advised that HUGO FAISST is a very good citizen, a German and very well thought of in his community. He comes from good people, has good common sense, is a World War veteran and is a member of the American Legion. Sheriff HOUSE advised that he has been of valuable assistance to him in

locating criminals, but, though he has been cooperative, he has requested that his name be kept out of any conversations with these criminals as he owns quite a bit of property around Bigelow, including a sawmill manufacturing plant, and that should some criminal get it in for him he would run the danger of having his property burned. He advised that the services of FAISST on the juries have been satisfactory and that FAISST is head of the largest lumber company, namely the BRYANT Lumber Company.

CARL ADAMS, former merchant, Perryville, advised that HUGO FAISST is well fixed financially and that his character has never been questioned; that he is not acquainted with what his attitude might be as to law enforcement.

FINLEY, WILTON E.
Fordyce, Dallas County, Arkansas

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WILTON E. FINLEY is twenty-seven years of age, and has been Assistant Manager of the Fordyce Lumber Company since 1936, and draws an estimated salary of \$175.00 a month. He owns no real estate, pays \$20.00 a month rent and has a net worth of \$1,000.00. He is a white American, is married and is well regarded from the standpoint of thrift and general moral character. He has paid his local obligations promptly.

The Rev. J. M. WORKMAN, Methodist Minister at Fordyce, Arkansas, stated that Mr. WILTON FINLEY has a fine position and comes from a fine family. The Rev. WORKMAN believes Mr. FINLEY to be a fine citizen.

Mr. CLARK BENTON, Vice President of the Fordyce Bank and Trust Company, Fordyce, Arkansas, stated that WILTON FINLEY holds a responsible position but that of late he has been addicted to the use of liquor and Mr. BENTON stated that he is running with a crowd which is notorious for poor morality. Mr. BENTON said that FINLEY is a good business man, but that he would not put too much dependence upon him.

Mr. J. WILLARD CLARY, Hempstead Jewelry Company, Fordyce, Arkansas, said that he and WILTON FINLEY were in school together; that FINLEY attended college one year. He stated that FINLEY worked for a short time at Crossett, Arkansas, and was then transferred to Fordyce, Arkansas, inasmuch as the lumber companies of both cities are owned by the same interests. Mr. CLARY described WILTON FINLEY as a drinking man and as a man known as a "bootlicker", one who "plays up" to persons in authority in order to further his own interests. Mr. CLARY stated that he believed that WILTON FINLEY could be reached by undue influences and that he would not put any trust whatever in him.

Information received from Mr. ROBERT W. MAYS, merchant, and from Sheriff W. R. BENTON, both of Fordyce, Arkansas, indicated that they consider Mr. FINLEY an excellent young man.

Mr. FRED MORTON, leading attorney at Fordyce, Arkansas, stated that WILTON FINLEY had not been implicated in any court proceedings; that he considered FINLEY a young man of good character; that the only objection against him is his youth.

Inasmuch as Crossett, Arkansas, was the former home town of Special Agent J. R. CALHOUN, inquiry was made by Agent CALHOUN of two of his sisters, Miss CARRIE CALHOUN and Mrs. W. E. FINCH, Crossett, Arkansas, in a casual manner concerning Mr. FINLEY, and it was learned that Mr. FINLEY had been stationed at Crossett for about two years as a stenographer and that his reputation in Crossett at the time was excellent as to habits. The same information was secured from Agent CALHOUN'S sisters as was secured from Mr. CLARY, namely that Mr. FINLEY had a tendency to "play up" to persons in authority to further his interests.

GRAHAM, RALPH,
Jacksonville, Pulaski County, Arkansas.

F. C. CHASTIN, Superintendent of Schools, advised that he has been acquainted with RALPH GRAHAM for the last ten years, and was associated with GRAHAM in a teaching profession for a period of five years. GRAHAM, according to this informant, is a man of excellent reputation, has good character, morals and habits and has never been known to have been involved in any difficulties with law enforcement officers to the best of his knowledge.

GRAHAM is a Past Master of the Masonic Lodge at Jacksonville and at present is Lecturer. He is approximately thirty-five years of age, has a good, keen mind and is a logical thinker. About five years ago GRAHAM suffered a stroke, resulting in paralysis, and has not been able to work since that time. CHASTIN informed that this has not in any way effected his ability to think. This informant knew of no damage suits that GRAHAM had ever been involved in.

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GRAHAM is employed as Justice of Peace at Jacksonville, from which he has an income of from \$15.00 to \$20.00 per month. His estimated net worth was given as \$2,000.00. In addition to his income as Justice of Peace he draws about \$15.00 a month disability benefits from an insurance policy. The disability is a result of a stroke of paralysis suffered by GRAHAM approximately twenty years ago. He is well regarded in the community in which he lives and no unsatisfactory information concerning his credit record was reported. He was reported as being thirty-five years of age, single and having resided in Jacksonville during most of his life.

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GROBMEYER, JOHN R.
327 Charles Street
Little Rock, Pulaski County, Arkansas

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[REDACTED] Mr. JOHN R. GROBMEYER and wife, TOLISE GROBMEYER, reside at 327 Charles Street, Little Rock, Arkansas, having resided at that address since 1926. They formerly resided in Forrest City, Arkansas.

[REDACTED] Mr. GROBMEYER operates the J. R. GROBMEYER Lumber Company of Little Rock, Arkansas; that he is fifty-five years old, married, white, an American citizen, has a wife and three dependent children. He has owned and operated the J. R. GROBMEYER Lumber Company for the past twelve years, and possesses a good character and habits. No court record is known for him. His income is estimated between \$5,000.00 and \$7,000.00 per year. He owns his own home and is generally estimated to be worth between \$40,000.00 and \$50,000.00; his bank experience is listed as satisfactory. The reports given by individual creditors indicate that GROBMEYER'S credit is very good.

Lieutenant C. O. FINK, Identification Officer, Little Rock Police, Department, advised that they have no criminal record for Mr. GROBMEYER.

Chief of Police J. A. PITCOCK stated he considered GROBMEYER a very responsible, upright citizen in Little Rock, possessing an excellent character and reputation, apparently very well off financially.

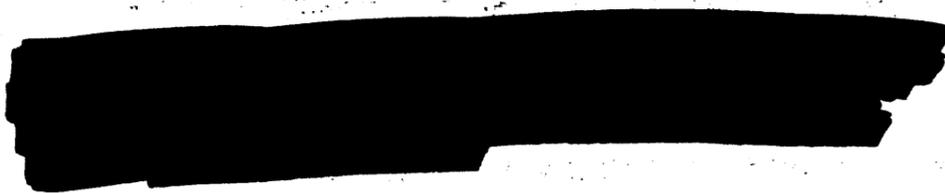
Mr. GEORGE WORTHEN, Vice President of W. B. Worthen Company, Bankers, informed he had known GROBMEYER for approximately ten years; that he is a man of good character and reputation and financially responsible; that he had never heard anything derogatory concerning him and to the best of his knowledge, Mr. GROBMEYER has never been involved in any personal injury cases.

Mr. CARL OMERING, 1816 Springs Street, informed he had known GROBMEYER four or five years and to the

best of his knowledge he possesses a good character and reputation and family background; that he is very well fixed financially and is of sufficient moral strength to withstand the offer of any bribe; that to the best of his knowledge, GROBMEYER has never been involved in any personal injury case.

Mr. ZACK WOOD, Secretary of the Union National Bank, informed he had known GROBMEYER for seven or eight years. He possesses a good character and reputation, is financially responsible and would be above taking a bribe.

*HARRIS, C. R.
Glendale, Lincoln County, Arkansas



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Investigation by Agent through ARTHUR J. JOHNSON, attorney at Star City, Arkansas, discloses that HARRIS is about forty or forty-five years of age, that he has been known to JOHNSON for the past fifteen or twenty years; that he is married, has a family of good reputation; that he is well respected and a good citizen who is considered honest and who has been a member of the School Board for the past several years. JOHNSON stated that HARRIS for the past few years has been a successful cotton gin operator. JOHNSON regarded him as a prosecution type juror as he believes in strict law enforcement; further that he has never been involved in any trouble. JOHNSON was unable to furnish any information concerning HARRIS' implication in a damage suit. He advised that about a year ago HARRIS and his partner, a Mr. BRANDON, lost their cotton gin in a fire; that HARRIS has since pledged a margin between them to put up the necessary security in order to rebuild same; that his credit is considered good and that his financial standing is also good other than the obligation on the above cotton gin.

CLYDE FISH, Vice President of the Arkansas Railroad Company at Star City, stated that he has known HARRIS for twelve or fifteen years; that HARRIS is a planter and cotton gin operator at Glendale and is considered one of the leading citizens in the community. He considers him of good reputation and citizenship, advising that he is a good business man, coming from a family of good character, and that there was no trouble among them. He reported HARRIS' law enforcement attitude to be good and further advised he was not involved in any damage suits to his knowledge. He summarized that inasmuch as he believes HARRIS to do a good business that his financial standing was good, that although there was no question concerning HARRIS' honesty he did not know the exact credit rating of HARRIS but believed it to be good.

* HASTINGS, SETH
Stuttgart, Arkansas County, Arkansas

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[REDACTED] Mr. HASTINGS resides at 724 South Main Street, in Stuttgart; that he is the local representative of the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank of St. Louis, Missouri; that he has been a resident of Stuttgart for ten years or more; that his former residence is not known; that he is between forty-eight and fifty years of age, married, and has a wife and four children, ranging from six to eighteen years in age; that he has been occupied as an auditor for ten years or more with the above firm; that he is well regarded by his employer, is of good character and habits, and is considered thrifty, receiving a salary of \$250.00 per month. They further advise that he is receiving rent amounting to \$50.00 per month from four houses; that he owns his own home which is valued at \$5,000, and is generally estimated to be worth \$8,000. His bank experience is listed as very satisfactory and he has dealt with the Peoples National Bank, who are a reference, for ten years or more; that he has had loans with this bank from time to time and all of their dealings have been very satisfactory. According to credit references his account is prompt the first of each month, and he is generally considered to be honest, reliable, and of the very best character and that his general reputation is beyond reproach, his standing in the community being considered its best.

Investigation by Agent, through MORGAN DENMAN of DENMAN Brothers, a Jewelers' concern at Stuttgart, discloses that Mr. HASTINGS is about forty-five years old and has been known to DENMAN for the past six or seven years and ever since HASTINGS has resided in Stuttgart; that he is married, has three children, attends church. DENMAN advised that he understands that HASTINGS is a Government man protecting the Government's interests involving the Arkansas Rice Growers Cooperative Association, whose members are farmers, further that it is possible that HASTINGS sells insurance also; that he is considered a good citizen of good reputation and although he is "finicky" at times, he believes he is fanatic and strict on law enforcement, further that he is above reproach in intelligence and

has never been involved in any trouble nor does he possess a criminal record to DENMAN'S knowledge. It was determined from DENMAN that one daughter is a semi-invalid and is provided for by him. DENMAN did not know of a damage suit involving HASTINGS other than the fact that HASTINGS brought a law suit to establish a property line last year but lost same. DENMAN believed that HASTINGS was represented by W. A. LEACH, an attorney of Stuttgart, during this suit. DENMAN believed that HASTINGS owns his own home and lives within his income; that although he does not know his financial standing that his credit rating is considered good.

WALTER P. PFEIFFER, President of the Peoples National Bank of Stuttgart, advised that HASTINGS' reputation was very good and he is considered honest and reliable; that he is a Special Representative with the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank of St. Louis, Missouri, and advances credit to the Arkansas Rice Growers Association. PFEIFFER did not know of any insurance business in which HASTINGS was interested. He further advised that HASTINGS owns his own home, which is incumbent for a reasonable amount, otherwise he did not believe that HASTINGS has any financial worth, although his credit standing is considered good. He advised that HASTINGS, who is Treasurer of the Arkansas Synagogue and a loyal member of the Presbyterian Church, had a A-#1 attitude on law enforcement; that he found him to be fair and impartial; that prior to his present occupation, he believes HASTINGS was connected with a bank in the State of Arkansas and was on the State Banking Department Staff. PFEIFFER had no information concerning any possible damage suit involving HASTINGS.

JOE F. B. MORRISON, Attorney at Stuttgart, who guessed the purpose of Agent's inquiry, advised that he considered HASTINGS a good juror and is definitely a prosecution man as he is "hard boiled" and has a good attitude towards law enforcement. MORRISON stated that HASTINGS has not been involved in any damage suit in Stuttgart during the past ten years; that if he had been involved in any such suits they must have taken place elsewhere.

T. G. McCASLIN, Chief of Police of Stuttgart, advised that he has known HASTINGS for several years; that he considers him a good citizen, and that he has never been in any trouble. From McCASLIN'S personal acquaintance and observation he did not know whether he would or would not make a good impartial juror although his reputation is good and he is honest as far as he knows. McCASLIN considers his law enforcement attitude good; could furnish no information concerning any possible damage suit involving HASTINGS whose credit rating or financial standing was unknown to him.

MRS. J. W. HATLEY,
401 North Ash Street, Little Rock,
Pulaski County, Arkansas.

Examination of the Little Rock City Directory revealed that JOHN W. HATLEY and wife, ANNIE, resided at the above address. The occupation of JOHN W. HATLEY was listed as Deputy County Commissioner, State Insurance Commissioner and Fire Marshal.

Lieutenant C. O. FINK, Identification Officer, Little Rock Police Department, after a search of his records, advised that there was no record for Mrs. J. W. HATLEY.

Mr. GEORGE WORTHEN, Vice-President, W. B. Worthen and Company, Bankers, informed that he had known Mrs. HATLEY for about 12 years; that he estimated her age to be about 65 years; that she is a high-type individual with good character and reputation; that she is financially responsible but not wealthy; that to the best of his knowledge, she has never been involved in any personal injury cases.

A woman neighbor of Mrs. HATLEY, name unknown, who resides at 326 North Ash Street, informed that she had known the HATLEY family for a number of years; that they are people of excellent character and reputation and are members of the Presbyterian Church; that Mrs. HATLEY is employed in the State Capitol; that she had never heard anything of a derogatory nature pertaining to members of the HATLEY family and that she had never heard of them being involved in any personal injury cases.

Another neighbor of Mrs. HATLEY at 414 North Ash Street informed that she has known the HATLEY family for about five years; that the HATLEY family is not very neighborly and are rather "distant"; however, they possess an excellent reputation in the community; further, that the family had never been in any trouble to her knowledge, and she has never heard of them being involved in any personal injury cases.

* HAYMAN, G. W. (Negro)
1024 Gaines Street
Little Rock, Pulaski County, Arkansas

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Dr. G. W. HAYMAN, SR., a negro physician, resides at 1024 Gaines Street, with an office at 1012 West 11th Street, Little Rock, Arkansas; that he has lived in Little Rock, Arkansas, for a number of years, having been at his present address since 1925.
[REDACTED]

He is sixty-five years old, married, a negro, and his only dependent is listed as that of his wife; several children being grown. He has been a physician in Little Rock, Arkansas, for the past thirty or thirty-five years; prior to which time he was a student. This report indicates that HAYMAN is considered a competent Doctor and had a good practice; his character and habits are considered good, and he is considered thrifty. His income was estimated at \$200.00 per month with no other earning of any one in the house listed, nor does he have any other known income.

[REDACTED] HAYMAN owns his own home and is estimated to be worth approximately \$5,000.00.

The individual creditors who replied to the credit inquiry indicate he has satisfactory credit with the exception of one account which is in the hands of an attorney in Little Rock, Arkansas, of which the balance of approximately \$45.00 is still owing.

The report indicated that a suit was filed in Little Rock Municipal Court, Case # 37212, Nowlin Lumber Company vs Dr. G. W. HAYMAN, suit for \$21.05, filed December 10, 1935, which was paid September, 1937.

Lieutenant C. O. FINK, Identification Officer, Little Rock Police Department, advised they had no criminal record for HAYMAN.

Chief of Detectives O. N. MARTIN informed he had known HAYMAN for over twenty years; that he is a negro physician, and is considered one of the better class negroes in Little Rock, Arkansas; that at one time HAYMAN had considerable money, but he does not know what his present financial status is, but he is considered a responsible negro.

Chief of Police J. A. PITCOCK informed he had known HAYMAN a number of years; that they had never heard anything derogatory concerning him, and in his opinion HAYMAN was one of the better class negroes in Little Rock; that he does not know anything as to his financial responsibility, nor did he ever know of him being involved in any personal injury cases.

J. ROBERT BOOKER, negro attorney, Century Building, informed he had known HAYMAN twenty-five years; that his general reputation and character are excellent, financially responsible; promptly pays his financial responsibilities; that he is approximately seventy years old, and is actively engaged in the practice of medicine; that to the best of his knowledge he had never been involved in any difficulty of any kind, nor has he ever been involved in any personal injury suits. BOOKER informed that a son, ARTHUR HAYMAN, aged twenty-three, is presently confined in the Illinois State Penitentiary, Joliet, Illinois, charged with assault with deadly weapon, having been sent there last November. As to this son, BOOKER stated that he was mentally afflicted, having the mind of an eight or nine year old child, which is apparently the result of his being injured in an accident a number of years ago. As to the rest of the family, BOOKER stated that they are high type negro people.

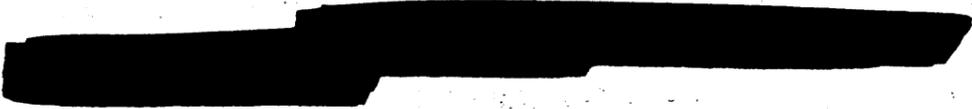
SCIPPIO A. JONES, negro attorney, Century Building, informed he had known HAYMAN for over forty years; that to the best of his knowledge HAYMAN is a native of Arkansas, and is about seventy or seventy-five years old; that he is considered an honest and reliable negro of generally good character and reputation; is financially responsible, owning his own home, is a graduate of the McHarry Medical School at Nashville, Tennessee, but that to the best of his knowledge HAYMAN has never been involved in any personal injury suits.

As to his family, JONES stated that HAYMAN had two sons who were not the best of citizens. One son, a dentist, is a drunkard, however, with no criminal tendencies; another son is involved in various criminal activities, presently serving time in a penitentiary.

When asked whether or not he thought HAYMAN would accept a bribe, JONES stated that HAYMAN possibly could be swayed into doing something against his better judgment.

Mr. GEORGE WORTHEN, Vice President of W. B. Worthen Company, Bankers, advised he knows HAYMAN as a negro doctor, however, he does not know him personally, has had no business dealings with him whatever, and has never heard anything derogatory concerning him.

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HORNE, A. F.,
Des Arc, Prairie County, Arkansas.



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HORNE was reported to have resided in Des Arc during all of his life. He is forty-eight years of age, married and has two children. He is the proprietor of a general store and has an estimated income of \$1500.00 per year. His net worth is estimated at \$10,000.00. His character, habits and credit record are good.

Sheriff F. L. GRADY and Deputy United States Marshal V. O. PURVIS advised that HORNE was approximately thirty-eight years of age, married and has resided in Des Arc all of his life. Both informants have known HORNE for the last thirty or thirty-five years. HORNE is in the mercantile business. He has an excellent reputation and has never been known to be involved in any criminal activities or to have been disreputable. He is highly regarded in his community, is a member of local civic groups, has served on juries from time to time and has made an excellent juror. According to Agent's informants, HORNE is in favor of strict law enforcement.

Deputy United States Marshal V. O. PURVIS advised that, in his opinion, HORNE would endeavor to be excused from the jury but that, in his opinion, he should not be permitted to do so because he would make an excellent juror. HORNE has never been involved in any damage suits.

X HUGHES, WALTER R.
Benton, Saline County, Arkansas

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[REDACTED] Mr. HUGHES is married, his wife's name being DORIS, and he has two children. He resides on River Street in Benton, Arkansas.
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HUGHES has resided in Benton, Arkansas, all his life. He is presently forty-three years old, white and an American. He is employed in the JOHN L. HUGHES Store, Benton, Arkansas, as a Clerk. He does not have or never had any other occupation; is well regarded as to character, habits and morals. [REDACTED] he is regarded favorably by his employer. (It will be noted that his employer is his brother.)

[REDACTED] He has never engaged in any illegal practices or business. As to salary, [REDACTED] estimates he earns \$100.00 a month or less, and has no other income, and that he owns his own home.

[REDACTED] states that HUGHES is the son of the late GEORGE HUGHES and a brother of JOHN L. HUGHES. The HUGHES estate which is composed of a large bottom farm and considerable rent property, both residents and business, is estimated to be worth \$50,000.00 to \$75,000.00, but this was all willed to JOHN L. HUGHES and their mother, Mrs. NANNIE HUGHES, therefore WALTER R. HUGHES has no income from this estate. HUGHES has always worked for the firm of HUGHES and Son, and in the past has had a sizeable income. This firm is now doing a small volume of business and his salary is considerably less than in the past. He owns his own home which is well located, estimated to be worth \$2,500.00, and thought to be unencumbered.

HUGHES has never been given any authority and has never assumed any responsibility of carrying on the business, and has always worked there as any other employee. He is well regarded, and it is generally believed that he would pay any obligations he would make if it was in the bounds of his income.

HUGHES has two grown daughters, married, a son, about twelve years old, and the baby is five months old. He was willed only \$10.00 of his father's estate, however, he has been given a job in the store all the time. It is rumored now that as the business is not more than paying expenses they might close out.

Mr. C. F. ELZA, Postmaster, Benton, Arkansas, informed that he has known WALTER R. HUGHES for a number of years. He possesses a good character and reputation, owns his own home, which he estimates to be worth \$3,500.00 or \$4,500.00. He considers him financially stable, however, he has no other income than that received from work in the JOHN L. HUGHES store, however, his mother is fairly well to do and he may receive some money upon her death. To the best of his knowledge he has never been involved in any personal injury cases, and is a member of the Methodist Church.

Mr. RALPH WALTON, Benton, Arkansas, advised he has known HUGHES all his life; that he comes from a very good family, and he and his brother operate a store left by their father which business at one time was very lucrative, but is now in rather poor shape, and to the best of his knowledge HUGHES is not very well off financially; that he is a Democrat but not active in politics, and is a member of the Methodist Church, but not active in church work. His general reputation and character is good, however, he, WALTON, is rather prejudiced against HUGHES inasmuch as he understands that WALTER HUGHES and his brother, JOHN L. HUGHES, induced one D. MATHEW HARRISON to execute an excessive mortgage on HARRISON'S home, which was to falsify the credit rating of the HUGHES Store, indicating that mortgage as an assets to the business. Mr. WALTON stated that he understands this mortgage is still in effect, and was one of the causes for HARRISON'S death last July, inasmuch as HARRISON worried a great deal over this mortgage which was on his home. As to this mortgage, WALTON stated that to the best of his knowledge there was no financial consideration given HARRISON, and it was a pure fraud in order to establish a good credit for the store. WALTON explained that he could not prove this matter himself.

When asked as to whether or not in his opinion HUGHES would accept a bribe, WALTON stated he could not say yes or no as to this question, but in his opinion HUGHES was not of strong enough character to be absolutely trustworthy, and very likely HUGHES could be easily swayed. Mr. WALTON concluded by stating he did not know if HUGHES had ever been involved in any personal injury case.

Chief of Police W. H. McKLOWN advised that HUGHES did not have a criminal record in Benton, Arkansas. Chief McKLOWN stated he had known HUGHES for a great number of years; that he possessed a good character and reputation, and comes from a good family; that he is employed in the general store, the business of which is poor, consequently gives the opinion that HUGHES is not very well off financially. He is a member of the Methodist Church, a Democrat in politics and has never been involved in any personal injury cases. Mr. McKLOWN concluded by stating he did not think HUGHES would accept a bribe.

HENRY A. KENDRICK
1870 Gaines Street
Little Rock, Pulaski County, Arkansas

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Mr. HENRY A. KENDRICK resides at 1870 Gaines Street, Little Rock, Arkansas, is retired from the Custodian Department of the United States Post Office; that he has lived in Little Rock a number of years.

[REDACTED] he is sixty-three years old, married, white and an American. His dependents are listed as a wife and one child.

He is retired from the Custodian Department of the United States Post Office, where he was employed as elevator operator in the Post Office for twenty-five years, with a pension of \$83.33 per month. He has good character and habits, no Court record is known, and he is considered thrifty. He owns his own home which is estimated to be worth \$2,000.00. The credit reports indicate that he owes a doctor \$350.00, which account was placed in the hands of an attorney August 1, 1934. Another account reveals he has been paying a hospital bill since March, 1933, which hospital bill was at one time \$213.50; at the present time remaining only \$23.50 owing; the last payment of which was made in July, 1938.

Lieutenant C. O. FINK, Identification Officer, Little Rock Police Department, advised they had no criminal record concerning HENRY A. KENDRICK.

Mr. GEORGE WORTHEN, Vice President of W. B. Worthen Company, Bankers, informed that he had known KENDRICK for twenty-five or thirty years; that he has a good reputation and good character and thinks he is financially hard up. Mr. WORTHEN stated he did not know anything derogatory concerning Mr. KENDRICK.

Mr. and Mrs. WITT, 1868 Gaines Street, neighbors, informed that they had known the KENDRICK family for thirty-four years; that they considered the KENDRICK family very good, substantial upright citizens. It was their understanding that Mrs. KENDRICK at one time owned or presently

owns some real estate, but they did not know the place in the State; that they are of Protestant Religion, their politics unknown, and to the best of their knowledge have never been involved in any personal injury case.

Mr. DONAHOO, 1869 Gaines Street, informed he had known the KENDRICK family for a number of years and considered them very good reliable people; that to the best of his knowledge, Mrs. KENDRICK owned some property some place, which would be the only other source of income other than the pension which Mr. KENDRICK receives from the Government. Mr. DONAHOO advised he had never heard of any difficulties or trouble which Mr. KENDRICK had been in at any time, and to the best of his knowledge he had never been involved in any personal injury case.

A Jewish lady, name unknown, residing at 1871 Gaines Street, advised she had known the KENDRICK family for approximately twelve years; that she considered them very good substantial honest citizens.

MRS. M. A. LALLY,
2115 Arch Street, Little Rock,
Pulaski County, Arkansas.

Examination of the Little Rock City Directory revealed that Mrs. ANNIE LALLY, widow of MARTIN LALLY, lived at the above address. Also listed as living at this address was the name Mrs. NETTIE L. ROBINSON, widow of BIGELOW ROBINSON.

C. O. FINK, Identification Officer, Little Rock Police Department advised that there was no record for Mrs. M. A. LALLY at his department.

Chief of Police J. A. PITCOCK, Little Rock, informed that he does not know MRS. LALLY personally, but was acquainted with her husband, now deceased, who held a responsible position with the Missouri Pacific Railway Company, prior to his death; that he was a highly responsible and respected citizen in Little Rock, Arkansas; that to the best of his knowledge, Mrs. LALLY was between 65 and 70 years of age.

Mr. GEORGE WORTHEN, Vice-President, W. B. WORTHEN and COMPANY, Bankers, informed that he had known Mrs. LALLY for 35 years; that he believed her to be approximately 70 years old; that she is a widow, whose husband, MARTIN LALLY, was train master for the Missouri Pacific Railroad Company prior to his death; that Mrs. LALLY had held a very responsible position at the American Exchange Trust Company, being employed in the Safe Deposit Section of this concern; that Mrs. LALLY is not well fixed financially and presently resides with her daughter, Mrs. NETTIE L. ROBINSON, who is also a widow, Mrs. ROBINSON'S husband having been killed in an automobile accident; however, there was no accident case involved, inasmuch as Mr. ROBINSON'S son was driving the car which turned over, killing Mr. ROBINSON.

Mr. ZACK WOOD, Secretary, Union National Bank, informed that he is acquainted with Mrs. LALLY; that she is somewhere in the sixties as to age, possessed good character and reputation and formerly held a very responsible position with the American Exchange Trust Company, in the Safe Deposit Section; that she is not financially well off at the present time but is of good character and one who would stand by her commitments. Mr. WOOD stated, that in his opinion Mrs. LALLY would be above the acceptance of a bribe.

LASIEY, L. D.
330 Midland
Little Rock, Pulaski County, Arkansas

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Mr. L. D. LASIEY resides at 330 Midland Avenue, Little Rock, Arkansas; he has been retired six years, formerly employed by the National Cash Register Company. He has lived in Little Rock for a number of years; [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He has resided at his present address since 1916. He is sixty-five years old, married, an American citizen; his only dependent is listed as his wife. He was formerly employed as Manager of the National Cash Register Company for twenty-seven years in Little Rock, Arkansas, having retired approximately six years ago. He possesses a good character and habits; no court record is known. He is considered thrifty, has an income of approximately \$150.00 to \$200.00 a month, which income is derived from investments and rentals; he owns his home and some rental property. His general estimated worth is approximately \$25,000.00; bank experience and general credit rating is very good.

Lieutenant C. O. FINK, Identification Officer, Little Rock Police Department, advised they had no criminal record concerning L. D. LASIEY.

Mr. O. N. MARTIN, Chief of Detectives, Little Rock, Arkansas, Police Department, informed he has known Mr. LASIEY slightly for the past ten years; that he possesses a good reputation, excellent character, is considered very reliable and good citizen.

Mr. GEORGE WORTHEN, Vice President of W. B. Worthen Company, Bankers, informed that he has known LASIEY for a number of years and that he is a man of considerable means, however, he does not know anything against him and does not know him very intimately.

Mr. WEATHERSPOON, 334 Midland Avenue, neighbor of LASIEY, informed that LASIEY'S reputation and character are very good; that he is a retired business man and apparently a man of considerable means.

The home of Mr. LASIEY at 330 Midland Avenue was observed to be a large brick house in a very high class neighborhood. The house and grounds appeared to be very well cared for and the value of this house is estimated to be \$15,000.00 or \$20,000.00.

LATTURE, OTIS,
Beebe, White County, Arkansas.

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LATTURE is employed as Manager of the Goodman Company (Produce & Feed), and has been so employed for the past fifteen years. His character and habits are good and he is well regarded by his employer. He earns a salary of \$20.00 per week with an additional income of \$250.00 a year from his farm. LATTURE'S net worth was reported to be \$5000.00, which includes the valuation of his home. He carries three accounts with local merchants and was reported to pay all promptly at the first of each month. He has resided in Beebe since July 30, 1929, and prior to that time resided at Floyd, Arkansas. He is approximately forty-eight years of age, married and is of white racial extraction.

E. A. ROGERS, Constable, advised that LATTURE is a man between 38 and 40 years of age, and that he has been acquainted with him all of his life. LATTURE is married, has no children and has resided in Beebe or in that vicinity during his entire lifetime. He is honest, reliable and, according to ROGERS, his truth and veracity are beyond reproach.

LATTURE is employed by a poultry firm, having its main offices at Searoy, Arkansas. According to ROGERS, LATTURE has never been involved in any damage suits but has frequently served on juries in local court cases involving both criminal and civil matters. ROGERS advised that LATTURE is the type of a person that he would like to have on the jury. ROGERS stated that he thought LATTURE was a member of the Masonic Order at Beebe, but he was not sure that this was correct.

X LAW, B. J.,
Plainview, Yell County, Arkansas.

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Mr. BRODY J. LAW

is forty-five years of age, married and has no children; that he has been in the vicinity of Plainview for twenty years or more and is engaged in business as Law Brothers General Mercantile with his brother C. B. LAW, and has been so employed for a number of years; that his character and habits are excellent, is well regarded in the community and is one of the leading citizens; that his income is estimated at \$2,000.00 a year from his business and he owns his own home; that he is generally estimated to be worth \$15,000.00. He pays his local obligations in a prompt and satisfactory manner and usually pays cash or buys through his own business. There are no details known of any court record.

JOE GAULT, Postmaster at Dardanelle, Arkansas, who, before his appointment as Postmaster, was Sheriff for sixteen years with headquarters at Danville, Arkansas, and then served as Deputy Sheriff at Dardanelle, advised that B. J. LAW is approximately his own age and that he is very well acquainted with him; that LAW'S father served as County Clerk and in various other official capacities at Danville, Arkansas, and that B. J. LAW was practically raised up around the Court House; that he started a mercantile business at Plainview, Arkansas, and has done very well; that he is highly regarded in the community as being a high class citizen, very respectable with a fine character. He advised that LAW has never been involved in any damage suit cases and that he has served on County juries and has always been a state juror and recommends him as a jurymen.

MRS. W. M. MATTHEWS,
112 Colonial Court, Little Rock,
Pulaski County, Arkansas.

An examination of the Little Rock City Directory disclosed the listing of NONIE MATTHEWS, widow of WALTER M. MATTHEWS, as living at the above address.

C. O. FINK, Identification Officer, Little Rock Police Department made a search of his files in an effort to locate a record of MRS. W. M. MATTHEWS but did not find such a record.

Mr. GEORGE WORTHEN - Vice-President, W. B. Worthen and Company, Bankers informed that he does not know Mrs. MATTHEWS personally, but that she maintains a small savings account in the Worthen Bank.

Mrs. B. J. CHAMBLIN, 116 Colonial Court, Little Rock, informed that she has been a neighbor of Mrs. MATTHEWS for over ten years and that she estimates Mrs. MATTHEWS' age to be approximately 50 years; that her deceased husband had been a doctor at the Veterans Bureau prior to his death; that she was unable to state anything but the best, pertaining to Mrs. MATTHEWS' character and reputation; that she has three children, two of whom are attending the University of Colorado at Boulder, Colorado, and one is attending Junior High School in Little Rock; that she is a member of the Methodist Church, politics not known; that to the best of her knowledge, she has never heard of Mrs. MATTHEWS being involved in any personal injury cases. Mrs. CHAMBLIN stated that it is her opinion that Mrs. MATTHEWS receives some sort of a Government pension since the death of her husband, and it is possible that she received some income from insurance policies left by him.

It was noted that the home in which Mrs. MATTHEWS resides is a nice looking frame building, located in a nice section of Little Rock.

Special Agent J. R. CALHOUN informed that he is personally acquainted with Mrs. MATTHEWS, she being the widow of Dr. WALTER MATTHEWS, who was a close personal friend of Agent CALHOUN. Dr. MATTHEWS practiced medicine in Crossett, Arkansas, which is the home town of Agent CALHOUN, prior to the World War. Agent CALHOUN states that at the time of Dr. MATTHEWS' death in 1936, he was the Chief Physician of the Veterans' Administration Facility in Little Rock,

MRS. W. M. MATTHEWS

Arkansas. Agent CALHOUN stated that Mrs. MATTHEWS possesses an excellent character and reputation.

McLENDON, P. C.,
Gould, Lincoln County, Arkansas.

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McLENDON is self employed as a contractor and garage operator on his own property at Gould, Arkansas, where he has resided for the past twenty-eight years; that he is forty-eight years old, married, and has a wife, who is his only dependent, and he has been owner and operator of a garage for the past twenty years; that he is also a general contractor and owns his own property; that he has always been in business for himself; that he is of good character and habits, is considered thrifty and has an income of \$200.00 per month. They report that he owns other property from which he derives an income which is included in his \$200.00 per month income, plus \$80.00 monthly from rent sources; that he is generally estimated to be worth \$10,000; and that he owns his own home and other property. According to information they obtained from a bank, McLENDON carries a small but satisfactory account and he has not applied for any loans. They further report that he has been in Gould from twenty-two to twenty-five years; that he lived in Warren, Arkansas, three years prior to his arrival in Gould; that he is well thought of in both social and business circles.

Investigation by Agent through CLAUDE H. HOLTHOFF, a merchant of Gould, discloses that McLENDON is about forty-five years old; that he has been personally known to HOLTHOFF for twenty-five years; that he owns his garage and does auto mechanic work therein; that he is married and his wife is his only dependent. HOLTHOFF, although reporting his reputation to be honest, considers him but a fair citizen, advising that McLENDON was involved in bootlegging activities during prohibition days, and although he believes he was arrested for same he was acquitted; that his partners in these bootlegging activities were caught more readily and suffered the consequences rather than McLENDON. HOLTHOFF advised that he did not believe McLENDON "was much on law enforcement as he belly aches and is grouchy about the law since he likes to do as

he believes". He further advised that McCLENDON'S father, who is now dead, was a doctor, but that when he was alive he tried "to tame him down", however, McCLENDON'S mother is presently living and is considered by HOLTHOFF to be a very fine woman. He did not believe his credit to be very good as he thinks McCLENDON presently owes money. He advised that he is presently on friendly terms with McCLENDON but that the above information concerning McCLENDON was "just general talk from people who deal with him (HOLTHOFF)"; that he had no information concerning any possible damage suit involving McCLENDON.

RANSOME E. LAKE of Gould, a farmer and father of ALLEN LAKE, a plantation manager, advised that he has known McCLENDON for the past twenty-five years during which McCLENDON has operated a joint garage and service station and has done work for him; that McCLENDON was married and had but one dependent, his wife; that he operates a good sized garage, considering a town the population of Gould, and that he believed he rented the service station end of his garage to another individual. LAKE reported his general reputation to be good as far as he knew. He stated that he considers him a good honest citizen as well as a good workman; that he believes his attitude is good on law enforcement, and that he thinks he has served as a juror on petit and grand juries. As far as LAKE knew McCLENDON did not have any debts nor could he furnish any information concerning McCLENDON'S suspected bootlegging activities. He believed that McCLENDON was making a living at least as far as his financial condition was known to him. LAKE had no information concerning a damage suit involving McCLENDON.

MRS. F. W. McCLERKIN,
1615 Battery Street, Little Rock,
Pulaski County, Arkansas.

A search of the City Directory for Little Rock, Arkansas lists a Mrs. LAURA McCLERKIN, wife of JEFF W. McCLERKIN at this address. Also listed in the City Directory at this address is A. WEBSTER DOBYNS, with the law firm of ROSE HEMMINGWAY, CANTRELL & LAUGHBOROUGH.

Mr. C. O. FINK, Identification Officer, Little Rock Police Department, advised that they do not have a criminal record for Mrs. F. W. McCLERKIN, F. W. McCLERKIN or LAURA McCLERKIN. Chief of Police J. A. PITCOCK informed that he did not know Mrs. McCLERKIN personally but had known her husband, now deceased, who was a very reliable citizen, possessed of excellent character and reputation and was a very responsible individual.

Mr. GEORGE WORTHEN, Vice-President, W. B. Worthen & Company, Bankers, informed he has known Mrs. McCLERKIN for 45 years; that she is the widow of FELIX W. not JEFF W. McCLERKIN; that she is between 60 and 65 years of age, possessed of good reputation and character. Mr. WORTHEN stated that FELIX W. McCLERKIN was a former druggist who had operated in Little Rock, Arkansas for many years; that to the best of his knowledge, Mrs. McCLERKIN is financially responsible and is living with her daughter who married an attorney by the name of A. WEBSTER DOBYNS.

Mr. CARL OMERING, 1816 Spring Street, Little Rock, informed that he knows Mrs. McCLERKIN, and that to the best of his knowledge, she is approximately 60 years old; that she is a leader in the social set in Little Rock, Arkansas and bears an excellent character and reputation; that he also knew her deceased husband, a former druggist in Little Rock; further, that he considered Mrs. McCLERKIN financially responsible, although not particularly wealthy; that in his opinion she has sufficient moral character not to accept a bribe which might be offered her, under any condition; that to the best of his knowledge she has never been involved in any personal injury suits.

Mr. ZACK WOOD, Cashier, Union National Bank, informed that he knows Mrs. McCLERKIN and estimates her age to be about 55 or 60; that she is an old resident of Little Rock, Arkansas and very highly regarded by everybody, possessing a good character and reputation; that she lives with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. DOBYNS who is an attorney; that personally, she is not well off financially, however

Mrs. F. W. McCLERKIN

she is financially responsible in that she would not contract any obligations which she could not take care of. Mr. Wood further stated that he did not know of any personal injury cases in which Mrs. McCLERKIN had been involved, and in his opinion she would not accept a bribe under any circumstances.

*MILLER, MRS. CHARLES A., JR.,
2000 Arch Street,
Little Rock, Arkansas.

Mrs. CHARLES A. MILLER, JR. is related by marriage to the wife of Special Agent J. R. CALHOUN, of the Little Rock Field Division, and it was stated by United States Attorney FRED A. ISGRIG, Little Rock, Arkansas, that it would be unnecessary to make further investigation concerning her.

Mrs. MILLER was formerly Miss APSIE BRANSFORD, daughter of the late THOMAS BRANSFORD, a leading citizen of Lonoke, Arkansas. She attended Ward-Belmont College at Nashville, Tennessee, for one and one-half years. She is about thirty-six years of age and her husband, Mr. CHARLES A. MILLER, is a nephew to the late Senator JOSEPH T. ROBINSON. Mrs. MILLER is the mother of twin daughters, seven years of age. Mrs. MILLER is a woman of excellent character and is far above the average in intelligence. She has had no jury service and has been involved in no Court procedure.

*MOONEY, ED B.
302 Cottage Street
Hot Springs, Garland County, Arkansas

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[REDACTED] ED B. MOONEY is fifty-five years old, a native of Arkansas, and is President of the ED B. MOONEY, INC., Construction Contractors. Mrs. ED B. MOONEY, age fifty, is Vice President, and Mr. J. G. McRAE (Son-in-law) is Secretary and Treasurer of this Corporation.

This business was incorporated this year for \$10,000.00, with \$10,000.00 capital paid in. ED B. MOONEY, personally estimated worth real estate assessed for \$5,920.00, worth approximately \$40,000.00 market value; mortgaged for about \$25,000.00 at this time. Personal property, furniture, fixtures, heavy road equipment assessed valuation \$2,100.00, market value about \$21,000.00.

[REDACTED] Mr. MOONEY has been in the general contracting business for twenty-five years or more, and is considered to be one of the largest in this part of the State. Prior to this incorporation he owed considerable money and it is believed that the incorporation papers were taken out in a reorganization measure. The building where the office is maintained is owned by Mr. MOONEY personally. Both Mr. MOONEY and Mr. McRAE draw a living wage from the business and both work full time.

The trade record revealed that one tire concern considered his credit good, one hardware concern advised as follows: "Dealings for number of years - at least twenty years - owes old accumulated balance around \$2,000.00 on which he is paying a satisfactory carrying charge. Buying about \$200.00 to \$250.00 per month now on corporation account. Dealings satisfactory". A bank reported, "Dealings on secured real estate loan. Present account is in good standing; refinanced loan February, 1935; contract is paid up in advance at present - balance about \$1,500.00."

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His personal accounts are paid in a satisfactory manner and other accounts in the name of the Marquette Hotel, which he owns, are also in good standing.

Mr. WILLIAM KAUFMAN, Identification Officer, Hot Springs Police Department, informed that they do not have a criminal record for Mr. MOONEY.

Mr. S. A. KEMP, Postmaster, Hot Springs, Arkansas, informed that he had known Mr. MOONEY for twenty years. As to reputation and character he would not make a very positive statement, however, he intimated that it was not so good. He estimated his age as between fifty-five and sixty, married and had one adopted daughter, about twenty-five years old. He is reputed financially well off. He is engaged in the contracting business, however, has used questionable methods and poor workmanship in executing some of his contracts. As to any personal injury suits, Mr. KEMP advised that it was his recollection that a damage suit was brought against the contracting company about six years ago for failure to put up red warning lights on a construction project. Mr. KEMP stated that to the best of his knowledge, MOONEY'S attorneys were GIBSON WITT, SR., and GIBSON WITT, JR.; in this connection it will be noted that GIBSON WITT is the father of GIBSON WITT, JR., who is the Prosecuting Attorney, and also the father of EARL WITT, who is the Circuit Judge in Hot Springs, Arkansas.

According to Mr. KEMP, MOONEY is a Democrat but not very active in politics. When asked as to MOONEY'S honesty, KEMP replied that MOONEY was for himself, first, last and always.

Mr. DuVALL, Superintendent of Mails gave substantially the same information as was given by Mr. KEMP. In addition Mr. DuVALL suggested Agent contact Mr. GEORGE BOLTON, Assistant Superintendent, National Park Service in Hot Springs.

Mr. GEORGE BOLTON, Assistant Superintendent, National Park Service, advised that he is personally acquainted with MOONEY through business dealings for a number of years; that MOONEY contracted and put in the sidewalks on Bath House Row, and also various other small contracting jobs for the Government. Mr. BOLTON stated that one had to keep a close watch on MOONEY to see that he obtained full value and full

quantity for what was contracted.

Mr. BOLTON stated that a number of years ago when Judge TRIEBER was United States District Court Judge at Little Rock, MOONEY was making practically all of the bonds in bootlegging cases. Mr. BOLTON stated that he does not think MOONEY is engaged in making bonds at the present time.

As to his financial status, Mr. BOLTON stated that he considered him fairly well off; that he owns the Marquette Hotel and also quite a bit of real estate; that he belongs to the Catholic Church, is a Democrat in politics, but not very active.

BOLTON stated that he did not think that MOONEY was mixed up with the Hot Springs political crowd, and does not think that he would take a bribe if impaneled on a jury. Mr. BOLTON suggested Agent contact Mr. WILLIAM ANDERSON, SR., President of Stearns Hardware Company.

Mr. WILLIAM M. ANDERSON, President of Stearns Hardware Company, advised that he knows MOONEY personally, and has known him for a number of years; that he did not like to say anything about MOONEY, inasmuch as he is prejudiced against him, because MOONEY had owed him approximately \$3,000.00 or \$4,000.00 for a long period of years. Mr. ANDERSON stated that he had helped MOONEY out in times when MOONEY was very hard pressed and despite this friendship on his part, MOONEY had never been fair in his dealings toward him; that he is a contractor and has a reputation of cheating in his contracting work.

Mr. ANDERSON stated that MOONEY laid the pavement behind the Stearns Hardware Company and within a short time the upper portion of the pavement cracked and came off, leaving a very poor looking street. Mr. ANDERSON stated that MOONEY would beat every one he could in any of his dealings. As to his financial status, Mr. ANDERSON stated that MOONEY owns quite a bit of property, is reported to own the Marquette Hotel and is in debt to the Arkansas National Bank; that he is a Catholic, a Democrat in politics, but not active. When asked whether or not he thought MOONEY would accept a bribe, Mr. ANDERSON stated that he did not want to state whether or not MOONEY would do so, but answered

he would not want MOONEY to administer his estate.

Mr. JIM POULOS, Proprietor of the Mayflower Grill, advised that he had known MOONEY for over twenty-five years; that in his opinion MOONEY is not trustworthy, and he would not want him on the jury in instant case. Mr. POULOS stated that he did not think MOONEY would accept a bribe, but that if MOONEY was on the jury he would almost have to hold for the Hot Springs crowd inasmuch as he is in business in Hot Springs, and if he did not work with the Hot Springs crowd, they would force him out of business and ruin him. It is purely a matter of self protection in MOONEY'S case.

Mr. POULOS stated that MOONEY has put in quite a bit of city pavement and naturally had to be in with the City mob to get the contracts. POULOS suggested that it would be very unwise to have anyone from Hot Springs on the jury, inasmuch as if they are in business in Hot Springs they are almost compelled to look out for the interests of the Hot Springs mob for fear of reprisal in their business and personal affairs.

Mr. BILL SEIZ, JR., Court and Exchange Streets, stated that he had known MOONEY personally for a number of years; that in his opinion MOONEY is very crooked in all his dealings and is in with the Hot Springs mob; that in his opinion he would not be above taking a bribe, and assuming that he would not take a bribe, he would still be a dangerous witness for the Government, inasmuch as he would undoubtedly favor the defendants as a matter of self protection because of his business affiliations in Hot Springs which would be in danger of ruin, as the Hot Springs mob would pass ordinances which would affect his business, or if he were to get sued in any of the local courts which are apparently controlled by this mob, the verdict would be against him. In connection with this, Mr. SEIZ stated that at one time a number of years ago MOONEY had opposed the City powers and they in turn had passed ordinances which had almost ruined MOONEY, these ordinances directly affecting his contracting business, and in this manner MOONEY was "whipped" into line for them.

Mr. SEIZ stated that one time a few years ago one of MOONEY'S trucks had killed a man, and he was sued in the local courts. MOONEY was fully covered by insurance so did not suffer any personal loss himself. Mr. SEIZ stated

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that to the best of his recollections GIBSON WITT, SR.,
and GIBSON WITT, JR., were his attorneys in this case. Mr.
SEIZ strongly recommended against taking anybody in Hot
Springs on this jury.

* NEAVILLE, JAMES A., SR.,
Griffithville, White County, Arkansas.

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NEAVILLE is reported to have resided in Griffithville for the past thirty-eight years, where he has been engaged in the banking, lumber, mill and cotton gin businesses. He is approximately sixty years of age, married, has some grown children and is highly regarded in the community. His income was estimated at \$15,000.00 to \$18,000.00 a year and his net worth was estimated to be between \$55,000.00 and \$60,000.00.

T. C. PLANT, Sheriff, and Deputy Sheriff MARTIN, Searcy, Arkansas, advised that JAMES A. NEAVILLE, SR. is a man approximately fifty years of age residing at Griffithville, Arkansas. He is a banker and has other business interests in that community. According to Agent's informants, his son, JAMES A. NEAVILLE, JR., has recently been elected Sheriff of White County and will take office on January 1, 1939. Mr. NEAVILLE is a man of good moral habits and is highly regarded throughout the entire county. He has served for a period of fifteen years as Chairman of the County Central Committee, is a member of the Masonic Order and is a Shriner. In addition he is a member or is affiliated with almost every civic group in White County. Both Mr. PLANT and Mr. MARTIN advised that, to the best of their knowledge, Mr. NEAVILLE has never been involved in any criminal matters or anything of a disreputable nature. He is honest and has a wholesome attitude towards strict law enforcement. They knew of no damage suits in which Mr. NEAVILLE had been involved.

MRS. ED O'ERIEN,
1322 Broadway Street, Little Rock,
Pulaski County, Arkansas.

Upon examination of the City Directory for the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, it was ascertained that Mrs. MARGARET O'ERIEN, widow of EDWARD O'ERIEN, resided at 1322 Broadway, Little Rock. Also listed at this address in the City Directory is the name - JACK O'ERIEN, an editorial writer.

C. O. FINK, Identification Officer, Little Rock Police Department advised that a search of his records revealed no criminal record for Mrs. O'ERIEN.

Mr. GEORGE WORTEEN, Vice-President, Worthen & Company, Bankers, Little Rock, Arkansas informed that he knows Mrs. O'ERIEN personally; that she is a widow between 60 and 70 years of age; that her husband, EDWARD O'ERIEN was formerly with the Democrat Printing Company; that Mrs. O'ERIEN is a woman of very high character and reputation and possesses an excellent reputation in her community; that she is financially well off; that he did not know anything derogatory pertaining to her, and that to the best of his knowledge, she was never involved in any personal injury cases.

A Mrs. RAMSEY, a neighbor residing at 1308 Broadway, informed that she had known Mrs. O'ERIEN for the past year and a half; that she is a widow, a member of the Catholic Church and a high type woman, possessing an excellent character and reputation. Mrs. RAMSEY stated that she had never heard of Mrs. O'ERIEN being involved in any personal injury cases.

The home in which Mrs. O'ERIEN resides was noted to be a nice looking moderate house, with approximately eight or ten rooms, this house being of wooden construction.

A woman living at 1400 Broadway, name unknown, informed that she had known Mrs. O'ERIEN for over six years, and that Mrs. O'ERIEN is a widow, member of the Catholic Church, a Democrat and has three sons, two of whom reside in Little Rock, one operating a service station, one working for the Black and White Food Stores, and that the other son is located some place in Missouri; that Mrs. O'ERIEN possesses an excellent reputation and good character; that she knows nothing derogatory concerning her whatever; that to the best of her knowledge Mrs. O'ERIEN had never been involved in any personal injury cases.

MRS. ED O'BRIEN

Mr. CARL OMERING, 1816 Spring Street informed that he had known Mrs. O'BRIEN for about 35 years; that she is about 65 years old and a widow, her deceased husband having been quite active in city politics, he formerly holding the position of Street Commissioner; that in his opinion, Mrs. O'BRIEN is financially well fixed; that she possesses good character and excellent reputation; that to the best of his knowledge, she has never been involved in a personal injury case; that she is a Catholic and is a member of St. Andrews Catholic Church.

Mr. ZACK WOOD, Secretary, Union National Bank, informed that he knew Mrs. O'BRIEN in a business way; that she is about 55 to 60 years of age, possesses a good character and reputation and is well off financially.

Mr. R. W. ROBINS, a leading lawyer in Conway, Arkansas, said that GEORGE OWEN, JR. is a mere youth and that he would not accept him for jury service. Mr. ROBINS stated that this young man is supposedly honest and that his father, who was acting Postmaster at Conway, enjoyed a good reputation.

Chief Deputy United States Marshal FRED BRADLEY, Little Rock, Arkansas, telephoned Special Agent J. R. CALHOUN at the Little Rock Field Office and stated that he has recently served jury subpoenas for the present term of Federal Court, and that since GEORGE OWEN, JR. of Conway, Arkansas, was on that jury he felt it his duty to state that the information he had received concerning this young man in and around Conway was anything but favorable. Mr. BRADLEY was interviewed by Agent CALHOUN, at which time he stated that GEORGE OWEN, JR., according to his information, loafed in pool halls in Conway and drew a salary from his father for doing little or nothing. Mr. BRADLEY stated that this young man's reputation was anything but stable, but that he had learned nothing definite except that he was known as a loafer.

X PAUL, GUS,
Route #1, Malvern,
Hot Spring County, Arkansas.

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GUS PAUL is a man about forty-two years of age, is married and has a grown son. He has farmed for himself a number of years and is a man of good character and habits. His income is estimated to be about \$70.00 per month. He owns his own home and farm and has a net worth of about \$5,000.00. His record for paying his obligations is excellent. He has done some work for the State Forestry Department.

Sheriff TOM S. FISHER, Malvern, Arkansas, has known GUS PAUL for twenty years. He lives south of Malvern, Arkansas, in Dover township. He is a married man and is regarded as honest, honorable and intelligent. Sheriff FISHER does not believe that GUS PAUL could be reached by any undue influence. He stated that he has not been involved in any legal difficulties. It was learned further that during the sixteen years that Mr. FISHER had been Sheriff at Malvern, that GUS PAUL has been a member of the jury on several occasions and Mr. FISHER believed that he served in an excellent capacity.

Mr. H. H. FISHER, County Clerk at Malvern, Arkansas, stated that he has known Mr. PAUL for sixteen years and has had business dealings with him. He considers him honest, upright and of average intelligence. He owns his own farm and is fairly prosperous.

Mr. JACK KIGHT, County Treasurer at Malvern, Arkansas, stated that GUS PAUL is a good reliable citizen who lives seven miles from Malvern on his own farm. Recently he has done some work for the Federal Government on the Cotton program, but Mr. KIGHT did not know the exact nature of the same. Mr. KIGHT said that Mr. PAUL has no interest in Hot Springs, Arkansas, and that he does not believe that he can be reached by any improper influence.

Mr. LON P. HARDIN, Assistant Postmaster at Malvern, Arkansas, said that GUS PAUL bears a good reputation in Malvern, Arkansas. Mr. HARDIN said that he was not well acquainted with Mr. PAUL personally, but that the PAUL family was made up of good citizens.

Mr. ED F. McDONALD, Sheridan, Arkansas, former Secretary of State of Arkansas, said that he knew GUS PAUL slightly and that ordinarily he would think him a fair man for jury service, but that inasmuch as Hot Spring County adjoins Garland County, Arkansas, he would not care to place him on any jury having to do with any of the political crowd at Hot Springs. (Mr. McDONALD is aware of the nature of the investigation inasmuch as newspapers carried the list of the jury panel in this case. He was interviewed concerning a citizen in his own county and volunteered the information concerning Mr. PAUL.)

MRS. R. W. POLK,
1823 Broadway, Little Rock, Pulaski County, Arkansas.

Examination of the current City Directory disclosed a listing for LOUISE POLK, wife of R. WALTER POLK of Polk Realty Company, located in the Pyramid Building, Little Rock, Arkansas.

Mr. C. O. FINK, Identification Officer, Little Rock Police Department, after a search of his records, advised that there was no record of Mrs. R. W. POLK at their department.

Chief of Detectives O. N. MARTIN, Little Rock Police Department informed that he does not know Mrs. POLK personally, but he has known Mr. R. W. POLK for 15 or 20 years; that Mr. POLK is a respectable citizen, who possesses good character and of fine reputation; that although he does not know anything about his personal habits or financial condition, he is convinced that he is financially responsible.

Mr. GEORGE WORTHEN, Vice-President of the W. B. Worthen and Company, Bankers, informed that he has known Mrs. LOUISE POLK for a long period of time, and that she is between 60 and 65 years of age; that her husband, R. WALTER POLK, is in the real estate business; that both Mr. and Mrs. R. W. POLK are high-type citizens and possess good character and reputation. Mr. WORTHEN, stated that to the best of his knowledge, Mr. and Mrs. POLK were financially hard up; further, that he had never heard of either of them being involved in any personal injury cases.

The home occupied by the POLK family at 1823 Broadway Street was observed by Agent, at which time it was noted that same is a moderate wooden frame house, located in a nice neighborhood in Little Rock, Arkansas.

Mrs. FEE, neighbor of the POLKS, located at 1900 Broadway, informed that she had known the POLK family for over ten years; that both Mr. and Mrs. POLK were of good character and bore an excellent reputation in this community; that to the best of her knowledge, the POLKS are members of the Christ Episcopal Church and are Democrats, although not active in politics. Mrs. FEE stated that she had never heard anything of a derogatory nature pertaining to either Mr. or Mrs. POLK.

MRS. R. W. POLK

Mr. CARL OMERING, a neighbor located at 1816 Spring Street, Little Rock, informed that he had known Mr. and Mrs. POLK for over 35 years and that both possessed excellent character and reputation, Mr. POLK being engaged in the real estate business. Mr. OMERING estimated the age of Mr. and Mrs. POLK as approximately 60 years. Mr. OMERING stated that Mrs. POLK is very much interested in the social set of Little Rock, Arkansas, and that she is a sister to the wife of JOHN FORDYCE who operates the Fordyce Baths in Hot Springs, Arkansas; further, that he didn't think that the POLKS were in very good financial condition, and that he is of the opinion that their children are helping support them; that he had never heard of anyone in the POLK family being involved in any personal injury cases, either as defendants or plaintiffs; that he is of the opinion that Mrs. POLK has sufficient moral character that she would refuse any bribes that might be offered her, under any circumstances.

Mr. ZACK WOOD, Secretary, Union National Bank, informed that he knows Mr. and Mrs. POLK. He estimated Mrs. POLK'S age to be 55 or 60; that she possesses good character and reputation, and that he does not know anything of a derogatory nature against either Mr. or Mrs. POLK; further, that the POLK family is financially responsible, although limited to the earning capacity of Mr. POLK, who is in the real estate business which business, at the present time, is limited and rather small. Mr. WOOD stated that to the best of his knowledge, the POLKS are Democrats, although not active in politics, and are members of Christ Episcopal Church. Mr. WOOD stated that in his opinion Mrs. POLK is a woman of excellent character who would not accept a bribe under any circumstances.

* PUGH, H. G.
2323 Battery Street
Little Rock, Pulaski County, Arkansas

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Mr. H. G. PUGH resides at 2323 Battery Street, Little Rock,
where he has been residing [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] on December 30, 1905; that he
is presently promoting an investment company.

He is sixty years old, married, white, an American, and his dependents are listed as a wife, his children being grown and are not considered dependent. His present business is promoting an investment company similar to Hamilton Investment Company of Denver, Colorado. He was formerly the owner of the H. G. PUGH Printing Company, and formerly Secretary to the Arkansas Commission Printers Association for two years; that he has a good character and habits.

[REDACTED] PUGH went bankrupt on November 7, 1931, being discharged from bankruptcy in July, 1933. The credit report reveals that the bankruptcy case # 3720, filed November 7, 1931, listed liabilities of \$7,737.01; secured claims \$1,664.87, unsecured \$1,000.00; assets - real estate \$1,320.00; personal property \$5,115.00; chose in action \$175.00; exemptions claimed \$9,500.00, home and \$500.00 personal; discharged from bankruptcy July 11, 1933.

[REDACTED] present income of Mr. PUGH is estimated at \$125.00 to \$150.00 per month; his wife keeps roomers in their home, the income of which is not known. No other income was listed or known for Mr. PUGH. The home in which PUGH lives is valued at \$5,000.00 and is owned by him.

Under reports from individual creditors it is indicated that Mr. PUGH has very poor credit, four accounts having been placed in the hands of an attorney for collection. A review of the credit reports of the individual creditors indicates he owes approximately \$450.00 at the present time.

Lieutenant C. O. FINK, Identification Officer, Little Rock Police Department, advised that Mr. PUGH has no criminal record.

Chief of Police J. A. PITCOCK informed that he had known PUGH for twenty years; PUGH formerly being in the printing business; that he considered him a good citizen of good character and reputation, and while not particularly well off financially, he considered him financially responsible.

Chief of Detectives O. N. MARTIN informed he had known PUGH fifteen or twenty years. He considered him a good citizen of good character and good reputation. In his opinion Mr. PUGH was financially well off.

Mr. GEORGE WORTHEN, Vice President of the W. B. Worthen Company, Bankers, informed he was prejudiced against PUGH, inasmuch as PUGH had cheated him out of some money a number of years ago. Mr. WORTHEN stated that he did not wish to make any statements as to PUGH other than at present there was an H.O.L.C. loan on his home, and in his opinion PUGH was not financially well off at the present time.

Mr. LEON B. CATIETT, Assistant United States Attorney, informed he known Mr. PUGH by sight, and from information he has received Mr. PUGH'S character and reputation are apparently good, and he understands PUGH is hard up financially.

Mr. CARL OMERING, 1816 Spring Street, informed he has known PUGH for a number of years; that he is a man of good character and good reputation; that he either is at the present time, or has been in the book store and printing business, and possibly is well fixed although there is some question as to that in Mr. OMERING'S mind. Mr. OMERING stated that in his opinion Mr. PUGH was of sufficient moral strength to refuse any offer of a bribe. To the best of his knowledge Mr. PUGH has never been involved in any personal injury case.

Mr. ZACK WOOD, Secretary, Union National Bank, informed that to the best of his knowledge Mr. PUGH is approximately sixty or sixty-five years old, of Baptist religion, possesses a good character and reputation; that he was formerly in the printing business and went bankrupt; that he would be above taking a bribe. Mr. WOOD described PUGH'S financial status as "financially limited".

LEONARD OSCAR RED
2700 Booker Street
Little Rock, Pulaski County, Arkansas

LEONARD OSCAR RED resides at 2700 Booker Street, and operates a retail ice business for himself at his home in Little Rock, Arkansas; that he has resided a number of years in Little Rock, that he has resided at his present address since 1912.

He is approximately fifty-seven years old, married, white and an American. He has dependents listed as his wife; the report indicates he has children who are grown and not dependent. His history at previous locations is listed as good. The report states that he has operated the retail ice business for ten or twelve years in his home; that he formerly worked as foreman at the Dickinson Brick Yard and was also formerly in the dairy business. He is well regarded and of good character and habits. No Court record is known. His income is estimated at \$100.00 a month with no other income known. The report indicates that he owns his home and is worth approximately \$4,500.00. His bank experience is given as satisfactory.

Under the credit reports of various business agencies it is noted that three accounts were placed in the hands of attorneys for unpaid balances. One concern indicates he paid as agreed. Another concern indicated he had received credit in the amount of \$51.93 in September, 1932, contracting to pay \$6.50 per month, the article being returned in January, 1933, after only two payments had been made, when he stated he could not pay for same.

Lieutenant C. O. FINK, Identification Officer, Little Rock Police Department, advised they had no criminal record concerning LEONARD OSCAR RED.

Mr. GEORGE WORTHEN, Vice President of W. E. Worthen Company, Bankers, informed that he has known RED slightly in a business way and does not know anything prejudicial against him; he knows that at one time RED had a H.O.L.C. loan on his home which is probably an encumbrance on his home at the present time.

Mrs. CALLIMAN, neighbor, living in the 2600 block on Booker, informed that she had known RED for twelve years and she considers him and his wife good folks; that she thought he was approximately seventy years old; that he is very hard up financially and has a Home Owner's Loan on his home. Mrs. CALLIMAN stated that to the best of her knowledge, RED possessed a good character and reputation, had never been in any trouble of any kind and had never been involved in any personal injury cases.

Mrs. BROWER, neighbor, 2701 Johnson Street, informed she had known Mr. and Mrs. RED for the past twenty years; that she considers them good people. His first name is LEONARD, her first name is SADIE; he is approximately seventy years old and his wife approximately fifty; that they have two married daughters. He being in the ice business is not very well fixed financially, but she considers them honest, good neighbors.

Mrs. WOMACK, 2705 Johnson, informed she had known Mr. and Mrs. RED for approximately five years and in her opinion they were good honest upright people. He is in the ice business and does not have a very large income. She understands that Mrs. RED owns a piece of property across the street from 2700 Booker. Mrs. WOMACK stated that she understood a number of years ago Mr. RED had hurt an ankle in an automobile accident, however, she did not know whether or not there had been a law suit over the same.

The home in which the REDS reside at 2700 Booker Street was noted to be a small, rather old frame house, which was not very well cared for. It was noted that the house opposite 2700 Booker is for sale, the advertisement reading, "Inquire at 2700". This is undoubtedly the property mentioned by Mrs. WOMACK as being owned by Mrs. RED.

X RIGGS, E. MARION
128 Woodbine Street
Hot Springs, Garland County, Arkansas

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[REDACTED] E. MARION RIGGS of 128 Woodbine Street is married, his wife's name being OLIVE RIGGS, and he has one dependent. He has lived at 128 Woodbine Street for twelve years, and has lived in the City thirty-six years. He is forty-eight years old, white and an American; his present business is that of real estate and investments, and he has been in that employment since 1935. He was formerly manager of the Southern Newspapers, Inc., at Hot Springs, Arkansas, for a number of ten years. Nothing detrimental is known as to his habits and morals, and he is active in civic affairs. He is well regarded in Hot Springs and has an excellent reputation. He is not known to have been engaged in any legal practices or business. His estimated income is \$600.00 per month. He owns his home and other property in Hot Springs, which he rents; the valuation of these properties being \$50,000.00. A mortgage report under date July 2, 1938, mortgage # 77007, E. MARION RIGGS and OLIVE to First Federal and Loan of Little Rock - Pt. 10/97 City, Amount \$2,000.00.

Mr. WILLIAM KAUFMAN, Identification Officer, Hot Springs Police Department, informed that they do not have a criminal record for Mr. RIGGS.

Mr. DuVALL, Superintendent of Mails, Hot Springs, Arkansas, informed that he has known Mr. RIGGS for a number of years, and he bears an excellent reputation and character to the best of his knowledge. He has never been in trouble or arrested at any time. He is a Democrat in politics, but not active, however, his deceased father, JOHN RIGGS, at one time ran for Governor of the State of Arkansas; this was about fifteen years ago; that he is probably a member of the Presbyterian Church to the best of his knowledge. He does not know of him ever being involved in a personal injury case.

He owns a four family apartment house, and apparently lives within his means, although Mr. DuVALL was unable to estimate RIGGS' financial worth.

Mr. JIM POULOS, Mayflower Grill, advised that he knew Mr. RIGGS was in the real estate business, but that he had never heard anything detrimental concerning his character or reputation, however, he strongly advised against taking RIGGS or anyone else from Hot Springs on the jury inasmuch as there was great danger of pressure being brought upon anyone who had business in Hot Springs, and in this manner might force them to favor the defendants because of fear of reprisal against them personally and against their business should they act otherwise.

Mr. BILL SEIZ, JR., Court and Exchange Streets, informed that he knows RIGGS personally; that his general character and reputation are very good, but he would not want him on this particular jury, inasmuch as he is sure RIGGS has borrowed money from W. S. JACOBS, gambler and political power in Hot Springs, and this might be used as a lever on RIGGS. Mr. SEIZ stated that RIGGS is not well off financially; he is probably poor; that his character is of sufficient strength that he would not take a bribe, but he might be frightened into holding out against a conviction for fear of reprisal to himself or his business.

Mr. SEIZ reiterated that he did not think it advisable to take anyone from Hot Springs, or if it was a choice of one, either MOONEY or RIGGS, he would recommend that RIGGS be taken.

Mr. WILLIAM ANDERSON, President of Stearns Hardware, Hot Springs, advised that he known Mr. RIGGS personally; that he was reared in Hot Springs, Arkansas, and has lived there all his life; that his father, JOHN RIGGS, had operated the New Era Newspaper there for a number of years; that E. MARION RIGGS had worked as Editor on this paper and also for the company which bought this paper out some years ago; that he had quit the newspaper job about two years ago. Mr. ANDERSON stated that RIGGS owns real estate of at least \$30,000.00 in value; that in his opinion RIGGS has a good income; that he has an excellent character and reputation and is absolutely honest and upright; that he has

frequently expressed himself against the criminal element
in Hot Springs, Arkansas; that in his opinion RIGGS is
above taking a bribe, is not a politician and has never
been involved in any personal injury cases.

*SHACKELFORD, J. W.
DeWitt, Arkansas County, Arkansas

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[REDACTED] SHACKELFORD is about seventy years of age, has resided at DeWitt for fifty years, and is a native of Arkansas County. [REDACTED]

They advise that he is a widower and has been in the retail grocery business for himself for a number of years at DeWitt, Arkansas; that he retired several years ago; that he is considered of good character and habits, is thrifty, and has an income from rentals of about \$4,000 per year, which are payable monthly; that he resides with a daughter and receives about \$2,000 income from stocks in a rice mill. They further report that he owns real estate at DeWitt on the Square Store Building as well as farm land; that he is generally estimated to be worth \$25,000. They also report that he was engaged in the retail grocery business for many years and sold this business to his son; that he helps in the store off and on; and that he is reliable and in a position to pay for anything he may order. They report that he is Director in the First National Bank and is a very thrifty man.

Investigation by Agent determined through FRANK A. TRICE, Deputy Sheriff and Deputy Tax Collector at DeWitt, that SHACKELFORD is about sixty-two years old; that he has been known to TRICE for the past twelve or fifteen years; that he is a life time resident of DeWitt and presently operates a grocery store with his son; that his wife is deceased but that he has two children, both of whom are married. TRICE regarded him as a good citizen and of good reputation, stating that he is a church member; that his family is considered good, and that they have never been in any trouble. He advised that SHACKELFORD owns his own home as well as "quite a bit" of real estate. He advised that he has a good attitude toward law enforcement; that he is considered fair and impartial, and is not considered hot headed; that to his knowledge he has never been in any trouble nor involved in any damage suits. TRICE believed his financial standing good but did not consider him wealthy.

WILLIAM B. NORSWORTHY, Arkansas County Treasurer at DeWitt, stated that SHACKELFORD is between sixty-eight and seventy years old, is a highly regarded citizen and "stands for what is right", having a good attitude toward law enforcement; that he is a member of a good family and background; that there is no question of his honesty. He believed that he was worth \$5,000 or more and that his credit rating is considered good. He advised that SHACKELFORD has served on county juries and in his opinion is fair and impartial. Although SHACKELFORD has never been involved in any damage suits to his knowledge, he recalled that in 1930 SHACKELFORD was a candidate for Mayor, that he was defeated following which he contested the election but lost same in court; that R. D. RESCO, an attorney, who is now deceased, and G. W. BOTTS, an attorney, represented SHACKELFORD at that time. He further stated that SHACKELFORD has been in the grocery business at DeWitt for many years. He is getting along in years and other than the usual sensitiveness of approaching old age, he considers him "okeh".

LAWRENCE R. DEARING, Assistant Cashier of the First National Bank of DeWitt, advised that SHACKELFORD is a upright, leading citizen "who ranks with the tops" and is one of the bank's directors; that he has high ideals and has \$25,000 in finances; that he is debt free and although "super-conservative" he is "high top"; that SHACKELFORD, who was born and reared in Arkansas County, and who believes in strict law enforcement, has never been involved in any law suit or damages to his knowledge.

* SMITH, ODUS,
Route #1, Clinton,
Van Buren County, Arkansas.

Mr. ODUS SMITH is described

as a
married white man, about forty years of age, and with three children. He owns his own home and sixty acres of land. His net worth is estimated at \$1500.00 and his income from his farm is estimated at about \$600.00. He has farmed for years and he is described as a man with good character and habits. He pays his obligations promptly.

Mr. JOE S. HALL, member of the legislature from Van Buren County, Arkansas, said that Mr. ODUS SMITH has worked as a W.P.A. foreman. Mr. HALL believes Mr. SMITH to be honest and upright in every respect. Mr. HALL stated that Mr. SMITH is the type of man who, if any one were to try to approach him improperly, would notify the officers immediately. Mr. HALL stated that Mr. SMITH has an average education and that he is a man of average intelligence.

Captain LINDSEY HATCHETT, of the Arkansas State Police, Little Rock, Arkansas, a graduate of the FBI National Police Academy, said that he has known ODUS SMITH all of his life and that he considers him entirely reliable.

Circuit Judge GARNER FRASER, Clinton, Arkansas, a close friend of Judge G. W. HENDRICKS, War Risk Insurance Attorney, Little Rock, Arkansas, stated that he has known ODUS SMITH during the entire life of SMITH. He stated that SMITH has a fair education and that he is a man of average intelligence. Judge FRASER does not recall that this man has served on any jury. He considers him absolutely reliable.

* STEELY, T. A.,
Lonoke, Lonoke County, Arkansas.

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STEELY was reported to have resided in Lonoke for the past five years, prior to which time he resided in Almyra. He is thirty-five years of age, married and has one child. STEELY is employed as a salesman for the Arkansas Power & Light Company. He is well regarded in the community and has a good character and habits. His income is reported as \$125.00 per month and his net worth as \$750.00.

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Mr. L. H. YOUNG, who is connected with the Chevrolet Sales Service, advised that he has been acquainted with T. A. STEELY for the last five years. STEELY moved to Lonoke approximately five years ago from Stuttgart, Arkansas. He is presently employed by the Arkansas Power & Light Company as a salesman, and is principally engaged in the selling of electrical household appliances. Mr. YOUNG stated that he bears a good reputation in Lonoke, has never been involved in any criminal matters nor has he ever been involved in any damage suits to the best of his knowledge.

Mr. YOUNG advised, however, that STEELY'S credit in the community of Lonoke is very bad, and that at the present time he is indebted to his concern for approximately \$35.00, and that no payment on this account has been made for the last year. He further informed that he has made inquiry among the local merchants and has found that a similar poor credit condition exists with reference to this man in the entire community. Mr. YOUNG was at a loss to explain why STEELY did not pay his bills, stating that he did not drink or gamble and apparently was conservative. In view of the poor financial

condition of Mr. STEELY, it was Mr. YOUNG'S opinion that he might be easily influenced by offers of a monetary consideration, but that other than this he knew of no further derogatory information concerning this man.

It should be noted that the informant in this case, Mr. L. H. YOUNG, is the father-in-law of Special Agent J. R. CALHOUN and was especially frank in giving Agent information concerning T. A. STEELY.

STURGIS, CHESTER F.
Arkadelphia, Clark County, Arkansas

Mr.
CHESTER F. STURGIS owns a sawmill and has been in the timber business for many years. His home for the past eight years has been Arkadelphia, Arkansas, but prior to that time he lived at Sparkman, Arkansas.

He is described as being about forty-eight years of age, a white man with a wife and one child. He is described as a man of good character and habits, very thrifty and with an income of \$40,000.00 a year. He owns his own home and has a net worth of \$275,000.00. His record for meeting his obligations is excellent and local merchants consider him good for any reasonable amount of credit.

The Rev. JOHN HOOVER, Methodist Minister at Arkadelphia, and friend of Special Agent J. R. CALHOUN for the past twenty years, informed Agent CALHOUN that he considers Mr. CHESTER F. STURGIS an excellent citizen. The Rev. HOOVER stated that all of the STURGIS family with the exception of CHESTER STURGIS are Methodists, but that CHESTER STURGIS is a member of the Baptist Church. Rev. HOOVER stated that he considers Mr. STURGIS to be above reproach, and that he does not believe that he can be reached through any evil influences.

Dr. HENRY A. ROSS, leading physician of Arkadelphia, Arkansas, stated that CHESTER STURGIS is one of the finest men of his acquaintance; that he has been a leader in civic affairs for many years. Dr. ROSS stated that recently a child of a couple of sharecroppers was seriously ill and that the child needed hospitalization and that when Mr. STURGIS heard of it he telephoned to him, Dr. ROSS, that the child should have every attention, and that he, Mr. STURGIS, would pay the bill, although Mr. STURGIS was in no way obligated to this family.

Dr. ROSS stated that Mr. CHESTER STURGIS is part owner of the Park Hotel in Hot Springs, Arkansas, and that he is rather friendly to the Hot Springs crowd. He advised further that CHESTER STURGIS employes JOHN H. LOOKADOO, attorney at Arkadelphia, Arkansas, as his attorney on a retainer basis. Dr. ROSS stated that Mr. STURGIS has no "tie up" with Mr.

LOOKADOO, but that he had been forced to take this step in self defense, as LOOKADOO is a notorious damage suit attorney and it is common talk in Clark County that unless a business firm retains LOOKADOO as its attorney the firm will be "hound to death" by spurious damage suits. Dr. ROSS stated that JOHN H. LOOKADOO is a nephew of Houston Emery, former Prosecuting Attorney of Hot Springs, Arkansas, and that Mr. EMERY is one of the ring leaders in the Hot Springs political crowd. Dr. ROSS stated that it was his opinion that Mr. CHESTER STURGIS could not be reached by undue methods, but that he had close friendships in Hot Springs.

The Rev. J. M. WORKMAN, Methodist Minister at Fordyce, Arkansas, and former President of Henderson - Brown College of Arkadelphia, Arkansas, stated that he had known CHESTER STURGIS for twenty-five years and that he considers him an upright citizen who can not be approached by any undue influences.

X SWAIM, HOUSTON
England, Lonoke, County, Arkansas

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Mr. SWAIM has been a resident of England, Arkansas, for the past thirty years, and that he operates his own insurance and rentals, as well as a farming business; that he is sixty years of age; married, and has but one dependent, his wife; that he has been in the above business for a number of years; that he is of good character and habits, is considered thrifty; has an income of \$3,000 per year; that he owns his own farms and home; that he is estimated to be worth \$35,000; and that his bank experience is considered good. They also advise that he pays cash for his requirements and carries no charge account with local merchants; that he has a son in the grocery business and purchases groceries from his son; that he is honest, reliable, and bears a good reputation, and is considered very conservative and a "saver".

Investigation by Agent discloses that J. HOUSTON SWAIM, according to Miss HAZEL N. POE, Postmistress at England, that SWAIM is from fifty-five to sixty years old, that he has resided in England for about the past thirty years during which she has known him over this period; that he is married and resides at home with his wife; that they have two children who are married; that SWAIM is a farmer on an extensive scale and that he is considered well fixed financially; that he sells insurance on the side. Miss POE regards him as a good citizen, honest reputation, and as being "straight and excellent". She considers him law abiding and sober; further that he has never brought or been involved in a damage suit to her knowledge; that she does not know anything adverse about him.

CARLISIE E. HANKINS, active Vice-President and Cashier of the Bank of England, advised that he has known SWAIM for the past fifteen years; that SWAIM is now a farmer and that he owns his own home and farm; that he is of excellent reputation and is considered above reproach; that his financial standing is good and that he has mostly cash on hand at the present time; that he is active in the

affairs of the Baptist Church and is considered of good character and habits; that he believes in law enforcement; that about 1932 he reportedly lost from \$25,000 to \$50,000 through failure of the American Southern Trust Company at Little Rock, Arkansas. To HANKINS' knowledge SWAIM has never been involved in a damage suit. SWAIM'S family has never been involved in any trouble to HANKINS' knowledge.

WILLIAM P. WILLBANKS, Chief of Police, England, advised that SWAIM is "as good as any man in the district"; that he made his money years ago in a "fair and square manner"; that he has no known criminal record. WILLBANKS further advised that he believes SWAIM is "fair and square"; that he has served on the Lonoke County Grand Jury, is considered a good juror, and he believes in law enforcement. SWAIM is in good financial standing and above reproach, paying cash for everything and owning his own home, according to WILLBANKS.

J. G. THORNTON, Colored,
1420 West 15th Street, Little Rock,
Pulaski County, Arkansas.

Lieutenant C. O. FINK, Identification Officer of the Little Rock Police Department, after making a search of his records, advised that J. G. THORNTON does not have a criminal record.

J. ROBERT BOOKER, Colored Attorney, located in the Century Building, Little Rock, Arkansas informed that he had known THORNTON for 25 years; that THORNTON is about 65 years of age and is a physician; that his general reputation and character are good; that to the best of his knowledge, THORNTON had never been involved in any personal injury cases, either as a plaintiff or defendant; further, that at one time THORNTON was very well off financially but had lost a great deal of money in the stock market crash; that at the present time, while he is not financially well off, he is financially responsible and would pay all his just obligations.

SCIPIO A. JONES, Colored Attorney, Century Building, Little Rock, stated that he had known THORNTON for over 35 years; that his reputation and character are very good; that he is financially responsible, owns his own home, is in the active practice of medicine and is approximately 55 or 60 years of age. JONES stated that he had never heard of THORNTON being involved in any personal injury cases, either as plaintiff or defendant; that further, he did not know anything derogatory concerning THORNTON or his family.

Mr. ZACK WOOD, Secretary, Union National Bank, Little Rock, stated that he knows THORNTON in a business way and considers him one of the better type negroes in the City of Little Rock; that THORNTON has a good reputation and is reported to be very reliable; that at one time THORNTON was considered wealthy, but because of illness and other financial losses, he is not very well off at the present time; however, that his practice is undoubtedly bringing him in a very good income at the present time. Mr. WOOD stated that THORNTON, at one time, had a loan at this bank, which loan was taken care of very promptly.

*WEST, L. L.
Sims, Montgomery County, Arkansas

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It will be noted is in direct variance with information obtained as a result of interviews with residents in Mount Ida and Sims, Arkansas, and is apparently a mixup between L. L. WEST and RANSOME WEST, a brother of L. L. WEST, inasmuch as RANSOME WEST is a local merchant of Sims, Arkansas, while L. L. WEST is a farmer.

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[REDACTED] resided in Sims for twenty years, is approximately fifty-two years old, is white and an American, is married and has a dependent family.

[REDACTED] WEST is in business for himself and owns and operates a general merchandise store at Sims, Arkansas. Inasmuch as L. L. WEST is a farmer, this last reference is undoubtedly to his brother, RANSOME WEST.

[REDACTED] WEST is a farmer and live stock dealer, owns his farm and is considered prosperous. This is apparently an error also, as will be reported hereafter, inasmuch as L. L. WEST rents his property.

[REDACTED] that WEST is well regarded in his community and never engaged in any illegal transactions. As to the income,

[REDACTED] it is estimated at \$100.00 per month from store, live stock dealings, etc. [REDACTED] he owns considerable farm land.

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this man is considered to be a good provider for his family, has been known in and around the territory for more than twenty years, and is considered to be prosperous for the community where he resides. His local charge accounts have been inactive recently.

Sheriff J. M. GLAZE, Mount Ida, Montgomery, Arkansas, advised that he had known L. L. WEST for eight or ten years; that he is married, has a number of children and is a farmer; that his brother, RANSOME WEST, operates a small store in Sims, Arkansas. Mr. GLAZE stated that he had never heard any real detrimental remarks

concerning L. L. WEST, except that he is rather pugnacious and gets in occasional fights and goes on an occasional drunk; that at the present time WEST is appealing a judgment against him in the Justice of the Peace Court who found him guilty of fighting, which case is to be tried in the Courts at Mount Ida shortly. In this connection Sheriff GLAZE stated that WEST'S attorney is JERRY WITT, who it will be recalled is the brother of EARL WITT, Circuit Judge, and GIBSON WITT, JR., the Prosecuting Attorney in Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Mr. GLAZE stated that L. L. WEST is very poor financially; that he has never heard of him being involved in any personal injury cases. When asked whether or not in his opinion WEST would accept a bribe, Sheriff GLAZE stated he did not know how to answer that question inasmuch as he was not sure about what action WEST would take in such a case. However, he did not consider him trustworthy and felt that he would be easily influenced.

Mr. JEFF STOVAL of Sims, Arkansas, was interviewed at Mount Ida, Arkansas, he being recommended by Sheriff GLAZE as a reliable person. STOVAL stated that he had known WEST for a number of years; that he has a very poor reputation and character; that he is always in trouble for drinking and fighting; that he is in very poor financial conditions, owes considerable debts, and is a dead beat, as is his brother RANSOME WEST; that he is not active in church work and his brother, RANSOME WEST, who is a merchant in Sims, bears a poor character and reputation also. Mr. STOVAL stated he would not trust WEST with anything.

Mrs. EVA HITCHCOCK, Postmaster, Sims, Arkansas, advised that she had known LIMMIE L. WEST for over twenty years; that she considers him a good citizen, as good as any around Sims, Arkansas; that he has a number of enemies in Sims, among who are the STOVALS and GALZE, who are always trying to get WEST into trouble by forcing him to fight so that they can have him arrested. Mrs. HITCHCOCK stated that there are two political factions in town, on which she and WEST are on one side and STOVAL and GLAZE on the other; that in her opinion WEST is a good upright, upstanding citizen trying to do the right thing, but is continually being implicated in fights as aforementioned inasmuch as he is unable to avoid them.

Mrs. HITCHCOCK stated that WEST is married and has eight children; that at one time he had property of his own which he lost through foreclosures; that for the past two or three years he has been renting property which is part of the Stearns estate, which estate is at the present time either owned by or managed by JERRY WITT, local attorney at Mount Ida, Arkansas. It is again to be recalled that JERRY WITT is a brother of EARL and GIBSON WITT of Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Mrs. HITCHCOCK stated that WEST is presently appealing a sentence in the Justice of the Peace Court which found him guilty of fighting. Mrs. HITCHCOCK stated that RANSOME WEST, brother of L. L. WEST, operates a store in Sims, and has had everything made out in his wife's name in order that he would avoid paying creditors some years ago.

Mr. WALTER HITCHCOCK, husband of the Postmaster, gave substantially the same information as Mrs. HITCHCOCK, stating that he considered WEST as good a citizen as any in the community, however, he was pugnacious; that he is honest, has many enemies and is very, very poor; that he undoubtedly owes money to JERRY WITT from whom he rents the property on which he resides with his family.

The home in which L. L. WEST resides was observed, and it was noted that same was a very old, run down, dilapidated looking, unpainted wooden building in a very poor farming section. There were no improvements whatsoever on this place.

WILCOXON, J. DEAN
Eudora, Arkansas

[REDACTED] DEAN WILCOXON
is a member of the firm of the Wilcoxon Hardware Company in Eudora, Arkansas, and that he has lived at Eudora for the past eight years, coming there from Crossett, Arkansas.

He is a white man, married and with no children. He is described [REDACTED] as a man of good character and habits and very thrifty. He draws a salary of \$150.00 a month and shares in the profits of his company. He owns a farm in Ashley County, Arkansas, and has a net worth of \$5,000.00. His credit reputation is excellent and he is described as a hard worker.

Mr. J. DEAN WILCOXON has been known by Special Agent J. R. CALHOUN for the past twenty-five years. Mr. WILCOXON is known by Agent CALHOUN to be a young man of the highest moral character, and he and Agent CALHOUN were close friends. Mr. WILCOXON married a young lady who was a school teacher in Crossett, Arkansas, and she is also a citizen of a very high type. Mr. WILCOXON is a cousin to Mr. LEVI WILCOXON, Superintendent of the Crossett Lumber Company, one of the largest manufacturing firms in the State of Arkansas. His reputation in Crossett was above reproach.

Mr. LONNIE LIPE, Insurance Agent in Eudora, Arkansas, and former schoolmate of Special Agent J. R. CALHOUN, stated that Mr. DEAN WILCOXON enjoys the highest reputation in Eudora, Arkansas. Mr. LIPE stated that Mr. WILCOXON had never been involved in any court proceedings, and that he is decidedly for law enforcement.

Mr. R. T. STEPHENSON, cotton buyer in Eudora, Arkansas, and friend of Agent J. R. CALHOUN for many years, stated that he had known DEAN WILCOXON before Mr. WILCOXON moved to Eudora, Arkansas, and that he considers him a man of the very highest type, a citizen who would do his full duty in law enforcement.

Mr. ROBERT C. GRUBBS, Cashier of the Eudora State Bank, Eudora, Arkansas, said that he had known Mr. WILCOXON since the latter came to Eudora, Arkansas, and engaged in the hardware business with his brother, JAMES J. WILCOXON. Mr. GRUBBS considers DEAN WILCOXON a clean living citizen who is absolutely trustworthy. He meets all his obligations and has been involved in no legal difficulties.

*WILKERSON, CARL,
Sheridan, Grant County, Arkansas.

Mr. CARL WILKERSON, [REDACTED] b7d

[REDACTED] lived on Route #1, Sheridan, Arkansas, and has lived in the county all of his life. He is a farmer and stock raiser, and is about forty years of age. He is a white man, married, and his character and habits are good. His income is estimated at \$1200.00 per year or more and he is described as thrifty. He leases land and has a net worth of about \$2,000.00. The bank rated him as a man who did not borrow money but regarded him as a good risk. He is rated as one of the most successful cattle men and farmer in the County and now owns one-hundred head of good cattle, and farms in connection with this business. He has gone through the business depression with a good credit record and is well regarded in his community.

Mrs. PAUL J. CLARK, Sheriff of Grant County, stated that Mr. CARL WILKERSON has a good reputation in his community.

Mr. ED F. McDONALD, Attorney at Law, Sheridan, Arkansas, said that CARL WILKERSON is about forty years of age, is a high school graduate and is above the average in intelligence. Mr. McDONALD stated that this man is thoroughly honest and that he knows that he can not be bought or reached by any improper influence.

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Transmit the following Teletype message to: SAC, EL PASO

FBI, LITTLE ROCK

OCTOBER 12, 1938

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SAC, EL PASO

BREKID OSCAR POPE MUSE WITNESS WANTED HERE SEVENTEENTH INSTANT, THIS CASE, REPORTED
DRIVING THIRTYFOUR CHEVROLET SEDAN MOTOR FOUR FOUR TWO FOUR FIVE FOUR NAUGHT POSSIBLY
VISITING CONSUMPTIVE BROTHER, T. J. MUSE, LAS CRUCES, NEW MEXICO. CONTACT MUSE AND
ADVISE HIM REPORT HERE COMING MONDAY NINE AM. SUBPOENA ALREADY ISSUED.

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Edward J. Brennan

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- Mr. E. A. Tamm
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Coffey
- Mr. Crowl
- Mr. Dwyer
- Mr. Egan
- Mr. Foxworth
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- Mr. Lester
- Mr. Quinn Tamm
- Mr. Tracy
- Miss Gandy

Alvin Karpis

FBI LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS 10-12138 1-42 PM IN

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BREKID. CONFERENCES HAD WITH USA AS TO TRIAL. MONDAY, OCTOBER SEVENTEEN, TRIAL ON INDICTMENT CHARGING HARBORING OF KARPIS WILL START. INFORMANT, HOT SPRINGS, INDICATES DEFENSE WILL TRY FOR CONTINUANCE AS TO WAKELIN DUE TO PHYSICAL CONDITION AND LOSS OF MEMORY MAKING IT IMPOSSIBLE TO PRESENT A SATISFACTORY DEFENSE. USA WILL BE PREPARED TO MEET ANY SUCH ACTION. USA WILL INSIST ON ALL BEING TRIED TOGETHER ON THIS INDICTMENT. AGENTS K. R. MCINTIRE, CHAPMON FLETCHER AND E. J. WYNN WILL NOT BE NECESSARY WITNESSES AND REFERENCE MY TALK WITH USA THEY NEED NOT APPEAR. NEW YORK AND ABERDEEN OFFICES ADVISED AS TO WYNN AND FLETCHER.

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Little Rock, Arkansas
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Mr. Fred A. Hegrig
United States Attorney
Federal Building
Little Rock, Arkansas

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

With reference to the motion filed by the attorneys for JOE WAKELIN asking for continuance of his trial because of this defendant's physical and mental condition, the following investigation was conducted at Hot Springs, Arkansas.

It was ascertained from reading the Hot Springs newspapers that JOE WAKELIN and a party of officers raided a home in Perry County, Arkansas, and during the progress of this raid some unknown assailant crept up behind WAKELIN and hit him over the head with a shotgun; the blow striking him at a point approximately at the base of the skull. The newspapers went on to state that WAKELIN was unconscious for several hours after this attack on him, and that he was found lying on the ground by some of the officers who had accompanied him on this raid.

A follow-up story concerning WAKELIN'S attack appeared in the local papers the following day, at which time mention was made that WAKELIN'S condition was not serious.

Agents from the Little Rock Office interviewed KENT RUSH, reporter for the "Hot Springs Sentinel Record" and he advised that he wrote the above two stories which appeared in the Hot Springs papers. He went on to state that he talked with WAKELIN on the night or early morning after the assault made upon him, at which time WAKELIN gave him the statement of the circumstances surrounding the attack upon

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him. Mr. RUSH said that he was with WAKELIN for approximately one-half hour at this time, and that WAKELIN'S mind appeared normal.

Mr. RUSH went on to state that thereafter he occasionally saw WAKELIN at the Police Department, and that to his knowledge, WAKELIN was not confined to a hospital or to his bed for any continuous period.

Agents from this office also interviewed Mr. CHARLES GOSLEE, Editor of the Hot Springs papers, who advised that during the Grand Jury investigation of the JOHN DICKSON killing in Hot Springs, Arkansas, in January, 1937, they issued a subpoena for JOE WAKELIN to appear before the said Grand Jury and give testimony. Mr. GOSLEE stated that shortly after this subpoena was issued for WAKELIN, Municipal Judge VERNE WEDGEWOOD talked with him and said that WAKELIN could not appear before the Grand Jury inasmuch as he was sick in bed, which sickness he claimed was the result from the blow he had received on his head several months previous.

The Agents also interviewed JOE L. SCOTT, former police officer of the Hot Springs Police Department, who advised that he remembered the assault upon JOE WAKELIN, and that to the best of his recollection WAKELIN was not confined to his bed for any continuous period thereafter. He said that WAKELIN continued to work at the Police Department after the said attack; that only occasionally he would come to the Police Department in the middle of the day, stay an hour or so and then leave. He indicated that WAKELIN kept this up until the time he was suspended from the police force in the latter part of December, 1936, as a result of the JOHN DICKSON killing.

Mr. SCOTT further indicated that to the best of his knowledge WAKELIN was treated by Dr. H. KING WADE of the Wade Clinic after his injury, but could not be certain of this.

Very truly yours,

H. E. ANDERSEN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc Bureau
cc Cincinnati

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION. OCTOBER 18, 1938

Transmit the following message to: LITTLE ROCK

BREKID. JOSEPH CLIFTON WILLIAMSON JUNIOR, SEAMAN, SECONED CLASS, ON
USS TENNESSEE. SHIP AT PRESENT ENROUTE TO PUGET SOUND, BIRMERTON,
WASHINGTON. DUE THERE OCTOBER TWENTYTHIRD.

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Washington, D. C.

October 18, 1938

Special Agent in Charge,
Little Rock, Arkansas.

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RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Confirming teletype sent to your office relative to the present whereabouts of JOSEPH CLIFTON WILLIAMSON, JUNIOR, reported to be aboard the U.S.S. TENNESSEE, Special Agent LOUIS LOEBL of this office was informed by W. D. HALL, Division of Enlisted Personnel, Bureau of Navigation, that JOSEPH CLIFTON WILLIAMSON, JUNIOR, is a Seaman, Second Class, on the U.S.S. TENNESSEE, which is at present en route to Puget Sound, Bremerton, Washington, for overhauling, and is due there October 23, 1938.

Very truly yours,

GUY HOTTEL,
Special Agent in Charge

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El Paso, Texas.

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October 14, 1938

Special Agent in Charge,
Little Rock, Ark.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

Reference is made to teletype from your office dated October 12, 1938, signed by INSPECTOR CONNELLEY, which stated that OSCAR POPE MUSE, witness in this case, was wanted at Little Rock on October 17, 1938, for the trial of this case; and that he was reported to be driving 1934 Chevrolet Sedan and was possibly visiting his brother T.J. MUSE, Las Cruces, N. M.

You are advised that I personally contacted J.T., not T.J., MUSE at Las Cruces, N.M., who stated that so far as he knew his brother was located on the farm of EARL SPENCER, one mile from BRASHEAR, Mo., and that he had not been to visit him since last January. With the thought that perhaps OSCAR POPE MUSE was enroute to Las Cruces, I left word with J.T. MUSE to have him call this office if he should arrive within the next several days. He promised to do this.

By telegrams dated October 13, 1938, your office and the St. Louis Office were advised of the above and the St. Louis Office was requested to contact OSCAR POPE MUSE on the farm of EARL SPENCER, Brashear, Mo., and advise him that he was wanted at Little Rock on Monday, October 17, 1938, at 9 a.m.

Very truly yours,

R.J. Untreiner,
Special Agent in Charge.

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REKID. EL PASO ADVISES OSCAR POPE MUSE WHO IS NECESSARY
WITNESS TRIAL HERE RESIDING FARM OF FRANK EARL SPENCER,
BRASHEAR, MISSOURI. SPENCER PREVIOUSLY SERVED WITH
SUBPOENA THIS CASE AND USM KNOWS LOCATION OF HIS FARM.

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 607 U S COURT HOUSE, FOLEY SQUARE
 NEW YORK NEW YORK

BREKID AGENT EJ WYNN UNNECESSARY WITNESS SHOULD NOT APPEAR OCTOBER SEVENTEENTH
 UNLESS FURTHER ADVISED

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George Brown

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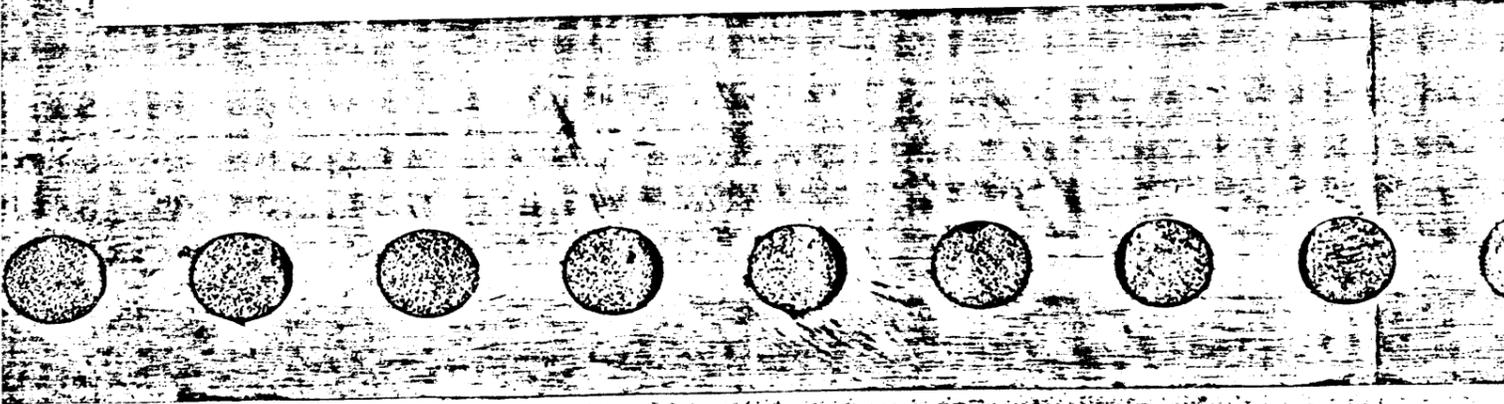
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 LITTLE ROCK, ARK.

BREKID. J. T. MUSE, LASCRUCES, NEWMEXICO, ADVISES BROTHER OSCAR POPE MUSE ON FARM OF EARL SPENCER ONE MILE FROM BRASHEAR MISSOURI. ST. LOUIS REQUESTED ADVISE HIM OF TRIAL MONDAY.

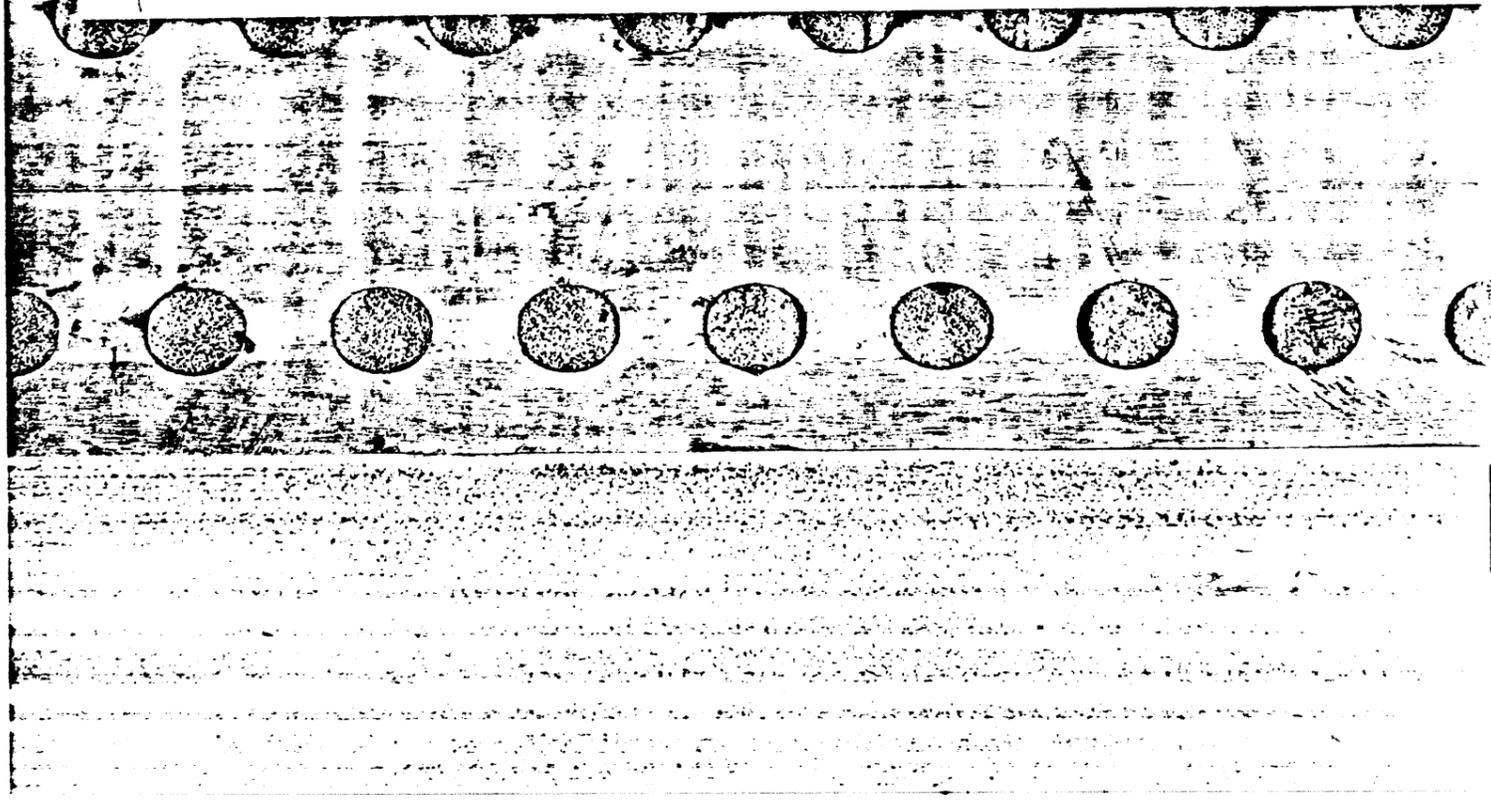
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 G. B. NORRIS
 FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, U. S. DEPT OF JUSTICE
 423 U S COURT HOUSE AND CUSTOM HOUSE
 ST. LOUIS, MO.

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 BREKID. OSCAR POPE MUSE, WITNESS, WANTED LITTLEROCK SEVENTEENTH INSTANT THIS CASE. J. T. MUSE, LASCRUCES, NEWMEXICO, BROTHER, ADVISES OSCAR POPE MUSE NOW ON FARM OF EARL SPENCER ONE MILE FROM BRASHEAR, MISSOURI. CONTACT MUSE ADVISE HIM REPORT LITTLEROCK NEXT MONDAY NINE AM. SUBPOENA ALREADY ISSUED. ADVISE INSPECTOR CONNELLEY AT LITTLEROCK.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

EL PASO, TEXAS, OCT. 13, 1938

Transmit the following Teletype message to:

SAC LITTLEROCK.

BREKID. RE OSCAR POPE MUSE, WITNESS NEEDED LITTLEROCK SEVENTEENTH INSTANT.
HIS BROTHER, P. J. MUSE, NOT FOUND BY LONG DISTANCE OPERATOR AT LAS CRUCES,
NEW MEXICO. SHERIFF THERE LOOKING FOR BOTH OSCAR POPE MUSE AND P. J.
MUSE. IF NO RESULTS BY AFTERNOON WILL PERSONALLY GO TO LAS CRUCES TO
LOCATE WITNESS. IF INFORMATION CONCERNING DESCRIPTION AND LICENSE NUMBER
OF AUTOMOBILE AVAILABLE, PLEASE FURNISH IMMEDIATELY.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Name E. J. Connelley, tele from

Little Rock.

Referred to

Details:

Was advised that Mr. Hoover was not in. He asked that the call be transferred to Mr. Tamm which was done.

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Mr. Tamm's Office advises that Mr. Tamm was out of his office but will call Mr. Connelley back as soon as he returns.

Mr. Tamm advises that he called Mr. Connelley who advised that in the Akers harboring case at Hot Springs, one of the prospective jurors admitted when he was up for selection that he had been approached by the defendants and that Mr. Connelley wanted authority to conduct an investigation of this prospective juror. This authority was granted since the Department had previously given us authority to investigate this jury.

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Mr. Tolson ✓
Mr. Nathan ✓
Mr. Tamm ✓
Mr. Clegg ✓
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Crowl
Mr. Dowsey
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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
500 Rector Office Building
Little Rock, Arkansas
October 16, 1938

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

Re: R. L. SHIVERS,
Special Agent.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that Special Agent R. L. SHIVERS
arrived at Little Rock, Arkansas at 11:00 a.m. on October 16,
1938 as a witness in the BREKID case.

Special Agent SHIVERS is stopping at the Marion Hotel,
telephone 8 2 4 1.

Very truly yours,

H. E. Andersen

H. E. ANDERSEN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc New Orleans

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United States Department of Justice

Little Rock, Arkansas

October 15, 1938

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Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

RE: B. M. SUTTLER -
Special Agent.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that Special Agent B. M. SUTTLER arrived at Little Rock, Arkansas, at 10:15 P. M., October 14, 1938, as a witness in the BREKID case.

Agent SUTTLER is stopping at the Ben McGehee Hotel, Telephone # 5141.

Very truly yours,

H. E. Andersen

H. E. ANDERSEN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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BREKID THROUGH BUREAU OF NAVIGATION NAVY DEPARTMENT VERIFY PRESENT LOCATION OF
JOSEPH CLIFTON WILLIAMSON JUNIOR REPORTED TO BE ABOARD USS TENNESSEE STATIONED
AT SAN PEDRO CALIFORNIA EXPEDITE TELEGRAPHIC REPLY

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

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October 18, 1938

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. E. A. TAMM

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Mr. T. W. Dawsey, Acting Special Agent in Charge of the Washington Field Office, called and related that Mrs. Phillip David had received a subpoena in connection with the BREKID HARBORING at Hot Springs, Arkansas, and desired to obtain the necessary funds in order that she might be present at the trial at Little Rock on October 17, 1938, at 10:00 A.M.

Mr. Dawsey advised that before referring Mrs. David to the United States Marshal, he desired advice as to whether it is contemplated that this case will go to trial on or about the date mentioned by Mrs. David. I advised Mr. Dawsey that it was believed this case would go to trial on October 17, 1938; as the Washington Field Office has previously interviewed Mrs. David he was conversant with the fact that she was a necessary witness in connection with this case.

It is recalled that Mrs. Phillip David is the individual who advised Bureau Agents at Hot Springs that she observed "Dutch" Yakers, together with another individual, bringing an incinerator and placing it in the yard of the house in which Grace Goldstein and Alvin Karpis were residing during the time they were alleged to have been harbored at Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Respectfully,

V. E. Lawler
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OBREKID. MOTIONS FOR SEVERANCES BY DEFENDANTS DYER, LOFTIS, WAKELIN
AND STOVER DENIED. PETITION OF WAKELIN FOR CONTINUANCE BASED ON
PHYSICAL CONDITION DENIED AFTER GOVERNMENT DOCTORS EXAMINED
EXAMINED HIM, PLEA OF DEFENSE ATTORNEYS FOR JUDGE TO DIRECT THE
USA TO FURNISH A LIST OF GOVERNMENT WITNESSES DENIED. ALL MATERIAL
WITNESSES HAVE BEEN LOCATED AND IN CHECK YESTERDAY, OF MANY, SHOW
THEY WILL TESTIFY AS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED. TRIAL WILL START AT
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United States Department of Justice

Little Rock, Arkansas

October 17, 1938

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

Re: R. C. COULTER, Special
Agent In Charge.

Dear Sir:

The Bureau is advised that Special Agent In Charge R. C. COULTER arrived at Little Rock, Arkansas, at 10:00 P.M., October 16, 1938, under subpoena in the BREKID Case.

Mr. COULTER is stopping at the Marion Hotel, telephone number, 8241.

Very truly yours,

H. E. Andersen

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Special Agent in Charge.

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