

Records of the Identification Bureau and the Detective Bureau, Chicago Police Department were checked but no record of an arrest could be found against John J. McLaughlin by that Department.

Willard Conroy, Bureau of Criminal Identification and Statistics, Chicago Police Department, was interviewed. It is Conroy's duty to clip out of the local Chicago papers all information pertaining to criminals and their activities. He checked through some of his records and ascertained that on February 1, 1935, November 30, 1934, and October 8, 1933, the Chicago American papers carried items concerning the arrest and criminal proceedings pending against McLaughlin in regard to the \$250,000 mail robbery which took place across from the United States Court-house at Chicago, Illinois, on December 6, 1932. The paper of October 8, 1933, indicated that McLaughlin was at that time held in the Dupage County Jail on the above charge under \$50,000 bond. This was a rather lengthy article. Conroy stated that it would be possible to have his records checked back ten years to ascertain whether McLaughlin had ever been arrested or involved in any other criminal charges. He stated that he believed this to be the case and stated that he recalled that around 1930 McLaughlin was arrested as a suspect in the murder of Jake Lingle, a newspaper reporter at Chicago. In view of the desires of the United States Attorney, as expressed by you in a telephone conversation had with Special Agent D. P. Sullivan, a further check will be made of these newspaper clippings, in case it is believed desirable to subpoena officer Conroy.

Commissioner Allan, Chicago Police Department was out of the office all day and was not available for interview. He will be interviewed tomorrow morning and reports of this interview will be immediately forwarded to you.

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge.

DPS:MS

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Cincinnati

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
~~Division of Investigation~~

U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box 4907
Jacksonville, Florida.
May 11, 1935.

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Ave. at 9th St., N.W.
Washington, D. C.

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to my letter of May 9, 1935, referring to my previous communication of May 5th, confirming my telephone conversation with Mr. Tamm on that date, when he suggested that there be obtained and forwarded to the Bureau for its inspection copies of all pertinent motions, as well as copies of all orders issued by the Court in this matter.

In my letter of May 9th I forwarded to the Bureau copies of Motions filed, also copies of three Court Orders relating to three of the Motions mentioned in my letter. In concluding my letter I advised the Bureau that Special Agent Roswell E. Smith was being instructed to immediately obtain and forward to this office for transmission to the Bureau any additional Court Orders which had been rendered in connection with the Motions mentioned in my letter of May 9th.

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7-576-5958

This morning the Jacksonville Office is in receipt of a letter dated May 10, 1935, from Special Agent Smith in Miami, informing that the records in the Court Clerk's Office in Miami do not reflect that the Court has acted upon any of the other Motions or Demurrers filed up to this time.

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Reference is here made to the Motion filed by the Attorneys for defendant McDonald praying for a Court Order directing the return of certain property belonging to McDonald and alleged to have been taken from him by Special Agent in Charge J. H. Hanson, in case No. 4608. The Bureau in its letter of May 7, 1935, instructed that if it becomes necessary to relinquish the papers that were contained in the two leather zipper cases which McDonald voluntarily surrendered to Special Agent in Charge J. H. Hanson, that photostatic copies be made of all papers contained in the zipper cases. According to Mr. Hanson, the zipper cases and their contents are now in possession of the United States Attorney's Office at Miami, Florida.

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Director,

5/11/35.

Agent Smith advised that he contacted Assistant United States Attorney, W. Sanders Gramling, at Miami, and was informed that while the court had not acted upon McDonald's motion for the return of the aforementioned material, that he had no doubt but that Judge Halsted Ritter would issue an order directing the return of this property, and seemed to be of the opinion that if any photostating was to be done that it should be done prior to the order for the reason that upon the issuance of such order time might not permit this being done before the date set for the return of these effects.

It is believed by the writer that it would be advisable to photostat this material in advance of any order, since it appears that when the order is entered it will be favorable to McDonald.

Mr. Gramling stated that he did not have this property in his possession, and did not know where it was unless Special Agent S. K. McKee had taken it to Havana.

A copy of this letter is being furnished to Special Agent B. F. Fitzsimons, Resident Agent at Miami, Florida. A copy is also being routed to Special Agent S. K. McKee, now in Havana, Cuba. These Agents are being instructed to have this material photostated immediately upon Agent McKee's return to Miami from Havana.

Very truly yours,



R. A. Alt
Special Agent in Charge.

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Cc: St. Paul
Cincinnati
Mr. McKee
Mr. Fitzsimons

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

May 8, 1935

Mr. Nathan
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Mr. Egan
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Keith
Mr. Lester
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Scheidt
Mr. Schilder
Mr. Smith
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Tracy
Miss Gandy

Time - 3:20 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ~~DIRECTOR~~ *file*

Re: Bremer Case.

I telephoned Mr. Harris at the Cincinnati Office with reference to the lead on several of the subjects in the above entitled case at Louisville, Kentucky, and informed him that in view of the dangerous character of the men thought to be in Louisville, it was desired that he dispatch some men and equipment from the Cincinnati Office to assist in the situation.

Mr. Harris said that he could send Agents Buchanan, Johnson and Bickley at once in a Buick automobile. I told him to take two Thompson Machine guns, two Colt Monitors, some gas equipment, and other equipment which might be deemed advisable to copy with an emergency situation. I told him that the Agents were stopping at the Tyler Hotel in Louisville; that Mr. Connelley is due to arrive in Louisville about 5:30 this evening to assist in the situation.

Mr. Harris said that these men would leave with the equipment mentioned as soon as possible.

Time - 3:30 P.M.

I telephoned Mr. Morton at the Indianapolis Office and advised him of the above information, and requested him to advise Mr. Connelley thereof when Mr. Connelley calls him from Louisville upon Mr. Connelley's arrival at that place.

Mr. Morton said that he believed this would be sufficient to take care of the situation, particularly in view of the fact that the men who are presently at Louisville have two Thompson Machine guns, two rifles, two gas guns, three shot guns and their side arms.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM

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Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Cincinnati**

St. Louis FILE NO. **7-43**

REPORT MADE AT: St. Louis, Mo.	DATE WHEN MADE: 5-10-35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 5-5-35	REPORT MADE BY: R. H. REDMOND
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases--FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I. O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. 1236; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases--FUGITIVE, I.O. 1237; WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I.O. 1238; WILLIAM F. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. 1239; HARRY SAWYER, with aliases, I.O. 1240; MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I.O. 1241; OLIVER A. BERG, with aliases--FUGITIVE, etal. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER--VICTIM,			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
<p>SYNOPSIS: Robert B. Prout, owner of Ford Coupe, Missouri 1935 license 65811. He lives at Pine Lawn, Mo., and was associated with the General Materials Company, St. Louis, until about two years ago. Thought to own racehorses and do occasional selling. Good reputation in business and neighborhood. No criminal record.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P.</p>			
<p>REFERENCE: Telegram from Kansas City Bureau office, dated May 5, 1935.</p>			
<p>DETAILS: This investigation was made at the telegraphic request of the Kansas City office, which asked that the name of the owner of Ford coupe, Missouri license number 65811 be ascertain and inquiries made as to his reputation, the results to be wired to the Indianapolis office. The facts contained in this report were accordingly telegraphed to the Indianapolis office on May 5, 1935.</p>			
<p>DETAILS: The Automobile Bureau of the St. Louis Police Department stated that Missouri, 1935 license 65811 was issued to B. Prout, 3837 Manola Avenue, St. Louis County, for a Ford car, motor number 336,090. No B. Prout could be found in the telephone directory, nor in the 1934 St. Louis County Directory, but a Robert B. Prout, residing at 3837 Manola Avenue, Pine Lawn, St. Louis County, Missouri, in both places. The 1933 St. Louis City Directory listed Robert B. Prout as a Department Superintendent for</p>			
<small>DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES</small>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>R. E. Vetterli</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	7-576-5960		RECORDED AND INDEXED: MAY 12 1935
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the General Materials Company, whose offices are located at 605 Buder Building, with four plants located in St. Louis, Missouri. Mr. A. C. Butterworth was listed as President and Treasurer, and Mr. H. F. Thompson as Vice-President of this company.

Mr. A. C. Butterworth, residing at 4954 Lindell Boulevard, St. Louis, stated that he knew Mr. Prout personally through his association with him in the General Materials Company for about five years ending a year and a half or two years ago. Mr. Prout, prior to his employment by the General Materials Company, was a salesman for the Western Automobile Company, auto dealers, for several years. He was made manager of the trucking division when twenty-five new trucks were added to the fleet owned by the General Materials Company. This, according to Mr. Butterworth, was a responsible position, and Mr. Prout proved to be both capable and trustworthy in discharging the duties. His connection with the company was severed only because of the falling off of business. Mr. Butterworth did not know the present occupation of Mr. Prout.

Mr. C. P. Carson, 3835 Manola Avenue, Pine Lawn, Missouri, who is a next-door neighbor to Mr. Prout, said that Mr. Prout had lived in that neighborhood for the last five years. He owns his home, and has a wife and two children. There is no B. Prout in the family, and the listing in the register of state auto licenses must apply to the Ford car owned by him. Mr. Carson was unable to say what is Prout's present occupation, but he thinks that he owns two race horses, which he races at the Fairmount Race Trace, Fairmount, Illinois, and occasionally acts as a salesman.

Inquiry at the Sheriff's office, Clayton, St. Louis County, Missouri, disclosed that there was no record of Robert B. Prout having been arrested. Sheriff Deuser was not acquainted with anyone of that name, and could give no information as to his reputation.

The Bureau of Records, St. Louis Police Department, had in their files a record of the following arrests of Robert B. Prout:

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According to these arrest cards, he is forty-five years of age, and was born in Kentucky.

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Director
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Dear Sir:

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IN RE: VINITA STACEY with aliases
KIDNAPING - HARBORING JESS DOYLE

MAY 24 1935

Edwards Report

The Bureau is advised that the possibility of successful prosecution of Vinita Stacey on the charge of harboring Jess Doyle has been discussed several times with Assistant United States Attorney Blair of Kansas City by Special Agent Waters of this office. Mr. Blair expressed the opinion that the case against her was very weak because there was no admissible evidence tending to show that Vinita Stacey had notice or knowledge that Jess Doyle, under that name, had been indicted at St. Paul. Furthermore, the fact that Jess Doyle was released in St. Paul would tend to weaken the case considerably, although Mr. Blair expressed the opinion that technically the release of Jess Doyle would have no direct effect in law in the prosecution of Vinita Stacey.

It was explained to Mr. Blair that Vinita Stacey showed indications of cooperating with this office and, accordingly, at the hearing May 7, 1935 at Kansas City the complaint against her was dismissed subject to being reinstated by the Government on the development of additional facts.

The previous conversations had between Special Agent in Charge Nathan and Special Agent Bryce relative to her cooperating with this office were discussed with Vinita Stacey. She stated that under no circumstances would she deal with anyone besides Agent Bryce at this office, and she informed that Agent yesterday in the Federal Building that she did not wish to talk to him, Bryce, in the presence of her attorney, which tends to show a desire to cooperate on her part. She informed Agent Bryce that she would call him later in the day, which she did. At that time she informed the above Agent that in the event Volney Davis gets in touch with her she will immediately call him, no matter where she may be. She also requested Agent Bryce to inform her whether any

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money would be paid for turning Davis in, and it will be appreciated if the Bureau will advise whether it deems it feasible to suggest an amount to Vinita Stacey for information leading to the apprehension of Davis. Unquestionably the latter will contact her as soon as he is of the opinion she has "cooled off".

With respect to the prosecution of Vinita Stacey in Jackson County State Court at Kansas City, Missouri, for the felonious assault of Mrs. Helen Rush alias Frances Taylor, Special Agent Waters of this office conferred with Assistant County Prosecutor Gilwee, who stated the charges were still pending against her but no definite decision had been made relative to proceeding with the prosecution because the victim, Mrs. Helen Rush, has been sentenced from Topeka, Kansas to five years imprisonment at the Federal Industrial Institution for Women at Alderson, West Virginia, on an extortion charge which was investigated sometime ago by Post Office Inspectors. The question of returning the victim to Kansas City was discussed, and Mr. Gilwee indicated that there were not sufficient funds available for her return as a witness. He stated, however, he would confer with County Prosecutor Graves and would advise this office within the immediate future of their decision.

Vinita Stacey informed Special Agent Bryce that she plans to open a beer garden at McPherson, Kansas, in the near future, and the above Agent is of the opinion that she is sincere in her statement that she will furnish information concerning Davis' whereabouts as soon as she obtains it.

The file in this office on the instant case is not being closed at this time pending further developments in this matter. A disposition sheet is forwarded herewith to the Bureau containing information relative to the dismissal of the complaint.

Very truly yours,


E. E. CONROY
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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cc - St. Paul
cc - Chicago
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May 22, 1935.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Re: VINITA STACEY, with aliases;
KIDNAPING; HARBORING JESS DOYLE.

Dear Sir:

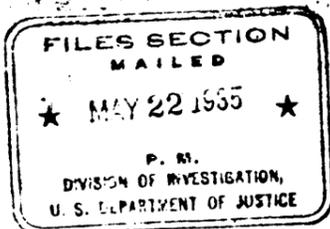
Reference is made to your letter of May 8, 1935, in which you state that the complaint against Vinita Stacey was dismissed, subject to being reinstated by the Government on the development of additional facts, and that Vinita Stacey has indicated a desire to cooperate with the Bureau for the purpose of locating Volney Davis.

In answer to your inquiry as to whether the Bureau deems it feasible to suggest an amount to Vinita Stacey for information leading to the apprehension of Davis, please be advised that the Bureau will pay \$500 for information furnished to the Bureau which results in the apprehension of Volney Davis.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc-St. Paul
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Division of Investigation
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P. O. Box 515
St. Paul, Minnesota

May 10, 1935

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St., N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I. O. 1218 -
FUGITIVE, et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
KIDNAPING - HARBORING OF FUGITIVES -
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - NATL. FIREARMS
ACT. (St. Paul file No. 7-30)

There is attached hereto the fingerprints of Preston L. Paden, who is the son of Edna Murray, with aliases. These fingerprints were taken at the St. Paul Bureau office on May 4, 1935.

Very truly yours,

H. E. Andersen

H. E. ANDERSEN
Special Agent in Charge

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May 15, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minn.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
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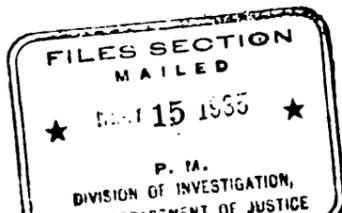
Dear Sir:

Referring to fingerprints forwarded by you, please be advised that an examination of the fingerprint records of the Division of Investigation fails to disclose any data concerning the following:

-----, Preston L. Peden

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Cincinnati, Ohio
Bureau Office,
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Very truly yours,



John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Room 1408
570 Lexington Avenue
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May 11, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Jacksonville, Fla.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases-
FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218, et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Upon receipt of your air mail letter of May 10, 1935, Special Agent Thomas M. Mulherin telephoned R. W. Doyce, Assistant Cashier of the National City Bank at New York, who is in charge of the Cuban business of that bank, and informed him of the reluctance of the Management of the Cuban branch of the National City Bank to furnish signed statements.

Mr. Doyce stated that he would immediately send a cable to the Cuban branch of the National City Bank instructing that signed statements be furnished by the bank's employees to the representatives of the Bureau.

You have been telegraphically advised of the action taken by the head office of the National City Bank today.

Very truly yours,

R. WHITLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc: Bureau
cc: Cincinnati
cc: St. Paul.

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AIR MAIL
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May 10, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1216-FUGITIVE;
HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. 1235; VOLNEY
DAVIS, with aliases, I.O. 1237-FUGITIVE; DR.
JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232; WILLIAM
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with aliases, I.O. 1239; MYRTLE KATON, with
aliases, I.O. 1241; et al. EDWARD GEORGE
BREMER - Victim. KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF
FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL
FIREARMS ACT.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your telegram dated May 9, 1935 stating that William E. Vidler, subject in this case, testified that he formerly worked for the Northmore Auto Sales Company located at 5928 North Western Avenue, and requesting that information be obtained regarding this employment.

A party named E. D. Meyers was located by Special Agent M. Chaffetz and the following information obtained from him:

He stated that he was employed as manager of the Northmore Auto Sales Company, which is located at the above address, from March to July, 1933; that this company was owned by a party named Milton Mann, by whom he was employed. This party, Mann, was a member of the Capone syndicate and was associated with all prominent members of that group. Although Meyers emphasized the fact that the automobile company was a legitimate concern, he did state that it was possible that it was used as a "front" for the activities of Mann as a bootlegger and rum runner, which in fact, were Mann's actual operations.

Concerning Vidler, Meyers stated that he first became acquainted with him, as he now recalls, in the year 1930 when Vidler called at the automobile concern where Meyers was then employed for a car purchased by Mann. Meyers also added that he knows that Vidler was associated with Mann in some of his activities, particularly in his bookmaking place which was run jointly by Vidler and Mann.

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Meyers also stated that on numerous occasions he was sent to the bank by Mann to withdraw sums of money as large as \$2,000.00 at a time and which money he would deliver to Mann who in turn would use it to give to the "boss". Meyers stated that he knew this was "Boss" McLaughlin but never had any further information concerning this party except such facts as he would hear as to the "boss's" political connections.

Meyers emphasized the fact that he personally had no connections with Mann's operations outside of the automobile concern which he, Meyers, managed and which he stated was a legitimate automobile concern; that he worked for Mann because he paid him a good salary and because of the fact that he had been in the automobile business for a great number of years and was only desirous of earning a good living.

Meyers appears to be a reputable sort of person despite the fact that he admitted selling cars to known members of the Capone syndicate, but as he stated, that was always done as a purely business deal and that he would make these sales only for his commissions. Meyers stated that he would willingly testify for the Government concerning any associations that he knew of between Mann and Vidler and also concerning Mann's activities and also to the fact that Mann was killed as the result of a gang killing in 1933.

Should it be desired to subpoena Meyers, his address is 5820 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois, which address is for the Tauber Motor Sales Company, which concern he now manages.

From the conversation had with this party it is Agent Chaffetz belief that he would make a good witness for the Government.

Commissioner of Police James P. Allman, Chicago Police Department, was interviewed by Special Agent D. P. Sullivan, and he stated that before the Deputy Commissioner Alcock left for St. Paul, Alcock called on him and advised him of the subpoena he had received and stated that he would be forced to answer the subpoena, but that as soon as he reached St. Paul he would discuss with the United States Attorney there what his testimony would be as a character witness for John J. "Boss" McLaughlin.

Commissioner Allman further stated that he was not favorably inclined to having any Chicago Police Officer testify for a defendant in any case; that he would willingly testify for the Government, if subpoenaed, and he added, however, that he was not acquainted with McLaughlin and never met him and cannot remember ever having discussed McLaughlin with anyone up until the time that he read of McLaughlin's indictment in connection with the Bremer case. He stated that he knows

nothing concerning the man's reputation or his character and therefore does not believe his testimony would be of any value.

Commissioner Allman referred Agent to Captain Daniel J. Gilbert in charge of the Uniform Police Officers, and second in command to Commissioner Allman.

With Special Agent D. P. Sullivan, I interviewed Captain Daniel J. Gilbert, Chief of Detectives John L. Sullivan, and Lieutenant Ed Duffy, all of whom indicated that they did not believe they would be effective witnesses due to their lack of knowledge concerning McLaughlin's reputation and character.

Captain Gilbert advised, however, that Lieutenant Birmingham had, sometime ago, arrested Gus Winkler and John R. "Babs" Moran one Sunday morning as they were leaving "Boss" McLaughlin's home; that Birmingham was acquainted with McLaughlin and through Commissioner Allman they expected to direct Lieutenant Birmingham to testify for the Government.

Undoubtedly the above arrest has reference to the arrest of J. R. Moran at Chicago, Illinois on February 12, 1933, Chicago Police Number C 46457.

Lieutenant Birmingham will be interviewed at Captain Gilbert's office tomorrow morning, at which time all the records concerning the above arrest will be available. The result of the above interview will be furnished you.

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge.

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TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I. O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I. O. 1236; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. 1237; WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I. O. 1238; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I. O. 1239; HARRY SAWYER, with aliases, I. O. 1240; MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I. O. 1241; OLIVER A. BERG, with aliases, FUGITIVE, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim			CHARACTER OF CASE: Kidnaping Harboring and Obstruction of Justice National Firearms Act

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Stops withdrawn on automobiles located or no longer desired. No indications Volney Davis contacting persons in Okla. Harry Campbell alleged to be in contact with relatives at Tulsa, Okla., and surveillance being maintained. Clyde Glover, alleged associate of Spike Lane and Volney Davis, has returned to Wichita, Kansas.

DETAILS: In accordance with the summary report of Special Agent T. M. McDade, Chicago, Illinois, 4/29/35, stop cards have been withdrawn from the State Highway Commission at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma as to all automobiles mentioned in said report as having been located, or their location no longer desired. At the time these stops were withdrawn verification was made of the fact that stops are now outstanding, and will be continued until withdrawn, on the following automobiles:

- Chevrolet Club Sedan, motor #4543656
- Chevrolet Coupe, motor #4135550
- Ford V-8, motor #18-493080

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As to the Pontiac above mentioned, it will be noted that in the letter of Mr. E. J. Connelley addressed to the St. Paul office December 26, 1934, this automobile is mentioned as a Coach, and with serial #815237, whereas in the summary report of Special Agent T. M. McDade, Chicago, Illinois, 4/29/35, it is listed as a Sedan with serial #815227. The Chicago office has been requested to clarify this matter.

In continuation of the investigation as to Clyde Glover, an alleged associated of "Spike" Lane and Volney Davis, mentioned in the report of the writer dated 4/15/35, page seven, and in the report of Special Agent R. F. Shanahan, Kansas City, Missouri, dated 3/30/35, Special Agent Donovan Owens has been maintaining contact with the landlord at the Donnelly Court Apartments, 1718 N. Indiana Avenue, Oklahoma City, and it has been ascertained that Glover returned to Wichita, Kansas on or about May 1, 1935 and is to be joined later by his wife. It was also ascertained that Glover is driving a 1934 Pontiac Sedan, motor #995140, bearing 1935 Oklahoma license #100 061.

On April 18, 1935 Special Agent in Charge R. B. Nathan of the Kansas City office advised that as a result of the circularization of the Postmasters in the Kansas City district, information had been received from the Postmaster at Mount Vernon, Missouri to the effect that on April 21 a stranger rented a post office box there, and called at irregular intervals for mail; that the box was rented in the name of E. C. White, no address and no references; that mail was being received by White from a Mrs. Hennessey of Henryetta, Oklahoma, and was also receiving mail from Henryetta, Oklahoma bearing the return address of Post Office Box 846. It was thought that this may be an alias of subject Volney Davis, and investigation at Henryetta was requested.

Special Agent Paul Hansen proceeded to Henryetta, Oklahoma, where it was ascertained that Post Office Box 846 was rented by Mrs. Veri W. (Martha Lee) Myers, who resides in the Crabtree Addition to Henryetta. After making some inquiries concerning the reputation of Mrs. Myers, and maintaining a surveillance of her residence, it was deemed appropriate to make a direct interview. Agent Hansen thereupon interviewed Mrs. Myers, who related that she was separated from her husband, and rented this Post Office Box 846 under the name of Mrs. J. E. Knight for the purpose of communicating with one J. E. Cook, who resides about four miles from Mount Vernon, Missouri, and is employed by the Ajax Oil Company at Scott City, Missouri as a telegraph operator; that J. E. Cook is using the name of E. C. White, and that the use of these names and post office boxes was to eliminate any embarrassment to either of them. Mrs. Myers

exhibited a photograph of Cook alias White to Agent Hansen, which disclosed a slight resemblance between him and Volney Davis, but it was apparent that they are not identical. This information was transmitted by long distance telephone to Special Agent in Charge R. B. Nathan, Kansas City, on April 30, 1935.

In continuation with the investigation for the purpose of interviewing members of the Get Acquainted Correspondence Club to ascertain if they had received any correspondence from subject Volney Davis, the following memorandum was submitted by Special Agent J. J. Perkins:

The following investigation was made by Special Agent J. J. Perkins at Capron, Oklahoma on April 15, 1935.

Investigation at Capron, Oklahoma disclosed that Mrs. Margaret Storer had been visiting her sister Mrs. O. Parker of Capron about one month prior to the date of agent's visit; that she had left for her home, 16 E. Warren Street, Columbus, Ohio.

Mrs. O. Parker was not available for interview, as she was away when agent was there, and the date of her return was unknown.

The records of the Capron, Oklahoma Post Office corroborated the information to the effect that Mrs. Storer's forwarding address is 16 W. Warren Street, Columbus, Ohio.

The advisability of continuing efforts to interview Mrs. Margaret Storer is being left to the discretion of the office of origin.

For the information of interested offices, it has been ascertained that Dorothy Karpis, former wife of subject Karpis, is now residing at the Washington Hotel on North Main Street in Tulsa, and is interested in the "Kooky's Koffee Knp", a cafe located at 107 N. Main Street in Tulsa. Through information obtained from Carol Tankersley, it appears that Dorothy Karpis is no longer interested in her former husband, and it is believed that she would notify the Oklahoma City office in the event she received any information of value.

On April 23, 1935 an informant at Tulsa, Oklahoma stated to Special Agent Paul Hansen that subject Harry Campbell had been in Turley, Oklahoma at the home of Mrs. Mildred Jones, a sister of Wynona Burdette, the girl friend of Campbell. Agent Hansen conducted investigation, and verified the fact that Campbell had been to the home of Mrs. Jones, and since that time a surveillance has been maintained twenty-four hours per day on the home of Mrs. Mildred Jones. Said surveillance is presently being maintained, and details with respect thereto will be submitted in a report by Agent Hansen.

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<p>Synopsis of Facts:</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 30%;">  <p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);">MAY 14 1935</p> </div> <div style="width: 65%;"> <p>Subject Harry Sawyer, as Charles Wright, reported as suspicious character at Pass Christian, Miss., by Deputy Sheriff William Simpson and Mississippi State Highway Officers to Special Agent C. H. Olson, and, from photograph, tentatively identified by them as Subject Moran, later as Subject Sawyer. Special Agent M. W. Meekins verifies identification of Sawyer under pretext. Subject Sawyer apprehended May 3, 1935, at Pass Christian, and removed on Bureau waiver to New Orleans, La., voluntarily, accompanied by wife, who was located at Monroe Court, Long Beach, Miss. No correspondence, Bremer or Hamm case ransom money found in possession Sawyer, or wife. Federal process and removal to St. Paul reported in reference report. W. C. Stephenson, Gulfport, Miss., may be contact for Subject Sawyer. Stephenson reported to have relatives named Hutter at Omaha, Nebr. Mrs. Gladys Sawyer made hurried trip to Omaha in January or first February, 1935, flying back from Kansas City to Gulfport, Miss., purpose trip unknown. Sawyer and wife deny contact or knowledge location other Subjects. Investigation continuing at Gulf Coast cities in Mississippi for location Subject Moran and others. P.</p> <p>REFERENCE: Report of SAC D. W. Magee, New Orleans, La., 5/10/35; Letter of SAC E. J. Connelley, Cincinnati, written at New Orleans, La., to Bureau, 5/7/35; Chicago Office telegram to New Orleans 5/8/35; report Special Agent T. H. McDade, Chicago, 4/29/35.</p> </div> </div>			
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DETAILS: This is a joint report of Special Agents C. H. Olson, M. W. Meekins, L. A. Kindell, and the reporting agent.

Special Agent C. H. Olson, of the New Orleans Bureau Office, while engaged on other matters at Gulfport, Mississippi, had occasion to contact Mississippi State Highway Patrol Officer A. C. DeMetz, who informed Agent Olson that several weeks before a stranger known to him only as Charles Wright, described as age 45, height 5'10", weight 235 lbs., residing in some tourist cottages in a tourist camp at Long Beach, Mississippi, had made the acquaintance of Sam Myers and William Benevidas, of Pass Christian, Mississippi, about eight miles from Gulfport, Mississippi, and had financed these men, to the amount of approximately \$1,000.00, in the building and establishment of a negro beer parlor and lottery establishment, and further, that Wright had spent money very freely and was a suspicious character in that vicinity through his association with negroes, and further, that he appeared to be hiding for some purpose.

Agent Olson exhibited a large group of photographs of individuals wanted by the Bureau, particularly those in the Bremer kidnaping case, to Patrolman A. C. DeMetz and Deputy Sheriff William Simpson, of Gulfport, Mississippi, who had likewise observed the suspect, Charles Wright. These two officers at first tentatively identified the photograph of Subject Dr. Joseph P. Moran, Fugitive, I. O. #1232, as the suspect Charles Wright, but subsequently they stated that the full size photograph of Subject Harry Sawyer, I. O. #1240, appeared more to resemble Charles Wright.

Agent Olson related this information to the reporting agent at a subsequent date, upon his return to New Orleans, and Special Agent M. W. Meekins was instructed to view the suspect, Charles Wright, under a suitable pretext, and advise of his opinion.

Agent Meekins, using as a pretext his being a former liquor dealer and interested in purchasing the establishment of Charles Wright, interviewed him at his negro saloon and lottery establishment in a negro section of Pass Christian, Mississippi. He noted that Charles Wright took precaution to conceal his left hand, which, according to I. O. 1240, indicated a smashed left forefinger. Agent Meekins, after considerable conversation, inveigled Charles Wright to roll him a cigarette, and observed the smashed finger. Subject appeared considerably older and much heavier than the Identification Order description and photograph but Agent Meekins was firm in the opinion that he was Subject Harry Sawyer. He so advised the New Orleans Bureau Office by telephone.

The reporting agent advised the Bureau by telephonic communication on May 2, 1935, requesting advice whether surveillance should be planned or whether Subject Sawyer should be apprehended, in the event Charles Wright developed to be Subject Harry Sawyer.

Agents Olson, Meekins, Kindell and the reporting agent proceeded to Pass Christian, Mississippi, for the purpose of effecting the apprehension of Subject Harry Sawyer. Inasmuch as Deputy Sheriff William Simpson was one of the original informants in the instant matter, his cooperation was enlisted on the

instant investigation, with the understanding that in the event Charles Wright was Subject Harry Sawyer, the Bureau was to have complete jurisdiction of custody of the Subject. State Officer Delietz was in Pensacola, Florida.

Agent Meekins, the reporting agent, and Deputy Sheriff Simpson proceeded to the negro saloon and lottery establishment and ascertained that Charles Wright would undoubtedly return that evening but that he was traveling in his Ford Coupe bearing a Nebraska license.

Agent Meekins and the reporting agent, accompanied by Deputy Sheriff Simpson, located the aforementioned Ford car in front of a barroom located on the seawall at Pass Christian, Mississippi, and located and took into custody Charles Wright.

When confronted with the identity of the agents, Charles Wright blanched white and admitted his identity as Subject Harry Sawyer. He was immediately searched, handcuffed and leg-ironed, and removed by Agent Meekins and the reporting agent to Bay St. Louis, Miss., where he was cashed out and placed in custody of Special Agent C. H. Olson.

Agents Meekins, Kindell and the reporting agent proceeded to Long Beach, Miss., immediately, and located the wife of Subject Harry Sawyer, where both were living in the Monroe Court Tourist Cottages #2. She was known as Ann Wright, and readily admitted her identity as Mrs. Harry Sawyer. A thorough search of this cottage was made by Agents Meekins and Kindell and no correspondence or evidence of money was found in the place. She stated that she had resided with her husband in the vicinity of Gulfport, Pass Christian and Long Beach, Miss., since November, 1934.

A more complete interrogation of both Subject Harry Sawyer and his wife was conducted by Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, of Cincinnati, who appeared in this territory on special assignment, and is set out in his letter to the Bureau dated May 7, 1935, copies of which were furnished the interested offices.

The Bureau was advised of the apprehension of Subject Sawyer in telephonic conversation the night of May 3, 1935.

Subject Harry Sawyer voluntarily signed a Bureau waiver to proceed with agents from the Southern District of Mississippi to the Eastern District of Louisiana at New Orleans, and on instructions of the Bureau, was transported by Bureau agents to New Orleans and questioned the night of May 3, 1935, in the New Orleans Bureau Office.

Subject Sawyer and his wife, at Pass Christian and Long Beach, Miss., when interviewed, denied that they had a bank account, a safety deposit box or any of the Bremer kidnap ransom money, and likewise denied that they had placed any long distance telephone calls to any point from their Mississippi residence. They did not have a telephone in their cottage.

Agent Meekins conducted investigation at the Post Office at Long Beach,

Pass Christian and Gulfport, Miss. The only place where mail has been received was at Gulfport, Miss., and mail only to Ann Wright was received. The only mail remembered was that addressed to Ann Wright and was from the Tabernacle and Purgatory, Benedictine Convent, Clyde, Missouri. It appears that Mrs. Harry Sawyer is very religious and receives numerous religious circulars from this Convent. She received a COD package from Charis of New Orleans, which developed to be a corset, upon investigation.

An endeavor is being made to check any possible long distance telephone calls by either Subject Sawyer or his wife from Gulfport, Long Beach or Pass Christian, Miss., to any Nebraska points, Minnesota points, Louisville, Ky., or Florida cities.

Subject Sawyer and his wife had in their possession a 1934 Ford Coupe, motor #737962, black in color, registered to Ann Wright, with a 1935 certificate of registration No. R 59-1102, bearing 1935 Nebraska license No. 59-2001. This license was issued in Sargy County at Papillion, Nebraska, on February 1, 1935. The address of Ann Wright on the certificate was listed as Ft. Crook, Nebraska. This car was taken into custody by agents and placed in a garage at Long Beach, Miss., and was subsequently surrendered to Mrs. Harry Sawyer after Agent Meekins inspected the motor number, which appears to be 18-737962, bearing 1935 Nebraska license 59-2001. It had mileage of 12,766 miles. Mrs. Sawyer, when she left Mississippi for Omaha, Nebraska, and St. Paul, Minnesota, left this car with one W. C. Stephenson, RFD 2, Box 150, Gulfport, Miss. The Omaha Bureau Office has been instructed by wire to check on this car.

Subject Sawyer and his wife when questioned in Mississippi and in New Orleans, denied that they had contacted any of the Subjects of the Bremer case while in Mississippi.

Agent Meekins interrogated W. C. Stephenson and his son, Allen Stephenson, who have frequently been in company with Subject Sawyer and his wife, and ascertained that Stephenson is a fertilizer drayman, who claims that he met Subject Sawyer, under the alias of Wright, at a beer parlor in Gulfport, Mississippi, two or three months ago, at which time they became good friends. Sawyer at that time was residing at Moody's tourist camp at Gulfport, Miss. Stephenson denied knowledge of the identity of Subject Sawyer, but Mr. W. C. Stephenson stated that Mrs. Sawyer stated that she was returning to Omaha, Nebraska, to sell her farm to raise funds with which to retain an attorney for her husband. Mrs. Sawyer left some personal baggage with the Stephensons and Agent Meekins was permitted to inspect this but found nothing of value to the instant case.

Agent Meekins subsequently again interviewed W. C. Stephenson at Gulfport, Miss., and he again denied that he had any information concerning the Wrights, the alias of the Sawyers. He denied that he had told William Benevidas on the day following Subject Sawyer's arrest, that he knew Sawyer as Wright and that Wright had been given a letter of introduction by a brother-in-law of his by the name of Hutter, at Omaha, as a result of which they had met. Stephenson, however, admitted to Agent Meekins that he had a brother-in-law, one William Hutter, married to Dell Hutter, who he thought was residing at Omaha. Stephenson stated that

William Hutter and his wife were separated but that William Hutter had worked for a time at the State Hospital of Nebraska, and might still be employed there; that William Hutter has a brother, one Henry Hutter, address unknown, who Wright had later stated that he had met in Omaha. Stephenson claims never to have seen Henry Hutter but saw William Hutter at Gulfport, Miss., five years ago, after which he, William Hutter, left for Omaha, and he has not seen him since that time.

When question further, Stephenson stated that when Mrs. Wright, alias for Sawyer, returned to Omaha, Nebraska, about the last of January, she, on her return to Gulfport, told them she had located Dell Hutter in Omaha and talked to her and that Dell sent her regards to Stephenson's wife, her sister.

W. C. Stephenson received a telegram care of the Marine Seed and Fertilizer Company, Gulfport, Miss., as follows: "Will you please parcel post my grey coat at once. (Signed) Gladys Sawyer, address General Delivery, St. Paul, Minn." This telegram was sent by Mrs. Gladys Sawyer at Pine Bluff, Ark., 1:44 p.m. on May 6, 1935, while she was enroute to Omaha, Nebr., on the train. Stephenson advised that he had forwarded this coat.

Reporting agent conversed by telephone with Special Agent in Charge Werner Hanni at Omaha, Nebraska, relative this information, and a code wire was forwarded to SAC Hanni relative the Hutter family, requesting investigation as a possible contact of Subject Sawyer and his wife with other Subjects of the instant case, or as holders of any possible ransom money.

Agent Meekins is continuing the investigation at Gulfport, Miss., and vicinity on the Stephenson family.

Agent Meekins interviewed H. W. McLaurin, Manager of the Municipal Air Port, Gulfport, Miss., and he informed that he has been at the present field as manager since February 5, 1935, and that for a month prior to that time the field was not officially operated. However, at about sundown on February 3, 1935, or February 4, 1935, a Cessna Monoplane cabin ship landed at the field and discharged a woman passenger. The plane departed without registering in and that no record or entry was made in the field log at the time, as the field had no official operators. Mr. McLaurin stated that since he has been at the field no strange ships have arrived or departed, but that Mrs. Sawyer had taken a few short joy hop rides and had told him that she was the woman who flew in from Kansas City in the Cessna ship. This was the only information that could be secured relative the airplane trip of Gladys Sawyer and refers to the trip taken by her to Omaha, Nebraska, mentioned in the second paragraph on page two of the memorandum of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, transmitted to the Bureau on May 7, 1935, a copy of which was furnished the Omaha Bureau Office. The purpose of this trip should be investigated by the Omaha Office.

Agent Meekins has prepared a memorandum of his investigation, dated May 7, 1935, relative the instant case, and it will be retained in the New Orleans Bureau Office.

Agent Meekins has interviewed Mrs. M. L. Chenoweth, Assistant Manager of

the Cottages on the Gulf at Long Beach, Miss., as well as Mr. Leo Moody, at the Moody Tourist Camps, Gulfport, Miss., location and residences maintained for a time by Subject Sawyer and his wife, and nothing of value has been ascertained.

Subject Harry Sawyer was not armed when he was taken into federal custody, but a 22 calibre German automatic pistol was found in the negro bar and lottery establishment, the property of Subject Harry Sawyer, and Agent Meekins took it into possession. It is of a Deutscherwerke make, made in Werterfurt, Germany. It will be transmitted to the Bureau by separate cover.

Special Agent L. A. Kindell interrogated Subject Harry Sawyer at the New Orleans Bureau Office, and his memorandum is as follows:

"On the night of May 3, 1935, the writer, in the presence of Special Agent C. H. Olson, of the New Orleans Office, questioned Harry Sawyer concerning his activity in connection with the Edward George Bremer kidnaping at St. Paul, Minn. Prior to this agent's questioning, Agent Olson interrogated Sawyer concerning his past history, his associations, his knowledge of certain individuals whose names are set forth in the file, and all of this information is contained in memorandum submitted by Agent Olson on this date. Agent was present throughout this interview.

On completion of Agent Olson's questioning, agent, in the presence of Gladys Rita Sawyer, Subject's wife, read to him the statement made by Mrs. Sawyer at Chicago, Illinois, on September 15, 1934, as set out in report of Special Agent R. D. Brown, dated at Chicago, Ill., September 19, 1934, and which begins on page 50 of said report. The Subject was advised that the statement which was to be read to him was that of his wife, and each of them was requested to stop the writer in event any statement was read from the statement which was not correct. Pages 50 to 53, inclusive, were read and no interruptions were had. The first paragraph on page 54 contains the statement of Mrs. Sawyer that "a month or more after the release of Edward George Bremer, Harry Sawyer admitted to me that he was the 'finger man'". Mrs. Sawyer denied making this statement and followed it up immediately with the assertion that she later learned that 'it was not true', but she could give no information to substantiate what she meant by 'she later learned it was not true'. The remainder of the statement was read and on the completion of it the writer asked Mrs. Sawyer if it were true and she replied that she was extremely nervous when she made the statement, that it did not sound like her statement, but at no time did she state that the statement was not true or that any coercion had been brought to bear to make her make the statement. A study of this statement will show, it is believed, that Mrs. Sawyer was telling the truth at the time she made the statement. Subject Sawyer, after the statement was read, was asked whether it was true and remarked: 'I have nothing to say', in other words he did not deny or affirm.

Special Agent C. H. Olson was present during the writer's interview."

Special Agent C. H. Olson interrogated Subject Harry Sawyer, at the New Orleans Bureau Office, the night of May 3, 1935, and his memorandum of the result of this interview is as follows:

Harry Sawyer advises that Harry Sandlovich was his correct name but that in August, 1933, in St. Paul, Minn., before Judge Hamphe (phonetic spelling), he had his name legally changed to Harry Sawyer; that as far as he knows, he was born in Lincoln, Nebraska, in December, 1890; that he attended the Hayward and Bankcroft Schools in Lincoln, Nebraska, completing the 5th or 6th grade; that he had been arrested several times but that he had never had to serve any time; that he married Gladys Rita Rusterholtz January 16, 1923, in St. Paul, Minn.; that they have no children; that he has been a bootlegger in St. Paul, Minn.; that he had known Danny Hogan (Depper Dan) in St. Paul, Minn.; that the property located at 1878 Jefferson Street, St. Paul, Minn., is in his wife's name and that he made a down payment of \$1300.00 on a ten acre farm, same city, and that he still owes \$2,000.00 on said property; that he accompanied his wife to Reno, Nevada, as outlined in report of Special Agent O. C. Dewey, Omaha, Nebraska, dated 5/15/35. Sawyer denied knowing Frank Foster in New York City, Sam Seigel, Louie Litky, and Babe Cooper but that he had not seen these two for the last twenty years; that he had not been in contact with his brothers for some time. With reference to the report of Special Agent R. D. Brown, St. Paul, Minn., September 19, 1935, and the statement of Mrs. Gladys Sawyer under date of September 15, 1934, this was referred to by the writer and Subject questioned. His answers were all in the affirmative, with the exception of when it would connect him up with the Bremer kidnaping, and he would then advise that he had nothing to say in that matter. He admitted knowing Karpis, both Barkers, Davis, Weaver, Weigler, Pfeiffer, Campbell, Miller and Nash; denied knowing Dr. Moran, Fitzgerald, Big Homer, McLaughlin or Berg.

The above questioning was done in the presence of Subject, his wife, Mrs. Gladys Sawyer, and Special Agent L. A. Kindell, of the New Orleans Office. Subsequently, Agent Kindell read the statement of Mrs. Sawyer to Subject, in the presence of Mrs. Sawyer and writer, to which Mrs. Sawyer stated that all was true with the exception of the paragraph in which she had stated that Subject had told her he, Harry Sawyer, was the finger man in the kidnaping. Subject's reply was that he had nothing to say.

Mrs. Harry Sawyer advised that her maiden name was Gladys Rita Rusterholtz; that she was born on November 17, 1896, in Murray, Nebraska; that her parents are dead but that she has a step-father, William A. Bundy, living near Sidney, Nebr.; that she has one half-sister, Mrs. Laurence (Margaret) Burns, living in St. Paul, Minn., two half-brothers, Alfred and Paul Bundy, living in Sidney, Nebraska, and one half-brother, Leland Bundy, living in Detroit, Michigan.

Fingerprints of Subject and Mrs. Sawyer were taken by the writer and were forwarded to the Bureau Identification Unit by letter.

The money in possession of Subject and Mrs. Sawyer was counted by Special Agent Peyronnin, of the New Orleans office, and writer, and the description of same was obtained by Agent Peyronnin, and the money returned to them.

Subject and Mrs. Sawyer were detained in the New Orleans Bureau Office the night of May 3, 1935."

Special Agents James O. Peyronnin and C. H. Olson, at the New Orleans Bureau Office on May 4, 1935, in the presence of Subject Harry Sawyer, checked the bill fold of Subject Sawyer, containing \$298.00. This money is described as follows:

FEDERAL RESERVE NOTES:

\$100.00 - G 00360145 A 7

100.00 - G 02068780 A 7

20.00 - F 02911688 A 5

NATIONAL CURRENCY:

\$ 50.00 - B 001664 A 9527
On the National Bank of Duluth, Minn.

20.00 - E 001784 A 3625
On the Columbia National Bank of Washington, D.C.

SILVER CERTIFICATES:

\$ 1.00 - F 58807203 B

1.00 - G 22213966 B

UNITED STATES NOTES:

\$ 2.00 - B 02920877 A

2.00 - A 97749907 A

2.00 - A 86900730 A

None of the aforementioned money was ascertained to be of either the Bremer kidnap case or of the Hamm kidnap case when checked with the ransom lists. This money was taken into custody by the Superintendent of the Federal Jail, New Orleans, and subsequently returned to Subject Sawyer.

Special Agents James O. Peyronnin and C. H. Olson, of the New Orleans Bureau Office, on May 4, 1935, ascertained that Mrs. Gladys Sawyer had a money belt containing \$1118.00. In her presence, this money was inspected and checked with the Bremer and the Hamm kidnaping cases ransom lists, and found not to be described thereupon. This money is as follows:

FEDERAL RESERVE NOTES:

\$100.00 - G O 1106564 A 7
 100.00 - G O 1502089 A 7
 100.00 - G O 1738430 A 7
 100.00 - G O 0085796 A 7
 100.00 - G O 0287442 A 7
 100.00 - G O 1111963 A 7
 100.00 - G O 1525707 A 7
 100.00 - G O 0921861 A 7
 100.00 - G O 1445027 A 7
 100.00 - G O 0707694 A 7

FEDERAL RESERVE NOTES:

\$ 50.00 - G O 1722704 A 7
 5.00 - F 24203554 A 6
 10.00 - B 59363088 A 8
 10.00 - F 12448419 A 8
 5.00 - K 05893011 A 11

SILVER CERTIFICATES:

\$ 10.00 - A 02090186 A
 5.00 - A 33450541 A
 1.00 - G 51717928 B

NATIONAL CURRENCY:

\$ 10.00 - 12070 A 013015 The State National Bank of Houston, Texas
 10.00 - 1595 A 020241 The First National Bank of Mobile, Ala.
 2.00 - A 97760579-A United States Note

Agents Peyronnin and Olson returned the above described money to Mrs. Sawyer.

The original Bureau waiver voluntarily signed by Subject Harry Sawyer, authorizing his removal from the Southern District of Mississippi, at Pass Christian, Miss., to New Orleans, Louisiana, and his original voluntary waiver to proceed with Bureau agents from New Orleans, Louisiana, to St. Paul, Minn., are transmitted as enclosures to the St. Paul Bureau Office. A copy of these waivers is being transmitted to the Bureau as an enclosure, and copies maintained in the New Orleans Bureau Office.

The Bureau waiver from New Orleans, Louisiana, to St. Paul, Minn., was not used, inasmuch as Subject was removed on a fugitive complaint filed before the U. S. Commissioner.

The reference report indicates the federal process and removal proceedings against Subject Harry Sawyer.

A photograph of Subject Harry Sawyer, New Orleans, La., Federal Jail

#3365, is transmitted as an enclosure to the Bureau, St. Paul, Omaha, Cleveland, Chicago, Cincinnati and Kansas City Bureau Offices.

Following is the description of Subject Harry Sawyer as obtained from the records in the Identification Bureau, Federal Jail, New Orleans, La.:

Name	HARRY W. SAWYER
Age	45 (Born Dec. 15, 1890) Russia, but claims Lincoln, Nebr.
Height	5'9-1/4"
Weight	238
Eyes	Grey
Hair	Dark brown
Complexion	Med. Florid
Occupation	Butcher, erstwhile liquor racketeer and kidnapper.
Residence	1878 Jefferson St., St. Paul, Minn.
Nationality	Russian Jew
Parents	Dead
Marital status	Married
Fingerprint classification	9 U 14 8 T 10

Following is Subject Sawyer's criminal record as furnished by the Identification Unit of the Bureau, #421335:

PD, Minneapolis, Minn., as Harry Sandovich, #16479, arrested 9/11/18, att. grand larceny; disposition: 10/9/18, fined \$100.
PD, Omaha, Nebr., as Harry J. Proche, #6463, arr. 1/2/20, invest.-robbery; held under \$10,000 bond - * Arrested 1/4/20 while out on bonds, charge, fugitive from justice - turned over to Lincoln, Nebr. where he is wanted for stealing automobiles - forfeited \$1000 bonds at Lincoln.
PD, Lincoln, Nebr., as Harry Sandlovich, 5/16/20, jumping bonds - auto theft.
Bu. Office, New Orleans, La., as Harry Sawyer, #--, 5/3/35, kidnapping; confined in Fed. Jail, at New Orleans, La., awaiting removal to St. Paul, Minn. and has waived hearing.

*Harry Sandlovitch, arraigned in the Dist. Court, Lincoln, Nebr., 4/25/15, plead guilty to burg. with explosives by att. to blow the safe of the Standard Oil Co., at Lincoln, Nebr. - paroled from the bench for 3 years - 9/25/17, dism. from his parole.

Fall of 1917 and spring of 1918, stealing and disposing of automobiles in Lincoln, Nebr., for which he was arrested at Omaha some 2 years ago. (As appearing on print #6463).

WANTED BY BUREAU: Harry Sandovich, suspect in Bremer kidnapping case. Notify Director, per information received 9/22/34.
Still wanted by Bureau as above, per inf. rec. therefrom with prints 10/16/34.

WANTED BY BUREAU: Harry Sawyer, Fugitive Index #5977, Bureau file 62-23915, O.O. St. Paul, per inf. rec. 1/10/35.

WANTED BY BUREAU: As Harry Sawyer, for kidnapping of Edward G. Bremer,

at St. Paul, Minn., 1/17/34. Indicted by Fed. G.J. at St. Paul, Minn.,
1/22/35. Notify Director. (Inf. rec. I.O. #1240).
This person published as a fugitive in the monthly Bulletin for
March, 1935, issued by this Bureau.

Following is the description of Mrs. Gladys Sawyer from personal observa-
tion:

Name	MRS. GLADYS SAWYER alias ANN WRIGHT
Age	38 (Looks older)
Height	5'4"
Weight	151
Build	Heavy
Eyes	Blue
Hair	Brown and bobbed
Complexion	Medium

Following is the criminal record of Mrs. Gladys Sawyer as furnished by
the Identification Unit of the Bureau, #828771:

PD, Cleveland, Ohio, as Glades E. Sawyer, #--, 9/6/34, invest.
Bu. Off., New Orleans, La., Mrs. Harry Sawyer, #--, 5/3/35, invest. of
kidnapping; not detained - returned to St. Paul, Minn.

Reference is made to report of Special Agent D. M. McDade, Chicago, Ill.,
April 29, 1935, last paragraph, page two, indicating that a Ford Coupe, 1933 model,
motor #40-304794, has not been located, and that this car bore 1933 Mississippi
license plates #B455099, and 1934 Mississippi license plates B75038.

Special Agent A. Rosen conducted investigation at the State Auditor's of-
fice at Jackson, Miss., and ascertained that the 1933 Mississippi license plates
were never issued as high as six digits. Agent Rosen checked license plates for
1933, as follows: B45509; B45099, and neither license was issued for the car
described in the reference report.

1934 Mississippi license tag 75038 was issued for a Chevrolet Coach, motor
#31814, model 1930, owner J. L. Caldwell, of Belden, Miss.

1934 Mississippi license plates A70538 was issued for a 1929 Plymouth
Sedan, belonging to D. B. James, of Meehan, Miss.

It may be that this Ford Coupe, above described and set out on page 2 of
Special Agent D. M. McDade's report of April 29, 1935, should have indicated that
they were Minnesota license plates instead of Mississippi plates, and further in-
vestigation will be requested.

Reference is made to Chicago Bureau Office telegram to the New Orleans
Bureau Office dated May 8, 1935, requesting advice concerning the identity and
reputation of the owner of Louisiana license plates #13043, issued for Chevrolet,
Plymouth or similar type car.

The reporting agent ascertained that 1934 Louisiana license plates #13043 were issued for a 1928 Chevrolet Coupe, motor #YR500W, to Miss A. Hammond, residing at 1126 Washington Avenue, New Orleans, La. She was interviewed by the reporting agent and was discovered to be a spinster, approximate age 38 years, residing with her mother and brother, Anna S. and J. Biddle Hammond, respectively, and of a reputable and substantial family. Her brother, J. Biddle Hammond, is on the present Federal Grand Jury at New Orleans, La.

Miss A. Hammond advised that her car has never been out of the State and that she never had her 1934 license plates stolen.

Special Agent C. H. Olson ascertained that 1935 Louisiana license plates #13043 were issued to Malcolm E. Moates, for a 1929 Plymouth Sedan, blue in color, motor #0192964, Fedco serial plate #H D 529 C, the last letter could be a G. Malcolm Moates formerly operated a radio repair shop in his home but presently is employed at the delivery desk in the sales office of the Loose-Wiles Biscuit Co., 400 Gaiennie Street, New Orleans. He resides at 605 Upperline Street, New Orleans. He advised Agent Olson that he purchased this car from E. C. Palmer, Used Car Dealer at New Orleans, in July, 1933; that he has never had his 1935 license plates stolen and that the car has never been out of the State of Louisiana while in his possession.

On May 7, 1935, one Howard Rowe, a painter and decorator, address 5225 Douglas Street, New Orleans, La., telephone Franklin 6079, appeared at the New Orleans Bureau Office and was interrogated by Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley and the reporting agent. He was of the opinion that his nephew, Fred Bentz, address 352 Clark Street, Pass Christian, Miss., had sold a radio to Subject Sawyer. He was also of the opinion that he had seen Subject Sawyer, at a point on a canal near Pass Christian, Miss., approach two individuals who were fishing and who, he stated, exhibited a large roll of bills. It appears that Mr. Howard Rowe was fishing in this vicinity, at the time, which was in the latter part of January, 1935. Mr. Rowe states that subsequently he had seen these men in the same location and believes that he can locate them. Arrangements have been made whereby he will contact Special Agent Meekins at Pass Christian, Miss., and locate these two individuals for observation or interrogation. SAC E. J. Connelley permitted Mr. Howard Rowe to view several photographs of Subjects in the instant case, including that of Subject Sawyer, a recent photograph, and he was unable to pick Sawyer's picture out as the fat man approaching the two suspicious individuals. Howard Rowe did, however, pick out three separate photos of Jess Doyle, a Subject in the instant case, who is now in custody. Further investigation is being made on this matter.

The instant report is to be read in conjunction with the reference letter of SAC E. J. Connelley.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

OMAHA OFFICE is requested to ascertain whether William or Henry Hutter, or Dell Hutter, located at Omaha, Nebr., is a possibility as a contact or a front for Subject Sawyer or his wife with any of the Subjects of the instant case, and whether there is a possibility that they have in their possession any of the ransom

money. The location of Subject Sawyer's Packard car has not been ascertained and they may have knowledge of its location.

NEW ORLEANS OFFICE will continue investigation on the Gulf Coast country of Mississippi, particularly Ocean Springs, Gulfport, Biloxi, Pass Christian and Long Beach, Mississippi, to ascertain whether it is the hide-out of any of the other Bremer Subjects, particularly Dr. Moran.

At Pass Christian, Miss., will contact Howard Rowe and his nephew, Fred Bentz, address 352 Clark Street, to endeavor to locate the two suspicious characters described by Howard Rowe, and place them under observation as suspects in the instant case.

CHICAGO OFFICE will review their files in the instant case and ascertain whether the Ford Coupe described on page 2 of report of Special Agent D. M. McDade, Chicago, Ill., April 29, 1935, did carry the license numbers as 1933 and 1934 Minnesota instead of Mississippi.

P E N D I N G

ENCLOSURE

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May 4 1935
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I, Harry Sawyer, having
been first fully informed by L.A. Kudell,
Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation of the Department
of Justice, that I have the right not to be removed from the Judicial
District in which I was taken into custody without being first arraigned
before a duly authorized judicial officer or magistrate and except by
virtue of a warrant of removal issued for that purpose, do hereby waive
my right to be arraigned before a duly authorized judicial officer or
magistrate and my right not to be removed from the said judicial district
except by virtue of a warrant of removal issued for that purpose, and do
hereby freely consent and agree that I may be forthwith removed by re-
presentatives of the Department of Justice in their discretion to any
Judicial district of the United States, either for the purpose of question-
ing or for the purpose of being held to answer any criminal charge.

I am executing this waiver and consent of my own free will,
and without any pressure, compulsion or coercion of any kind whatsoever.

The foregoing document was read to me before I signed it, and
I fully understand its meaning and purport.

This refers to my removal from New Orleans, La
to St. Paul, Minn
Harry Sawyer

WITNESSES:

C. H. Olson
Special Agent
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
New Orleans, La.

D. W. Magee, Special Agent
New Orleans, La.

May 3, 1935

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Harry Sawyer

WITNESSES:

E. H. Larson
Special Agent
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
New Orleans, La.
D. W. Magee
Special Agent. Federal Bureau of Investigation U S Dept Justice
New Orleans

IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

Date 5/13 1935

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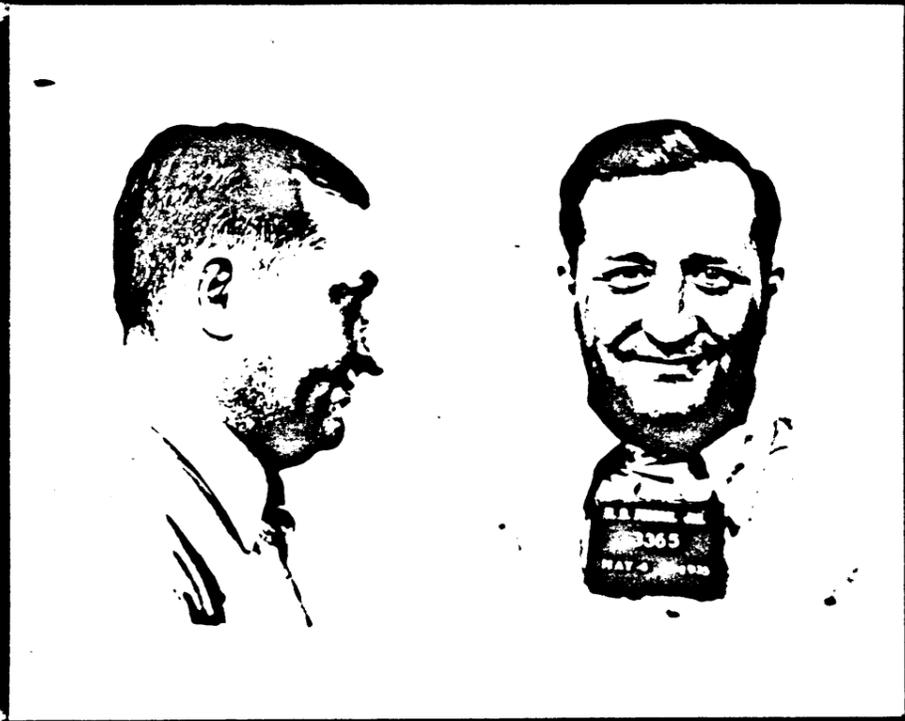
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Harry W. Sawyer, 45 years, born Dec. 15, 1890, in
Russia, but claims Lincoln, Nebraska. Weight - 238
pounds; Eyes - grey; hair - dark brown; complexion -
medium florid; occupation - butcher, erstwhile liquor
racketeer and kidnapper; Residence - 1878 Jefferson
St., St. Paul, Minn.; Nationality - Russian Jew;
parents - dead; marital status - married; fingerprint
classification - $\frac{9}{2} \frac{U}{T} \frac{14}{10}$.

New Orleans Federal Jail #3365

Investigation
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

File in the Division in the above
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status of same.

Very truly yours,



John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

P. O. Box 1276
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
May 9th, 1935

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7-36

Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. 1218; ET AL
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the summary report of Special Agent T. M. McDade, dated 4/29/35, wherein it is stated that a Pontiac Sedan bearing motor #935155 is in the possession of Dr. Moran, and its location is desired.

It will be noted from said summary report that this automobile is described as a Sedan, bearing serial #815227. By reference to the letter of Mr. Connelley addressed to the St. Paul office under date of December 26, 1934, requesting that stops be placed as to this automobile, the same is described as a Coach, bearing serial #815237.

It is suggested that the interested offices be advised as to the true model and serial number of this automobile.

Very truly yours,

DWIGHT BRANTLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc Bureau

Mr. Connelley at Cincinnati

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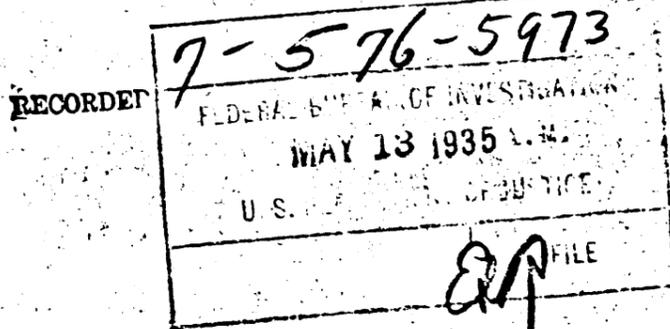
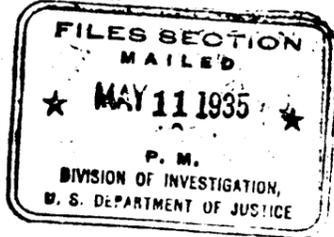
MEMORANDUM FOR THE MECHANICAL SECTION

RE: HARRY SAWYER, with aliases,
IDENTIFICATION ORDER NO. 1240
KIDNAPING

The above named individual was apprehended at Pass Christian, Mississippi, on May 3, 1935. His photograph may be withdrawn from the pocket Identification Orders.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.



Edgar Hoover

FED BUR INVEST CHICAGO

MAY 6, 1935

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DIRECTOR

BREKID INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM SHERIFF, WHEATON, ILLINOIS,
 THAT CHICAGO TRIBUNE HAVE MADE INQUIRY CONCERNING ONE ^{KAHN} KAHN AND
 FAMILY WHO ARE SAID TO HAVE BEEN ARRESTED IN NEW YORK TODAY
 WHILE BOARDING A SHIP FOR GERMANY. FURTHER STATED THAT BREMER
 RANSKOM MONEY FOUND IN POSSESSION OF KAHN. BRUNO AUSTIN INFORMED
 PREVIOUSLY THAT HE WAS HIDDEN OUT AT KAHNS PLACE CALLED KAHNS
 GROVE, CHICAGO AND THAT VARIOUS MEMBERS BARKIS KAPER GANG HAD
 ALSO BEEN HIDDEN OUT THERE. INVESTIGATION CHICAGO SO FAR TODAY
 INDICATES THAT KAHN CALLED PRESENT OPERATOR OF KAHNS GROVE FROM
 NEW YORK LAST THURSDAY INFORMING HIM LEAVING NEW YORK THAT DAY
 ON STEAMSHIP EUROPA. THIS NOT TRUE BECAUSE EUROPA SAILED APRIL
 27. NEW YORK OFFICE REQUESTED TO CHECK

Ransom money
Edw. J. Brennan

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- Mr. Nathan
- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. Backus
- Mr. Baughman
- Chief Clerk
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Coffey
- Mr. Edwards
- Mr. Egan
- Mr. Harbo
- Mr. Keith
- Mr. Lester
- Mr. Quinn
- Mr. Schilder
- Mr. Smith
- Mr. Tamm
- Mr. Tracy
- Miss Gandy

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DIRECTOR AND SAC NY

BREKID INFORMATION OBTAINED ~~REINHOLD~~ REINHOLD KAHN, FORMER OPERATOR
 KAHNS TAVERN, NORTH AVENUE, ELMHURST, ILLINOIS, SAILING WITH FAMILY
 ON EITHER BREMEN OR EUROPA ON SEVENTH, ELEVENTH OR EIGHTEENTH OF THIS
 MONTH. KAHN VERY CLOSE FRIEND OF ELMER FARMER, DEFENDANT THIS CASE,
 NOW ON TRIAL ST PAUL. PREVIOUS INVESTIGATION INDICATES KAHNS TAVERN
 USED BY FARMER FOR HIDEOUT BY FARMER FOR VARIOUS MEMBERS BARKER-KARPIS
 GANG. EFFORTS SHOULD BE MADE TO LOCATE KAHN AND FAMILY CONSISTING OF
 WIFE ELIZABETH² DAUGHTERS ANN 19, ELIZABETH, 17, CLARA, ~~15~~ 15 AND SON
 REINHOLD, JR. 13. ALL TO BE QUESTIONED THOROUGHLY CONCERNING INFORMATION
 ABOUT BREKID GANG. ANN SAID TO BE VERY FRIENDLY WITH FARMER AND SHE
 ACCORDINGLY SHOULD BE QUESTIONED ALONG LINES WHICH WOULD DISCLOSE
 INFORMATION GIVEN HER BY HIM AS TO HIS COMPLICITY IN CASE. VOLNEY DAVIS
 SAID TO HAVE VISITED KAHNS TAVERN NIGHT OF ESCAPE AT YORKVILLE. BRUNO
 AUSTIN STATED HE HID OUT AT THIS TAVERN LAST FALL WHEN HE MET BARKER AND
~~REINHOLD~~ GIBSON. WIRE SENT WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE TO OBTAIN NAME OF BOAT
 AND DATE OF SAILING AS GIVEN BY KAHN ON APPLICATION FOR PASSPORT AND TO
 FURNISH SAME TO NEW YORK OFFICE. INFORMATION INDICATES KAHN AND FAMILY
 ALREADY IN POSSESSION OF BOAT TICKETS. BELIEVED PROBABLE KAHN OR MEM-
 BERS OF FAMILY MAY FURNISH VALUABLE INFORMATION IF INFORMED THEY ARE TO
 BE PREVENTED FROM MAKING TRIP AS PLANNED. THIS OFFICE SHOULD BE NOTIF-
 IED IF KAHN FAMILY LOCATED AND INFORMED OF RESULTS OF QUESTIONING IN
 ORDER FURTHER NECESSARY DETAILS MIGHT BE FURNISHED IF NEEDED.

Edw. L. Bremer

- Chief Clerk
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Coffey
- Mr. Edwards
- Mr. Egan
- Mr. Harbo
- Mr. Keith
- Mr. Lester
- Mr. Quinn
- Mr. Schilder
- Mr. Smith
- Mr. Tamm
- Mr. Tracy
- Miss Gandy

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DIRECTOR

BREKID ✓ BERGS TESTIMONY COMPLETED TODAY FOLLOWED BY JIMMY WILSON WHO IS NOW BEING CROSS EXAMINED. WILSON ADMITTED MUCH WHICH WAS CONTENDED BY THE GOVERNMENT BUT DENIED GUILTY KNOWLEDGE.

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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- Mr. Nathan.....
- Mr. Tolson.....
- Mr. Backus.....
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- Mr. Tamm.....
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- Miss Gandy.....

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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Cincinnati, Ohio**

FILE NO. **7-2**

REPORT MADE AT: Little Rock, Ark.	DATE WHEN MADE: 5/9/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 5/3,4,6/35	REPORT MADE BY: H. E. Marshall AJM
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I. O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I. O. 1236; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. 1237; WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I. O. 1238; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I. O. 1239; HARRY SAWYER,			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: with aliases, I. O. 1240; MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I. O. 1241; ET AL. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, VICTIM.			
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Myron E. Thompson, diabetic patient, Hot Springs, Arkansas, stated he saw Alvin Karpis in Reno, Nevada, in December, 1934, and later identified photograph of him; stated he had seen Karpis on Monday, April 29, 1935, in gambling hall in Marked Tree, Arkansas. Investigation at Marked Tree revealed no such gambling hall as Thompson described and Thompson unknown in Marked Tree. Various persons in Marked Tree advised they have never seen anyone resembling photograph of Karpis. Further investigation reveals Thompson a mental case.			
DETAILS: This investigation is predicated upon a telephonic communication from Chief of Detectives Herbert Akers of the Hot Springs, Arkansas, Police Department, to Special Agent in Charge R. L. Shivers, advising there was a man in Hot Springs from California, who claimed he knew Alvin Karpis on sight and stated he had recently seen Karpis in a gambling house near Marked Tree, Arkansas.			
On May 3, 1935, Special Agent in Charge R. L. Shivers, accompanied by the writer, proceeded to Hot Springs for the purpose of interviewing Myron E. Thompson, who had furnished the information to Chief of Detectives Herbert Akers. Thompson advised Agents he had been living in California for the past fifteen or twenty years, and in December, 1934, he was in the Horse Shoe			
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gambling house in Reno, Nevada, and the bar tender had pointed out a man to him and stated this man was a "big shot." Thompson stated he was in San Francisco, California, later, talking to Tom Graham, a Deputy U. S. Marshal, who is a friend of his, and Graham had exhibited a photograph of Alvin Karpis to him and he had identified this photograph as being of the man who had been pointed out to him as a "big shot" in the Horse Shoe gambling house in Reno, Nevada, in December, 1934. Thompson stated he had been sent to Hot Springs for the purpose of having an operation performed, and had proceeded to Hot Springs from California by way of Memphis, Tennessee, and Marked Tree, Arkansas; that he had gone to Marked Tree for the purpose of locating an uncle of his, and a taxi driver in Jonesboro, Arkansas, whom he had hired to drive him to Marked Tree, had taken him to a saloon and gambling hall located on the river just out of Marked Tree. Thompson stated that while he and Harvey Smith, the taxi driver, were in this gambling hall getting a drink of whiskey, he had seen three men seated at a table in the front room, playing poker, and these three men were each armed with two automatic pistols and were in their shirt-sleeves; that there were also two women in the room, one a young woman, about twenty-seven years of age, and blonde-headed, and the other a red-headed woman, about forty years of age. Thompson stated he was positive one of the men at the table playing poker was Alvin Karpis. Photographs of members and suspects of the Karpis-Barker gang were exhibited to Mr. Thompson. He identified the photographs of Alvin Karpis and Fred Barker as being two of the men he had seen on April 29, 1935, at Marked Tree, Arkansas. Thompson could furnish no further information regarding the name of the party who ran the gambling house other than it was supposed to be run by a gambler from Memphis, Tennessee, whose name was unknown to him. Thompson stated the house was a one-story, six-room house located on the bank of the St. Francis River and that he walked to the rear of the house while there and saw a boat tied up in the bushes on the river bank; that the house was reached by proceeding south from Marked Tree on the Memphis Highway about one-eighth of a mile, turning left across a railroad track and then back to the right along the river.

On May 4, 1935, the writer proceeded to Marked Tree, Arkansas, for the purpose of conducting an investigation concerning the information furnished by Thompson. Investigation in Marked Tree revealed the St. Francis River is situated on the west side of Marked Tree and can not be reached by proceeding south towards Memphis and turning left across a railroad track. However, the Little River flows on the east side of Marked Tree and can be reached by proceeding south on the Memphis Highway and turning left across a railroad track. The Little River and the St. Francis River are approximately one-half mile apart at the point where they pass the town of Marked Tree.

J. A. Bullard, Deputy Sheriff, Marked Tree, Arkansas, was contacted and he advised he knew of no such place as that described by Thompson. This Agent, accompanied by Deputy Sheriff Bullard, who stated he knew all the saloons and gambling houses located in and near Marked Tree, proceeded to make inquiry at all houses located on the Little River and the St. Francis River. No houses were found situated on the banks of the rivers, and no houses located near either the Little River or the St. Francis River fit the description furnished by Thompson.

Charley Gregory, who sells whiskey and beer and lives on the St. Francis

River, was interviewed by this Agent. He advised he knew of no place fitting the description of the house furnished by Thompson and knew of no gambler from Memphis, Tennessee, who had a place in that vicinity.

Janie Hoshier, the owner and proprietor of Janie's Log Cabin, dance hall and saloon, advised she knew of all the roadhouses in that vicinity, but knew of no place fitting the description given by Thompson and knew of no gambler from Memphis, Tennessee, who ran a gambling house in that vicinity. Photographs of members of the Karpis-Barker gang were exhibited to Janie Hoshier, who advised she had never seen anyone resembling any of the photographs.

Grady Middleton advised he formerly ran a saloon and gambling house in Marked Tree, Arkansas, and knew of all the other places in that vicinity, but had never heard of a gambler from Memphis, Tennessee, who was running a saloon and gambling house in or near Marked Tree, and did not know of any saloon or gambling house fitting the description furnished by Thompson. Photographs of members of the Karpis-Barker gang were exhibited to Middleton, who advised he had never seen anyone resembling any of the photographs.

Haze Key, Deputy Sheriff, Marked Tree, Arkansas, was interviewed. He advised he knew all the gambling joints in that vicinity, but had never heard of any place fitting the description furnished by Thompson and did not know of any gambling house or saloon located on the bank of the St. Francis River or the Little River. Photographs of members of the Karpis-Barker gang were exhibited to Key, who advised he had never seen anyone who resembled any of these photographs.

E. L. Shinaberry, Chief of Police, Marked Tree, Arkansas, advised it is his belief he knows all the gamblers and whiskey peddlers in that vicinity, but he has never heard or known of any place fitting the description of the house furnished by Thompson and did not know of any gambler from Memphis, Tennessee, who was running a joint in that vicinity. Photographs were exhibited to Shinaberry, who advised he had never seen anyone resembling members of the Karpis-Barker gang.

On May 6, 1935, Myron E. Thompson, the informant, came to the Little Rock office in a general drunken and doped condition and stated he had seen Alvin Karpis in Memphis that morning. Thompson was interviewed by the writer and was emphatic in stating he had seen Karpis at the Chelsea Hotel in Memphis a few hours previously. Thompson was under the impression he was in Memphis at the time, and Agent asked Thompson if he had seen Karpis "here in Memphis this morning" and he replied in the affirmative. After being interviewed, Myron E. Thompson departed and returned two or three times during the day, requesting that Agents assist him in gaining admittance to the Government hospital in Little Rock or Hot Springs, Arkansas. Thompson persisted in stating he had seen Karpis that morning.

Inquiry at Jonesboro, Arkansas, failed to reveal any person by the name of Harvey Smith who runs a taxi at that place.

None of the information furnished by Thompson has proven reliable and it is the opinion of the writer that the information is merely a "drunken dream" on the part of Thompson. It is the further opinion of the writer that Thompson is a mental case, as he has all the appearance of being a dope addict and drunkard and is either making up his story or having hallucinations.

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May 7, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

Kindly be informed that on the afternoon of the 6th, and shortly after the call received from Colonel Gates, Mr. Carusi in the Attorney General's Office telephoned and wanted to be informed as to where new field offices had been established. He was advised that offices had been opened at Cleveland, Ohio, and Atlanta, Georgia.

Mr. Carusi then stated that he had seen something on the back of the photograph in the Sawyer case indicating we had an office at Trenton, New Jersey. I informed Mr. Carusi that an office had not yet been opened at Trenton, but that it was under consideration and negotiations were being made to establish an office there in the near future. He was further advised that the Director was considering the establishing of several offices throughout the west in order to break up the large territory now assigned to several of the existing field offices.

After Mr. Carusi's call, a careful search was made of the identification order published on Sawyer, together with photographs forwarded to the Department in connection with Sawyer's apprehension but no mention was made on any of this data with regard to an office at Trenton. The recent issue of the Fugitive Bulletin was scrutinized and no mention was made therein of the field office at Trenton.

After talking with the Director on the evening of the sixth, and in compliance with his instructions, I telephonically communicated this morning with Mr. Carusi and advised him that the information with regard to the opening of new field offices was made known to Department Officials some two weeks ago and at which time Mr. Carusi stated that he would give me "the low down on the entire matter"; that he had particular reference to the article published in the Evening Star on the 6th by Rex Collier wherein the article not only named the proposed cities but also gave the names of the possible Special Agents in Charge.

Mr. Carusi then stated that Mr. Suydam had been unable to obtain this information and that newspaper men were hounding them and in response to their inquiries had informed them that new offices

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had only been opened at Cleveland, Ohio, and Atlanta, Georgia; that the article in the paper later appeared and furnished detailed information which was not in the possession of Mr. Suydam and it sort of put him in a "tight spot" and that he, Mr. Suydam, intended to take the matter up this morning.

I had occasion to talk with Mr. Carusi later on in the morning and advised him this information had been furnished Colonel Gates under date of April 22nd, giving him in detail all information relative to this proposed new set up.

I, also, took occasion while talking with Colonel Gates to inform him of his conference with the Director and refreshed his memory, whereupon he stated he recalled receiving this information; that "the boys have no kick coming" in view of the fact that he had furnished them with the information shortly after he had received it and that as he recalls he informed the reporters for the Louisville papers that an office might possibly be opened at Louisville, Kentucky, and in order to verify this information communicated with the Director and had received information that no definite assurance could be given as to an office being opened at Louisville but that the Director was working out a plan for several new field offices.

Respectfully,

T. D. QUINN.

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REPORT MADE AT OMAHA, NEBRASKA	DATE WHEN MADE 5/10/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 4/29/35	REPORT MADE BY KENNETH LOGAN TME
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. #1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. #1236; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. #1237; WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I. O. #1238; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. #1239; SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: HARRY SAWYER, with aliases, I.O. #1240; MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I. O. #1241; et al EDWARD GEORGE BREMER Victim			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING; HARBORING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
<p><u>Synopsis of Facts:</u></p> <p>Mrs. Florence Heberlee, Red Oak, Iowa, has not received any communication from George Lawrence Harper, as result of her listing with Get Acquainted Club, Denver. Will notify this office if any communication is received from this party. No house located in the vicinity of Creston, Iowa, answering description of the hideout mentioned in the letter of the Detroit Office to the Chicago Office, dated October 19, 1934.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- P -</p> <p><u>REFERENCE:</u> Letter from Detroit Office to Chicago Office, dated October 19, 1934; letter from St. Paul Office to the Omaha Office, dated November 1, 1934; circular letter to all field offices, from Chicago Office, 2/14/35.</p> <p><u>DETAILS:</u> <u>At Red Oak, Iowa</u></p> <p>Mrs. Florence L. Heberlee, 105 First Avenue, when interviewed, stated she has received a number of communications through the Get Acquainted Correspondence Club, of Denver, Colorado, but that she has not received any from a George Lawrence Harper. Mrs. Heberlee assured Agent she would get in immediate touch with the Omaha Office, should she receive such communication.</p>			
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At Creston, Iowa

With reference to the supposed hideout at Creston, Iowa, described by one August Gus Kahn, an inmate of the Michigan State Penitentiary at Jackson, Michigan, as set forth in the letter from the Detroit Bureau Office to the Chicago Bureau Office under date of October 19, 1934, investigation was conducted at Creston and vicinity by this Agent.

Chief of Police Charles Cruzen and Sheriff J. R. Ewing were interviewed for information concerning a house in that vicinity answering the description of the house set forth in the above referred to letter. Sheriff Ewing stated he was formerly a painter and decorator and is well acquainted with all the better houses in and around Creston. He states he knows of only one house within a ten mile radius of Creston, which has mahogany staircase or woodwork; that this house is located about three miles straight north of Creston and is occupied by a farmer who has lived in that community all his life; that this man has a large family and is highly respected by everyone. Both Chief Cruzen and Sheriff Ewing stated this man is above suspicion and would have no connection with any criminal activities.

The Minneapolis Highway mentioned by August Kahn does not run north of Creston but runs west for about a mile and a half and then angles northwest. The only house located directly north of Creston and a mile west and then off on a country lane, is an old farm house and is not modern in any respect.

Agent interviewed Roy Stickles, a farmer living about three and a half miles northwest of Creston, who stated he is familiar with practically every house in that vicinity. He informed Agent there was only one house in the county which had a mahogany staircase and doors and was also modern, and that was the one referred to by Sheriff Ewing. Mr. Stickles informed Agent he had formerly lived in this house and that it was now occupied by a man, who has lived in the community all his life and would not be connected with any unlawful activity.

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Synopsis of Facts:

Mrs. Gladys Sawyer arrived at Omaha, Nebraska, 1:30 P.M., 5/7/35, and was placed under surveillance by agents of this Bureau office. She spent most of her time interviewing an attorney at Omaha. She left on the same day for Minneapolis, Minnesota and the St. Paul Office was telephonically advised. Mrs. Sawyer was identified as the woman, who on 11/21/34, bought a Ford Coupe, paying cash for same, from McFayden-Stewart Company, Omaha, Nebr.

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REFERENCE:

Telegram from the New Orleans Office, 5/5/35

DETAILS:

At Omaha, Nebraska

On May 7, 1935, Special Agent in Charge E. E. Conroy, Kansas City, Missouri, telephonically advised Special Agent in Charge Werner Hanni, that Mrs. Gladys Sawyer had left Kansas City, Missouri at 8:25 A.M., on the Missouri Pacific Train #109 and that she was in the last car, which was #10240;

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that Mrs. Sawyer had the first seat on the right and the car in which she was riding is a combination dining and parlor car. Mr. Conroy further advised that Agents from the Kansas City Office watched the movements of Mrs. Sawyer during the few moments she was in Kansas City and she made some inquiries at the railroad ticket office, Union Station, Kansas City, as to how long the train stopped at Lincoln, Nebraska; however, she was informed that the train did not go through Lincoln. Mrs. Sawyer had two pieces of baggage, which consisted of two suitcases, checked at Kansas City for Omaha. The baggage checks were numbered B-16780 and B16781. The train on which Mrs. Sawyer was a passenger was due to arrive at Omaha at 1:30 P.M. Mr. Conroy had advised that Agent Heavrin would be riding in the same car with Mrs. Sawyer and would follow her off the train and look at his wrist watch as a means of identifying her. Full descriptive data of Mrs. Sawyer was furnished by Mr. Conroy and also the description of Agent Heavrin.

Mr. Hammi called Special Agents J. T. Hartin, J. R. Green, Kenneth Logan and the writer into a conference. Mr. Hammi instructed the aforementioned Agents to keep Mrs. Sawyer under surveillance, as it was very probable she would contact some of her husband's associates while in Omaha. Agent Green, with Special Agent in Charge Hammi drove to Union, Nebraska, which is about forty miles south of Omaha. The town of Union is a division point and the Missouri Pacific coming from Kansas City to Omaha, stops at Union to let passengers off to make connections for Lincoln, Nebraska. Mr. Hammi and Agent Green met Missouri Pacific Train #109 at Union at 12:33 P.M. Mr. Hammi telephonically advised the writer at the Omaha Office that Mrs. Sawyer did not get off the train at Union and that Agent Green had boarded the train Mrs. Sawyer was riding.

Agents Hartin, Logan and the writer then proceeded to the Union Station at Omaha and at 1:30 P.M., Missouri Pacific Train #109 arrived. Agent Heavrin indicated to Agents Hartin, Logan and the writer, Mrs. Sawyer, and she was trailed by automobile. Mrs. Sawyer called a Yellow Cab and went to the Electric Building, 404 South 17th Street, Omaha. This Agent observed that she took an elevator to the sixth floor and from discreet inquiry of the elevator operator, it was learned she went into the law firm of O'Sullivan & Southard, 636 Electric Building. Eugene D. O'Sullivan, senior member of this law firm, is considered the leading criminal attorney in the State of Nebraska. Mr. O'Sullivan is known to be a high class and ethical criminal attorney, is a hard fighter and well versed in criminal law and has never been known to employ trickery and unethical methods. Mr. O'Sullivan is actively engaged in politics. In 1932, he ran for Governor on the Democratic ticket but was defeated in the Primary Election. He later ran for Senator from Nebraska on an Independent ticket and was defeated for this office; however, he polled a large number of votes.

The above personal history concerning Mr. O'Sullivan is given as it is likely Mrs. Sawyer employed him to defend Subject HARRY SAWYER.

Agents stationed themselves at advantageous points where they could view the two entrances to the Electric Building. Mrs. Sawyer came from the Electric Building at 6:20 P.M. and went to Wroth's Buffet, 311 South 17th Street, Omaha, Nebraska. After eating supper, Mrs. Sawyer walked to Meyers Newstand, 1324 Farnam Street, Omaha, where out-of-town papers are sold and she was seen to buy several newspapers. She then walked to 15th and Farnam Streets and at 7:00 P.M., took a Yellow Cab to the Union Station. Agent Logan observed Mrs. Sawyer buying tickets and inquiry made of the ticket agent disclosed that she purchased a railroad ticket on the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad for Minneapolis, Minnesota. Her Pullman berth was Lower B, Car 60, The train was scheduled to leave Omaha at 9:30 P.M. and arrive at Minneapolis at 7:30 A.M.

Agent Green, who had been watching the baggage room since the arrival of Mrs. Sawyer in Omaha, ascertained that she rechecked her baggage on the C. & N. W. checks Nos. 711393 and 711394, same being checked through to Saint Paul. Her address in St. Paul was given as 1878 Jefferson Street.

Mrs. Sawyer next went to a public telephone booth, at the Union Station and gave a telephone number to the lady operator in charge of the booths. The writer ascertained from the operator that Mrs. Sawyer had called Market 0313. It was learned this is the residence telephone number of Mr. O'Sullivan. When Mrs. Sawyer completed her call, she entered a cab and was followed by Agents Hartin, Logan and Flood. She left the cab at the Electric Building at 7:45 P.M. and it was evident she went again to the O'Sullivan & Southard Law Firm, as the offices occupied by these lawyers were lighted. She left the building at 9:00 P.M. and took a taxicab to the Union Station and upon leaving the cab, gave the Chief Usher a check for a small handbag she had checked and the usher accompanied her to the train. The writer telephonically advised Mr. Hanni that Mrs. Sawyer was leaving Omaha in a few minutes and Agents were instructed to return to the Omaha Office, as no further surveillance was necessary.

Mr. Hanni immediately telephonically advised the Saint Paul Office giving all pertinent information relative to Mrs. Sawyer's departure from Omaha for Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Upon receipt of reference telegram, Agent Logan ascertained from Dan Hannon, of McFayden-Stewart Company, 20th and Harney Streets, Omaha, that on November 21, 1934, ANN WRIGHT bought a Ford V8 Coupe, motor number 737,962 and paid cash in the amount of \$525.00 for same. Mr. Hannon was

shown a photograph of Mrs. Gladys Sawyer by Agent Logan and he positively identified the likeness as the woman who gave her name as ANN WRIGHT. Agent Logan, upon interviewing the Tag Agent at Papillion, Nebraska, ascertained that ANN WRIGHT was issued 1934 Nebraska tags No. 59-2001 for the above car and on February 1, 1935, she received the same numbered tags for 1935. She gave her address as Fort Crook, Nebraska, but upon interviewing the Postmaster at that point, no one of this name was known to him. It was further ascertained that when Mrs. Sawyer purchased this car, also, when obtaining the license, she was not accompanied by anyone.

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P. O. Box 515
St. Paul, Minnesota

May 9, 1935

Mr. Grady L. Boatwright
Operative in Charge
United States Secret Service
101 Federal Courts Building
St. Paul, Minnesota

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of May 8, 1935, with which you transmitted a communication addressed to your office by Postmaster W. C. Robertson of Minneapolis, Minnesota, relative to Lloyd E. Smout, alleged fugitive from justice.

Please be advised that a search of our files reveals that Smout is not wanted by this Bureau. Accordingly, I am returning the Postmaster's letter for such disposition as you may desire to make of it.

Very truly yours,

H. E. ANDERSEN
Special Agent in Charge

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Washington, D. C.

May 11, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Fugitive,
I. O. 1218, et al; Edward George
Bremer - Victim; KIDNAPING; HARBORING
AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE:
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

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During the week ending May 11, 1935, the following developments occurred in the above entitled case:

On May 6, 1935, a removal order was signed as to Harry Sawyer, and his bond placed at \$100,000. He was later removed to St. Paul, Minnesota. Gladys Sawyer was not taken into custody, but she proceeded to St. Paul of her own volition, and reported to the St. Paul Office.

On May 6, 1935, at St. Paul, on motion of the Government, the case as to Edna Murray and Jess Doyle was dismissed. Both these defendants are being held in the custody of the Marshal, pending service of detainer warrants. Edna Murray is wanted as an escape from the Missouri State Penitentiary, while Doyle has admitted participation in numerous state bank robbery cases. The United States Attorney at Kansas City declined to institute prosecution against Murray and Doyle on harboring charges.

Vinita Stacey alias Doris O'Connor was released from the harboring charges at Kansas City on May 7, 1935, subject to be reinstated by the Government on development of additional facts. Vinita Stacey believes that the Bureau was instrumental in procuring her release, and is in a good frame of mind toward the Bureau.

On May 6, 1935, at St. Paul, the Court denied motion to dismiss the indictment against Vidler, McLaughlin, Delaney and Wilson. The case as to all of these must go to the Jury. The Government rested on this date, and the defense opened its case.

The Indianapolis Office, at Louisville, Kentucky, has been conducting a surveillance of Babs Moran and one Curan who were believed to be contacting Karpis and William Weaver. There is no definite information as to whether they are in fact contacting Karpis and Weaver. The facts

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developed indicate that they are in Louisville for the purpose of making arrangements to open a dog track.

During the past week, the Oklahoma City Office, at Purley, Oklahoma, has been engaged in conducting a surveillance for the purpose of apprehending Harry Campbell. This surveillance has been unsuccessful, and on instructions of the Bureau, was to be discontinued on May 12, 1935.

Respectfully,

E. L. Richmond

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Post Office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida

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Special Agent in Charge,
New York, New York

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, et al
Edward George Bremer, Victim
KIDNAPING

This morning by long distance telephone Special Agent S. K. McKee in Havana, Cuba, advised that with reference to obtaining signed statements from bank employees in Havana, Cuba, in connection with the exchange of Bremer ransom money, the officers of the banks in Havana had informed him that they would have to have authority before the employees could make the desired signed statements; that is, they desired a letter from us showing the reason and necessity for the signed statements.

Later, in a telephone conversation with Mr. Tamm of the Bureau, he instructed that Agent McKee was authorized to prepare a letter over his own signature stating that these signed statements are desired in order that the information in possession of these employees may be available for the United States Attorney in the prosecutions for violations of the Federal Kidnaping Statutes, and that Agent McKee was authorized to address the letters to the banks himself.

This afternoon Agent McKee by wire from Havana informed that the National City Bank in Havana advised that they must receive copies of statements before employees will be permitted to sign them. These instructions were received from the National City Bank in New York City. Agent McKee requested to be advised if it would be satisfactory to give copies of the statements to the bank for transmission to New York City before employees would be permitted to sign them, or have Assistant Special Agent in Charge J. H. Hanson at New York City discuss this matter with the officers of the National City Bank in New York. Agent McKee further advised that the Chase National Bank in Havana employees were authorized to sign statements. Upon receipt of Agent McKee's telegram aforementioned, I immediately wired him that it would be satisfactory to give copies of the employees' statements to the officers of the National City Bank in Havana to be referred to the bank's main office in New York City, with the request that these employees of the bank be authorized by officers of the National City Bank in New York to sign same.

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It is suggested that Agent Hanson contact the proper officials of the National City Bank in New York City with reference to this matter so that the obtaining of the desired statements may be expedited. It is also requested that the Jacksonville office be immediately advised of the

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results of Mr. Hanson's interview with the aforementioned officers,
so that Agent McKee can be advised in the premises and his return to the
States from Havana, Cuba, will not be delayed.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt,
Special Agent in Charge

AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY
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P. O. Box #766,
Cincinnati, Ohio

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Special Agent In Charge,
Indianapolis, Indiana.

Re: Alvin Karpis with aliases, I. O. #1218, FUGITIVE; Harry Campbell with aliases, I. O. #1236; Volney Davis with aliases, I. O. #1237, FUGITIVE; Dr. Joseph P. Moran with aliases, I. O. #1232; William Weaver with aliases, I. O. #1238; Harry Sawyer with aliases, I. O. #1240; William J. Harrison with aliases, I. O. #1239; Myrtle Eaton with aliases, I. O. #1241, et al
Edward George Bremer - Victim
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES;
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT

Dear Sir:-

Reference is made to telegram from the Indianapolis Office under date of May 9, 1935, requesting information as to Ohio license #8398-A.

In confirmation of the information furnished to Special Agent Emiss Morton by telephone on May 9, 1935, please be advised that the records of the Bureau of Motor Vehicles, Columbus, Ohio indicate that this license was issued to Jack Berg, 1427 Allerton Hotel, Cleveland, Ohio, for a 1932 Buick coupe, motor #2623568. There is no record of any transfer on this license.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent In Charge.

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POST OFFICE BOX 818
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

May 7, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236
DR. JOSEPH MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I.O. 1237-FUGITIVE
WILLIAM KEVER with aliases, I.O. 1238
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239
HARRY BANYER with aliases, I.O. 1240
MYRTLE BANTON with aliases, I.O. 1241 et al
Edward George Bremer, Victim - KIDNAPING;
HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF
JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

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With reference to report of Special Agent in Charge J. E. Hanson, Jacksonville, Florida, dated February 20, 1935, and leads set forth for this office in report of Special Agent H. Renstad, Washington, D.C. dated April 25, 1935, please be advised that NORMAN J. FORD, Vice President of the Continental Illinois National Bank and Trust Company, Chicago, Illinois was interviewed and stated that from 1902 to 1924 he was employed by the Corn Exchange National Bank at 134 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois. Mr. Ford stated that on September 29, 1924, while he was Vice President of the above mentioned bank, it merged with the Illinois Merchants Trust Co. which was in turn merged on March 18, 1929 with the Continental Illinois Bank and Trust Company, which thereafter operated under the name of the Continental Illinois Bank and Trust Company of Chicago until October 15, 1932. On the latter date, and since that time, this bank has operated as a national bank under the name of the Continental Illinois National Bank and Trust Company of Chicago, charter number 13639.

Mr. Ford was shown copy of a check found in the possession of Cassius McDonald, and which was forwarded to this office by the Jacksonville office, and stated that to his knowledge there had never been a National Corn Exchange Bank in Chicago. Mr. Ford indicated that he did not desire to be called as a witness and stated that William Edens, auditor, for the Continental Illinois National Bank and Trust Company would be the proper person to testify as to the merging of the Corn Exchange National Bank with the present Continental Illinois National Bank and Trust Company. The cashiers check of the National Corn Exchange Bank found in the possession of McDonald was exhibited to Mr. Ford, but he stated that inasmuch as he knew of no such bank, he believed the check to be fictitious.

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P. R. Wilkinson, auditor of public accounts, American National Bank Building, Chicago, Illinois, 33 North LaSalle Street, was interviewed by telephone and stated that to his knowledge this office keeps a record of all State banks operating in the State of Illinois; that he had never heard of a State bank called the National Corn Exchange Bank, but added that most of the records which might be used in a trial would be located at the office of the auditor of public accounts, the State Capitol Building, Springfield, Illinois. Should testimony be needed to the effect that there is no such State bank in existence at the present time, or has been in the past, called the National Corn Exchange Bank, Mr. Wilkinson stated that he would obtain such records for use in the trial, and that either he or Mr. A. A. Muller, Chief Examining Auditor of Public Accounts, 33 North LaSalle St. Chicago, Illinois, could introduce same.

There is attached hereto the original cashier's check of the National Corn Exchange Bank, Chicago, Illinois, forwarded to this office by the Jacksonville office.

It is suggested that further investigation be made at the office of the Comptroller of the Currency to ascertain whether there has ever been a National bank by the name of the National Corn Exchange Bank, ascertaining who would be the proper person to testify to such matter at the expected trial of Cassius McDonald.

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS,

Special Agent in Charge.

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Postoffice Box 314,
Birmingham, Alabama,
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Special Agent in Charge,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Sir: Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases-FUGITIVE,
I.O. 1218, et al.; Edward G. Bremer-VICTIM.
KIDNAPING.

With reference to the above entitled matter, and particularly to the final paragraph of the report of Special Agent R. G. Reed, Birmingham, Alabama, dated May 4, 1935, there is being transmitted herewith copy of the Laboratory Report dated May 3, 1935.

Very truly yours,

R. B. NATHAN
Special Agent in Charge

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Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases
I.O. 1218 - FUGITIVE; et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER-Victim.
Kidnaping.

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

Dear Sir:

I am returning herewith letter addressed to Dolores Delaney from John Karpavicz, 2842 North Francis Street, Chicago, Illinois, which has been scrutinized and found to contain nothing of informative value.

Thanking you for your cooperation, I am,

Very truly yours

D. L. Nicholson
Special Agent in Charge

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P. O. Box 4907
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Special Agent in Charge
Philadelphia, Pa.

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

Dear Sir:

Special Agent S. K. McKee, who, with Special Agent W. E. Feters, is conducting an investigation in this case in connection with the prosecution of various subjects in the Southern District of Florida for harboring members of this mob, advised that during his investigation in Havana, Cuba, he located several old copies of telegrams sent and received by Cassius McDonald, who is under indictment in the Southern District of Florida. These telegrams were dated during the early part of 1934, and would not have come within the period covered by the present search being made of telegrams sent and received by McDonald.

It is believed that three of these telegrams should be the subjects of investigations. The telegrams are described as follows:

- Jan. 25, 1934- to G. McDonald, Havana- from Shortall, Chicago, Ill.
- Jan. 31, 1934- to G. McDonald, Havana- from Jerry, Newark, N.J.
- Feb. 1, 1934- to G. McDonald, Havana- from "Unsigned", Irvington, N.J.
- Feb. 7, 1934- to Sen. Lewis, Washington- from McDonald, Havana.
- Feb. 7, 1934 to Sen. Cousins, Washington- from McDonald, Havana.

It is believed that inquiries concerning the three first telegrams described above might disclose information of value in this investigation.

A copy of the first telegram mentioned above is being attached to the copies of this report being forwarded to the Chicago Office. It is respectfully requested that if possible the Chicago Office determine the identity of the sender, Shortall.

Copies of the second and third telegrams are enclosed for the Philadelphia Office. It is requested that appropriate investigation be made at Newark, N.J. to determine if possible the identity of the sender, "Jerry". The same investigation should be made at Irvington, N.J. to ascertain the identity of the person who sent the third telegram aforementioned, which is unsigned.

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Special Agent in Charge,

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The above requested investigations should be expedited.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt
Special Agent in Charge.

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May 9, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; HARRY CAMPBELL
with aliases, I.O. 1236; DR. JOSEPH
P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232;
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I.O. 1237;
FUGITIVE; WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases,
I.O. 1238; WM. J. HARRISON with aliases,
I.O. 1239; HARRY SAWYER with aliases,
I.O. 1240; MYRTLE EATON with aliases,
I.O. 1241; ET AL. Edw. Geo. Bremer - Victim.
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES;
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATL FIREARMS ACT
St. Paul File 7-30.

Attached hereto is the original and copy of a
letter addressed to the St. Paul Office by the Chicago
Office, dated May 7, 1935, with an enclosure which purports
to be a blank cashier's check of the National Corn Exchange
Bank, Chicago, Illinois, which letter was inadvertently
addressed to the St. Paul Office instead of the Washington
Field Office.

Very truly yours,

H. E. ANDERSEN,
Special Agent in Charge.

(Enc.)
Cc Bureau
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P. O. Box 1276
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Special Agent in Charge,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. 1218; ET AL
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

In connection with the above styled matter, please be advised that recently Special Agent John B. Little of this office was interviewing one Alton Purdy, Oklahoma State Penitentiary #18049, and during the course of the interview Purdy related that one W. R. Calloway, Oklahoma State Penitentiary #18627, was formerly connected with the Barker-Karpis gang. He was unable to state whether this connection was severed before the Bremer kidnaping. Calloway is carried as an escape from the Oklahoma State Penitentiary, and our files fail to reveal any information concerning him.

I am enclosing herewith a photograph of Calloway. In the event you desire any further information or investigation concerning this person, please advise, and we will make the necessary inquiries at the Oklahoma State Penitentiary at McAlester.

Very truly yours,

DEIGHT BRANTLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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CHICAGO POLICE FAILS TO DISCLOSE ADDRESS OF BOOKIE JOINT
WHICH DURPHY IS SUPPOSED TO OPERATE ON CLARK STREET. KINDLY
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NIGHT LETTER	WEEK-END CABLE LETTER
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R. A. ALT,
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
412 U. S. COURT HOUSE & P. O. BUILDING,
JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

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RE BREKID OFFICERS NATIONAL CITY BANK HAVANA BEING INSTRUCTED BY
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SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.
May 6, 1935

HN:CSH

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

4:15 P.M.

RE: BREMER KIDNAPING CASE

Mr. Nathan	.....
Mr. Tolson	.....
Mr. Backus	.....
Mr. Baughman	.....
Chief Clerk	.....
Mr. Clegg	.....
Mr. Coffey	.....
Mr. Edwards	.....
Mr. Egan	.....
Mr. Harbo	.....
Mr. Keith	.....
Mr. Lester	.....
Mr. Quinn	.....
Mr. Schilder	.....
Mr. Smith	.....
Mr. Tamm	.....
Mr. Tracy	.....
Miss Gandy	.....

Mr. Whitley has just called from New York in regard to the tap on confidential informant Frank Foster. He said information had just come to him which might appear to change the instructions previously given him this afternoon. He stated there were two women in the Foster apartment and that one of the Agents on the tap in the apartment next-door heard them continuously complain of being cold, and that he then heard a noise which indicated they were taking down the grate in the fireplace. He then heard one of them say, "My God, what's this?" Immediately upon hearing this the Agent inferred they had discovered the microphone, and went to the roof and cut the wires. They then discontinued the immediate surveillance. Whitley will continue the surveillance cautiously, in order to ascertain whether Foster leaves town promptly, and will also, of course, have a contact through the superintendent in order to endeavor to find out what inquiries Foster makes. The microphone hung just a little above the fireplace. It would appear that the Bureau has lost a microphone, and that Foster will be even more suspicious than he has been. I am afraid this lead is about "blown up", although it will not be given up immediately.

Very truly yours,

H. Nathan.

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Mr. R. L. Shivers
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500 Rector Bldg.
Little Rock, Arkansas

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REPORT MADE AT CLEVELAND, OHIO	DATE WHEN MADE 5/13/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 4/27, 28/35	REPORT MADE BY W. E. HOPTON
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. 1236; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE I.O. 1237; WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I.O. 1238; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. 1239; HARRY SAWYER, with aliases, I.O. 1240; MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I.O. 1241; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, VICTIM.			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING. HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE. NATIONAL FIRE-ARMS ACT.
<p>Synopsis of Facts: Information reflects James A. Patton, alias Shimmy, has not made trip to New York City recently. No relative named Lowell Patton, New York City, known. Detroit office requested forward to New York office photographs of James Patton.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- P -</p>			
<p>REFERENCE: Telegram from the New York office dated 4/27/35.</p>			
<p>DETAILS: With reference to telegram requesting Cleveland office to ascertain if James A. Patton, alias Shimmy, has made a trip to New York recently, and also if Lowell Patton of New York City is a relative, and request for photographs of James Patton, upon receipt</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED <i>J. P. MacFarland</i>		SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	
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of said telegram the writer immediately telephoned Frank Noonan, 1900 Euclid Avenue. Mr. Noonan is well acquainted with the activities of James A. Patton, who is past owner of the Harvard Club, and resides at 3332 West Boulevard, Cleveland, Ohio. He stated that as far as his knowledge goes James A. Patton has not made a trip to New York City in the past five or six weeks; that he, Patton, since indicted by the Cuyahoga County Grand Jury several weeks ago for operating a gambling establishment, has been staying in the city, and frequenting the Harvard Club; that during the two weeks' time prior to the indictment he was in Cleveland and vicinity, spending most of his time at home and at his saloon on 28th and Detroit Avenue. Noonan further stated that he would ascertain definitely, in a confidential manner, whether or not Patton had made a trip to New York recently, at which time he would communicate with the writer.

The following day Noonan advised he had ascertained that James A. Patton has not made a trip to New York in the past five or six weeks. He further advised that no relative of his by the name of Lowell Patton, New York City, is known. He stated, however, that "Shimmy's" wife's name prior to her marriage was also Patton and that she has relatives living in Binghamton, New York.

A brief summary of the above information was telegraphed to the New York City office on April 28th, 1935.

Inasmuch as the Cleveland office has not to date photographs of James A. Patton, the Detroit office was requested by wire on April 27, 1935, to forward same immediately to the New York office.

P E N D I N G

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR
HN:CDW

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

May 10, 1935

- Mr. Nathan
- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. Euyhman
- Chief Clerk
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Coffey
- Mr. Edwards
- Mr. Egan
- Mr. Harbo
- Mr. Keith
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- Mr. Scheidt
- Mr. Schilder
- Mr. Smith
- Mr. Tamm
- Mr. Tracy
- Miss Gandy

Time -

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

I telephoned Mr. Whitley at the New York Office relative to the information received from Mr. Purvis of the Chicago Office to the effect that Reinhold Kahn is said to be leaving tonight at midnight on the S. S. Bremen for Europe, with his wife and children. Mr. Whitley said that he is in receipt of a copy of a teletype message to the Bureau from the Chicago Office relative to this matter.

I told Mr. Whitley that it was my opinion that Kahn should be interviewed; that if Kahn should confess complicity in connection with harboring any of the subjects in the above entitled matter, he should, of course, be taken into custody and a warrant issued for him; that if not, there is nothing to do but to let him go.

Mr. Whitley said that they have been trying to ascertain when Kahn and his family got in New York City this morning; that he evidently got into town and drove his car directly to the dock where he left it with someone; that the first they heard of the car was when the car was actually taken on the boat. Since that time, Mr. Whitley said that they have been trying to spot Kahn in various hotels, but thus far they have been unable to find him. It appears to Mr. Whitley that Kahn is out sight seeing now; that he will probably go to a show tonight, and board the boat just before sailing time at midnight tonight.

I told Mr. Whitley that unless something very important develops which indicates that Kahn is involved in this matter, Kahn's movements should not be hindered in any way.

Respectfully,

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR
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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

May 10, 1935

Time - 11:50 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

- Mr. Nathan
- Mr. Tolson
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- Miss Gandy

Edw D. Bremer

I telephoned Mr. Brantley at the Oklahoma City Office in regard to the surveillance being maintained by Agents of the Oklahoma City Office at Purley, Oklahoma, looking to the apprehension of some of the subjects in the above case. I asked Mr. Brantley if it is generally known that this surveillance is being maintained. He said that Purley is a village of about 12 or 14 houses, and it is virtually impossible to keep a surveillance a secret there; that the fact that this surveillance is being maintained was known about three or four days after it was instituted.

Mr. Brantley said that he believed this surveillance would not be productive, but thought it should be continued at least through this coming Sunday. I told Mr. Brantley that I had discussed this matter with Mr. Nathan, and in view of the above facts, it was decided that the surveillance could be discontinued Sunday next.

Respectfully,

[Signature]
E. A. TAMM

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

RE: Brekid.

- Mr. Nathan.....
- Mr. Tolson.....
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- Chief Clerk.....
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- Mr. Schilder.....
- Mr. Smith.....
- Mr. Tamm.....
- Mr. Tracy.....
- Miss Gandy.....

Special Agent in Charge Alt telephoned from Jacksonville, Florida, and in addition to other matters, advised that Agent McKee requested instructions concerning the furnishing of Mr. Barlow with reports. Mr. Alt stated that it appears that Mr. Barlow is late in getting reports after we submit them to the United States Attorney. I advised Mr. Alt that we could send Mr. Barlow copies of the reports after he, Mr. Alt, sends them to the Bureau.

Edw to Bureau

Respectfully,



E. A. Tamm.

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Time - 11:25 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

Mr. Alt telephoned from the Jacksonville Office and advised that he had just received a telephone call from Agent McKee at Havana, Cuba, concerning the above case. Mr. McKee mentioned the \$13,000 in Bremer ransom money which is being held by the National City Bank in Havana. He said that while this bank cannot hold this money indefinitely, they will, as a matter of cooperation, hold it as long as we want them to. McKee said that there is a rule of the Federal Reserve System which states that if money is taken out of circulation, it will cost \$1.00 per thousand to send it in for mutilation. The bank believes that this \$13,000 should be paid by the Bureau. I told Mr. Alt to instruct McKee to pay this amount and put it on a blue slip.

Mr. Alt said that at the National City Bank, the officers inform McKee that they would be glad to have their officers submit signed statements, but before they do this, they will have to get authority therefor from New York; that in this connection, they want a letter from the Bureau showing the reason why these signed statements are wanted. I told Mr. Alt that McKee could prepare a letter for his own signature stating that these signed statements are desired in order that the information in the possession of these employees may be available for the United States Attorney undertaking prosecution for violations of the Federal Kidnaping Statute.

With reference to the papers in the two zipper bags taken from Cassius McDonald, Mr. Alt stated that it has been ascertained that these papers relate to the activities of McDonald in Cuba in the Spring of 1934; that the United States Attorney states this material is not pertinent to the case. I told Mr. Alt that in view of this, McKee should not remain in Cuba to take care of this particular angle; that just a general check should be made into the activities of McDonald during 1934 in Cuba.

Mr. Alt said that McKee mentioned the matter of contacting former Consul General Cameron in Cuba. He said that Mr. Cameron's reports to the State Department, of which we have copies, show McDonald's arrest; that it does not appear he has any further information of importance to this case; that McKee was rather reluctant to contact Cameron for the reason that McKee has learned that Cameron stated to [redacted] that he does [redacted]

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not like the Bureau; that McKee thinks he can get all the information necessary when he contacts Mr. Caffery, and that it will be useless, in view of Cameron's attitude, to contact him relative to the case. I told Mr. Alt that as long as McKee is over in Cuba, he should contact Cameron whether he likes the Bureau or not; that if he has any information we can get, we should at least give him an opportunity to give the same to us.

Mr. Alt further said that McKee is having a little difficulty locating all of the employees presently and formerly connected with the Park View Hotel over there for the purpose of interview; that many of the employees have been dismissed or have quit, and it is very difficult to find them. I told Mr. Alt that McKee should make a reasonable effort to interview all of these employees.

Mr. Alt further said that he believes McKee will complete the investigation in Cuba by the last of this week.

Respectfully,



E. A. TAMM

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR
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May 9, 1935

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Time - 12 noon

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

I talked to Mr. Connelley at Louisville, Kentucky, in regard to the lead there on various subjects in the above entitled case, particularly in regard to the information that Babs Moran and his companion were contacting Karpis and Willie Harrison. Mr. Connelley said that the men down there got a chance to closely observe these two men last night, and it was definitely ascertained that they were not, in fact, Karpis and Willie Harrison.

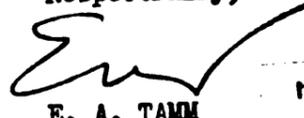
Mr. Connelley said that it appears the reason these men are at Louisville is to conduct negotiations for the opening of a dog track at Jeffersonville, Kentucky. Mr. Connelley said that they are having some difficulty in this regard for the reason that the State Troopers have closed all the gambling joints over there. He said that it appears these men had tried the same thing at Covington, Kentucky, but when closed up there, they are now trying to chisel in on the gambling racket at Jeffersonville and Louisville.

Mr. Connelley said that the possibilities that these men are contacting any of the subjects in the above entitled case are very doubtful; that, however, since the possibilities are that the men will go to the track this afternoon, they are going to try to tap the telephone and see what develops.

*Edw. S. Hoover
* Willie Harrison*

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Respectfully,



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SURETY AND BAIL BONDS

April 26, 1935

LONG BEACH
OFFICE

425 Security Bank Bldg.
Long Beach, California
Telephone 667-17
900-71—Night Phone—622-01

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Hollywood California
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Telephone GRanite 4733

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MILLIE DAVIS
Secretary

U.S. Dept. of Justice
Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

Attention: Mr. J. Edgar Hoover

Dear Sir:

I am writing to ascertain if your department is desirous of locating one Homer Purkey alias Wash, alias Wilson, formerly of Henrietta, Oklahoma, which is located, I believe, in Okmulgee County.

Purkey's description is as follows:
American and Indian; forty years of age;
160 lbs; 5 ft. 11 inches or 6 ft; slender
build; thick lips; black hair; talks with
Southern drawl.

If this man is wanted by your department and you will communicate with me, I believe I am in a position to locate him. I have some information that he may be wanted by the Bankers' Association for bank robbery.

Trusting that my information will be beneficial to you, and hoping to hear from you in the near future, I am

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Edward H. Hoover

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Very truly yours,

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R. L. ALYEA, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

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Mr. R. L. Alyea,
Assistant Director,
The LeBarron Bureau of Investigation,
425 Security Bank Building,
Long Beach, California.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of April 26, 1935,
requesting information as to whether one Homer Purkey, with aliases,
was wanted by this Bureau.

A search of the files of the Identification Division of
this Bureau fails to disclose any record of an individual named
Homer Purkey, with aliases Nash or Wilson, nor does the Bureau
possess any information that this individual is wanted by any other
law enforcement officials.

If you can furnish any additional information as to this
individual, particularly his fingerprints or fingerprint classifi-
cation, I shall be glad to cause another search to be made of the
files of this Bureau.

Your courtesy in furnishing the information as to this
individual is very much appreciated.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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_____ Mr. Clegg
_____ Miss Gandy
 Chief, Unit 1
_____ Chief Clerk
_____ Printing Section
_____ Files
_____ Mr. Coffey
_____ Mr. _____

*Possible
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L. C. Schilder

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

May 2, 1935.

The following is an abstract of the fingerprint record of one Orlie William Perkey, our file #356454, on file in the Federal Bureau of Investigation:

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
~~Division of Investigation~~
U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box 4907
Jacksonville, Florida.
May 13, 1935.

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Ave. at 9th St., N.W.
Washington, D. C.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O.1218; et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
KIDNAPING.

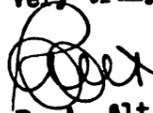
Dear Sir:

The attached registration card of W. J. Harrison,
being National Hotel Registration #4421 dated September 9,
1934, was obtained by Special Agent S. K. McKee, in Havana,
Cuba.

It is respectfully requested that the signature
appearing thereon be compared with the signature of Harrison
as it appears on Identification Order No. 1239. It is being
assumed that this signature is taken from Hammond, Indiana,
Police Department No. 1829.

The results of the Laboratories findings should be trans-
mitted to the Jacksonville Office as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,



R. A. Alt
Special Agent in Charge.

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Laboratory Report

Case: Brekid

Number: 7-576-5993

Specimens: Registration card of W. J. Harrison, National Hotel Registration #4421, dated September 9, 1934.

Examination requested by: Jacksonville Bureau Office.

Date received: 5-15-35

Examination requested: Handwriting

Result of examination: 5/18
Identical

W. J. Harrison
Examination by: Appel

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St. Paul

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Birmingham, Alabama.

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Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Hotel Tyler,
Louisville, Kentucky.

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RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your telephone call of May 10, 1938, advising of a telegram sent by one Moran, under surveillance in Louisville, to Mrs. Catherine Clyatt, 55 North Lawrence Street, Mobile, Alabama.

From the investigation conducted at Mobile, Alabama, by Special Agent J. S. Kavanaugh of this office, the following information has been developed. One Kitty Lewis, also known as Kitty Clyatte, has resided at 55 North Lawrence Street for approximately fifteen years. She formerly operated a house of prostitution at that address, but is reported to have discontinued this activity, and is now married to one G. L. Clyatte, an individual about fifty years of age, who has never been in any trouble at Mobile. Two or three women are reported to live with Kitty, they being about 35 to 40 years of age. There are no men at the address with the exception of Clyatte. The Chief of Police at Mobile advised the Agent that many years ago Kitty sent Moran to St. Louis, Mo., where he was reared by an aunt, whose name and address are not known. Kitty is the mother of Moran.

The Chief of Police has an informant who can visit the premises without creating suspicion, and this action will be taken and the results reported. Covers will be maintained as to mail, telegrams, and telephone calls at this address, and any developments will be immediately reported. It is noted that the same postman has delivered mail to the address in question for fourteen years, but has no information indicating that any persons in whom the Bureau is interested have visited the place.

It is noted that the Chief of Police at Mobile recalls that a number of years ago, when "Killer" Burke was involved in an automobile accident at Benton Harbor, Michigan, he was accompanied by Moran, who was seriously injured. At that time police at Benton Harbor communicated with Mobile Police relative to Moran.

Very truly yours

cc Bureau; Cincinnati;
Chicago; St. Paul

Reference to telephone call of May 10, 1938

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CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

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May 13, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with
aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL
with aliases I.O. 1236; VOLNEY DAVIS
with aliases, I.O. 1237, FUGITIVE;
WILLIAM LEAVER with aliases, I.O. 1238;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O.
1239; MYRTLE CATON with aliases, I.O.
1241; et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREWER,
Victim - KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIRE-
ARMS ACT - CHICAGO FILE NO. 7-82

As a result of a mail cover being maintained on the
residence of the parents of Alvin Karpis, a tracing was
received by this office indicating that a letter addressed
to Mrs. John Karpavicz, 2842 North Francisco Avenue of this
city was mailed from Tulsa, Oklahoma, May 7, 1935, and bore
the return address "E. Karpis, Kiefer, Oklahoma, General
Delivery."

If it has not already been done, it is desired that
appropriate investigation be conducted concerning this return
address, in order to determine any possible connection with
this case.

Very truly yours,

H. B. PURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Washington Field Office, Room 5745,
Washington, D. C.

May 14, 1935.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,
Fugitive, I.O.#1218;
Volney Davis with aliases,
I.O.#1237, Fugitive; et al.
Edward George Bremer-Victim.
Kidnaping, Harboring of Fugitives;
Obstruction of Justice; National
Firearms Act.

Mr. John Q. Rhodes, Jr.,
Director,
Division of Motor Vehicles,
Richmond, Virginia.

Dear Sir:

Previously you were requested to place stop orders
against the following described automobiles:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chevrolet Sedan | motor #3554874 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Plymouth Sedan | motor #81821 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pontiac Sedan | motor #885160 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ford V-8 | motor #18-1037480 |

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The above automobiles have been located and stop orders
now outstanding may be withdrawn immediately. Your assistance and
cooperation is appreciated and I take this opportunity to thank you
for the splendid assistance afforded this Bureau.

Very truly yours,

J. M. KEITH,
Special Agent in Charge.

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DAY LETTER	DEFERRED CABLE
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NIGHT LETTER	WEEK-END CABLE LETTER
SHIP RADIOGRAM	RADIOGRAM

Patrons should check class of service desired, otherwise message will be transmitted as a full-rate communication

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THE INTERNATIONAL SYSTEM

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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

Pittsburgh, Pa. May 14, 1935.

U. S. Bureau of Investigation

M. H. Purvis
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
1900 Bankers' Building,
Chicago, Illinois.

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R. J. [Signature]

500 Rector Building,
Little Rock, Arkansas,
May 13, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Los Angeles, California.

Dear Sir:

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In Re: Alvin Karpis, with aliases, Fugitive, I. O. 1218;
Dr. Joseph P. Moran, with aliases, I. O. 1232;
Harry Campbell, with aliases, I. O. 1236;
Volney Davis, with aliases, Fugitive, I. O. 1237;
William Weaver, with aliases, I. O. 1238;
William J. Harrison, with aliases, I. O. 1239;
Harry Sawyer, with aliases, I. O. 1240;
Myrtle Eaton, with aliases, I. O. 1241;
et al.
Edward George Bremer, Victim.
Kidnaping;
Harboring and Obstruction of Justice;
National Firearms Act.

Reference is made to the letter from this office dated April 17, 1935, in which you were furnished certain information to the effect that Alvey Smith, who is now in the Arizona Industrial School for Women at Phoenix, Arizona, may have been transported there from the State of Arkansas by Phoenix Donald, alias William Weaver.

In this connection, Mr. Tom Brown, who is connected with the Fire Department of the City of Conway, Arkansas, has informed me that Floyd Smith, who is well known to him and who is a cousin of Alvey Smith, whose parents are now residing at Lonoke, Arkansas, informed him recently that the parents of this woman received another letter from her, advising them that she was taken to Phoenix, Arizona, by a man who was badly wanted by the Government. She did not furnish the name of this man, but stated in this letter to her parents that he was the man who at one time came to see her from Mammoth Spring, Arkansas, and advised them they would know to whom she was referring.

According to Tom Brown, Floyd Smith informed him that the only person who had ever gone with Alvey Smith from Mammoth Spring, Arkansas, was Phoenix Donald. It was stated by Mr. Brown that Floyd Smith did not know that Phoenix Donald is now going under the name of William Weaver or that he is wanted by the Bureau in connection with the instant case.

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It is requested that you immediately make appropriate investigation at the Arizona Industrial School for Women at Phoenix, Arizona, in accordance with the suggestions contained in the letter of reference. If this information is accurate, it would appear that there is a strong possibility that Alfey Smith may have been accompanied by Phoenix Donald when she was taken into custody at Phoenix, Arizona.

Very truly yours,

R. L. Shivers,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Form No. 1
 THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Cincinnati, Ohio Jax FILE NO. 7-24

REPORT MADE AT: Jacksonville, Fla.	DATE WHEN MADE: 5/13/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 4/24-26/35	REPORT MADE BY: S. K. McKee
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TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, IO #1218 - FUGITIVE; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, IO #1236; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, IO #1237 - FUGITIVE; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, IO #1232; WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, IO #1238; HARRY SAWYER, with aliases, IO #1240; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, IO #1239; SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: MYRTLE DEATON, with aliases, IO #1241; et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM	CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT
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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Results of conversations with Wynona Burdette, Byron Bolton, and Dolores Delaney set forth. Burdette and Delaney state Willie Harrison and Doc Barker were registered in El Comodoro Hotel, Miami, during early December, 1934; Bolton advising Harrison used alias E. N. Howe in Miami. Delaney stated she and Karpis occupied room 404 at El Comodoro Hotel in December but did not register. All three persons, Burdette, Bolton, Delaney are willing to furnish testimony. Delaney will identify Cassius McDonald if possible.

REFERENCE: Telegram from SAC J. H. Hanson at Miami Beach, Florida, April 16, 1935, to SAC E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Illinois. Report of SAC J. H. Hanson, Jacksonville, Florida, April 23, 1935.

DETAILS: Wynona Burdette was interviewed on April 24, 1935, at the Ramsey County Jail, St. Paul, Minnesota, where she was brought from the United States Detention Farm, Milan, Michigan, for possible use as a witness at the trial of this case. She was questioned regarding her contacts with members of the Barker-Karpis mob since her release from custody at the Chicago Bureau Office and furnished the following data which relates to the harboring cases in Miami, Florida: Harry Campbell came to Ponca City, Oklahoma, during the first part of November, 1934, driving a black Ford

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Sedan, bearing Florida license, and Wynona decided to go away with him. Campbell did not say where he had come from or where he was going, but Wynona presumed he was living in Florida on account of the license tags. Campbell asked Wynona if she had made a statement to the Federal Officers following her arrest in Cleveland, and she told him that she had done so. Campbell replied that he did not care about the statement. They left Ponca City right away and Wynona did not take any of her clothes with her. Wynona had been living with two sisters in Ponca City, whose names are Eunice and Jimmie Burdette, and had been singing over radio station WBBC.

They drove to Miami, Florida, stopping over night several times enroute, and, upon arrival, registered at the Hotel El Comodoro as Mr. and Mrs. George Summers. Wynona stated that Campbell never made any remark as to why he picked out the El Comodoro Hotel, and that she asked him no questions about going there. She said none of the mob were in the hotel at the time of their arrival. Wynona said she and Campbell remained at the hotel for a period of about two and one-half weeks and then drove to Oklawaha, Florida, where they stayed with Kate and Fred Barker until January 13, 1935, which date was Wynona's birthday. Wynona advised that Campbell made a trip to Oklawaha during this first period they were in the El Comodoro Hotel; that he was away for about two days, and that he returned to Miami in company with Kate and Fred Barker. The Barkers stayed at the hotel for several days and when they checked out and returned to Oklawaha, Campbell and Wynona went with them.

Wynona stated that Karpis and Delores Delaney came to the hotel during the early part of December and were still there when she, Campbell and the Barkers went to Oklawaha. She also said that Doc Barker was registered in the hotel during this same period, and that Willie Harrison was with him. She said she saw both of these subjects in Karpis' room. During this early December period Karpis had a steak and fish dinner in his room at which the following persons were present, according to Wynona: Karpis, Delores Delaney, Campbell, Wynona Burdette, Fred Barker, Kate Barker, Doc Barker and Willie Harrison.

Wynona was asked about associations between Joe Adams and the various members of the mob. She said she never saw him in the rooms of any of the boys, never saw him in conversation with any of them, and only knew him as the hotel manager, which she was told by Campbell. She said she never heard Campbell or any of the mob remark how they all happened to pick out the Hotel El Comodoro at which to stay while in Miami.

Wynona stated that the group at Oklawaha spent their time hunting and fishing. When asked about visitors, she stated Karpis was there once, but only stayed about an hour. Doc Barker and Slim Gibson came to the place on New Years day and remained overnight. They were driving and remarked that they had just come from Miami.

Wynona continued by stating that she and Campbell drove to Miami on January 13, 1935, to visit Karpis and Dolores. Wynona remembers this date as it was her birthday. They had planned to remain only two days. They registered at the Hotel El Comodoro. She said Campbell went out as soon as they reached the hotel, but returned in a few minutes, when they both proceeded to the Karpis house. They remained with Karpis and Delaney until January 16th, as will be stated later. The boys fished all day, while Wynona and Dolores simply sat around the house reading and talking. Wynona said she and Dolores went to the El Comodoro Hotel on January 14th and checked out of the room she and Harry had rented. Campbell did not return to the hotel with them. Wynona stated, further, that there were no visitors at the Karpis house while she and Campbell were there. The only person besides the two couples was the maid.

Wynona, in response to questions, said that Karpis and Dolores mentioned having lived in Cuba in a house located on some beach, but did not go into any details as to why they went to Cuba. She was asked about Cassius McDonald and Nathaniel Heller, but advised she did not know either person. She, also, said she and Campbell had most of their meals in their room while they were at the Hotel El Comodoro. She said they ate outside occasionally, but very seldom went to the hotel coffee shop as she did not like the place.

On January 16, 1935, according to Wynona, Campbell and Karpis went fishing around 8:30 in the morning, using Karpis' Buick car. At about 10:30 AM, Wynona and Dolores heard the radio account of the shooting at Oklawaha and immediately knew that it referred to Kate and Fred Barker. She said they packed their bags and those of the boys right away and sat around waiting for the boys to return, until about 3:30 PM. Wynona could not recall Dolores having received any telephone call prior to beginning to pack. They decided to leave the house around 3:30 PM, and they did so in Campbell's Ford Sedan, driving around the neighborhood until about 7:00 PM, when the boys returned from fishing. The two cars then drove a short distance into the country where the baggage was split up between the two cars.

Wynona said they all drove to the Biscayne Dog Track, where she inquired at the windows for a man named Duke. When she found him she told him that Ray wanted to see him. Duke asked her who she meant, and while she was wondering what to tell him, he inquired if she meant Ray Green. She answered in the affirmative and told him Ray was outside in his car. Duke told her to tell Ray he could not get away before his

window closed. Wynona said she went back to the car and asked Ray what name he had been using, and when he told her Green, she was very much relieved. Wynona said the four of them drove a short distance into town and the boys left in the Buick saying they would return in a few minutes. They did return in about an hour with Duke and the three men talked in front of the car. Karpis and Campbell then told the girls to go into town with Duke and get some sleep and to take the train the next morning for Atlantic City, where they were to go to the Danmoor Hotel. Wynona advised she knew nothing concerning any note or of the securing of any money.

Duke took them to his hotel where they spent the night. On the following morning he gave them railroad tickets to Atlantic City. He had taken Campbell's Ford Sedan and the title papers relating to it on the preceding night. Wynona had no knowledge of any arrangements between Campbell and Duke as to the car. Dolores and Wynona then proceeded to Atlantic City where they met Karpis and Campbell by pre-arrangement.

Wynona Burdette stated she is willing to testify to any of the above details, if called upon to do so. Also to give honest answers to any other questions which may be put to her.

Byron Bolton was interviewed at the Ramsey County Jail in St. Paul, Minnesota, on April 24, 1935, for information of value in connection with the pending harboring cases at Miami, Florida. He stated that he and Willia Harrison left Chicago about December 20, 1934, for Miami and returned about January 4, 1935. On the way down they stopped at a small hotel in Monteagle, Tennessee, where Willie registered as E. N. Howe and Bolton under the name of Adams. They then proceeded to St. Petersburg, Florida, where Bolton met his wife and the entire party drove on to Miami, registering at the Hotel Dorn. They both used the same aliases at the Hotel Dorn. Bolton said he did not go to the Hotel El Comodoro while in Miami, but saw Willie go into the place on one occasion. Later Willie told Bolton that the manager of the El Comodoro was alright; that he would get him a house if he wanted one, mentioning at the time that the manager had secured a house on some lake for Fred Barker. Willie told Bolton that, if he wanted to go to the Hotel El Comodoro, to tell the manager that he was a friend of the two shorties (Big Shorty and Little Shorty, respectively, Doc and Fred Barker) who had been sent to him from Cleveland, further, that it would be alright to tell the manager who he was.

Bolton said he and Harrison passed Doc Barker and Slim Gibson at a pecan farm near Macon, Georgia, on the way back to Chicago from this trip, stating in this connection that he had not seen them in Miami and did not know they had left Chicago. Bolton stated, further, that Doc Barker and Willie Harrison took a long automobile trip together during the early part of December, 1934, but he could not furnish information as to this trip. Bolton said he was living at 3920 Pine Grove Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, at that time.

It was stated by Bolton that Willie Harrison made several trips last fall to Detroit, Michigan, to see a man named Cash. Bolton knew nothing further as to Cash, however.

Byron Bolton stated he is positive he has had conversations with various members of the mob, which indicated to him that the manager of the Hotel El Comodoro knew they were connected with the Bremer Kidnaping Case. He promised to endeavor to recall these conversations, and said he would advise Special Agent J. E. Brennan of the St. Paul Bureau Office if he was successful in doing so.

Dolores Delaney was interviewed at the United States Detention Farm, Milan, Michigan, on April 26, 1935, for information concerning her stays with Karpis in Havana, Cuba, and Miami, Florida. It should be stated that the attitude of this girl was very friendly, and that she was frank to state she would answer any questions. She said she is very much interested in making parole, and would do anything to do so. She advised she has made up her mind to forget about Karpis as she realizes she can never make a home with him. Her present plans are to serve her time and take care of her baby. She advised, however, that if she was free and met Karpis, that she would probably go with him, against her better judgment.

Delaney stated she and Karpis drove to Miami from Cleveland, Ohio, during the middle of September, 1934, and registered at the Hotel El Comodoro as Mr. and Mrs. Wagner. She did not know if Karpis had been referred to this hotel or why he picked it out. They proceeded to Havana, Cuba, on the following day and went to the Hotel Parkview. Delaney did not know if Karpis had been referred to this hotel or why he went there. She said Karpis became friendly with Mr. Heller, manager of the Hotel Parkview. She used to call Karpis by the name of Ray, and she used this name in the presence of Heller. Shortly after arriving in Havana, Karpis told her that Heller would go with her to buy a Ford Sedan, which he did. She paid for the car with money she received from Karpis. She stated Karpis hung out around George's Bar, which is located near the Parkview Hotel. The proprietor of this bar want with Karpis and Delaney to rent a safety deposit box in some bank.

Delaney did not know about the introduction cards Karpis had received to Heller and George Harris. Delaney stated that she and Karpis had their meals served in their room quite frequently while in Havana. She stated she only saw Heller in Karpis' room on one occasion, which was incident to his putting Karpis to bed after he had gotten drunk.

Delaney stated that Karpis rented a house at Varadero Beach, Cuba, shortly after going to Cuba. Heller referred them to some people at the beach after Karpis inquired about such a place. They went to Varadero Beach in a hired car. She advised that Karpis brought some foodstuffs from Havana, while he secured some in Cardenas. Karpis spent most of his time fishing and had a Cuban named Manuel who took him fishing. They also had a wash-girl named Ramono, and a Korean handyman named Juan. Delaney stated that Karpis made a trip into Havana at least once a week during the period they lived at the beach. She believed he received one telegram while at the beach, and went to the telephone company office on several occasions for long distance telephone calls. She said one of these calls was regarding Kate Barker, and that he later drove to Cardenas to meet her bus.

Delaney stated she went to two doctors while in Cuba. One of them was the house doctor at the Parkview Hotel. Karpis gave her the name of the other one, but she did not know where he got the name. She could not remember the name of either doctor.

Delaney said the only visitors to Varadero Beach were Kate Barker and George Harris and his wife. She was positive that Heller had never visited there. She also remarked that she had been in George's Bar in Havana, her reason for going there being that she was lonesome.

Delaney was questioned regarding her trip to Miami on November 14, 1934, in company with Heller. She stated she had wanted to get an apartment there in order to have a doctor look after her on account of her pregnant condition, and that she made the trip at that time because Heller was going over. She was asked if Heller helped her look for an apartment, and she replied in the negative. She said she went out with Heller in the automobile belonging to a clerk at the El Comodoro Hotel, the purpose of the trip being to buy a dog. She bought the dog "Wimpie" at that time. She said she made no other trip with Heller. She was asked if she went out in the car by herself, and she replied that she had never learned to drive a car.

Delaney stated that all of the boys carried guns in toilet kits. Karpis had several such kits, and carried a gun into Cuba in that fashion.

Delaney stated that early in December, while she and Karpis were still living at Varadero Beach, he went into Havana. He returned to the beach around midnight and told her he was leaving and that she should come into the Parkview Hotel on the next day. She did go to the hotel and met him. He told her to take the plane to Miami; that he was going over on the Key West boat; that she should hire an automobile and meet him at Homestead, Florida, which is just a short distance South of Miami. She stated he did not give any reasons for leaving Cuba so suddenly, and she knew better than to ask questions, knowing from experience that she would not get an answer.

She proceeded to Miami as instructed and went to the El Comodoro Hotel. She asked at the desk if any of her friends were in the hotel and learned that the wife of one of them was there. She then went to the room occupied by Wynona Burdette and spent the night with her. She said she did not register. On the following morning she ran into Willie Harrison in the lobby of the hotel and learned that he and Doc Barker were registered in rooms 404 and 405. She told Willie that she had to meet Karpis at Homestead that night and he volunteered to drive down there in his car with her. She and Willie met Karpis around 10:00 PM that night in Homestead, travelling in a Ford car, and then drove back to the El Comodoro Hotel. Delaney said that neither she nor Karpis registered. They went to Room 404 and took over the room. Willie and Doc stayed in Room 405, so far as she knew. Delaney could not furnish any information about the rental of room 402 on December 8, 1934. She said that Willie and Doc remained in the hotel only a few days. She was positive they checked out on the day Kate and Fred Barker arrived at the hotel, as she remembers either Kate or Fred remarking that they had missed seeing Doc by only ten hours. She was asked if Willie and Doc were at the fish and steak dinner in Karpis' room and she said she did not believe they were. In this connection she remarked that she ate something at the dinner which did not agree with her and had to call a doctor on the following night.

Delaney was asked about the use of different names, both by herself and Karpis, while they were at the hotel, and she replied that they often forgot the name they had been using and had to either guess at it or pick out another. When told that some five or six different names had been used at the El Comodoro, she said she did not understand why Mr. Adams had not become suspicious of them.

With respect to the rental of the house at 1121 - 85th Street in Miami, it was stated by Delaney that the house was rented through Joe Adams. Adams drove her and Karpis out from the hotel to look at this house. Delaney remembered that she called Karpis by the name of Ray on this occasion, which was of course in the presence of Adams. She could

not remember any other specific instances, but said there were times when the three of them conversed together in the lobby of the hotel. Delaney was unable to recall any instance when Adams had been in Karpis' room, or in the room occupied by any other member of the mob. Delaney said the house was rented during the middle of December, and that she and Ray stayed there alone, except for a maid.

According to Delaney, the only visitors at this house were Slim Gray, Doc Barker, a man and woman whose names she could not furnish, and Wynona and Harry Campbell. Slim and Doc came to the house a few days after Christmas and spent two nights there. On Christmas day, after a telephone call had been received by Karpis, a man and woman came to the house. Delaney noticed a big sedan automobile in front of the house. Delaney answered the doorbell and both the man and woman stepped inside the house at her invitation. She said she might recognize them if she saw them again, but she was not sure. She was shown the photograph of Cassius McDonald, but she said she was not sure whether he was the man. She said, however, that if she saw him in person and recognized him as the man that she would identify him. She said that Karpis began talking to these people and she went to the kitchen to arrange dinner for the four of them, as there had been some mention over the telephone that they were to stay for dinner. When she returned from the kitchen she saw these people through the front window as they were driving away. She asked Karpis why they had left and he replied that they did not have time to stay for dinner.

As mentioned in the reference telegram from Special Agent in Charge J. H. Hanson, Miami Beach, Florida, April 16, 1935, Delaney was questioned as to whether she talked to the woman on the front porch while Karpis talked to the man inside; also whether she and Karpis discussed the wealth of this man and the expense involved in the upkeep of his home. She stated she did not recall anything like that, and advised that the incident was as she had informed.

As stated above, Wynona Burdette and Harry Campbell were the only other visitors to the Karpis house. Delaney could not remember the date of their arrival, but knew it was the birthday of Wynona as they had a little celebration for her. They remained until the day of the shooting at Oklawaha. The details covering the events of January 16th, the date of the shooting, as supplied by Delaney agree with the story as told by Wynona Burdette. As to the receipt of a telephone call at about the time the radio reports of the shooting were received, Delaney said there may have been a call, but she was positive it was not in connection with the shooting. She advised that the note containing the name of the Danmoor Hotel in Atlantic City, New Jersey, and the name Morley, had been given her by Karpis. She and Wynona spent the night of January 16th in Duke's room, and on the following morning Duke gave her \$800.00 in

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cash. She gave him \$150.00, as she remembers, to purchase railroad tickets for Wynona and herself, which he did, later taking them to the train.

Delaney said she would identify Duke in the event she recognized him. She stated that if called upon to do so either in court or elsewhere she would answer any questions put to her to the best of her ability.

UNDEVELOPED LEAD: THE ST. PAUL OFFICE: Special Agent J. E. Brennan will report whether he has been able to secure any information from Byron Bolton relative to conversations had by Bolton with other members of the mob which would indicate that Joe Adams knew the identity of Karpis and others, also that Karpis was under indictment in St. Paul, Minnesota, for the Bremer Kidnaping.

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FILE NO. 7-2 EJS

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CINCINNATI, OHIO**

REPORT MADE AT: NASHVILLE, TENN.	DATE WHEN MADE: 5-13-35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 4-17, 24-35 5-3-35	REPORT MADE BY: T. W. DAWSEY
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. 1235; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1237; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232; WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I.O. 1238; HARRY SAWYER, with aliases: FRANK JAMES, "DUTCH" SAWYER, HARRY SANDOVICH, "SEA LION", CHARLES WRIGHT, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1240; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. 1239; MYHLE EATON, with aliases, I.O. 1241; et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGI- TIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Temporary wanted notices #95780 and #77961 of Charles J. Fitzgerald and Clyde Dimerick filed with Identification Bureau, Chattanooga, Tenn. Stop notice on Buick Club Sedan, motor #2,875,177 removed from Motor Vehicle Division of Tenn. J. H. Hamilton, alias Herman Barker, arrested at Memphis, Tenn., March 27, 1926. Hamilton reported to Memphis, Tenn. Police Department as committing suicide, August 29, 1927 at Wichita, Kansas following the holdup of an Ice Plant at Newton, Kansas. Mrs. S. B. Wilson, alias Carol Hamilton, arrested March 27, 1926 as an associate of J. H. Hamilton. Hamilton is the only party arrested in several years at Memphis, Tenn. under the name of Barker. Inspector Griffin, Memphis Police Department, Memphis, Tenn., has no knowledge of the information furnished Bureau by Little Rock Police Department about Fred Barker. Photographs of J. H. Hamilton and Mrs. S. B. Wilson obtained.

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REFERENCE:

Letter from the Chicago Bureau Office to the Nashville

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>W. A. Smith</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	7-576-6000 UNITED STATES	RECORDED AND INDEXED: MAY 15 1935 MAY 16 1935
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Bureau Office, dated 4-12-35.
Letter from the Chicago Bureau Office to the
Bureau, dated 4-20-35.

DETAILS:

The following investigation was conducted by Agent
H. F. Small; on May 3, 1935.

Sergeant Jack Neil, Identification Bureau, Chattanooga
Police Department, Chattanooga, Tennessee, was supplied with temporary wanted
notices #95780 and #77961 pertaining to Charles J. Fitzgerald and Clyde Himerick
and stated that he would file the same with the records of the Identification
Bureau of the Chattanooga Police Department, Chattanooga, Tennessee.

On April 24, 1935, Miss Pearl Kirkpatrick, Motor Vehicle
Division, State of Tennessee, was telephonically requested by Special Agent S. S.
Bentley to remove the stop flash card placed on Buick Club Sedan, motor #2,875,177.
Miss Kirkpatrick stated that she would remove this card as of that date.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent Louis DeNette on April 17, 1935:

Inquiry at the Memphis Police Department discloses that J. H. Hamilton, alias L. C. Whittier, alias D. W. Bowers, alias Bert Laven-der, alias Herman Barker, alias Clarence Sharp, Memphis P. D. number 8853, was arrested March 27, 1926 at Memphis, Tennessee by Detective Sergeants Tom Smith and Maurio Chiozza; suspected member served Chapman gang, and suspected diamond robbery at McAllister, Oklahoma; also, turned over to the Sheriff of Ottawa Coun-ty, Oklahoma.

A description of J. H. Hamilton is as follows:

Age:	34 Years.
Height:	5' 4 1/2".
Weight:	116 Lbs.
Eyes:	Hazel.
Hair:	Very dark chestnut.
Complexion:	Medium dark.
Build:	Slender.
Teeth:	Gold in them.
Born:	Aurora, Illinois.
Tattoo:	Nude woman upper L. arm; hands, snake & owl, forearm front; woman's head, arm R. upper; nude woman upper R.

Fingerprint Classification:	9 U 00 14 1 U 00 15
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The Memphis office has a report that Hamilton killed himself August 29, 1927, at Wichita, Kansas, following the hold-up of an ice plant at Newton, Kansas.

When Harrison was arrested he was with an Indian woman posing as his wife, Memphis P. D. number 8854. She was later released and sent back to Ottawa County, Oklahoma. She gave the name of Mrs. S. B. Wilson and of Mrs. S. B. Costello. She was later arrested under the name of Carroll Hamilton, and received at the State Penitentiary, Canyon City, Colorado, prison number 14172, from Wyoming. She was charged with aiding and abetting persons to avoid arrest. Her fingerprint classification was: 2 Aa 10; Reference: 2 A 10.

Inspector Griffin of the Memphis Police Department stated that Hamilton is the only party arrested in several years at Memphis, Tennessee, under the name of Barker. He stated that he knew nothing of the information furnished to the Bureau by the Little Rock Police Department about Fred Barker.

The Memphis Police Department furnished agent photographs of J. H. Hamilton and his alleged wife, Carroll Hamilton, which are being forwarded to the St. Paul Office, with copies of this report.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CINCINNATI, OHIO**

FILE NO. **7-4**

REPORT MADE AT: Omaha, Nebraska	DATE WHEN MADE: 5-13-35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 5-2, 6, 9 & 10-35	REPORT MADE BY: J. H. FRANZ
TITLE: ALVIN KARRIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. 1236; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1237; WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I.O. 1238; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. 1239; SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: HARRY SAWYER, with aliases, I.O. 1240; MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I.O. 1241, - et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - - VICTIM.			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING: HARBORING: OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE: NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Synopsis of Facts:

No correspondence received as result of her listing with Get Acquainted Club by Miss Imogene E. Short, Mrs. Muriel Cramer or Mrs. Stella Kosmicki.

REFERENCE:

Circular letter from Chicago Office to all field offices, dated 2-14-35.

DETAILS:

The following individuals were interviewed relative to any communications they may have received due to their listing with the Get Acquainted Club from Mr. George Lawrence Harper. None of these persons have received any communications bearing this signature, but all of them expressed a desire to cooperate with the Bureau and said that they would forward to us any information or communication they received from a George Lawrence Harper:

- Miss Imogene E. Short, Indianola, Nebraska;
- Mrs. Muriel Cramer, Route #1, Box #16, Smithfield, Nebraska;
- Mrs. Stella Kosmicki, Richfield, Nebraska.

An investigation at Benedict, Nebraska revealed that Miss Louise Harms has moved to Shenandoah, Iowa where she can be reached in care of General Delivery.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>Werner Hamme</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES	RECORDED AND INDEXED: MAY 15 1935
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UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE OMAHA OFFICE at Shenandoah, Iowa will interview Miss Louise Harms relative to any communication she may have received from George Lawrence Harper.

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U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 812
Chicago, Illinois

May 14, 1935.

AIR MAIL

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Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir: Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218, FUGITIVE;
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EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.
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NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Reference is made to the teletype message from this office dated May 13, 1935, at 5:40 P.M., in the above-entitled case.

Mr. W. Jarva, Assistant Secretary and Treasurer of the Edison General Electric Appliance Company, 5600 West Taylor Street, Chicago, communicated with the Chicago Bureau Office on May 14, 1935 and advised that his company had received a special delivery letter postmarked at Charleston, West Virginia, 3:30 P.M., May 13, 1935, from Mrs. Bertha J. Mairs, Station B, Charleston, West Virginia, advising that she had noticed in a newspaper article that their company had been robbed of \$3800.00. She indicated that she could be of assistance to the company in locating the perpetrators of the robbery and might be able to regain the money stolen in the robbery. She further inferred that she would expect to be paid in the event she was successful. She advised that this would be a dangerous undertaking on her part and that there was a great probability that she might lose her life if it became known that she was aiding the company in determining the identity of the robbers and assisting in regaining the money which was stolen.

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A day letter has been transmitted to the Pittsburgh Bureau Office on this date requesting that appropriate investigation be conducted to ascertain if this individual has any information concerning the identity of the individuals who perpetrated the robbery of the Edison General Electric Appliance Company.

Very truly yours,

M. H. Purvis

M. H. PURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

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Washington, D. C.

May 13, 1935

Time - 12:10 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

- Mr. Nathan
- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. Baughman
- Chief Clerk
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Coffey
- Mr. Edwards
- Mr. Egan
- Mr. Harbo
- Mr. Keith
- Mr. Lester
- Mr. Quinn
- Mr. Scheidt
- Mr. Schilder
- Mr. Smith
- Mr. Tamm
- Mr. Tracy
- Miss Gandy

Mr. Connelley telephoned from Louisville, Kentucky, in regard to the surveillance and investigation being conducted there in the above case. He stated that Agent Dill, in an undercover conversation with Kerr, one of the men under surveillance, had ascertained that Kerr and the others had not been successful in their negotiations to open a dog track, and that the only reason for their remaining in Louisville was the fact that they have their room rent paid in advance on the apartment in which they are residing. Kerr indicated that he and his partners would leave Louisville possibly within the next day or two, and would return to Chicago.

Mr. Connelley said that the last address they have on these men in Chicago is an address written on an old insurance receipt, and he understands that the building at this address has been destroyed by fire; that in view of this, we do not know the address to which these men are going in Chicago. However, he said that he is going to leave four or five men down there to take care of the situation in case the men leave, and ascertain on what highway they are traveling; that as soon as this information is ascertained, it will be transmitted to the Chicago Office; that if it appears impossible for the Chicago Office to pick the men up on the outskirts of Chicago, the men from Louisville will follow them on into Chicago. He said that the men will be traveling in two cars, and the Agents also will be in two cars.

Mr. Connelley said that he has called the Indianapolis Office, and they are going to get their equipment out of Louisville; that he will leave with Agents Bickley and Johnson this afternoon at 1:00 o'clock for Cincinnati.

Respectfully,

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E. A. TAMM

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Form No. 1 THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CINCINNATI, OHIO	FILE NO. 7-4	REPORT MADE BY: J. R. GREEN dr
REPORT MADE AT: Omaha, Nebraska	DATE WHEN MADE: 5-14-35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 3-15 & 5-11-35
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. 1236; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1237; WILLIAM HARVEY, with aliases, I.O. 1238; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. 1239; SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: HARRY SAWYER, with aliases, I.O. 1240; MYRALE LANTON, with aliases, I.O. 1241, et al. EDWARD GEORGE BRELER - - Victim.		CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING; HARBORING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
<p>Synopsis of Facts:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Investigation at Lincoln, Nebraska disclosed that Postoffice Box #1008 was rented in the name of Ellen E. Vavak, giving her address as 1412 R. Street. Ellen E. Vavak now residing in Wisconsin, having married a Bohemian, Anna A. Clause, 1435 S. Street, stated that neither she nor Ellen Vavak had received any correspondence from George Lawrence Harper, the alias of Volney Davis, used by him when joining the Get Acquainted Correspondence Club of Denver, Colorado.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- P -</p> <p>REFERENCE: Letter of SAC, E. J. Connelley, dated at Chicago 2-14-35.</p> <p>DETAILS: Under date of March 15, 1935 the following memorandum was submitted by Special Agent J. R. Green at Omaha, Nebraska:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">*In connection with an investigation made by Agent in the above entitled matter under date of March 7th, Agent was not able to complete same concerning interviews with Anna A. Clause and Ellen E. Warwick, Box 1008, Lincoln, Nebraska, mentioned in the letter of</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES</p>		
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>Werner Hanni</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	7-576-6006 UNITED STATES MAY 16 A.M. BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION ROUTED TO: <input type="checkbox"/> FILE	RECORDED AND INDEXED: MAY 16 1935 CHECKED OFF: MAY 23 1935 JACKETED:
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SAC E. J. Connelley to this office, dated 2-14-35, as members of The Get Acquainted Correspondence Club of Denver, Colorado. An examination of the city telephone directory did not include their names, while the 1934 Lincoln City Directory disclosed an Anna Clause at 1435 S. Street, a student, but name of Ellen E. Warwick was not listed.

"E. G. Bivens, Superintendent of Mails, Postoffice, Lincoln, Nebraska, advised that their Postoffice Box #1008 was rented in the name of Ellen E. Vavak, 1412 R. Street, Lincoln, October 6, 1934; that they had no records on Anna A. Clause or Ellen E. Warwick, however, it is presumed that Ellen E. Vavak and Ellen E. Warwick is the one and same person. This investigation will be continued at the earliest possible date."

This matter not having been followed up during Agent's absence, while at Lincoln, Nebraska, he reinterviewed Superintendent of Mails E. G. Bivens at the Lincoln Postoffice, who advised that aforesaid Postoffice Box was still held in the name of Ellen E. Vavak, 1412 R. Street.

Mrs. Nelson, landlady, 1412 R. Street, stated that Miss Ellen E. Vavak had resided at her place until the forepart of February when she married a Bohemian and removed to some place in Wisconsin; that Miss Vavak had been a student at the Nebraska University School of Music and had come from Prague, Nebraska; that she was a friend of Anna A. Clause who was presently rooming at 1435 S. Street.

Anna Clause, 1435 S. Street, Lincoln, Nebraska, stated that she was a student at the University School of Music, Lincoln, Nebraska and had been a close associate of Ellen E. Vavak, whose home had been at Prague, Nebraska; that early in the spring of this year, Ellen Vavak married a Bohemian, and she was now living some place in Wisconsin, the name of the town not being known to her; that she had become acquainted with this party through notices placed in a Bohemian paper; that she had joined the Get Acquainted Correspondence Club of Denver, Colorado at the solicitation of Ellen Vavak who had used the name of Ellen Warwick in listing herself as a member of the aforesaid Get Acquainted Correspondence Club of Denver, Colorado, but that neither of them had secured any communication or correspondence from anyone by the name of Harper. She stated that if she did so she would communicate immediately with the Omaha Bureau Office. She further stated that she and Ellen Vavak had shown each other the letters received through their membership in this club, and that she positively knew that Ellen Vavak had not received any correspondence from subject Davis.

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Form No. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CINCINNATI, OHIO**

REPORT MADE AT DETROIT, MICHIGAN	DATE WHEN MADE 5/14/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 8/6/35	REPORT MADE BY A. A. MUZZEY
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. 1236; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1237; WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I.O. 1238; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. 1239; HARRY SAWYER, with aliases, I.O. 1240; MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I.O. 1241; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM		CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT	
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<p>Bureau of Records, Detroit Police Department, reflect the arrest of William Stevens and George King on 11/10/17, charge Fugitive. Both men turned over to Detective James A. Weare, Minneapolis Police Department. Not fingerprinted at the time of their arrest. William Heeney had no criminal record in Detroit. Same determined through Bureau of Records and Bureau of Identification.</p>			
<p>REFERENCE: Bureau letter to Chicago office dated 4/12/35.</p>			
<p>DETAILS: At the Bureau of Records, Detroit Police Department, Detroit, Michigan, it was ascertained that the records there reflect the arrest of William Stevens and George King on November 10, 1917, but do not reflect the arrest of William Heeney at any time. William Stevens gave his address as the Sarah Apartments, Detroit, Michigan, at the time of his arrest and was booked on the charge of being a fugitive. The following is a description of Stevens as obtained from the record card in the Record Bureau:</p>			
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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>D. J. Nicholson</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	7-576-6007 UNITED STATES		RECORDED AND INDEXED: MAY 16 1935
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Name: William Stevens
Nationality: American Jew
Age: 33 years
Sex: Male
Color: White
Height: 5 feet 5 inches
Hair: Brown
Eyes: Brown
Build: Slim
Complexion: Dark
Occupation: Hotel Keeper

George King arrested on November 10, 1917, with Stevens gave his address as Chicago, Illinois, and the following is a description of him:

Name: George King
Nationality: American
Age: 26 years
Sex: Male
Color: White
Height: 5 feet 11 inches
Weight: 160 pounds
Hair: Brown
Eyes: Brown
Build: Slim
Occupation: Taxi Driver

Stevens and King, as indicated, were arrested on November 10, 1917, and not on November 12, 1917; were booked as fugitives and on the same day were turned over to Detective James A. Weare of the Minneapolis Police Department and returned to that City. Stevens and King were not fingerprinted at the time of their arrest and there is nothing to indicate on their record cards that William Heeney was connected or was an accomplice at the time of their arrest. No record of William Heeney having been arrested was found at the Bureau of Records.

At the Bureau of Identification, Detroit Police Department, the files do not indicate that anyone of the three-above-mentioned were on record as having been arrested by the Detroit Police Department.

The fingerprint files of the Bureau were checked with the photostatic copy of the fingerprint card of William Heeney which was forwarded to this office by the Bureau, and no identification was made.

The name index file was also searched and did not reflect the name of William Heeney, Haney, Heaney as having ever been arrested and fingerprinted by the Detroit Police Department.

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U. S. Department of Justice

326¹ Post Office Building,
New Orleans, La.
May 13, 1935.

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Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St. N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Kindly be advised that Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, of the Cincinnati Bureau Office, arrived at New Orleans, Louisiana, 7:55 a.m., May 5, 1935, from Cincinnati, Ohio, on special assignment on the Bremer kidnaping case.

He departed from New Orleans at 8:20 p.m. on May 7, 1935, for Louisville, Kentucky.

Very truly yours,

D. W. Magee

D. W. Magee,
Special Agent in Charge.

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FROM BERTHA J MAIRS STATION B CHARLESTON WEST VIRGINIA ADVISING SHE MIGHT
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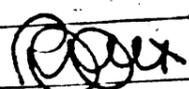
REPORT MADE AT: Jacksonville, Fla.	DATE WHEN MADE: 5/14/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 5/7/35	REPORT MADE BY: S. K. McKee
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, IO #1218 - FUGITIVE; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, IO #1236; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, IO #1237 - FUGITIVE; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, IO #1232; WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, IO #1238; HARRY SAWYER, with aliases, IO #1240; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, IO #1259; SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, IO #1241; et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREWER - VICTIM			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OB- STRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: H. G. Frazer, Federal Reserve Bank, Havana, Cuba, stated no records of serial numbers of bills, either received or distributed, are maintained. L. S. Rosenthal of Chase National Bank and J. F. Dawson of National City Bank, both of Havana, stated their respective banks do not keep records of serial numbers of bills received from Federal Reserve or other banks, or distributed to individual customers.

REFERENCE: Letter from SAC E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Illinois, to Birmingham Office, dated April 20, 1935, and report of Special Agent John E. Lunsford, Birmingham, Alabama, April 30, 1935.

DETAILS: At Havana, Cuba:

H. G. Frazer, Federal Reserve Bank, Havana, Cuba, was interviewed for information concerning the possibility of tracing the intact package of fifty one thousand dollar bills which were received by Cassius McDonald from the Havana Branch of the Chase National Bank on September 10, 1934, and which are thought to have gone into the hands of members of the Karpis-Barker gang. Mr. Frazer stated that absolutely no records are kept of the currency received from the parent bank in Atlanta, Georgia, that is of the serial numbers of such currency, or of currency sold to member banks in Cuba. He advised that the banking situation in Havana is peculiar in that all of the clearing-house operations are carried on through the medium of currency rather than checks; that the banks use large bills for their clearing house negotiations, and for that

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reason the banks charge each other premiums for exchanging small bills for large bills, the premium being on the large bills. He stated that because of the use of large bills in clearing house operations, there is an extremely large quantity of bills of large denominations in circulation in Havana. He said he estimated that at least eighty per cent of the five hundred and one thousand dollar bills issued by the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta are shipped to Havana for distribution.

Mr. Frazer's attention was called to the fact that the one thousand dollar bills bearing serial numbers F00022457A, F00022463A, and F00022464A were shipped to Havana under date of May 26, 1934. He examined the records of the bank relating to sales of one thousand dollar bills to the Chase National Bank and ascertained that a sale of \$100,000, in thousands was made on June 6, 1934, and another in the amount of \$75,000 under date of June 8, 1934. The last sale of such bills prior to the above sales was in January, 1934, while the next sale was on December 28, 1934. Such bills are packed in packages of one hundred each by the Atlanta Federal Reserve Bank. Mr. Frazer said the Chase National Bank might have split a package in two, so as to make what appeared like an unbroken package of fifty one thousand dollar bills. He said that it might be reasonable to presume that the unbroken package in question, which was secured from the Chase National Bank by McDonald, was made up of bills numbered from F00022451A to F00022500A, but that such a presumption would come under the head of a guess as no record to the sale of these particular bills to the bank existed. He called attention to the fact that the Chase National Bank might, also, have received any of the thousand dollar bills in its possession from some other local bank through exchanges.

Messrs. J. F. Dawson of the National City Bank and L. S. Rosenthal of the Chase National Bank were interviewed and they both informed that their banks do not maintain records as to the serial numbers of any currency, either received from the Federal Reserve Bank or from any other bank. They both stated that such a practice was out of the question in Havana because of the large use of bills of large denominations in the way of clearing house operations.

UNDEVELOPED LEAD: THE CINCINNATI OFFICE will consider the advisability of circularizing banks with the serial numbers of one thousand dollar bills beginning with F00022451A and ending with F00022500A, the selection of these numbers being on the presumption that they are the numbers of the bills which comprised the unbroken package received by Cassius McDonald from the Chase National Bank, the idea of such circularization being to secure information as to where the bills are presently located or where they might be changed, which data might be of value in effecting the apprehension of subjects Karpis, Campbell, Harrison and other fugitive subjects.

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June 4, 1935

Mr. J. P. MacFarland,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
1448 Standard Building,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Mr. MacFarland:

This will acknowledge your communication dated May 14, 1935, wherein you advised me that the Cleveland office is functioning in a fairly satisfactory manner at the present time.

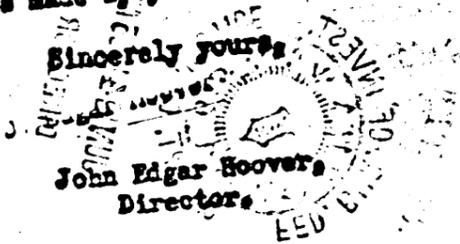
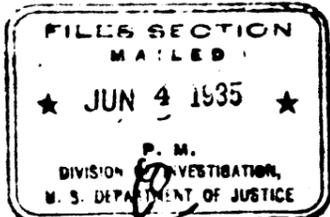
It is noted that the Cleveland office has at the present time four Agents assigned to it and that Agents B. M. Hirsch and J. K. Collins are under transfer to that office. I am of the opinion that with the arrival of these two additional Agents the personnel situation in Cleveland will be well taken care of. If at any time in your opinion you believe that it is necessary that additional stenographic help be secured, it is requested that you immediately advise the Bureau so that appropriate steps can be taken to authorize the employment of such an employee so that the stenographic work in the Cleveland office will not become congested and delinquent.

With reference to the fourth paragraph of your communication wherein you advise that a contact was recently had with an individual in the Harvard Club at Cleveland, you are aware of the fact that the Bureau relies upon its Special Agents in Charge to make appropriate contacts such as this in the various field districts. This matter must, of course, be left to your judgment.

I am glad to hear that the Bureau enjoys the good will of the various business organizations and other Governmental departments, and I am sure that this good will can be enlarged upon through proper cooperation and contacts made by you.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.



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Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St., N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

The writer is happy to report that at last the Cleveland office is functioning in a fairly satisfactory manner, considering the limited personnel available at this time to carry on the pending investigative work in this district.

As you undoubtedly know, there are numerous leads in the Barker-Karpis case in this district, which require attention, especially in the vicinity of Toledo. As the writer anticipated the early arrival of Special Agent R. D. Brown, the matter of giving attention to these leads has been held more or less in abeyance in that the writer felt that because of the intimate knowledge of the facts in this case by said special agent that it might be handled more efficiently and expeditiously by him than an agent who possibly is not as familiar with the situation in that case.

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It now looks as though Special Agent Brown will not be available for assignment in this district much before June, and the writer anticipates assigning these leads to another agent. The writer feels, however, that in the handling of the Karpis-Barker matter in this district the full time of one agent might be very effectively utilized in developing the leads existing here and feels that if it is at all possible to assign Special Agent Brown here at an earlier date the matter will be held waiting his arrival.

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It might be indicated that a contact was recently had with an individual in the Harvard Club here, who is alleged to know the various members of this gang. This individual voluntarily offered Special Agent C. E. Smith of this office to identify himself with this organization for a compensation in the matter of the development of leads looking toward the apprehension of these desperate criminals. The young man involved is nineteen years of age, and while the writer feels a little bit skeptical at this time as to the desirability of openly approaching him with an offer of compensation for the furnishing of information which would be helpful in this case, in view of his age and in the light of the lack of knowledge as to his antecedents and motives, if they be of other than a compensatory nature, that provokes him to seek employment with the Bureau, it might be that the persons in control of the Harvard Club seek to foist this individual on the Bureau with a view to securing knowledge as to what the Bureau

Lab. Mr. MacFarland
6/14/35

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is endeavoring to learn in connection with the investigation of this case.

The work in this district is somewhat delinquent, and every effort is being made to assign the most delinquent cases for early investigative attention.

The office personnel at Cleveland appear to have some enthusiasm about their work, and it is the writer's belief that from the office personnel standpoint the Cleveland office has an efficient stenographic force.

When additional agents are assigned to this office the writer feels that it will be necessary to employ an additional stenographer. Serious consideration will be given to this matter before a definite request is made for authority to secure an additional stenographer.

The writer is very happy to report that since the advent of the opening of the Cleveland office no indications of intervention by outside forces or individuals has manifested itself, the general feeling in official circles being that everyone is happy again to see the Federal Bureau of Investigation again established in this city.

The other day Mr. H. K. Bruner, a former agent, and who is in charge of investigative personnel for the Alcohol Tax Unit, called on the writer and offered his services in any way should the use thereof become necessary. He strikes me as being a pretty high-type individual; is more or less of the aggressive type and, in my opinion, by reason of his open and frank countenance strikes me as being a person who might be trusted.

I believe I mentioned to you in my letter of two or three days ago, covering the appearance of the writer at the banquet of the Brotherhood of Ohio State Police Officers of the exceptionally laudatory remarks made by Secretary of State George Myers of Ohio, who succeeded the writer as a speaker at the said banquet. The officers who attended the Banquet were quite cordial and friendly and seem to have good will for the Bureau, its Director and administrative officials.

The physical appearance of the Cleveland office has developed the maturity of a pleasing appearance, and the writer trusts that when and if you do take a jaunt to Chicago in the near future you will stop off here and look through the spacious offices, which are so well equipped and of which we, in Cleveland, feel very proud.

Sincerely,

(s) J. P. Mac Farland
Special Agent in Charge

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POST OFFICE BOX 812,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

May 14, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with
aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL
with aliases, I.O. 1236; VOLNEY DAVIS
with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1237;
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OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIRE-
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With reference to your letter dated May 10, 1935, attached to which was a cable addressed to C. McDonald, Havana, Cuba, dated January 25, 1934, and signed "Shortall", investigation was conducted at the Western Union Telegraph Company, Chicago, Illinois. Information was there received that copies of all cables are destroyed after one year and that the copies of the above cable dated January 25, 1934, were destroyed on January 31, 1935. Mr. F. K. Butterfield, Special Agent of the Western Union Telegraph Company, advised that there was no possible way of ascertaining the identity of the sender of the above cable. He checked his record of cable addresses and stated that no individual or firm in Chicago used the cable address "Shortall".

The Chicago telephone directory lists ten different persons by the name of "Shortall" and inasmuch as reference is made to Gilfoyle, undoubtedly referring to Marty Gilfoyle, it is probable that the sender of the above cable is a gambler or a racketeer, and it is not believed that investigation of the above mentioned persons listed in the directory is justifiable unless the Jacksonville office advises to the contrary.

Very truly yours,

MAY 21 1935

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M. H. PURVIS, Special Agent in Charge.	
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Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at Ninth St., N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

Special Agents J. S. Johnson and G. F. Bickley and myself returned to Cincinnati, Ohio, at 5:00 P. M., on May 13, 1935 from Louisville, Kentucky.

Special Agents N. B. Klein and W. L. Buchanan remained in Louisville to assist in the further surveillance of John Russell Moran and William Kerin, together with Special Agents Dill, E. J. Wynn and H. W. Costello of the Indianapolis Office. Agents Klein and Buchanan are registered at the Tyler Hotel with the other Agents from the Indianapolis Office.

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Very truly yours,

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

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REPORT MADE AT DETROIT, MICHIGAN	DATE WHEN MADE 5-13-35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 5-6-35	REPORT MADE BY: A. A. MUZZEY AM	
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. #1218 - FUGITIVE; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. #1235; VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I.O. #1237 - FUGITIVE; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. #1232; WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O. #1238; HARRY SAWYER with aliases, I.O. #1240; WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. #1239; MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O. #1241; et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING - HARBORING OF FUGITIVES - OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT	
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Interview with Joseph Bell, Narcotic Agent, relative to outings at Cassius M. McDonald's hunting lodge at Watersmeet, Michigan, resulted in information of little value concerning identity of persons present. Further investigation regarding Cassius M. McDonald discloses possible acquaintance with Richard Galatas of the Kansas City Massacre case and one William Dale presently held at Rochester, New York in connection with a mail fraud case. No indication McDonald ever connected with Roundout mail robbery in 1924. Atlanta office of the Intelligence Unit, Bureau of Internal Revenue, conducting investigation relative to possible income tax violation; Detroit office of that unit conducting no investigation in this regard. McDonald never investigated as a subject in any case by Postal Inspectors. <p style="text-align: right;">-P-</p>				
REFERENCE: Bureau letter to the Detroit Office dated April 24, 1935. Letter from the Jacksonville Office to the Detroit Office dated April 19, 1935.				
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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>D. S. Nicholson</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	7-576-6014	RECORDED AND INDEXED: MAY 16 1935	
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DETAILS:

Under date of May 6, 1935, Joseph Bell, Narcotic Agent stationed at the Detroit office of the Narcotic Bureau, was interviewed relative to Cassius M. McDonald. Mr. Bell expressed his willingness to cooperate with this office and stated that he would present all the information in his possession concerning this individual, he having previously conferred with Mr. Wm. Larson, former Special Agent in Charge of the Detroit Bureau Office relative to McDonald.

Mr. Bell advised that he became acquainted with Cassius McDonald about five or six years ago through some mutual acquaintances of his and McDonald's; that McDonald, upon learning that he had a position with the United States Government, told him of his wide acquaintance with prominent persons high in Governmental circles, mentioning particularly the names of Senators J. Lewis, Vandenberg and Couzens and that if he (Bell) ever desired his aid in bettering himself, he (McDonald) would exert his influence in that direction. McDonald further told him that he was well acquainted with Mr. J. Edgar Hoover and that if Mr. Bell ever desired to become affiliated with the Federal Bureau of Investigation of the Department of Justice, he (McDonald) would personally see Mr. Hoover relative thereto. At first, Mr. Bell thought when McDonald spoke of Mr. Hoover that he had reference to former President of the United States Herbert Hoover but through later conversation with McDonald, he was informed by McDonald that the Mr. Hoover referred to as being an acquaintance of his was the Director of this Bureau.

Mr. Bell further advised that McDonald was originally from Chicago; that he was a graduate of Notre Dame University and was a forestry engineer. During the late World War it was his understanding that McDonald was employed by the Packard Motor Car Company and in his capacity of employment with that company passed upon the quality of timber used in fulfilling Government war-time contracts. At one time McDonald was reputed to own about 40,000 shares of Packard Motor Car Company stock, but it was Mr. Bell's understanding that McDonald lost possession of same in the financial crash. Mr. Bell further advised that McDonald's father was a prominent politician and contractor in the City of Chicago and owned extensive timber tracts in the northern section of Michigan; that upon his father's death, Cassius McDonald inherited these timber tracts and a sum of money estimated by him to be approximately \$2,000,000. It was Mr. Bell's understanding that the major portion of the inheritance left to him by his father was lost through McDonald's stock market manipulations. According to Mr. Bell, McDonald's wife is wealthy in her own right and comes from a very prominent family in Grand Rapids, Michigan. He further advised that he understood, through conversations with McDonald, that McDonald was in the Service during the late World War and had risen to the rank of Major.

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Mr. Bell further stated that during the past four or five years, McDonald has made frequent trips to Florida and to Cuba, often telling him that he was well acquainted with Honorable Jefferson Caffery, United States Ambassador to Cuba. In this connection, Mr. Bell stated that in speaking of Mr. Caffery, McDonald referred to him as "Jeff." Mr. Bell stated that he was particularly interested in McDonald's connections in Cuba inasmuch as he had heard that quite a large amount of narcotics was being smuggled into the States from Cuba and that he had asked McDonald to ascertain any possible sources through which this dope smuggling was being carried on, inasmuch as it would aid him in his position as a narcotic agent and that McDonald had told him if he learned anything about the dope smuggling angle, he would notify him.

For further information regarding McDonald's connections in Cuba, Mr. Bell referred Agent to Mert Wortheimer who he thinks now operates the Beach and Tennis Club at Miami, Florida, stating that Wortheimer was originally from Detroit and undoubtedly knows McDonald inasmuch as he has heard McDonald speak of Wortheimer.

Mr. Bell further advised that a few years ago when Charles A. Stoneham, owner of the New York Giants baseball team, and the late John McGraw, manager of the team, opened up the Casino in Havana, Cuba, they employed John MacFarland, brother of "Packy" MacFarland, old-time boxing champion, to be in charge of the Casino. MacFarland was also connected with the Hilaleah Race Track and the Roney-Plaza Hotel in Miami and inasmuch as McDonald has been interested in gambling concessions, it was Mr. Bell's opinion that MacFarland would know a great deal about McDonald's connections. MacFarland, according to Mr. Bell, is now the head of the Davis Department Store in Chicago, Illinois. He suggested that MacFarland be interviewed relative to his acquaintance with McDonald as a possible source of information concerning McDonald.

Mr. Bell further stated that McDonald had told him that his purpose in going to Cuba was to form a gambling syndicate there and that the reason he had used the alias of McDaniel was because he did not want the gambling faction opposed to his activities along this line to know his true identity for fear of being placed "on the spot."

McDonald further told Mr. Bell that former President Michado of Cuba was a personal friend of his and through President Michado he expected to make his connections in Cuba. At the time of the beginning of the revolution in Cuba, Mr. Stoneham and Mr. McGraw sold out their interest in the Casino at Havana to two gamblers from Philadelphia who were brothers and whose name as remembered by Mr. Bell was either Kessling or Kessler and undoubtedly McDonald is known to both these men.

Mr. Bell was questioned as to just how wide an acquaintance McDonald had among people in Michigan and particularly as to the names of some of the persons who had visited his hunting lodge located just eight miles West of Watersmeet, Michigan. Mr. Bell stated that visitors are frequent to this lodge in spite of the fact that McDonald may or may not be present; that the hunting lodge is more or less regarded as an open house to friends of McDonald. Mr. Bell stated that he has been a guest at the lodge on several occasions and has met people of prominence there, mentioning particularly Senator Vandenberg; A. A. Carroll, Superintendent of Police at Grand Rapids, Michigan; Fred Frahm, Chief of Detectives of the Detroit Police Department; former Judge Charles Bartlett; executives of the Packard Motor Car Company and General Motors Corporation as well as others whose names he could not recall.

He further stated that at the time the late former President Calvin Coolidge was considering a place to fish and hunt in the north woods section of Michigan or Wisconsin, his choice lay between the lodge upon which he finally decided and McDonald's hunting lodge — McDonald having tendered the use of his lodge at Watersmeet to the President as a summer home.

All of this information Mr. Bell stated was gained by him through conversations had with McDonald and acquaintances of McDonald and Mr. Bell gathered that McDonald was really prominent in political and business circles and advised that he had a great deal of respect for McDonald. He further stated that at the time the newspapers carried the story of McDonald's arrest in Florida in connection with the Bremer kidnaping case, this was a shock and surprise to those who have known McDonald.

As to the possibility of the hunting lodge ever having been used as a hideout by subjects in instant case, Mr. Bell advised that this would be unlikely, even though the lodge itself in its secluded location would be a desirable hideout inasmuch as so many people visited it that no suspicion would attach to it as a hideout for fugitives. Mr. Bell further advised that if McDonald was in any way connected with the Bremer kidnaping gang, this connection probably came through the man who owns a hotel in Miami (evidently meaning Joe Adams, manager of the El Comodora Hotel).

Mr. Bell further advised that Richard Galatas, a subject in the Kansas City Massacre case, formerly operated a burlesque house at Detroit and was interested in various gambling enterprises in Detroit and it is Mr. Bell's impression that Galatas is known to McDonald and that Galatas could disclose some information about McDonald.

A few years ago, Charles Heintz (spelling by Bell) was McDonald's chauffeur and was investigated by the Narcotic Unit as a possible narcotic violator. It is Mr. Bell's understanding that Heintz is now doing time at either London or Toronto, Canada, for operating a confidence game. Heintz was very close to McDonald in his capacity as chauffeur and Mr. Bell has learned that Heintz is rather unfriendly to McDonald at the present time for the reason that McDonald would not "go to the front" for him.

Mr. Bell stated that undoubtedly McDonald has been associated with "big time" gamblers and confidence men but has kept so much in the background that very few people have ever suspected this and because of the fact that McDonald has circulated in the best circles, his acquaintance with confidence men and the underworld in general is not known to most people. Furthermore, Mr. Bell is of the opinion that McDonald is acquainted with Art Heberbrand and one *Patton who operate the Harvard Club in Cleveland but he has never seen McDonald at this club and would have seen him if McDonald had been there for the reason that a narcotic case which Mr. Bell has under investigation has involved the Harvard Club and at the present time, according to Mr. Bell, narcotic agents are planted in the Harvard Club for the purpose of securing evidence.

Mr. Bell stated that he would attempt to ascertain any further connections McDonald might have with the underworld in general and would be happy to transmit this information to this office. However, during the course of the interview had with Mr. Bell, it was ascertained that he and McDonald are very friendly and although Mr. Bell seems quite sincere in his assurance that he will aid this office, it is also evident that he has not given all the information he possesses concerning McDonald's activities.

At the Detroit office of the Intelligence Unit of the Bureau of Internal Revenue, Mr. W. J. Lefler, in charge of the office, stated that the Atlanta office of their unit has been conducting an investigation in Florida relative to any possible income tax violation on the part of McDonald and that a letter was addressed to him by the Atlanta office requesting that information be secured in Detroit relative thereto and that he had assigned one of the men in his office to do this and that the person assigned had been able to gain no information concerning any tax violation; that the only investigation conducted by him resulted in ascertaining that McDonald lived in Grosse Pointe and that his home was unoccupied except by the caretaker. Until Mr. Lefler is in receipt of leads from the Atlanta office relative to McDonald, no further investigation is being conducted by the Detroit office. Mr. Lefler referred Agent to the Atlanta office of the Intelligence Unit for any information regarding the investigation being conducted, stating that that office was the office primarily interested and that all information secured from investigations would be in the files of that office.

Agent ascertained from Postal Inspector Dale Peterson, Detroit, Michigan, that Cassius M. McDonald has never been investigated by the Post Office Department; that he (Inspector Peterson) had worked on the Roundout mail robbery which occurred in 1924; that this case had been handled out of Chicago but that he had been assigned to it and in the course of its investigation, the name of McDonald had not appeared nor was there any indication that McDonald was connected with it. However, Mr. Peterson advised that in an effort to apprehend one William Dale, in a case handled by the Postal Inspectors, he had learned from an outside source that Dale could be located through Cassius McDonald and that efforts had been made in this direction, it being reported that Dale was personally acquainted with McDonald. However, Dale was not located through McDonald but was apprehended in California about six weeks ago and was returned to Rochester, New York to answer charges of using the mails to defraud one William Click of Rochester. Mr. Peterson advised that Postal Inspector C. L. Booth of Rochester handled this case and that he would be in a position to give information concerning Dale and any possible connection between him and McDonald. Mr. Peterson had no further information to give concerning McDonald.

It should be stated here that it was ascertained from the Detroit Police Department that Charles Heintz, mentioned above as having been employed by McDonald as a chauffeur, has no criminal record at Detroit, Michigan. No effort is being made to contact Heintz at this time unless it is deemed advisable to do so.

In a letter from the Jacksonville Office to the Detroit Office dated April 19, 1935, it is indicated that in a letter addressed to Special Agent in Charge J. H. Hanson, dated April 11, 1935, by the Bureau, that Cassius M. McDonald was interviewed by the Detroit Office on January 11, 1934 in connection with the case entitled "JOHN H. HOWARD et al - White Slave Traffic Act." A search of the card index files of the Detroit Office reveals no record of this case nor is there any indication that the Detroit Office is in possession of a case involving John H. Howard in connection with a violation of the White Slave Traffic Act.

In a memorandum submitted by former Special Agent J. L. Murphy of the Detroit Bureau Office, dated February 18, 1935, it is indicated that Mr. Tom McIntyre of the Detroit News called the Detroit Office and advised former Special Agent in Charge Wm. Larson that his paper had received information to the effect that Cassius McDonald had been picked up in Miami, Florida and, in going over their file on Cassius McDonald, he found several items which he thought the Detroit Office might be interested in. One article taken from the Detroit News of September 16, 1921 bears the caption, "Law Student Arrested." This article recites that Cassius McDonald, age 36, had been arrested at Detroit, Michigan, on a charge of larceny by trick; that he had re-

presented himself at a Grand River roadhouse as a friend of Governor Groesbeck's and promised immunity from arrest for selling liquor; that he had received a check for \$1,000 from the operator of this roadhouse. The second article was taken from the Detroit News of September 17, 1921 and bears the headline, "Sold Protection for \$1,000 a Year." This article states that Cassius M. McDonald, posing as a friend of Governor Groesbeck's and Charles Campau of the Department of Public Safety, agreed to sell protection to keepers of roadhouses; that he had obtained \$1,000 from a Grand River roadhouse for one year's protection and at the time of his arrest had this check in his possession. It appears that he promised the roadhouse proprietor that he could operate a faro game and roulette game as well as other gambling devices without interference from the State Police. The article states that investigation developed that McDonald was the son of a former saloonkeeper in Chicago and that his father was also a well known politician in Chicago. This memorandum further indicated that the records of the Detroit Police Department show that McDonald was released on \$2,000 bond, issued by Judge Wilkins and signed by Peter F. Wynn to appear on September 19, 1921. On that date, the case was discharged at the request of Assistant Prosecutor Speed.

The above information as set forth in memorandum of former Special Agent Murphy is being incorporated in this report for the reason that a perusal of the reports in the file does not show that same has ever been contained in reports and it is being shown here for whatever value it may have at the trial of Cassius McDonald.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

The KANSAS CITY OFFICE will interview Richard Galatas, a subject in the Kansas City Massacre case, relative to any information he may possess concerning Cassius McDonald's association with the underworld.

The BUFFALO OFFICE at Rochester, New York, will contact Postal Inspector C. L. Booth regarding the case of William Dale in the use of the mails to defraud one William Click and obtain all information in his possession concerning Dale's association with McDonald. If Dale is presently held at Rochester, will interview him for any information he may have concerning McDonald.

The CHICAGO OFFICE at Chicago, Illinois, will interview John MacFarland at the Davis Department Store in regard to McDonald's connections with gambling concessions at Miami, Florida and Havana, Cuba.

The ATLANTA OFFICE at Atlanta, Georgia, will secure whatever information the Atlanta office of the Intelligence Unit of the Bureau of Internal Revenue has relative to the investigation conducted by that office of possible income tax violations on the part of McDonald.

The DETROIT OFFICE, at Watersmeet, Michigan, will conduct appropriate investigation to ascertain if any of the Subjects in this case have visited or are at the hunting lodge of Cassius McDonald.

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Detroit file # W 561

Case entitled:

John Debbins

Tom Robinson

Mr. Dwing or De Wing and

Miss Land Conspiracy to

Violate White Slave T.A.

F. H. Hessler dated Detroit 1-24-23

See Serial 31-2996-8

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June 22, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Detroit, Michigan.

Re: Alvin Karpis, with aliases,
Fugitive, I. O. 1215, et al.
Edward George Bremer - Victim
Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent
A. A. Huxsey dated at Detroit, Michigan, May 15, 1936 in
the above entitled case, wherein on page six, third paragraph
there is contained a statement that a search of the card index
files of the Detroit Office reveals no record of the case en-
titled "John E. Howard, et al - White Slave Traffic Act". It
is noted that Cassius M. McDonald is reported to have been
interviewed at the Detroit Office on January 11, 1934 in connec-
tion with this latter case.

The files of the Bureau contain a report submitted by
Special Agent F. E. Kessler dated at Detroit, Michigan, January
26, 1935 in the case entitled, "John Dobbins, et al; Conspiracy
to Violate White Slave Traffic Act", Detroit File #2546. This
report reflects that Cassius McDonald, then 30 years of age, was
brought to the Detroit Office by Patrick O'Grady of the Detroit
Police Department and questioned concerning his knowledge of
John Dobbins and others who were implicated in the case under
investigation.

McDonald furnished no information of value on that
occasion. He is described in the report of Special Agent Kessler
as age 33 years; height 5 feet 10 3/4 inches; weight 160 pounds;
build tall; hair mixed gray; eyes blue; smooth shaven; residence
90 Stinson Place, Apartment 201; remarks, came to Detroit in 1917
and was employed during the war as Chief of the U. S. Government
Engineers with a Detroit Aircraft concern.

Officer O'Grady of the Detroit Police Department advised
that he had known McDonald for some time as a bondsman for confidence
men.

cc Cincinnati
St. Paul
Chicago
Jacksonville

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

REPORT MADE AT: WASHINGTON, D. C.	DATE WHEN MADE: 5-14-35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 5-14-35	REPORT MADE BY: F. M. HICKEY
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232; VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I. O. 1237 - FUGITIVE; WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I. O. 1238; WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239; HARRY SAWYER with aliases, I.O. 1240; MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O. 1241, ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Synopsis of Facts: Office of Comptroller of the Currency, Treasury Department, Washington, D. C., has no record of bank ever having existed by name of NATIONAL CORN EXCHANGE BANK. Proper person to subpoena is Comptroller of the Currency.

REFERENCES:

Report of H. Ranstad, Washington, D. C., dated 4-25-35,
and letter from the Chicago Office, dated 5-7-35.

DETAILS:

AT WASHINGTON, D. C.
Mr. J. P. Yeatman, Assistant Chief, Examining Division, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Treasury Department, caused a check to be made of the records of that office which failed to show that there exists or ever has existed a bank known as NATIONAL CORN EXCHANGE BANK. Mr. Yeatman stated that when necessary to have a designated person appear in Court, the Comptroller of the Currency designates this particular person to take in Court a book listing the names of all banks in the United States.

In this particular case should it become necessary to issue a subpoena to produce such records, the subpoena should be directed to Honorable J. F. T. O'Connor, Comptroller of the Currency, Treasury Department, Washington, D. C. who will designate the proper person to appear in Court with the necessary documentary evidence to show that no such bank ever existed as NATIONAL CORN EXCHANGE BANK.

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>J. M. Keith</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	7-576-6015 UNITED STATES	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES RECORDED AND INDEXED MAY 16 1935 MAY 21 1935 JACKETED
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*1 copy to Mr. H. J. O'Connell
via Asst. U.S. Atty. - 5-15-35*

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR
EAT:CDW

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

May 7, 1935

Mr. Nathan
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Mr. Backus
Mr. Baughman
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Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Keith
Mr. Lester
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Schilder
Mr. Smith
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Tracy
Miss Gandy

Time - 4:05 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

Mr. Connelley telephoned from the New Orleans Office and advised that the plans now are for Harry Sawyer to leave New Orleans with two Deputy United States Marshals at 8:30 o'clock in the morning, which will put them in Chicago about 8:30 o'clock Thursday morning. They will then leave Chicago at 10:00 o'clock on the Chicago-Northwestern, and arrive in St. Paul at 8:25 o'clock, P.M. Mr. Connelley said that he would have Agents of the New Orleans Office check Sawyer and the Deputies on the train at New Orleans; that he will call the Chicago Office and have Agents of that office check them from the Illinois-Central Station to the Chicago-Northwestern Station, after which he will call the United States Marshal at St. Paul and request him to meet the train with the patrol wagon and take Sawyer to the jail in St. Paul. In this manner, Mr. Connelley said that it will not be necessary for any of the Agents to accompany the party. I said that this is not necessary, particularly in view of the fact that Sawyer is now technically out of our hands.

Mr. Connelley said that he has been unable to get any information from Sawyer other than that he previously furnished to the Bureau.

At this point, I informed Mr. Connelley of the information previously furnished to me by Agent Morton of the Indianapolis Office concerning the location by that office of the Oldsmobile automobile operated by Babs Moran in which Willie Harrison is supposed to be riding. I told him that the Agents of the Indianapolis Office have made an identification of Babs Moran, and at the present time are keeping an apartment in Louisville, Kentucky, under surveillance. I told him that while they have developed nothing positive on Harrison as yet, the situation looks pretty good.

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Mr. Connelley said that he plans to leave New Orleans at 8:20 to-night, which will put him in Indianapolis about 9:20 tomorrow night. I told him that it might be a good idea for him to stop off at Louisville and look the situation over there, and lend his assistance in the matter. He concurred in this, and said that he would stop off at Louisville and make a survey of the set-up. Mr. Connelley said that he would wire the Bureau his train reservations so that we might communicate with him en route if necessary.

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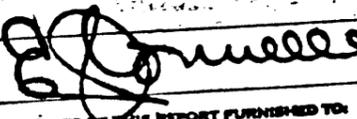
Respectfully,

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REPORT MADE AT Cincinnati, Ohio			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.												
ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE I.O. 1218 DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232 HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. 1236 VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases - FUGITIVE I.O. 1237 WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O. 1238 WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239 SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: MYRTLE TATON with aliases I.O. 1241 et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim															
<div style="float: right; border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%; padding: 5px; text-align: center;">  </div> <p style="text-align: center;">More detailed statement as to certain situations obtained from HARRY SAWYER as to his contact with Fred Barker at Cleveland, St. Paul and others connected with the gang. Surveillance maintained as to the activities of JOHN HUSKIL MORAN and WILLIAM KERIN at Louisville, Ky., where they are living at 4540 W. Broadway, having rented an apartment, paying in advance to May 27, 1935. Contacts indicate visits to Kentucky Hotel in downtown Louisville, to the Municipal Bar, Jeffersonville, Indiana; also that they worked for about one week at the Greyhound Roadhouse, Jeffersonville, Ind., week of April 29; they apparently are not contacting anyone wanted in connection with this case. Moran is in communication with party, apparently his Mother at Mobile, Ala., Kerin has been in communication with Frank Walsh, Chicago to obtain funds. These parties evidently unsuccessful in their venture at Louisville and are now planning to return to Chicago where surveillance being continued and effort will be made to trail them into Chicago where they will be turned over to</p>															
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Chicago office Agents in an effort
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REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent D. W. Magee, New Orleans, La., dated May 10, 1935 and letter of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, New Orleans, La., to Bureau dated May 7, 1935.

DETAILS:

AT NEW ORLEANS, LA.

Supplementing the information contained in my memorandum attached to letter directed to the Bureau on May 7, 1935 from New Orleans, La., HARRY SAWYER was interviewed further at the Federal Detention Headquarters, New Orleans, La., on May 7, 1935 in the presence of Special Agent C. H. Olson, at which time he elaborated upon certain situations previously covered in statement obtained from him. At all times Harry Sawyer indicated definitely that he would not consider signing any statement of any kind in connection with any remarks he might make.

With further reference to the supposed telephone call which was received from Kansas City on the night of June 16, 1933 at which time a party apparently tried to contact him, as related in the previous statements of his wife, Gladys Sawyer, he, Harry Sawyer advises that he does recall that someone on this occasion made reference to the fact that Kansas City was calling him, but that he had no idea as to who it was who was calling; that the call was never completed; that he does not know of anyone being in or about his place at this time who had been associated with Verne C. Miller.

He advised that he recalls Fred Barker and Paula Harmon were living in St. Paul before the time of the Hamm Kidnaping June, 1933 and that Paula would come to his place to buy beer, but that he recalls that Paula and Fred did not "hang around" his place much; that possibly Ray Karpis was around St. Paul at this time, however he is not positive as to this. He indicates that he was not aware of the definite address where Fred and Paula were living and did not know they were living at 204 Vernon Ave., St. Paul.

He advised that possibly two years ago on Thanksgiving, he recalls he was at the place of Zeigler and his wife, they then living at Haywood, Wisconsin; that he and his wife were with Zeigler and his wife for about two days; that he recalls meeting

this party who was in fact GEORGE GOETZ at the Hollyhocks Inn together with JACK PFIEFFER and Pfeiffer's woman VI. He indicated that he did not know that Goetz was a member of the so-called syndicate in Chicago.

He advised that on the occasion he and Jack Pfeiffer were called in by the Police for interview about April 1, 1934 or earlier, the only thing they asked him as to the Bremer kidnaping was as to whether or not he knew of any suspicious parties being in town and then let him go.

As to the statement of his wife to the effect that he, Harry Sawyer, had said "The boys got along pretty good", he indicates that he does not remember this statement, that he is sure he did not say anything about Freddy and Ray being in on the job, referring to the Bremer kidnaping; that he did not know who was in on this job.

With reference to Varne C. Miller he advised that he does not believe Miller spent much time in St. Paul and that the only occasions he met Miller were when he was with Vi Mathis; that he recalls he, together with his wife, Gladys visited Lake Geneva in 1932 with Miller and Vi and that he understood Miller was then in the alcohol racket; that his wife was more intimate with Miller's wife, Vi than he was with Miller; that Miller played considerable golf; that he knows of a party by the name of DAVENPORT in St. Paul who was removed to Wisconsin and acquitted, he being an associate of Charles J. Fitzgerald as reflected in the file, however he says he does not know Fitzgerald. He advises that he never made any statement as to the fact that the ransom money had not as yet been changed for good money and he also advised he did not know that Volney Davis and William Weaver had obtained their share of the ransom money before it was exchanged for good money.

In connection with his flight from St. Paul on or about April 1, 1934, he advises that he communicated with his brother, Ray Sandlovich at Fremont, Nebraska and had him get the Plymouth Coach under the name of Frank James for him and bring it out to Fremont; at which time he turned over the Plymouth Coupe he was driving to his brother of Lincoln, Nebraska and that Ray did not know that he was then in flight as a fugitive. Thereafter, as previously related he proceeded to Las Vegas; that on this trip out he stopped off in Reno only to get a glass of beer and denies that he made any inquiry of anyone as to Fred or Ray; that he recalls Gladys returned to St. Paul in May, 1934 but that he does not know whom she contacted in Sioux City as to the arranging for the forwarding of their mail; that when she received a letter from Ray Karpis or Ray Hunter as he insists he knew him he just went along with his wife for the trip; that the \$2,000.00 he obtained from Fred Barker in Cleveland, Ohio was in \$20.00, \$50.00 and \$100.00 bills; that he does not recall receiving any \$5.00 or \$10.00 bills at this time.

The Plymouth Coach previously above referred to, he advised he sold at Las Vegas for \$350.00 to a fellow who hung around the saloon there; that the trip to Cleveland was made by train.

With reference to the time the three women were arrested in Cleveland September 5, 1934 he advised he does not know just how much money he had at that time; that he now recalls that Fred and Paula were living under the name of J. Earl Matterson rather than Tulverson; that he may have seen Wynona and Campbell at Cleveland; that he does not recall Karpis driving him and his wife to Sandusky to visit Curley and Rabbits, referring to Volney Davis and Edna Murray. He at this time indicated a change in his story to the effect that he had not seen Weaver since they left St. Paul on the first trip about April 1, 1934.

AT LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY

Based upon information furnished by confidential informant, Chicago, Illinois, that John Russell Moran, who had previously contacted ██████████ in St. Louis, Missouri as to the fact that Willie Harrison was located in Chicago, Illinois, and William Karin were to proceed from Chicago to the vicinity of Louisville, Kentucky, where they would be associated with Paddy Hogan, who was to open the Log Cabin Gambling place just outside of Jeffersonville, Indiana, the following investigation was made at Louisville, Kentucky, as is reflected in the following memorandum by Special Agent E. J. Wynn of the Indianapolis Office:

Special Agent E. J. Wynn on the afternoon of April 30 visited the Greyhound, a gambling and dancing resort near Jeffersonville, Indiana. This place is operated by "Greaser" Gavin, a native of Jeffersonville, Indiana and on the whole has a reputation of being a square gambling place. It is a large establishment and enjoys a good patronage. The afternoons are devoted to horse race betting and various other forms of gambling. The evenings and nights provide dancing and entertainment in addition to various forms of gambling. None of the subjects of this case or John Russell Moran were observed.

Mr. William Kriel, Lincoln Garage, 444 S. 5th St., Louisville, Ky., is an old time gambler and is a "tout" for the Greyhound. He is in charge of the fleet of automobiles which convey patrons to the Greyhound from Louisville, Ky. Agent Wynn was advised by Mr. John Malley, Secret Service, Louisville, Ky., that Kriel could be approached. Kriel advised that the Log Cabin, located near Jeffersonville, Indiana, near the Greyhound was open for Derby Week; that little was known concerning all the persons connected therewith inasmuch as they were from out of town; that Frankie Merritt of Cleveland, Ohio, and Pat Hogan alias Harrington of St. Louis, Mo., and Newport and Covington, Ky., were very active in the operation

thereof; that Hogan alias Harrington lived at the Thelma Apartments, Jeffersonville, Ind., and Merritt lived at the Kentucky Hotel, Louisville, Ky.

The Log Cabin was covered on the night of April 30, 1935. There was a very small crowd in attendance and very little activity in the gambling casino. None of the subjects were observed. From the description of Hogan provided by Kriel, Agent observed a person thought to be Hogan in the gambling casino. He is described as follows:

Age 32-35
Height 5'9"
Weight 164#
Build Slender, well developed shoulders with slim waist line;
Complexion - Sallow; flat nose.

This individual was subsequently observed in the Kentucky Hotel, Louisville, Kentucky and pointed out by Kriel as being Hogan.

The Log Cabin was covered on the night of May 2, 1935 by Special Agents E. J. Wynn, G. B. O'Connell and Z. J. Van Landingham from about 9:00 P.M. until 2:00 A.M., on the morning of May 3, 1935, and by the same Agents and Agent H. W. Costello from about 11:00 P.M. on the night of May 3, 1935 until 5:00 A.M., on May 4, 1935 (Derby Eve). None of the subjects of this case were observed.

All first and second class hotels in Louisville, Ky., were checked prior to the Kentucky Derby by Agents E. J. Wynn, H. W. Costello and also all the downtown garages were checked by Agents E. J. Wynn and G. B. O'Connell. No trace of any of the subjects was found and no information developed as to the location of the Oldsmobile Sedan bearing Florida license D 9350. In connection with this car, the Louisville, Kentucky Police Department were instructed to be on the lookout for this car, but never located it.

Agents H. W. Costello, G. B. O'Connell, Z. J. Van Landingham and E. J. Wynn covered the Churchill Downs Race Track on May 3, 1935, and also on May 4, 1935, the running of the Kentucky Derby. Photographs of various subjects in this case on which identification orders have been issued were distributed to members of the Louisville, Kentucky Detective Bureau covering the Churchill Downs Track and also to the private detectives covering the track under James W. Kinnarney. No information was developed from this endeavor.

On the night of May 6, 1935 at about 11:30 P.M. Special Agents G. B. O'Connell and E. J. Wynn while cruising in Jeffersonville, Indiana spotted Oldsmobile Sedan, Florida license D9350 at the Municipal Bar, Jeffersonville, Indiana, a gambling resort. At that time it was parked and occupied by two men who were talking with another man. This car was followed to Louisville, Ky. one of the men got out of the car in downtown Louisville, Kentucky. The car was then followed to the Shawnee View Apartments, 4540 W. Broadway, Louisville, Kentucky, where the driver was observed to carry a golf bag out and enter the apartment. It developed that John Russell Moran and William Kerin live in Apartment 18. Investigation developed that they moved into this apartment on April 27, 1935 paying \$50.00 for one month's rent in advance.

A Graham Coupe was observed in front of this apartment bearing Florida license D 5088. Subsequent check developed this car to be that of John R. Moran.

Contact was made with Mrs. Dupree, resident manager of the Shawnee View Apartments. On the afternoon of May 8, 1935, Special Agent H. B. Dill was informed by her that two strange men in Apartment 18 resembled subjects Karpis and Weaver. Agent Dill waited in the apartment of Mrs. Dupree, while Agents Van Landingham, M. B. Klein, O'Connell, Costello and Wynn covered the apartment. However, the two men left the apartment and were observed by Agent Dill who reported that they did not resemble subjects Karpis and Weaver. Agent Dill followed them to the Log Cabin, Jeffersonville, Indiana and to further satisfy himself talked with them for a few minutes under pretext.

Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley arrived at Louisville, Kentucky, on May 8, 1935, at 5:00 P.M.

From the time of first spotting the Florida license D 9350 it was kept under observation. Moran and Kerin frequented the Kentucky Hotel on numerous occasions and appeared to be living an easy and carefree life. Bill Kriel stated that the Log Cabin crowd were staying in town in an effort to chisel in on gambling in Louisville, Kentucky and also in an effort to open the dog racing track at Jeffersonville, Indiana.

Special Agent Z. J. Van Landingham, during the course of the investigation, and prior to locating Moran and Kerin talked with Sheriff Al Hughes, Jeffersonville, Indiana. Subsequent information developed that the son of Al Hughes is Clerk of the Circuit Court, Jeffersonville, Indiana and has been friendly with Pat Hogan, in fact, he aided Pat Hogan open the Log Cabin and has often been observed riding around in the car of Pat Hogan. Hogan is driving a 1935 Ford tan coupe, Indiana license 284 701 issued in

the name of Pat Harrington. It is possible that Sheriff Hughes or his son tipped the Log Cabin crowd off to this investigation.

During the entire investigation effort was made to observe all persons connected with the Log Cabin. A man driving Ford Coupe, Mo. license 65811 was observed on several occasions at the Log Cabin and at Churchill Downs Track and the lobby of the Kentucky Hotel associating with various persons connected with the Log Cabin. However, he was never noted associating particularly with Pat Hogan nor was he ever observed associating with Moran or Kerin. He was called "Charley" by his associates. Special Agent G. B. O'Connell at the Churchill Downs Race Track and at the Log Cabin engaged him in conversation. He stated his name was Charles Riordan from St. Louis, Mo., and that he was or had been Democratic National Committeeman from St. Louis. Report of Special Agent Redmond, St. Louis, 5-10-35 indicates the owner of Ford Coupe Mo. license is Robert B. Prout. It was at first thought that this person resembled subject Harrison, but after conversation with him by Special Agent O'Connell and close observation by Special Agents Z. J. Van Landingham, Costello and Wynn it was apparent that he was not identical with subject Harrison.

Inquiry was made by Special Agent G. B. O'Connell at the Thelma Apartments, Jeffersonville, Indiana, which resulted in the information that Pat Harrington lived in Apartment #9 and that no person resembling any of the subjects was frequenting this apartment.

Frankie Merritt is driving a Graham Roadster or convertible Coupe, Georgia license 8692 A.

May 7, 1935, Al Feeney, State Director of Safety, Indianapolis, Indiana closed all gambling at the resorts in Jeffersonville, Indiana and vicinity.

For future information, the Kentucky Hotel, Louisville, Kentucky, although outwardly a first class hotel, has the reputation of harboring shady characters. The hotel is reported to be operated by St. Louis capital and the Manager, Ben Friedman is from St. Louis, Mo. No cooperation can be expected from the hotel. The hotel is the congregating place for all "punks" and gamblers in Louisville, Ky., and the manager, Friedman has the reputation of putting up "hot" boys. Just how true this is is not known. The Louisville, Kentucky Police Department has been very unsuccessful in securing any cooperation from the hotel.

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Upon arrival in Louisville, Kentucky on the night of May 8, 1935, the general activity above referred to was continued and surveillance maintained of John Russell Moran and William Kerin,

who are residing at 4540 W. Broadway, Louisville, Kentucky, at the Shawnee View Apartments, there being engaged on this work at this time to maintain surveillance Agents Wynn, O'Connell, Costello, Van Landingham and Mill of the Indianapolis office and Agents Klein, Buchanan, Johnson, and Bickley of the Cincinnati office.

These parties at the present time are using two automobiles, John Russell Moran apparently being in the possession of and the owner of a Graham Paige Coupe, dark blue in color bearing Florida license 1935 D 5088 and Kerin using a gray Oldsmobile Sedan bearing Florida 1935 license D 9350.

Observation of the movements of these two parties indicated that they spent considerable time around the Kentucky Hotel, Louisville and also visited the Municipal Bar in Jeffersonville, Indiana, which is just across the river in Indiana; that they also had taken women to their apartment from time to time and also one one occasion they visited the dog track just outside of Jeffersonville and which they had expected to open for operation, but as to which they were unsuccessful apparently by reason of certain recent legislation in Indiana as to gambling.

When the investigation was initiated as to this situation at Louisville, Kentucky and Jeffersonville, Indiana, Special Agent Van Landingham approached Sheriff Al Hughes of Jeffersonville and advised him as to the inquiry which was being made to locate Patty Hogan, who was supposed to open for operation the Log Cabin and also that we were endeavoring to locate the automobile with Florida 1935 license D 9350 and that these parties were being searched for in connection with the possibility that Willie Harrison would contact them when they arrived at Louisville and located there and apparently the Sheriff was fully aware of the purpose of the inquiry being made. Later, one Ted Hughes, who is the County Clerk at Jeffersonville, Ind., was observed in intimate association with Patty Hogan, whose correct name is apparently Harrington and the Sheriff was advised of this situation and he indicated that if Ted Hughes knew anything as to this situation he, the Sheriff, would be able to learn the information. The Sheriff however did not furnish any information after this time and did not volunteer the information until he was asked to do so that Ted Hughes was his son, all of which would indicate that apparently the subjects were possibly advised of the investigation and the nature of the investigation being conducted, as it was noted in endeavoring to trail these parties in their automobiles, that they were apparently watching for someone to be following; also in this connection previously the Agents at Louisville upon instructions had maintained a close continuous surveillance and tailing of these parties which probably verified in their minds that they were being followed.

On the night of May 8, about 11:40 P.M., apparently Kerin took a woman into the apartment and later he returned this woman apparently to her home in the vicinity of Campbell and East Broadway. This woman being about 30-32 years of age, 5'6", weighing 135-140#, full face and probably a blond.

Telegraphic information received through the Indianapolis Office from Jacksonville Office to the effect that the Florida 1935 license D 5088 was issued to John R. Moran, 323 N.E. 17th St., Miami for Graham Coupe Motor 1807523 and that Moran had been employed during the past season as an attendant at the Biscayne Dog Track at Miami, having left there about April 1. It was indicated he might be located after May 28, 1935 at the dog track at Jeffersonville, Indiana and that his usual permanent address was the Broadview Hotel, E. St. Louis; that he had resided at one time at Miami at the El Comodoro Hotel; that due to the connections of the El Comodoro Hotel no contact had been made at this place as to Moran. It was indicated that Moran was described as 36 years of age, 5'11", ruddy complexion; 160#; that the information obtained had been furnished by [redacted] informant, who as previously indicated will supply information as to the location of William Harrison when he, [redacted] returns to Chicago, if he can ascertain same by inquiry there. b7c b7d

On May 9, 1935 inquiry by Agent J. S. Johnson in the vicinity of the place where Kerin left the girl on the previous night indicated that this woman was probably Elfreda Glaser, 745 Vine St., who was possibly a beauty parlor operator.

Buick Coupe, Ohio License 1935 8398 A was noted in the vicinity of the apartment at 4540 W. Broadway and inquiry was made as to the owner of this car by the Cleveland Office and it was indicated that this license was issued in the name of Jack Berg. With reference to Jack Berg, Agent H. B. Dill made the following inquiry at Louisville, as to his residence in the apartment indicated:

"Jack Berg was accompanied to the Shawnee View Apts., 4540 Broadway by a Tischendorf girl who lives at 4148 W. Broadway; the first visit made to the Shawnee View Apts., was about 2 1/2 months ago when they came there and asked Mrs. Dupree, the apartment manager, if she had an apartment for rent. Mrs. Dupree told them she did not have one at that time. About a month later Berg and the Tischendorf girl came back to Mrs. Dupree and rented Apartment #10. This Apartment is directly under the Apartment occupied by Moran and Kerin. The Tischendorf girl told Mrs. Dupree that Berg was a retired millionaire; that he had been disappointed in love and that his father had told him to go away, have a good time and try to forget.

"Mrs. Dupree stated that she did not know where Berg's home is, that he has Ohio plates on his car. He told her that he lived in New York and that he visited in St. Louis.

Description of Berg, as given by Mrs. Dupree is,
as follows:

Name	JACK BERG
Age	40-45
Height	5'4"
Weight	165#
Complexion	Red
Build	Medium
Hair	Yellow

The Tischendorf girl has lived in the vicinity of Mrs. Dupree's Apartment all her life, according to Mrs. Dupree. She enjoys a good reputation. Her father is a coal dealer. Berg had apparently been living in a hotel when he moved to the Shawnee View Apartments, because he told Mrs. Dupree that he was tired of living in hotels and wanted to get an Apartment.

The Tischendorf girl has been to Berg's Apartment on a number of occasions and Mrs. Dupree states that she has seen her accompanied by Berg quite often lately.

Apparently Berg had nothing to do with the subjects of this investigation.

Late on the night of May 9, 1935, Moran proceeded to a Western Union Telegraph Office at Louisville, at Fourth and Market Sts., where he sent the following night letter:

Mrs. Catherine Clyatt,
55 N. Lawrence St.,
Mobile, Ala.

Dear Mother it does not look very favorable for the track here at the present time Can use a little money if you have it
Address 4540 N Broadway. Love, Russell.

The morning of May 10, 1935 the above information was telephoned to the Birmingham Office in order that suitable inquiry might be made as to who this party Clyatt might be and particularly as to whether or not this might be some contact from whom information might be learned as to Harrison or other members of the Karpis-Barker gang.

On this date also there was received through the Post Office at Louisville, Kentucky, tracing as the result of mail cover placed on the mail at 4540 Broadway, of a letter addressed to J. R. Moran, 4540 W. Broadway, postmarked, Mobile, Alabama May 8, 1935 with return address of G. E. Clyatt, 55 N. Lawrence St., Mobile. There was also received tracing of a letter addressed to Mrs. William Kerin, 4540 W. Broadway, Louisville, Kentucky, the same being sent air mail, postmarked Miami, Fla., May 9, 1935, with return address of 323 N.E. 17th St.

Special Agent H. D. Harris of the Cincinnati Office in connection with the Buick Coupe previously above mentioned, ascertained that Ohio License 8398 A had been issued to Jack Berg, 1427 Allerton Hotel, Cleveland, Ohio, for 1932 Buick Coupe, Motor #2828568. Inquiry by the Indianapolis Office through the Cleveland Office indicated that this license was apparently issued to one Jack Berg, who was a liquor salesman and had stopped at the New Secour Hotel, Toledo, November 26, 1934 giving his address as 1635 Broadway, New York City; that he had also registered at the same hotel on January 10, 1935 giving his address as 3550 Broadway, New York City; that he had registered at this same hotel again on January 22, 1935 giving as his address 1350 Estes St., Chicago, Illinois; that in making application for this license tag on January 11, 1935 at Toledo at the Court House, he was unable to produce his Bill of Sale and was not given a license; that later, through the Automobile Club in Toledo he claimed to have been issued his Bill of Sale in Cleveland, Ohio and that it was registered under #2,100,920; that inquiry by the Cleveland Office indicated that this car was formerly owned by Margaret Burke, wife of Billy Burke, a golf professional; that her Bill of Sale was from Conn., and gave the address of 72 Valley Wood Rd., Greenwich, Conn; that the Margaret Burke referred to now lives at 2822 E. 132nd St., Cleveland, Ohio, and that she had sold the car to the Ohio Buick Co., Cleveland, Ohio, from whom Berg purchased it.

Memorandum of what is apparently an old insurance receipt from the apartment at 4540 W. Broadway indicated that John Russell Moran had given the address of 4165 S. Halsted St., Chicago and this information was given to the Chicago office for the necessary checks.

It was also ascertained that Kerin had sent the following wire on May 10, 1935, via Postal Telegraph:

"Frank Walsh,
20 W. Jackson Blvd., Room 707,
Chicago, Ill.

Please send fifty to forty five forty West Broadway Thanks,
(Signed) Bill Kerin".

This information was telephoned to the Chicago Office in order that suitable check might be made as to who and what connection Frank Walsh might have with the case.

On May 11, 1935, dictaphone was installed in the apartment at 4540 W. Broadway, being placed through the wall at the telephone connection from the adjoining apartment of B. E. MacNeill, Apartment #20, however in listening in on this no conversation of any value was picked up indicating the activities of Kerin and Moran.

Subjects apparently received money by telegraph on the morning of May 11, 1935 and thereafter spent the afternoon at the race track and the evening of Saturday, May 11 around town at the Seelbach Hotel and the Kentucky Hotel, having picked up a girl companion in the meantime, however at this time and at other times while they were being covered, they apparently contacted no one resembling William J. Harrison or others connected with this case.

The Chicago Office telephoned to Louisville on May 11, 1935 that they had checked Room 707 at 20 W. Jackson Blvd., which is the Great Northern Office Building, and Room 707 is a high class gambling and book making place, which is run by James P. Nolan, who is considered a respectable man and who has a brother on the Board of Trade in Chicago; that Frank Walsh referred to, works in the book making establishment, is about 40 years of age, 5'10", medium build, partially bald and a bachelor, living somewhere on the South Side. However, through confidential inquiry none of the subjects could be identified as frequenting this place. It was also indicated at this time that the address given by Moran, 4165 S. Halsted St., was formerly run by Italians and was called "The Horn Palace", the proprietor possibly being James "Highpockets" O'Brien; that the second floor was used as the Dakota Hotel, run by Tony Polcus; that this building had burned down in May, 1935; that Tony Polcus is now running a tavern at 4189 S. Halsted Street and that the Dakota Hotel has moved to 741 Root St., and John Pottas is presently the manager.

On Sunday night, May 12, 1935, Agent Dill, who had been working around the apartment house at 4540 W. Broadway, under cover and who had picked up a speaking acquaintance with Kerin met him in front of the Seelbach Hotel and in general conversation with Mr. Kerin, he indicated that their efforts to open the dog track at Jeffersonville, Indiana had been a failure; that they were planning to return to Chicago, Ill; that the only reason they were remaining in Louisville at this time was because of the fact that they had their rent paid in advance at this place; that upon arriving at first in Louisville, Ky., the week of the Derby, the Derby being run on Saturday, May 4, 1935, he and his friend had been working for a gambler who had a concession for the week in question at the Greyhound Roadhouse, which is located just outside of Jeffersonville and about $\frac{1}{2}$ miles South of the location of the Log Cabin Roadhouse, both of which are located on Highway 31 E. On Sunday night about 11:00 P.M. Agent Van Ledingham followed the woman who had been seen previously with Moran, to room 1701 in the Kentucky Hotel, where she joined apparently a number of men in the room.

On Monday, May 13, 1935, telephonic communication had with the Indianapolis Office and Acting S.A.C. Morton was advised of the general set-up and arrangements made by which Special Agents Klein and Wynn, Buchanan and Dill would continue the surveillance of Moran and Kerin, assisted by Agent Costello, and that arrangements would be made

to follow these parties when they leave for Chicago, in order to locate where they are living there; that Agents Johnson, Bickley and Special Agent in Charge Connelley were returning to Cincinnati; that Agents Van Landingham and O'Connell were discontinuing investigation in this matter.

The above information was telephoned to the Chicago Office on May 13, 1935, at which time they were furnished with a description and license numbers of the cars being used by Kerin and Moran and that the Agents would follow them out of Louisville into Chicago and would telephone when they leave, together with the route being taken by subjects to Chicago, in order that the Chicago Office could have suitable Agents in automobiles meet these parties on the Highway in order to trail them into Chicago to their destination and locations. The five Agents at Louisville are continuing their surveillance for the purpose above indicated under the immediate supervision of Special Agent N. B. Klein.

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Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUG. I.O. 1218; ET AL
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232;
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236;
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, FUG. I.O. 1237;
WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O. 1238;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239;
HARRY SAWYER with aliases, I.O. 1240;
MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O. 1241, ET AL
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING - HARBORING - OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE -
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent R. P. Shanahan, dated at Kansas City, Missouri, April 25, 1935, in the above entitled case, and to the letter from this office dated May 8, 1935, in the case entitled "Vinita Stacey with aliases; Kidnaping - Harboring Jess Doyle".

In connection therewith, the Bureau is advised that Assistant Prosecutor Gilwee, at Kansas City, Missouri, advised Special Agent Waters, of this office, that Mr. Graves, the Prosecutor of Jackson County, desires to know whether Mrs. Helen Rush, alias Frances Taylor, presently incarcerated in the Federal Industrial Institution for Women at Alderson, West Virginia, can identify the photograph of Vinita Stacey and would be willing to testify against her with reference to the felonious assault which was the outgrowth of Vinita Stacey's firing five shots from an automatic and wounding Helen Rush.

It will be noted from Agent Shanahan's report previously referred to that Vinita Stacey identified the person referred to as "Leo", residing at 4915 Troost Street, Kansas City, Missouri, as being identical with Irish O'Malley, subject of identification.

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Order 1200, who is a subject in the Luer kidnaping case. It is also noted that Irish O'Malley and Lloyd Doyle, subject of Identification Order 1208, according to Vinita Stacey, participated in the robbery of the First National Bank, Okemah, Oklahoma, and the Okemah National Bank of the same city, in December 1934.

subject

It is believed, from a review of the file, that Mrs. Helen Rush, alias Frances Taylor, if she felt inclined to do so, could furnish considerable valuable information relative to the hangouts and associates of Irish O'Malley and Blackie Doyle, and it is the opinion of the undersigned that an interview with her at Alderson might be productive of favorable results. Inasmuch as Special Agent Waters is now on subpoena at Wheeling, West Virginia, and in view of his familiarity with the Bremer case, the Luer kidnaping case and the robbery of the national banks at Okemah, all of which cases are presently assigned to him, it is suggested that if there is sufficient time while waiting to testify at Wheeling, he should proceed to Alderson to interview Helen Rush.

In the event this suggestion is approved by the Bureau it is suggested that the Pittsburgh Office be advised telegraphically to that effect.

Very truly yours,


E. E. CONROY
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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Special Agent in Charge,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I. O. 1218; ET AL;
Edward George Bremer, Victim, KIDNAPING;
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; HARBORING OF
FUGITIVES; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Dear Sir:

The Bureau desires to be notified immediately whether the bodies of Fred Barker and Kate Barker have as yet been disposed of and, if so, what disposition was made. In the event these bodies are still being held by the undertaker, your office is requested to so advise the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St. N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Sir:

Re: Alvin Karpis, with aliases, Fugitive,
I.O. 1218; Harry Campbell, with aliases,
I.O. 1235; Volney Davis, with aliases,
Fugitive, I.O. 1237; Dr. Joseph P. Moran,
with aliases, I.O. 1232; William Weaver,
with aliases, I.O. 1238; Harry Sawyer, with
aliases, I.O. 1240; William J. Harrison,
with aliases, I.O. 1239; Myrtle Eaton, with
aliases, I.O. 1241; et al.
Edward George Bremer - Victim.
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I am transmitting, under separate cover, by Railway Express, one un-
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together with fifteen kleinbore .25 calibre or 6.35 mm automatic central fire
smokeless cartridges. The bullets contain 50 grains of powder and are metal
cased.

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The bullets were found in the residence of Subject Harry Sawyer at
Long Beach, Mississippi. At first, he denied that he owned any firearms but,
upon being confronted with the knowledge of the cartridges, advised Special
Agent C. H. Olson that he owned the instant pistol, and Special Agent M. W.
Meekins was instructed to secure this gun from the negro saloon and lottery
establishment owned by Subject Sawyer at Pass Christian, Mississippi, where it
was located. Agent Meekins secured the gun from Sam Myers, an employee of
Subject Sawyer. He informed Agent Meekins that when Sawyer first arrived in
that vicinity he carried the gun constantly, but that of recent dates he has
left the gun in the barroom.

No test shots were fired from this gun and it is suggested that the
Bureau make any tests deemed advisable.

The purpose of the transmission of this gun is for the exhibit of the
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May 27, 1935.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of State,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

During the course of an official investigation conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation of this Department, there has been recovered from an individual, recently taken into custody in connection with a kidnaping case, an automatic pistol which was apparently manufactured in Germany. This pistol is of 6.35 millimeter calibre, bears serial number 140007 and reflects the manufacturer's name, which appears to be the Deutsche Werke, A. G., Erfurt, Germany.

It is desired that appropriate inquiry be made by the Consular Officers in Germany of the manufacturer with a view to possibly tracing this weapon into the possession of the individual from whom it has been recovered. Any information developed by the representatives of the Department of State will be appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Homer Cummings
Attorney General.



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Chicago, Illinois.

May 15, 1935

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir,

Due to the fact that Special Agents R. C. Suran and J. L. Madala have returned to the Chicago Office from St. Paul, they are being assigned to the Bremer kidnaping case. This assignment was made after telephonic communication with Mr. E. J. Connelley at Cincinnati.

The Jodil case will also be assigned to Special Agent Suran, there being very little work to be done on this case at the present time.

Very truly yours,

M. H. Purvis

M. H. PURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge

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REPORT MADE AT: NEW ORLEANS, LA.	DATE WHEN MADE: 5/15/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 5/6-11/35	REPORT MADE BY: M. W. MEEKINS
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. 1235; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1237; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232; WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I.O. 1238; HARRY SAWYER, with aliases, I.O. 1240; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. 1239; MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I.O. 1241; et al. SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
<p>Further investigation at Gulfport and Pass Christian, Miss., and vicinity, failed to disclose information indicating Harry Sawyer, with aliases, or his wife, in communication or contact with other members of gang.</p>			
<p>REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent in Charge D. W. Magee, New Orleans, La., 5/10/35.</p>			
<p>DETAILS: Following the apprehension of Subject Harry Sawyer at Pass Christian, Mississippi, on May 3, 1935, where he was engaged in the operation of a local negro beer joint, and the subsequent location of Mrs. Gladys Sawyer at their home at Long Beach, Mississippi, a few miles distant from Pass Christian, extensive investigations were made at Bay St. Louis, West Pass Christian, Henderson Point, Pass Christian, Long Beach, Gulfport and Biloxi, Mississippi, in efforts to develop information of other members of the instant matter and especially with reference to the possibility that Subject Doctor Moran might be in the vicinity of Biloxi, all with negative results, and in each of the cities named, all drug stores and either all or a majority of the physicians thereof were interviewed with particular reference to Dr. James Moran, Fugitive. Numerous filling station operators, cafe managers and beach amusement centers were contacted likewise. The results of the above investigations being of negative results, the investigation above is summarized herein, while the names and addresses are retained in the New Orleans file in memorandum form.</p>			
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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>D. W. Magee</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	7-576-6023	RECORDED AND INDEXED: MAY 17 1935
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Reference is made to page 12 of the reference report, relating to information furnished by one Howard Rowe, of New Orleans, Louisiana, concerning which Special Agent in Charge Connelley is familiar, to the effect that a nephew of his, one Fred Bentz, of Clarke Street, Pass Christian, Mississippi, had sold Subject Sawyer a radio and that he, Rowe, thought he had seen Sawyer contact two men near the Bay St. Louis Bridge, under suspicious circumstances. In that connection, Fred Bentz, 353 Clarke Street, previously reported 352 Clarke Street, Pass Christian, Mississippi, was interviewed and he informed that he is an electrician of that place and has lived there all his life, and so far as was known, had no relatives by the names of George or Theodore Bentz, or other relatives living in the North; that about four or five weeks ago, one Sam Myers, a local boy, drove out to his home at the above address, introducing one Charles Wright, his boss. Wright then rented two "gas lights" to be used in Wright's Beer Saloon, pending installation of electric lights within the next few days; that, at the same time, Wright took a small radio for trial to be used in the beer parlor; that a few days later, he went over to Wright's Saloon and obtained one of the lights, at which time Wright told him he did not like the tone of the radio and it was returned; that other than this, he knew nothing about Wright and was surprised to later hear he was a "hot" customer. Further, that he frequently goes fishing over the week-ends with his uncle, Howard Rowe, of New Orleans, but has never seen anything unusual. Fred Bentz failed to identify the photographs of any of the suspects or Subjects in the instant matter as persons he had seen in that section, other than a photograph of Subject Sawyer. It was ascertained that he reads Detective stories and that he and his parents, as well as his other brothers, cut out photographs of "Wanted Men" and retain them in loose leaf form, frequently discussing among themselves what a great place Pass Christian would be for crooks to hang out.

In view of the name Bentz, discreet inquiries were made of Deputy Sheriff William Simpson, who also lives in Pass Christian, and he informed that the Pass Christian Bentz family had lived there all their lives and were strictly local people, never being known to have strangers or unknown relatives visit them.

Subsequently, according to previous arrangements, agent met Howard Rowe, uncle of Fred and Stanford Bentz, at the Bentz home, and on interview, he informed that about one month ago he was fishing on the canal near the foot of the Bay St. Louis bridge, just off of Henderson's Point, with Stanford Bentz, at which time he noticed two men sitting in a large sedan near-by, as if waiting for someone; that finally one man came over and asked what luck he was having, following which a short conversation was had in which he asked the stranger what he was doing in that section and was advised that he and his partner were just roaming over the country spending all the money they could, at which moment he exhibited a large roll of bills about the size of a man's double fist, which he took from his right front pants pocket, but which, on being returned to the pocket, could hardly be seen; that shortly thereafter, a large fellow drove up in a large coupe or sedan and stopped near the first car, following which the three strangers got together about one hundred yards away and held a short conversation, later departing; that about two weeks later, while fishing from the banks, about the same spot, he saw the first stranger with a woman out in a boat fishing. In a few minutes, the large fellow drove past and called to the man in the boat to meet him at the bridge, and

were then last seen on that occasion; that within the past week, he saw one of the strangers drive past him on the streets of Pass Christian.

In this connection, the photographs of all the Subjects and suspects, including women, in the instant file, were exhibited to Rowe, including the latest photograph of Sawyer taken at New Orleans, La., which he failed to identify. He did, however, indicate that the photograph of Jess Doyle resembled one of the strangers but that he did not think that Doyle was the man he had seen, other than his sunken jaws were also a characteristic of one of the strangers.

Stanfort Bentz was interviewed at this time, and after viewing the several photographs of the Subjects in this case, failed to identify any thereof as the likeness of the three men referred to by his uncle, Howard Rowe. Following this, Stanfort Bentz and Howard Rowe engaged in somewhat of an argument over when and where the three men had been seen, as related by Howard Rowe, and it was apparent that Howard Rowe was either confused or thinking of some other incident.

In this connection, it may be stated that Pass Christian is located on Bay Saint Louis, Mississippi Bay, which flows into the Gulf of Mexico, and numerous canals and bayous, and is a popular summer and winter resort, it not being infrequent that large foreign state cars are seen and groups vacation there, especially during the winter months.

However, in view of the fact that one of the strangers was seen in a boat with a woman, J. W. Lizana and Sylvester Mallini, Henderson Point, Pass Christian, Miss., boating agents, were interviewed and it was determined from them that they were the only persons renting boats in that vicinity for the past six months. They both failed to identify interested photographs exhibited to them.

In agreement with instructions, agent endeavored to obtain permission to examine all long distance records since November, 1934, from officials of the Southern Bell Telephone Company, at Gulfport, Miss., district headquarters for the section of interest in this investigation, but same was refused pending instructions from their legal department at Jackson, Miss. This matter to be given further attention.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

NEW ORLEANS OFFICE, will continue investigation at the Gulf Coast cities.

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May 15, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Kansas City, Missouri.

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Dear Sir:

Reference is made to letter from your office dated April 23, 1935, relative to the BREKID case wherein you suggest that it would be preferable for offices sending out reports on this and other cases of unusual length and importance to set forth specific leads for the benefit of offices receiving copies of the report. It is observed that you indicated it would be your opinion this would be preferable to the method presently employed of merely indicating that all offices should review the report and conduct such investigations as appear necessary in their respective districts.

In this connection, you are advised that the policy of the Bureau with respect to setting forth undeveloped leads may be summarized as follows:

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The offices receiving reports and other communications are responsible for the proper conduct of all the appropriate investigations in their respective districts. There may be times when some of the suggested leads should not be pursued due to conditions or circumstances known to the Special Agent in Charge of the office covering the territory where the investigation was requested. At other times, the suggested undeveloped leads might not and frequently do not, cover the full scope of the inquiry which properly should be conducted in the district. Therefore, the responsibility for

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the appropriate development of all leads arising in a Field Office territory rests with the Special Agent in Charge of that particular territory.

The Bureau further believes that it is proper for any office preparing a report or sending forth a letter or other communication requesting an investigation to suggest specific undeveloped leads and these suggested leads are for the purpose of being helpful to the offices which receive copies of the reports or other communications; however, they are suggestive and not mandatory. In the event the suggested leads should not be pursued, the responsibility for failure to follow out these leads without satisfactory explanation rests with the Special Agent in Charge of the office covering the territory where the investigation was requested. The office of origin has the responsibility of seeing that all leads are appropriately developed.

The Bureau, therefore, desires that in transmitting reports or letters requesting investigation, the reporting office set forth as a suggestion all undeveloped leads for each of the respective offices where investigation is indicated. The responsibility for the development of all leads, both those suggested and those that were not specifically suggested but which appear necessary from the reading of the report or communication, rests with the office or offices receiving the report.

The Bureau, therefore, agrees with your suggestion that undeveloped leads should be specifically set forth, and further requires that auxiliary offices assume full responsibility for all investigations, both suggested and implied, in their respective territories.

cc - To all Field Offices

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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POST OFFICE BOX 812,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

May 15, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St., N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir: In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with
aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL
with aliases, I.O. 1236; VOLNEY DAVIS
with aliases, I.O. 1237, FUGITIVE;
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WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O.
1239; MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O.
1241; et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER,
Victim - KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIRE-
ARMS ACT - CHICAGO FILE NO. 7-82

There are enclosed copies of a memorandum submitted by
Special Agent R. D. Brown at the request of Special Agent in
Charge D. M. Ladd, formerly of the St. Paul Bureau office,
relative to the submission in evidence of certain notes taken
by Agent Brown during an interview with subject John J. McLaughlin,
Sr., at the Cook County Jail, Chicago, Illinois, on April 28, 1934,
which notes were introduced in evidence at the recent trial of
this case at St. Paul, Minnesota.

Very truly yours,

M. H. Purvis
M. H. PURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge.

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MEMORANDUM FOR SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE M. H. PURVIS

In re: BREKID

The following memorandum is being submitted to you at the request of Special Agent in Charge D. M. Ladd, St. Paul, Minnesota, in order that this information may be a matter of record.

Shortly after my arrival in St. Paul, Minnesota, on April 16, 1935, where I was subpoenaed to appear as a witness in the Bremer kidnaping case, I had occasion to discuss the testimony I was supposed to give at this trial with Assistant United States Attorney George Heisey. During this discussion I informed Mr. Heisey that I had my original notes taken during the interview with subject John J. McLaughlin, Sr., at the Cook County Jail on the late afternoon of April 28, 1934. Mr. Heisey examined these notes and suggested that I have them with me when called upon to testify relative to the verbal admissions made to me by subject McLaughlin at that time.

He did not indicate to me at that time that these notes might be produced in evidence. The notes were contained in a stenographic notebook which I had with me at the time of this interview with subject McLaughlin and appeared on six separate pages. There were also contained in this notebook other notes made by me on previous investigations. After interviewing McLaughlin on this occasion, he informed me to return the following day at which time he would furnish further and more complete information, he having advised me that he was very tired at the time of the interview.

On the following day Special Agent W. C. Falkner and I returned to the County Jail expecting to obtain further valuable information from McLaughlin, at which time he declined to give further information although he went over some of the information he had given me on the previous day in the presence of Agent Falkner.

On the afternoon of April 28, 1935, while on the witness stand, at the time of my interview with McLaughlin and I stated that I had. He then asked me several questions relative to the verbal admissions made by McLaughlin, and on one occasion asked me to refer to my notes, which I did. The defense attorneys immediately requested permission to see the notes. Mr. Heisey did not object and it was necessary

for me to show these notes to McLaughlin's attorney, Mr. French, a former Assistant United States Attorney at St. Paul. During cross examination Mr. French asked me if I wrote down in a notebook word for word the information given me by McLaughlin. I stated that I had not and explained that after McLaughlin had given me several bits of information I then wrote this information in my notebook in my own words, with the exception of cases wherein he used terms which I thought should be noted in the book as given me by McLaughlin.

During my interview with McLaughlin on the occasion above mentioned, he explained that he on one occasion met a party from whom he obtained the ransom money at a point near the Irving hotel, and drew a diagram showing the location of this point. I tore a page from my notebook on which Mr. McLaughlin drew the diagram. This diagram was also admitted in evidence.

There was a great deal of cross examination with reference to these notes and I fully realize that same should not have been turned over to the defense counsel for use in their cross examination, as notes of this kind taken under the circumstances above indicated are open to much criticism on the part of the defense counsel. Mr. Heisey, while I was on the witness stand finally offered the notes in evidence. I complained that there were other notes in this notebook which should not be made a part of the evidence, and Mr. Heisey then cut from the stenographer's notebook the pages relating to my interview with McLaughlin on that occasion and same were admitted in evidence.

When I had finished my testimony and after the Court had adjourned on that date I inquired of Mr. Heisey as to his reason for his failure to object when the defense counsel requested the notes before referred to. He stated the notes were a valuable piece of evidence, and that he thought they should be made a part of the evidence in the Government's case, although he admitted to me that notes taken under such circumstances placed the witness in an embarrassing position, due to the fact that much criticism relative to the terms used and the form of the notes would result from the defense counsel.

I am submitting this information to you in order that same may be made a part of the file and in order that the Bureau may also be informed of this particular angle of the trial.

Respectfully submitted,

R. D. BROWN,
Special Agent.

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Special Agent in Charge,
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RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUG. I.O. 1218
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EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim;
KIDNAPING, HARBORING OF FUGITIVE, OBSTRUCTION
OF JUSTICE, NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Dear Sir:

On May 10, 1935 Special Agent J. J. Keating submitted the following information in a confidential memorandum to Special Agent in Charge E. Whitley:

"On May 7, 1935, I received a letter from [redacted] who is one of my confidential informants, and who resides at [redacted] this time.

[redacted] informed that he is now residing at [redacted] but that in the event I should write him, to address the letter to [redacted]

"He stated that Agent White of the Los Angeles Office had called on him and used my name in order to obtain, if possible, information as to the whereabouts of Karpis and Campbell and other members of the old mob with whom [redacted] is acquainted. He stated that, due to the fact that I had sent Agent White to him, he gave him the following information, which he received from a friend of his, named John Bolch, who is now serving time in a penitentiary at McAlester, Oklahoma. Bolch is friendly with Karpis and Campbell as well as with [redacted] stated that Bolch told him that Karpis and Campbell and others have a plant near Shamrock, Texas, that they send into Shamrock for their groceries; that they also have a plant in Oklahoma back in the hills, and that the Oklahoma plant is a tough one to get to. [redacted] stated he does not remember the name of the spot in Oklahoma; however, he stated it is a spot where one must stop at a grocery store

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and park one's car, and then ride a horse into the hills to the hideout, which is operated and owned by an old lady and her husband. He stated that if he could contact Belch at the Oklahoma State Penitentiary, Belch would send him to these people and in this manner he would be able to get some information relative to the whereabouts of Karpis and his associates.

He also stated that he gave Agent White information relative to Tommy Feughy of Chicago, who is reported to be connected in Frisco with a one-armed gambler by the name of Cansmore.

██████████ stated that if the Bureau would put him on the payroll as an informant, he feels sure that he could put Karpis and Campbell and others on the spot in about thirty days. He also stated that he is now on the relief rolls at North Long Beach, California, and it is quite difficult for him to get into the Los Angeles Office due to the fact that it costs 5¹/₂ carfare. He also stated that if anything matured from the information he gave Agent White, that White informed him he would be taken care of as to rewards.

██████████ is a very good informant. He has solved many major crimes throughout the country. The Bureau records indicate that a week after the Kansas City Massacre, he informed the Kansas City Office as to the names of the perpetrators of this crime. This agent has known him since the year 1931, has done him favors from time to time, and classes him as a very valuable informant.

In a recent report which was made by the writer in the Bremer case, agent suggested that the Los Angeles Office contact ██████████ for information relative to Sawyer and others, using this agent's name, as the writer knew that he was well acquainted with the Nash-Killer-Karpis and Barker outfits.

This information is being submitted to you for any action deemed appropriate. It is suggested that the Bureau keep this man in tow, as he knows many of the major criminals throughout the country.

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SAC, Cincinnati

May 15, 1935

This information is being directed to the office of origin for appropriate consideration.

Very truly yours,

R. WHITLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc Bureau
St. Paul

UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Cincinnati, Ohio.**

FILE NO. **7-9**

REPORT MADE AT: Indianapolis, Indiana	DATE WHEN MADE: 5/15/33	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 5/15/33	REPORT MADE BY: Nelson Perry, CJC
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I. O. #1218 - FUGITIVE; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I. O. #1236; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, I. O. #1237 - FUGITIVE; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I. O. #1232; WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I. O. #1238; HARRY SAWYER, with aliases, I. O. #1240; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I. O. #1239; MYRTLE RATON, with aliases, I. O. #1241, ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE BREWER - Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING HARBORING OF FUGITIVES OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Stop order placed with Ind. St. Motor Vehicle Reg. Bureau, Indianapolis, on Packard Club sedan motor 189533, serial 476-273A. Pontiac sedan motor 935155 serial 815227 found to have been registered in Indiana in 1933 and notice of Illinois title issued in 1934 upon surrender of Indiana title.			
References: Summary report of Special Agent T. M. McDade, Chicago, Ill., 4/29/33.			
Details: AT INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA			
DETAILS: MR. SOL HOFFMAN, clerk, Indiana State Motor Vehicle Registration Bureau, Indianapolis, Indiana, who has previously been contacted by this office in placing stop orders on motor number files, searched the motor number file for registration of Packard Club Sedan motor number 189533, serial number 476-273A, and determined that no Indiana registration had been filed on this car. A stop order for this car was placed in the motor number file at the Registration Bureau requesting that the Indianapolis Bureau Office be notified at once if application is made for registration of this car.			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>H. N. Reinicke</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE		DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES 7-576-6027 MAY 17 A.M. BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION ROUTED TO: STAT SECT FILE	
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In checking the motor number file for registration of Pontiac sedan motor number 935155, serial number 815227, Mr. Hoffman found that a stop order had been placed on this motor number by the Indianapolis Office. In the report of Special Agent W. G. Banister, Indianapolis, Indiana, dated April 26, 1935, it is to be noted that stop order was placed March 27, 1935, and at this time the motor number files of the State Registration Bureau were searched and no registration was found. Mr. Hoffman determined that this car had been registered in Indiana in 1933, and Indiana title 1889664 had been issued. Upon determining that the Indiana title had been surrendered for Illinois title the stop order was left in the motor number file for possible subsequent registration of this car in Indiana. Mr. Hoffman stated he had no explanation of why the information that this car had been previously registered in Indiana was not determined at the previous search of the files.

At the Title Division of the State Motor Vehicle Registration Bureau, MR. OTTO ROBESON, clerk, produced the file on title number 1889664. This file contained the application for registration for the instant car dated June 16, 1933. The car was sold new to CARL QUICK, whose address is given as Macy, Indiana, by the firm of the name Fred McKown, whose address is given as Warsaw, Indiana. On June 14, 1934, the Indiana State Bureau received from the Secretary of State's Office, Springfield, Illinois, a notice of receipt of out-of-state title, which indicated that Indiana title number 1889664 had been surrendered on this date with application for Illinois title and filed with the Secretary of State, Springfield, Illinois.

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CHICAGO OFFICE at Warsaw and Macy, Indiana

Will conduct appropriate investigation in view of the information set out in the above report if this information has not previously been obtained by the Chicago Office.

ST. LOUIS OFFICE at Springfield, Illinois

Will conduct appropriate investigation with view to location of the Pontiac sedan, motor number 935155, serial number 815227, which was registered June 14, 1934.

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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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J&J FILE NO. 7-24

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Cincinnati, Ohio.**

REPORT MADE AT: Jacksonville, Florida.	DATE WHEN MADE: May 15, 1935.	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: May 14, 1935.	REPORT MADE BY: R. A. Alt
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218, FUGITIVE; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. 1236; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, I.O. 1237; FUGITIVE; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232; WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I.O. 1238; EDWARD BREMER HARRY SAWYER, with aliases, I.O. 1240; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. 1239; MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I.O. 1241; et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Pursuant to request in report of Special Agent T. M. McDade, Chicago, Illinois, April 29, 1935, action has been taken with the Motor Vehicle Commissioner at Tallahassee, Fla. concerning the cars mentioned in said report.			
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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent T. M. McDade, Chicago, Illinois, dated April 29, 1935.			
DETAILS: Appropriate action has been taken with the Motor Vehicle Commissioner in Tallahassee, Florida, concerning all automobiles recorded in report of reference. Appropriate stop cards have been placed where necessary; and stop cards which had been placed against certain automobiles for reasons mentioned in reference report were withdrawn.			
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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>[Signature]</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	7-576-6028	RECORDED AND INDEXED: MAY 17 1935
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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. NATHAN

RE: Bremer Case

Mr. Suydan inquired telephonically if the people, who are presently on trial in St. Paul in connection with the Bremer Kidnaping Case, were not charged with conspiracy instead of the actual kidnaping. I stated that they were charged with conspiracy. Mr. Suydan said he understood there were two indictments, the small group charged under one indictment with the actual kidnaping, and the larger group combined with the smaller group were charged under another indictment with conspiracy. I remarked that I did not know about this, but that Mr. Keenan could tell him.

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Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise you that Special Agent J. H. Rice returned to Oklahoma City at 7:50 A. M., May 15, 1935, from St. Paul, Minnesota, where he has been in attendance at Court in the trial of the Brekid case.

Very truly yours,

Dwight Brantley
DWIGHT BRANTLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

Edw. H. Rice

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
P. O. Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida.

May 16, 1935.

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

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

Special Agent S. K. McKee now in Cuba conducting investigation in above entitled matter has advised that on May 16, 1935, he was proceeding from Havana to Varadero, returning to Havana on May 17th, and that he contemplates returning with Agent Peters to Miami on May 18th, 1935.

Very truly yours,



R. A. Alt
Special Agent in Charge.

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Date April 12, 1935

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

Dear Sir:-

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

Print Number	Name and Alias	Disposition
Oak Park, Ill. Police Department No. 1218 2/17/30.	JOSEPH GALLICCHIO alias Joe Gilichio alias Joe Galeicchio	Released.
Chicago, Illinois Police Department No. C-51065 8/13/33.	SAL MANO	Discharged.

This form to be submitted to the U. S. Bureau of Investigation to report dispositions of cases in which prints were forwarded previously. Dispositions include such information as advice relative to sentences imposed, fines, discharges from custody, etc. Several cases may be listed on each sheet.

Very truly yours,

W. J. Connelley
W. J. CONNELLEY
(Official Title)

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M. K. Milligan
United States Attorney
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of May 7, 1935, and its enclosures, being a letter forwarded to you from John C. DeCourcy, attorney at law, St. Paul, Minnesota, who represented Edna Murray, and an affidavit executed by Edna Murray, stating in substance that the Pontiac Sedan which was purchased by Doris O'Connor, alias Vinita Stacey, under the name of Grace Hanson, was in reality the property of Edna Murray.

In reply to your letter and in confirmation of conversation between Assistant United States Attorney Wilson and Special Agent Waters of this office, it is understood that you plan to reply to Mr. DeCourcy informing him that the above automobile is now legally in possession of the Federal Bureau of Investigation by virtue of an order issued in the Federal Court, and that any effort on DeCourcy's part to obtain possession thereof will of necessity have to be made along the lines of usual legal procedure.

It is noted that title to this car was issued to George L. Harper, an alias of Volney Davis, and that at no time does it appear that it was the bona fide property of Edna Murray.

Very truly yours,

E. E. CONROY
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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JOHN C. DeCOURCY
Attorney at Law
Commerce Building
St. Paul, Minn.

May 6th, 1935

United States District Attorney
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Sir:

I am herewith enclosing an affidavit of Edna Murray who is on trial here in St. Paul in what is known as the Bremer kidnaping case.

She is the true owner of the Pontiac car that the United States Bureau of Investigation attached and I am desirous of having the same transferred to me as Edna Murray is without funds and I have acted as her attorney during her trial which has lasted over three weeks and will undoubtedly take another week to finish.

Mr. Sullivan, our district attorney in St. Paul, has intimated, and I am of the opinion that when the government rests its case, Edna Murray will be exonerated as there has been no testimony connecting her with this crime.

I have a Bill of Sale for this car and you can further verify this claim by examining the registration card which is in one of the pockets of the car.

I would appreciate very much if you would assist me in getting possession of this car without having to hire an attorney at Kansas City as I am reasonable sure that I can convince any tribunal that the facts are as I have stated and that the accompanying affidavit is true.

Respectfully,

(Signed)

John C. DeCourcy

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STATE OF MINNESOTA)
COUNTY OF RAMSEY) SS

EDNA MURRAY, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that on or about the month of October, 1934, she gave to her sister, Doris Stanley, the sum of Eight Hundred Ninety (\$890.00) Dollars for the purpose of purchasing a Pontiac Sedan.

Affiant further states that in accordance with the arrangement with her, Doris Stanley did so purchase said automobile from Noel and Woods, Kansas City, Missouri, for which there was paid the sum of \$890.00. Said car being purchased in the name of Grace Hanson, and subsequently the car was transferred from the name of Grace Hanson to George L. Harper at the request of the affiant herein.

Affiant states that she is the true owner of said automobile having paid for same out of her own funds, but was unable to take the title in her true name, Edna Murray.

Affiant further states that this affidavit is made for the purpose of showing that Edna Murray is the true owner of said automobile, and for the further purpose of transferring said automobile to John C. DeCoursey, attorney for affiant herein, as your affiant is indebted to him for funds for her defense in the so-called Bremer kidnaping case, and this is the only property available to her for payment of such defense.

Affiant further states this transaction may be verified by inquiring of the salesman who sold the car and was in the employ of Noel and Woods of Kansas City.

(Signed) Edna Murray

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 6th day of May, 1935.

(Signed) John C. DeCoursey
Notary Public, Ramsey County, Minn.

My Commission expires Feb. 22, 1942.

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May 13, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Los Angeles, California.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
I.O. #1218 - FUGITIVE, et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
Kidnaping.

Reference is made to our telephone conversation of May 11,
1935.

[redacted] came to this office on May 11th, and
stated that he had been, for the past two years, intimately associated
with [redacted] and
identified himself to us as a friend of Special Agent Clarence Kurt,
and also other employees of the Bureau office at Oklahoma City, with
whom he had worked on the Underhill case, and had been the chief in-
formant. [redacted]

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[redacted] came to San Francisco from Reno, Nevada, where he had
been on a short visit, having left Los Angeles on May 2, 1935, and had
made plans [redacted]

[redacted] He said that he had received a letter from Marie
Ranscy, which was sent from her home address, which is 8017 Wadsworth
Avenue, Los Angeles, stating that she "would have her business cleaned
up there by the 16th", which [redacted] stated meant that she would have
seen Davis, and would then proceed to San Francisco.

He further stated that she had been corresponding with Volney
Davis during the last four months, and to his knowledge she had re-
ceived one letter from him in December, 1934, postmarked St. Louis,
Missouri, in which he enclosed her some money. The only other letter
he had actual personal knowledge she received, was the one she received
on May 1, 1935, in which Volney Davis enclosed \$50.00 for her. [redacted]
stated that he was unable to find out where the letter was postmarked
from.

Marie Ranscy stated to [redacted] that she had known Volney Davis
for sometime, having first met him in Kansas City about 1921. She was

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later married to a man by the name of Ramsey, from whom she has now received a divorce. She has one child that is living with her former husband in Kansas City, and she is at the present time living with her mother and step-father at 8017 Wadsworth Avenue, Los Angeles. [REDACTED] did not know the first name of her parents, but her step-father's name is Stine, and he is in the produce business in Los Angeles. b7c b7d

[REDACTED] further stated that Mamie Ramsey was very "leary" of everyone, since she knew that her friend, Volney Davis, was wanted by the authorities all over the United States, and her parents had no knowledge of the fact that she had known, or gone with a man of his character.

[REDACTED] also thought that if Mamie Ramsey was contacted openly in any way by Agents of the Department of Justice, they would ruin any chances they would have to apprehend Volney Davis, if he should attempt to call upon her at that particular place. He also said that he would proceed from San Francisco on the 11th to Los Angeles, and upon his arrival there, would come directly to the Bureau office, and would work with them in an attempt to apprehend Volney Davis, when he tried to contact Mamie Ramsey, at her home in Los Angeles.

[REDACTED] stated that he thought Volney Davis would come West by the southern route, over highway No. 66, if he came by car, and that he was almost positive that he would travel in this manner.

[REDACTED] gave the description of Mamie Ramsey as follows:

Age	30 years.
Height	5'4".
Weight	130 lbs.
Hair	Dark brown or auburn.
Eyes	Blue.
Build	Heavy.

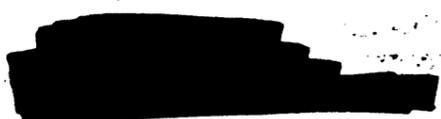
The description of the informant [REDACTED] observed by Special Agent Angus M. Taylor, Jr., is as follows:

Height	[REDACTED]
Weight	[REDACTED]
Build	[REDACTED]
Hair	[REDACTED]

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The unreliability of [redacted] as an informant, as mentioned by you, is being made a matter of record in this office.

Very truly yours,

Jay C. Newman
Special Agent in Charge

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REPORT MADE AT: OMAHA, NEBRASKA	DATE WHEN MADE: 5/16/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 5/10,13/35	REPORT MADE BY: KENNETH LOGAN TME
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. 1235; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases... FUGITIVE... I.O. 1237; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232; WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I.O. 1238; HARRY SAWYER, with aliases, I.O. 1240; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. 1239; MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I.O. 1241: ... et al... EDWARD GEORGE BREWER Victim			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING: HARBORING OF FUGITIVES: OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE: NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT
<p><u>Synopsis of Facts:</u></p> <p style="text-indent: 40px;">Gladys Sawyer, as Ann Wright, visited Mrs. Della Hutter, Omaha, Nebraska, the last of January or first of February, 1935. Mrs. Hutter states Mrs. Sawyer brought letter of introduction from W. C. Stephenson and she denies knowing Mrs. Sawyer prior to that time. R. L. Stephenson, Gulfport, Miss., son of W. C. Stephenson, may have been party who introduced SAWYER to W. C. Stephenson.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- P -</p> <p><u>REFERENCE:</u> Telegram from New Orleans Office, 5/8/35; report of Special Agent in Charge D. W. Magee, New Orleans, May 10, 1935.</p> <p><u>DETAILS:</u> <u>At Omaha, Nebraska</u></p> <p>Investigation disclosed that William Hutter has been employed by the Douglas County Hospital, at Omaha, since 1931, as a fireman and has worked continuously since that time, and is living with his wife, Della Hutter, at 5418 South 23rd Street, in Omaha. In view of the fact William Hutter has been continuously employed for the past four years, without having any time</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>W. H. ...</i>		SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	<p style="text-align: right;">7-576-6035</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MAY 18 A.M.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION</p> <p>ROUTED TO: _____ FILE</p>
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off and that his record has been very satisfactory at the hospital, it seemed advisable to interview him at his home.

Agent interviewed William Hutter and his wife, Della, at their home, with reference to any knowledge they might have of Gladys Sawyer, alias Ann Wright. Both denied having any knowledge whatever of SAWYER and his wife. When shown a photograph of Mrs. Sawyer, Mrs. Hutter stated it was a likeness of "Ann Wright", who had been to visit her sometime around the latter part of January or the first of February, this year. She then explained to Agent that her sister, Mrs. W. C. Stephenson, along about the latter part of January, 1935, had written her from Gulfport, Mississippi, stating that a Mrs. Ann Wright, of Gulfport was coming to Omaha in the near future and would visit at her home in Omaha. Mrs. Hutter stated that Mrs. Stephenson wanted her to accompany this Mrs. Ann Wright back to Gulfport, Mississippi for a visit.

Continuing, Mrs. Hutter stated that about the first of February, 1935, a woman came to her home and introduced herself as Ann Wright and produced a letter, which Mrs. W. C. Stephenson had sent along with this party, as a letter of introduction. In this letter, was enclosed a photograph of Mrs. Hutter's mother, which was for the purpose of further proving Mrs. Wright was the party Mrs. Hutter was expecting. Mrs. Hutter stated this woman stayed at her home only about two hours, during which time she asked Mrs. Hutter to accompany her back to Gulfport, as had been suggested by Mrs. Stephenson. Mrs. Hutter stated it was impossible for her to make the trip at that time and when Ann Wright left the Hutter home, she told Mrs. Hutter she would see her on Sunday, provided she did not go back to Gulfport in the meantime. Mrs. Hutter stated that this woman did not come back and she has not heard from her since that time.

Mrs. Hutter was questioned as to her knowledge of the manner in which the Stephensons in Gulfport, Mississippi became acquainted with the Wrights (Sawyers). She explained that to the best of her knowledge, R. L. Stephenson, a son of W. C. Stephenson, had been employed in Omaha, Nebraska, about a year ago at the Twenty Club, located on the Platte River, about fifteen miles south of Omaha. This club is a "hangout" for gamblers and politicians and she was under the impression that R. L. Stephenson had probably met SAWYER at this club and when SAWYER came to Gulfport, he was introduced to W. C. Stephenson by his son, R. L. Stephenson.

Further investigation of the Hutter Family disclosed that all are known bootleggers in and around Omaha. Charles Hutter, a brother of William Hutter, is associated with the leading gamblers in the vicinity of Omaha. He at one time owned a farm about seven miles northwest of Gulfport, Mississippi and it is thought that perhaps Charles Hutter has been a contact of HARRY SAWYER'S here in Omaha and is probably the party who directed SAWYER to Gulfport, Mississippi for the purpose of hiding out, although no evidence has been developed to date, to verify this. Further investigation along this line will be conducted by the Omaha Office.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

NEW ORLEANS OFFICE: At Gulfport, Mississippi will interview R. L. Stephenson, son of W. C. Stephenson, relative to his employment at the Twenty Club, near Omaha, Nebraska, ascertaining, if possible, if he met Sawyer at this Club and if he is the party who introduced Sawyer to W. C. Stephenson.

OMAHA OFFICE: At Omaha, Nebraska, will continue investigation in an effort to develop the connection between the Hutters of Omaha and Subject Harry Sawyer.

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Post Office Box 1278
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
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Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGI-
TIVE, I. O. 1218; ET AL; Edward
George Bremer, Victim - Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of May 15, 1935, in which
it is stated that parents of Alvin Karpis have received mail
bearing the return address of "D. Karpis, Keifer, Oklahoma,
General Delivery," please be advised that this is Dorothy Kar-
pis, the wife of Alvin. This office has been directly in
touch with her on various occasions and informants of this of-
fice have from time to time contacted her.

Very truly yours,

DAUGHT BRANTLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc Bureau
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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. NATHAN

RE: Bremer Case

Mr. H. E. Andersen, Special Agent in Charge St. Paul, Minnesota, telephoned in regard to the Bremer Case, and he stated that a verdict had just been returned as follows: Barker, Allderton, Wilson, and McLaughlin were found guilty as charged in the indictment. Delaney and Vidler were acquitted, while Barker and Berg received life sentences. The remainder of the defendants will be sentenced later.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Post Office Box 314,
Birmingham, Alabama,
May 17, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Ave. at 9th St., N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O.#1218, et al,
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

It is noted that the Bureau has previously furnished the field offices with strip photographs of various subjects and suspects in this case, and dispositions have been made of part of the subjects and suspects heretofore.

Inasmuch as there are several new agents assigned to the Birmingham office, who have never received copies of the photographs, it is suggested that the Bureau furnish this office with appropriate strip photographs of subjects and suspects, for issuance to fifteen agents.

Very truly yours,



R. B. NATHAN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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JOSEPH P. MORAN
 Age: 38 (1934)
 Height: 5' 10"
 Weight: 155
 Build: Medium
 Hair: Chestnut Sandy
 Eyes: Yellow Dark
 Slate
 Complexion: Light



WILLIAM WEAVER
 Age: 33 (1932)
 Height: 5' 9 1/8"
 Weight: 162
 Build: Medium
 Hair: Black
 Eyes: Blue
 Complexion: Medium



C. J. Fitzgerald
 Age: 42 (1919)
 Height: 5' 11"
 Weight: 177
 Build: Slender
 Hair: Dark Brown
 Eyes: Light Brown
 Complexion: Medium
 Dark



Myrtle Eaton
 Age: 29 (1930)
 Height: 5' 4 7/8"
 Weight: 126
 Build: Medium
 Hair: Black
 Eyes: Grey
 Complexion: Medium



HARRY SAWYER
 Age: 30 (1920)
 Height: 5' 10"
 Weight: 190
 Build: Heavy
 Hair: Dark Brown
 Eyes: Light Brown
 Complexion: Dark



VOLNEY DAVIS
 Age: 30
 Height: 5' 8 1/2"
 Weight: 123
 Build: Slender
 Hair: Light Chestnut
 Eyes: Blue
 Complexion: Fair



FRED BARKER
 Age: 32
 Height: 5' 4"
 Weight: 120
 Build: Slender
 Hair: Sandy
 Eyes: Blue
 Complexion: Medium
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ALVIN KARPIS
 Age: 25
 Height: 5' 9 1/2"
 Weight: 130
 Build: Slender
 Hair: Brown
 Eyes: Blue
 Complexion: Fair



ARTHUR E. BARKER
 Age: 34
 Height: 5' 8 1/2"
 Weight: 119
 Build: Short
 Hair: Black
 Eyes: Brown
 Complexion: Medium



HARRY CAMPBELL
 Age: 30
 Height: 5' 8"
 Weight: 140
 Build: Medium
 Hair: Brown
 Eyes: Blue
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May 25, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
Birmingham, Alabama.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
Fugitive, I. O. 1218, et al;
Edward George Bremer - Victim
KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

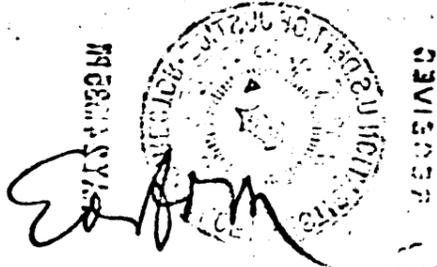
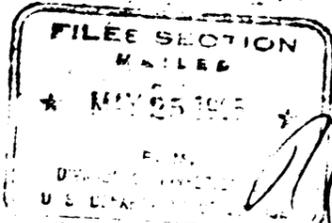
In response to the request contained in your letter dated May 17, 1935, there are transmitted herewith 15 copies each of strip photographs, reflecting the names and descriptions of Volney Davis, Fred Barker, Alvin Karpis, Arthur R. Barker and Harry Campbell in one, and Joseph P. Moran, William Weaver, C. J. Fitzgerald, Myrtle Eaton, and Harry Sawyer in the other, for distribution to agents not having been previously furnished with these photographs.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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U. S. Department of Justice
506 Fletcher Trust Building
Indianapolis, Indiana
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Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Ave. and 9th St., N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Special Agents E. J. Wynn and H. B. Dill of the Indianapolis Office and N. B. Klein and W. L. Buchanan of the Cincinnati Office left Indianapolis by automobile approximately 10:30 A.M. today, proceeding toward Chicago, Illinois.

This travel was necessitated in shadowing WILLIAM KERIN who is mentioned in connection with the Bremer kidnaping case.

Very truly yours,

H. H. Reinecke
H. H. REINECKE,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc: Chicago
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Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Ave. at 9th St., N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, IO #1218;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, IO #1232;
HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, IO #1236;
VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, IO #1237;
WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, IO #1238;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, IO #1239;
MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, IO #1241; et al;
Edward George Bremer - Victim - KIDNAPING.

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Dear Sir:

Yesterday evening Agents N. B. Klein, E. J. Wynn, H. B. Dill and F. L. Buchanan arrived in Indianapolis at approximately 7:30 P.M., having followed WILLIAM KERIN from Louisville, Kentucky. They stated he registered in at the Severin Hotel, and had all of his baggage taken into his room. Kerin put his car in the Meridian Garage for the night.

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Agents Klein, Buchanan and Wynn remained at that hotel overnight. Agent McGrath is permanently registered there, also.

About 9:50 P.M., Agent Costello telephoned from Louisville that he had been out at the apartment house where Kerin had been staying in Louisville, and talked with Mrs. Dupree, who was in charge of the apartments where Kerin had been staying, and she stated that Kerin had taken all of his baggage and the apartment was empty, and that he had informed her that he might possibly return in July to endeavor to open up a dog race track. He gave a forwarding address for mail care of J. NOLAN, P. O. Box 872, Chicago, Illinois.

The day's activities in this case were given to Special Agent in Charge Connelley by Agent Klein over the telephone and a telegram was forwarded to the Bureau.

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The Agents expected to follow Kerin when he left Indianapolis, presumably for Chicago. They would use two cars, to wit: The Bureau's blue Hudson sedan, bearing Indiana 1935 license number 14-861, and Agent Dill's maroon-colored Victoria coupe bearing 1935 Alabama license number 65-923B. Agents stated Kerin was using the blue Graham-Paige coupe bearing Florida license number D-5088.

At approximately 10:30 A.M. May 18, 1935, Agent Dill called from the hotel and stated that Kerin was getting ready to leave and that they would follow him out of Indianapolis and if possible would try to communicate by telephone en route to Chicago by telephone either with the Indianapolis or Chicago Office.

Agent Morton immediately got in touch with Special Agent in Charge Purvis at Chicago by long distance and gave him this information. A telegram to the effect that Kerin was leaving Indianapolis was directed to the Bureau and to the Cincinnati Office, to Special Agent in Charge Connelley.

Very truly yours,

H. H. Reinecke,

H. H. REINECKE,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc St. Paul
Chicago
Cincinnati 2

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

BREMER KIDNAPPING

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P. O. Box 515
St. Paul, Minnesota

May 18, 1935

Special Agent in Charge
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
Fugitive, I. O. 1218, et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
KIDNAPING.
St. Paul file No. 7-30

A confidential informant advised Special Agent R. C. Coulter of this office during the afternoon of May 17, 1935, that he was in Coffeyville, Kansas, during November, 1934, at which time Volney Davis appeared and later excused himself and returned, after which he advised that he had sent \$300.00 by Postal Money Orders to an individual confined in the Oklahoma State Penitentiary at McAlester, Oklahoma.

According to the informant, this individual is an Indian who is serving a sentence of possibly twenty-five years on a charge of murder, and is rather wealthy on account of his interest in oil lands. However, his wife and brother are more or less assisting in keeping him in the penitentiary in order that they may benefit more from the property.

He stated that after Davis returned, Davis informed him that they had to get the man out before the change of the administration and had only approximately sixty days left; that Weaver had put up, or agreed to put up, \$1,000.00 to help get him out and that he had learned at that time that Weaver had purchased a farm and was living in the state of Arkansas on this farm, which is possibly near a river; at least, where there is good fishing, and it is only a short way from the Oklahoma line.

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The informant stated that from his own knowledge, he knows that there is a regularly employed Postmaster within the penitentiary at McAlester who is not an inmate and that there is a separate record made as to each incoming money order; and by checking the inmate who received \$300.00 in money orders from South Coffeyville, Oklahoma, during November, 1934, it can be

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determined that other funds were furnished him from the state of Arkansas and that Weaver is the individual who supplied the money.

He stated also that while Weaver and Davis apparently were not on very good terms with the other members of the "mob", there is quite a possibility that they will all be associating together, and that he would not be surprised to learn that they were all at Weaver's farm, or at least making their headquarters there, and that Myrtle Eaton is still living with Weaver.

The informant further advised that he had known the name of the prisoner in question and that he will concentrate on this matter in an effort to refresh his memory; and in the event he recalls the name, he will supply same.

This informant stated that he had never furnished the foregoing information to anyone else and it is desired that no one be apprised of the source from which it came. The name of the informant is being forwarded to the Director by personal and confidential letter; and while the facts supplied do indicate the identity of the informant, every possible effort should be made in order to conceal the fact that this informant has given such information.

It is requested that immediate steps be taken to conduct the desired investigation at the Oklahoma State Penitentiary at McAlester.

Further conferences will be had in the immediate future with the informant in question, and a complete report will be submitted within the next few days.

Very truly yours,

H. E. ANDERSEN
Special Agent in Charge

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Post Office Box 4907,
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May 17, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St. N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

RE: ALVIN^o KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I. O. 1218; ET AL
Edward George Bremer, Victim,
KIDNAPING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE;
HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; NATIONAL
FIREARMS ACT.

In reply to the Bureau's letter of May 15, 1935, re-
questing to be notified immediately whether the bodies of Fred
and Kate Barker have been disposed of and, if so, what disposition
was made, please be advised that Chief of Police John H. Spencer
of Ocala, Florida, has informed that the two bodies are still
being held by the undertaker in Ocala, Florida. He has them up-
stairs in sealed caskets.

Chief Spencer also advised that last week a lawyer from
some town in Missouri appeared in Ocala, endeavoring to have the
bodies shipped to Missouri for burial, but the papers he had in
his possession did not appear to be complete enough to satisfy
County Judge L. E. Futch, who is also the coroner at Ocala.

It is believed that this attorney will return within a
few days and will make satisfactory arrangements with Judge Futch
and the undertaker to have the bodies forwarded to Missouri for
burial.

Very truly yours,

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R. A. ALT,
Special Agent in Charge.

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P. O. Box 1276
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
May 17th, 1935

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Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE
I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with
aliases, I.O. 1252; HARRY CAMPBELL
with aliases, I.O. 1236; VOLNEY DAVIS
with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1237;
WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O. 1238;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O.
1239; MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O.
1241; et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER,
Victim - KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OB-
STRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIRE-
ARMS ACT.

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated March 26, 1935, wherein
it is requested that the temporary wanted notices be withdrawn from the files of
the Police Departments of the cities of Muskogee and Okmulgee, Oklahoma for Fred
Barker, Jess Doyle, Edna Murray, Harry Campbell, Volney Davis, William Weaver,
Harry Sawyer and Myrtle Eaton.

In accordance with the instructions contained in reference letter
Special Agent R. B. Graham of this office, while in Muskogee, Oklahoma on other
business, on May 11, 1935 interviewed Mr. J. H. Allbright, fingerprint man of
the Muskogee Police Department. In the presence of Agent Graham Mr. Allbright
withdrew the temporary wanted notices on the above named individuals.

While in Okmulgee, Oklahoma on other business Special Agent R. B.
Graham interviewed Captain W. O. Greenhall of the Okmulgee Police Department.
He also, in the presence of Agent Graham, withdrew the temporary wanted notices
from his files as to the above named individuals.

These offices were, of course, informed that the Bureau still wants
Harry Campbell, Volney Davis, William Weaver and Myrtle Eaton.

Very truly yours,

Dwight Brantley
DWIGHT BRANTLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc Mr. Connelley at
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Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; ET AL;
Edward George Bremer, Victim;
KIDNAPING.

In compliance with instructions contained in Bureau letter dated May 11, 1935, referring to correspondence of Mr. John C. DeCourcy, attorney for Arthur "Doc" Barker, with the Chicago Office, Mr. DeCourcy has been referred to the United States Attorney at St. Paul, who has been informed of the issuance of District Court Order, Docket No. 44224, involving Ford V-8 Coach, motor No. 1130843.

Very truly yours,

H. E. Andersen

H. E. ANDERSEN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Cincinnati, Ohio**

FILE NO. **7-33**

REPORT MADE AT: San Francisco, Cal.	DATE WHEN MADE: 5/14/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 4/22/35	REPORT MADE BY: V.E. CRISS - MF
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218 Et Al. Edward George Bremer - Victim			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING; HARBORING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p style="text-align: center;">Frank Foster arrested for investigation only in San Francisco, California. Disposition sheet submitted.</p>			
REFERENCE: Bureau letter dated March 29, 1935.			
DETAILS: At San Francisco, California, <p style="text-align: center;">The records of the San Francisco Police Department re- flect that Frank Foster, San Francisco Police Department No. 47908, was arressed April 9, 1932, and held for investigation and released.</p>			
DETAILS: Disposition sheet is submitted.			
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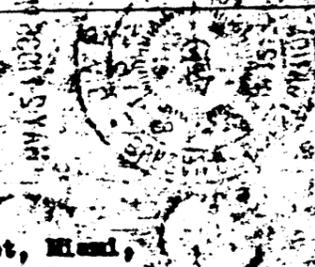
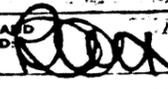
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REPORT MADE AT Jacksonville, Florida	DATE WHEN MADE May 18, 1935	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE May 8, 1935	REPORT MADE BY R. H. KLETT
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. #1218 - FUGITIVE; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. #1235; VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I.O. #1237 - FUGITIVE; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. #1238;		CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING - HARBORING OF FUGITIVES - OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT	
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O. #1236; HARRY SAWYER with aliases, I.O. #1240; WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. #1239; MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O. #1241; et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.			
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: John R. Moran, 323 N. E. 17th Street, Miami, Florida, employed this season Biscayne Dog Track, left Miami about April 1st, 1935. Attended Kentucky Derby last Saturday. Will be located at the Dog Track Jeffersonville, Indiana, after May 28, 1935.			
REFERENCE:	Telegram from Indianapolis Office, dated May 8th, 1935.		
DETAILS:	<p>John R. Moran, 323 N. E. 17th Street, Miami, Florida, unknown to the local police. Agent checked with Mr. Deas, Detective Bureau, who made a search of their records and find no record of any arrest. A further search was made of stolen automobiles and stolen license plates and no report has been made covering 1935 Florida License D-5088. A further check of their records indicate that this license was issued to John P. Moran, 323 N. E. 17th Street, Miami, Florida, for Graham Coupe, Motor No. 1807523.</p> <p>At 323 N. E. 17th Street, Miami, Florida, Agent W. B. Moran and the writer contacted Dan McFarland, who states that he has known Moran several years, and has worked with him at various dog tracks during this period; states that Moran was employed during the season this year at the Biscayne dog track and left Miami about April 1st, 1935; that he was going to take in the Kentucky Derby, which took</p>		
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place last Saturday at Louisville, and that it is his opinion that Moran will either go to Chicago or to St. Louis from there.

In and around St. Louis, Moran can be located at the Broadview Hotel, East St. Louis, Ill., and can probably be located through Mr. McFarland's sister, Mrs. McKelroy, 8005 South Paulina Street, in Chicago. He further states that they will open a dog track in Jeffersonville, Ind., on the 28th of May, and that he knows definitely that Moran can be located there at that time.

He cannot definitely state that the car Moran is driving is a Graham, although he knows it to be a Coupe, and that the Florida license for 1934, as well as 1935, was purchased for this automobile by Moran, and it is his opinion that Moran purchased this car from a dealer in Chicago.

He described Moran as being 36 years of age; 5'11" in height; weighs 160 pounds, ruddy complexion and a neat dresser. He is of the opinion that Moran may have been arrested sometime or other, but he does not believe that he has ever been convicted of any crime.

In addition to residing at the above address, Moran also stopped part of the season at the El Comodoro Hotel. No effort was made to check the records of the El Comodoro at this time, due to other matters pending there.

McFarland states that he has worked with Special Agent S. K. McKee and Special Agent J. H. Hanson, previously, and when shown a photograph of Doc Moran states that he knows definitely that he is not the same party as McKee had previously exhibited photographs of Doc Moran to him.

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Above information furnished Indianapolis Office on May 8, 1935, by wire.

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
Post Office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida.

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May 18, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Ave. at 9th St. N.W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases -
FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
Kidnaping, etc.

Reference is made to my letter of May 9, 1935, with which I transmitted to the Bureau, motions and demurrers filed by the Florida subjects in this case in Federal Court at Miami, Florida.

Six of the twelve indictments were dismissed by the Court on May 15, 1935. Demurrers to the remaining six indictments were denied.

Special Agent B. F. Fitzsimons obtained from the Clerk of the Court at Miami, Florida, certified copies of orders issued by Federal Judge Halsted L. Ritter, as of May 15, 1935, dismissing the six aforementioned indictments. These papers are enclosed. Additional pertinent Court rulings will be forwarded to the Bureau.

The indictments with reference to the concealment of Karpis were held valid; also the indictments of Adams and Stern charging violation of the National Firearms Act. The dismissed indictments were with reference to misprisionment of a felony, and conspiracy to misprisionment of a felony.

Mr. Barlow, Special Assistant to the Attorney General, indicated when he was in Florida, that he might possibly present new indictments to the Federal Grand Jury at Miami, Florida, when it convenes on May 27, 1935.

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Very truly yours,

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R. A. ALT,
Special Agent

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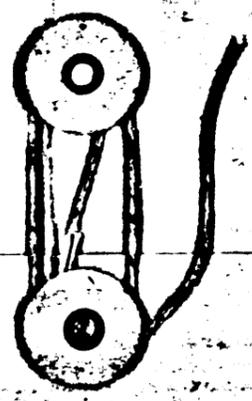
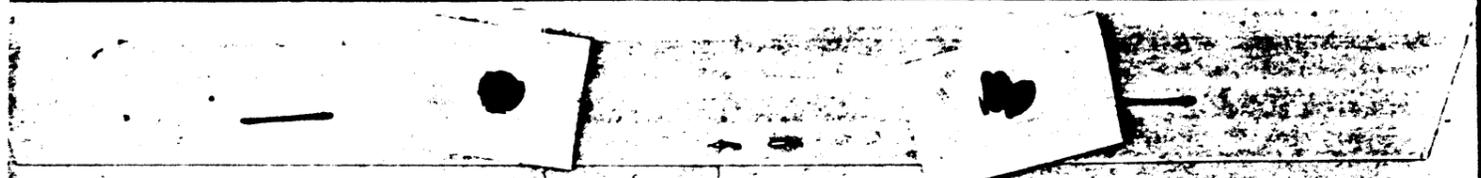
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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
IN AND FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF
FLORIDA

No. 1610-M-crim.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

-vs-

Joseph H. Adams alias
Joe H. Adams alias Joe Adams;
Nathan H. Heller alias Nathaniel
H. Heller alias
Nate Heller;
E. G. McDonald, alias Cassius
McDonald alias Cash McDonald;
Hendry Randall alias Henry Randall
alias Duke Randall alias Henry Stern

ORDER DISMISSING INDICTMENT
AS TO CERTAIN DEFENDANTS

Upon motion of the United States that the indictment in
the above entitled cause be dismissed as to the defendants Joseph
H. Adams alias Joe H. Adams alias Joe Adams; Nathan H. Heller alias
Nathaniel H. Heller alias Nate Heller; E. G. McDonald alias Cassius
McDonald alias Cash McDonald and Hendry Randall alias Henry Randall
alias Duke Randall alias Henry Stern, it is therefore

CONSIDERED, ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the indictment in the
above entitled cause be and the same is hereby dismissed as to the de-
fendants Joseph H. Adams alias Joe H. Adams alias Joe Adams; Nathan H.
Heller alias Nathaniel H. Heller alias Nate Heller; E. G. McDonald
alias Cassius McDonald alias Cash McDonald, and Hendry Randall alias
Henry Randall alias Duke Randall alias Henry Stern.

DONE AND ORDERED at Miami, Florida, this 15th day of May,

A.D. 1935
ATTEST A TRUE COPY
ERWIN R. WILLIAMS, Clerk
U. S. DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
Erwin R. Williams
Clerk

/s/ Halsted L. Ritter
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE.

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
IN AND FOR THE SO IN DISTRICT OF
FLORIDA

No. 4613-M Crim.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

-vs-

ORDER DISMISSING INDICTMENT
AS TO CERTAIN DEFENDANTS

Joseph H. Adams alias Joe H. Adams
alias Joe Adams;
Nathan H. Heller alias Nathaniel H.
Heller alias Nate Heller;
E. G. McDonald alias Cassius McDonald
alias Cash McDonald;
Hendry Randall alias Henry Randall alias
Duke Randall alias Henry Stern.

Upon motion of the United States that the indictment
in the above entitled cause be dismissed as to the defendants Joseph
H. Adams alias Joe H. Adams alias Joe Adams; Nathan H. Heller alias
Nathaniel H. Heller alias Nate Heller; E. G. McDonald alias Cassius
McDonald alias Cash McDonald and Hendry Randall alias Henry Randall
alias Duke Randall alias Henry Stern, it is therefore

CONSIDERED, ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the indictment in
the above entitled cause be and the same is hereby dismissed as to the
defendants Joseph H. Adams alias Joe H. Adams alias Joe Adams; Nathan H.
Heller alias Nathaniel H. Heller alias Nate Heller; E. G. McDonald alias
Cassius McDonald alias Cash McDonald, and Hendry Randall alias Henry
Randall alias Duke Randall alias Henry Stern.

DONE AND ORDERED at Miami, Florida, this 15th day of May,

A.D.1935.

/s/ Halsted L. Ritter
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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E. W. R. WILLIAMS, Clerk
U. S. DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
E. W. R. Williams
Clerk

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
IN AND FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF
FLORIDA.

No. 4658-N Crim.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)

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E. G. McDonald alias)
Cassius McDonald alias)
Cash McDonald)

ORDER DISMISSING INDICTMENT

Upon motion of the United States that the indictment in the above entitled cause be dismissed as to the defendant E. G. McDonald alias Cassius McDonald alias Cash McDonald, it is therefore

CONSIDERED, ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the indictment in the above entitled cause be and the same is hereby dismissed as to the above-named defendant.

DONE AND ORDERED at Miami, Florida, this

15th day of May, A.D. 1935.

ATTEST A TRUE COPY
EDWIN R. WILLIAMS, Clerk
U. S. DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

1st Walter B. Butler
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
IN AND FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF
FLORIDA.

No. 4043-N Cr. M.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)

Nathan H. Heller alias)
Nathaniel H. Heller alias)
Nate Heller)

ORDER DISMISSING INDICTMENT

Upon motion of the United States that the
indictment in the above entitled cause be dismissed as to
the defendant Nathan H. Heller alias Nathaniel H. Heller
alias Nate Heller, it is therefore

CONSIDERED, ORDERED and ADJUDGED that the
indictment in the above entitled cause be and the same is
hereby dismissed as to the defendant Nathan H. Heller alias
Nathaniel H. Heller alias Nate Heller.

DONE AND ORDERED at Miami, Florida, this

15th day of May, A.D. 1938.

ATTEST A TRUE COPY
EDWIN R. WILLIAMS, Clerk
U. S. DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

15/ H. H. Williams
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
IN AND FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF
FLORIDA.

No. 4572-N C.M.A.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)

-VS-

Henry Randall alias)
Henry Randall alias)
Duke Randall alias)
Henry Stern.)

ORDER DISMISSING INDICTMENT

Upon motion of the United States that the
indictment in the above entitled cause be dismissed as to
the defendant Henry Randall alias Henry Randall alias
Duke Randall alias Henry Stern, it is therefore

CONSIDERED, ORDERED and ADJUDGED that the
indictment in the above entitled cause be and the same is
hereby dismissed as to the defendant Henry Randall alias
Henry Randall alias Duke Randall alias Henry Stern.

DONE AND ORDERED at Miami, Florida, this

15th day of May, A.D. 1935.

Halsted Pittman
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

ATTEST A TRUE COPY
EDWIN R. WILLIAMS, Clerk
U. S. DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
Edwin R. Williams

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
IN AND FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF
FLORIDA.

No. 4611-N Crim.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

-vs-

ORDER DISMISSING INDICTMENT

Joseph H. Adams alias
Joe H. Adams alias Joe Adams,

Upon motion of the United States that the indictment in the above entitled cause be dismissed as to the defendant Joseph H. Adams alias Joe H. Adams alias Joe Adams, it is therefore

CONSIDERED, ORDERED and ADJUDGED that the indictment in the above entitled cause be and the same is hereby dismissed as to the above-named defendant.

DONE AND ORDERED at Miami, Florida, this
15th day of May, A.D. 1938.

ATTEST A TRUE COPY
EDWIN R. WILLIAMS, Clerk
U. S. DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

1st *W. H. Patten*
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

May 16, 1935

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Ave at 9th St. NW
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

This office has now assigned to it two Hudson
Sedans.

In view of the assignment to this district of
three additional agents, it is respectfully requested
that this office be furnished with two more cars.

In possible, in view of the number of leads
existing here in the Karpis-Barker case, a Ford car
should be furnished to this office for use in that in-
vestigation, in that it is believed that such a car
would be less conspicuous and would not be as readily
identified by the gang as a Bureau car as would a Hudson,
it being within the knowledge of the gang that the Bureau
is equipped with such cars.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MAC FARLAND
Special Agent in Charge.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Cincinnati, Ohio** **St. Paul** FILE NO. **7-576**

REPORT MADE AT **St. Paul, Minn.** DATE WHEN MADE **5-18-35** PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE **4/18 through 5/17/35** REPORT MADE BY **E. A. Molitor**

TITLE **ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. #1218 - FUGITIVE; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. #1236; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, I.O. #1237 - FUGITIVE; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. #1232; WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I.O. #1238;**
CHARACTER OF CASE **KIDNAPING - HARBORING OF FUGITIVES - OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.**

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: **HARRY SAWYER, with aliases, I.O. 1240 - FUG.; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. #1239; MYRTLE KATCH, with aliases, I.O. #1241; BRUNO PUTAS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.**



Synopsis: LOUISE DEMMER, 115 South Lexington Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota, states party strongly resembling WILLIAM WEAVER threatened her regarding any identification she might make of kidnapers. CLARA GIBSON states she has known JOE GALLICHO and wife VIOLET for past four years; that GALLICHO never was associated with the KARPIS-BARKER gang; that she will point out to agents the residence of JOE GALLICHO. Investigation conducted regarding strange car seen loitering in vicinity of Victim Bremer's home recently.

REFERENCES:
Report by Special Agent W. R. Walsh, St. Paul, Minnesota, dated 5-8-35.

DETAILS:
During the course of this trial at St. Paul, Minnesota, the reporting agent had occasion to interview LOUISE DEMMER, 115 South Lexington Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota. It will be remembered that she witnessed the abduction of

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EDWARD GEORGE BREMER at the intersection of Lexington Avenue and Goodrich Avenue on the morning of January 17, 1934. It was anticipated that she would be used as a witness in view of the fact that she was quite certain in her statements that she would be able to identify ALVIN KARPIS as one of the actual abductors. It became inadvisable, however, to use her as a witness in view of the fact that she declared that she would hesitate to identify him on the witness stand. She advised, however, that approximately one month after the kidnaping, a man whom she stated strongly resembled the photograph of WILLIAM WEAVER, came to her home at 115 South Lexington Avenue at about 2:30 p.m.; that he pretended to be an oil burner salesman and insisted upon getting into the house; that when she declined to permit him to enter, he thereupon asked her if she had seen the kidnaping about a month prior to this time, and she replied that she had. This stranger who resembled WEAVER then advised her, "Well, be careful. Take my warning and don't go near the Federal Building." At the time of this interview, she declared a willingness to take the witness stand at this trial or any later trial and positively identify the photograph of WILLIAM WEAVER. However, when it came time to use her, as a witness, she declared that she could be mistaken in her identification, and it was believed that she would injure the case more than help it.

During the time that CLARA GIBSON was in St. Paul under subpoena as a witness in this case, she was interviewed by the reporting agent, particularly with regard to JOE GALLICHIO. She advised that approximately four years ago, she and RUSSELL GIBSON lived at 4322 Clarendon Avenue, Chicago; that at that time she became acquainted with VIOLET GALLICHIO, who is known to her now as "Vi" (pronounced Vee); that at that time, the GALLICHIOS were living under the maiden name of VIOLET GALLICHIO, which is PERRY; that she (CLARA GIBSON) introduced RUSSELL GIBSON to JOE and VIOLET GALLICHIO, and thereafter JOE GALLICHIO became known to the GALLICHIOS as "MIERS". CLARA advised that at that time, JOE GALLICHIO was in the alcohol business and had three stills. He possessed quite a sum of money and RUSSELL GIBSON interested him in gambling; that JOE GALLICHIO and GIBSON always gambled at one of three gambling joints owned by BILL JOHNSON, who is well known in Chicago as a prominent gambling house operator. She stated that one of these gambling houses is located at Kedzie and Lawrence Avenues; another is located at Ogden and 22nd Avenue; and another is located on the South Side of Chicago, exact address not known. She stated, however, that these are considered to be the best gambling houses in Chicago. CLARA GIBSON advised that JOE GALLICHIO lost all of his money in this gambling venture; that the GALLICHIOS continued to live at 4322 Clarendon for some time, after which the GALLICHIOS went to live with JOE GALLICHIO'S sister, CAROLINE _____, last name unknown. At this point, CLARA GIBSON advised that she will be able to secure the last name and address of CAROLINE and will be glad to furnish the same to agents.

CLARA GIBSON also advised that VIOLET GALLICHO from time to time lived with her sister, ROSE PERRY, who is now married and living on the West Side of Chicago. CLARA also stated that she would be glad to learn the last name of ROSE and would point out the residence of this woman to agents of the Chicago office. CLARA stated that she has visited VIOLET GALLICHO at ROSE PERRY'S home on numerous occasions. She further stated that the GALLICHIOS have an eighteen-month-old boy called BOBBY. CLARA declared that she has never known JOE GALLICHO to be a member of the BARKER-KARPIS gang although he did visit the GIBSONS quite frequently at 432 Surf Street.

CLARA advised that she always understood that JOE GALLICHO was a member of the "42 gang", a gang of young auto thieves operating on the West Side of Chicago. She could furnish no information as to the identity of other members of the "42 gang" although she declared that most of the persons comprising this gang are men under thirty years of age. She stated that it is her understanding that this gang has been practically broken up by the Police Department of Chicago.

CLARA GIBSON further stated that she has visited VIOLET GALLICHO at the home of VIOLET'S cousin, ANNETTE PERRY, who resides in the 1900 block on Roosevelt Road. This is understood to be an Italian neighborhood. At this point, mention should be made of the fact that CLARA GIBSON is eager to be co-operative with the Government and speaks Italian fluently. It is suggested that in the event the Chicago office has occasion to conduct investigation with regard to JOE GALLICHO and persons of Italian extraction, CLARA GIBSON would be of some value.

CLARA GIBSON further informed that JOE GALLICHO usually hangs out around a drug store located at the intersection of Taylor and Ashland Avenues in Chicago.

It was suggested to CLARA that she and her husband, RUSSELL GIBSON, had been closely connected with the GALLICHO "mob" in a shop lifting way, and by virtue of this fact, she should have considerable information as to the activities of the GALLICHO "mob". She declared that though she has done some shop lifting in her time, JOE GALLICHO was never interested in shop lifting; that he was not clever and would not be successful as a shop lifter. She declared that her association with the GALLICHIOS had never been in a criminal way.

CLARA GIBSON further declared that she had no information with regard to members of the KARPIS-BARKER gang purchasing guns and ammunition through the GALLICHO gang. She alleged that no criminal transactions were ever discussed between JOE GALLICHO and RUSSELL GIBSON in her presence.

The best personal description CLARA GIBSON could furnish of JOE GALLICHO is as follows:

Name:	JOE GALLICHO alias NIBBS
Age:	26 or 27 years
Height:	5 feet, 8 inches
Weight:	155 or 160 pounds
Hair:	Straight and black, bald in front
Eyes:	Black
Speech:	Uses West Side slang; talks very little

CLARA GIBSON furnished the following personal description of VIOLET GALLICHO:

Name:	VIOLET GALLICHO
Age:	24 years
Height:	5 feet, 8 inches
Weight:	112 pounds
Hair:	Black, died dark red
Build:	Small
Appearance:	Very good looking

CLARA GIBSON could furnish no information of value with regard to SAM MANNO. She advised that MANNO is known to her and she believed him to be a member of the "42 gang" but she declared that GIBSON had no dealings with MANNO to her knowledge. She furnished the following personal description of SAM MANNO:

Name:	SAM MANNO
Age:	22 or 23 years
Height:	5 feet, 10 or 11 inches
Weight:	135 pounds
Build:	Very slender
Hair:	Black
Complexion:	Dark

It will be remembered that the apartment of RUSSELL GIBSON at 626 Waveland Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, was raided by agents of the Chicago Bureau office on May 2, 1934, as reflected in the report of Special Agent K. R. McIntire, Chicago, Illinois, dated 6-20-34. The above report also shows that on May 4, 1934, SIDNEY LEWIS, SIMON D. McDONNELL, MATTHEW McNAMARA were taken into custody at 626 Waveland at the time they attempted to procure the clothing of RUSSELL and CLARA GIBSON. In connection with this matter, CLARA GIBSON advised that MATTHEW McNAMARA had been known to her and RUSSELL GIBSON for some time prior to this incident. She advised

that RUSSELL GIBSON got MATTHEW McNAMARA to contact SIDNEY LEWIS to get the clothing from 626 Waveland. She declared that attorney SIMON D. McDONNELL was unknown to her but undoubtedly known to RUSSELL GIBSON. She declared, however, that she did not believe that any of these persons who tried to secure the clothing had knowledge of the fact that RUSSELL GIBSON was wanted in connection with the Bremer case. She stated that GIBSON arranged through McNAMARA and LEWIS to have the rent paid at the above apartment and that the only way in which GIBSON learned that McNAMARA, LEWIS, and McDONNELL had been apprehended was by virtue of the fact that he (GIBSON) observed McDONNELL'S automobile near the Bankers' Building and concluded that the above mentioned parties had been taken into custody when attempting to get the clothing.

It will be remembered that on the night of January 8, 1935, when CLARA GIBSON and RUTH HEIDT were taken into custody at 3912 Park Grover Avenue, RUTH HEIDT had in her possession a Chow dog called "Smokie". For a time, the ownership of this dog was claimed by both RUTH HEIDT and CLARA GIBSON, but at a later time, in a signed statement, RUTH HEIDT claimed that she got this dog from WILLIAM HARRISON, her former husband.

At the time of this interview, with CLARA GIBSON, the latter informed that the true facts are as follows: "Smokie" was once the property of FRED BARKER and that undoubtedly, on one of FRED BARKER'S visits to Hammond, Indiana, and vicinity, he gave this dog to RUTH HEIDT. CLARA declared that no one had ever told her this fact directly, but that on several occasions she had heard DOC BARKER and RUTH HEIDT engage in a joking argument as to the ownership of this dog and on several occasions heard it said by these two parties that the dog had been given to RUTH HEIDT by FRED BARKER. The Bureau will note that reference is made to this dog "Smokie" in several letters which have surreptitiously been sent out of the County Jail by DOC BARKER to MILDRED KUHLMAN alias CLARK.

CLARA GIBSON also furnished the interesting information that WILLIAM HARRISON has the following initials on all of his baggage, "E.H.H.", which undoubtedly indicates ELMER E. HOWE, which is one of the known aliases of HARRISON.

The following memorandum was dictated by Special Agent J. H. Rice:

On April 18, 1935 Mr. George F. Sullivan, United States Attorney at St. Paul, Minnesota, furnished this office a letter from Ed Kroening, Letter Carrier No. 55, Como Sub-Post Office, St. Paul, which states that he can furnish the name of a person who saw either KARPIS or BARKER loitering near the BREMER home previous to the kidnaping.

ED KROENING was contacted by the writer and Agent Scott. KROENING stated that a man by the name of CHARLES DRULENSKI had furnished him the information on which he passed his letter to Mr. Sullivan.

CHARLES DRULENSKI was located at the car repair shops of the Western Food Express Company, St. Paul, Minnesota. DRULENSKI advised that he is also known by the name of CHARLES DREW and that he resides at 1514 Sherburne Street, the telephone of his residence being Midway 4208. DRULENSKI advised that his wife is employed as a maid by Mr. John Peyton, who resides at 175 Woodlawn, and that EDWARD BREMER formerly resided at 182 Woodlawn; that one or two Sundays prior to the kidnaping of BREMER, while he was waiting for his wife and while parked near the residence of John Peyton, he observed a medium-sized dark colored tan coupe drive slowly past the former residence of BREMER; that there were two occupants in the car, both being men; that one of the occupants appeared to glance towards the former BREMER residence and make a notation on a piece of paper; that the actions of these parties appeared somewhat suspicious, and that after the kidnaping of BREMER and noticing the newspaper photographs of BARKER and KARPIS, he had come to the conclusion that the two men he had previously seen prior to the kidnaping might have been the actual kidnapers. DRULENSKI advised that he was able to observe these men from about thirty feet, and described the driver of the car as being 35 years of age; about 5 feet, 7 inches tall; weighing about 150 pounds; dark complected; wearing a brown hat, and the other being about 35 years of age; about 5 feet, 9 inches; dark complected. DRULENSKI stated that these men did not get out of the car while he observed them, nor did they stop. Neither is he able to state as to the make of the car or as to what license plates were on same.

On the evening of April 19, 1935 DRULENSKI was given an opportunity to observe the defendants in this case at the County Jail. DRULENSKI was unable to identify any of the subjects now in custody as being the parties who were in the car he had reference to just prior to the kidnaping. The photographs of the subjects of this case were also exhibited to DRULENSKI but he was unable to identify any of these parties as resembling the man he saw in the car.

JHR:ACF

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent Robert
Tunis on April 26, 1935 relative to a report that a strange car had been
seen parked in back of the BREMER residence at 92 North River Boulevard.

Agent interviewed MR. ED A. REICHOW, a driver for the Minnesota
Milk Company, 307 University Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota. MR. REICHOW stated
that at about 12:00 o'clock on that day, April 26, 1935, when he was deliver-
ing milk at the BREMER residence, a car bearing four men and having no number
plates on it, came past his truck in the alley behind the BREMER home, stopped,
and then drove on. The reason MR. REICHOW took notice of this car was that
it had no license plates on it. MR. REICHOW was unable to give the exact
make or type of a car, but thought it was probably a 1933 or 1934 Chevrolet
Sedan. He was unable to give any description whatever of the occupants of
said car.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

Chicago Office

At Chicago, Illinois, if it is deemed advisable, will re-interview
CLARA GIBSON, care of MRS. GEORGE GUYRON, 4322 Clarendon Avenue, for the
purpose of having her point out to agents of the Chicago office the present
residence of JOE GALLICHO and other members of his family or his wife's
family, who it may be felt may have some connection with the members of the
KARPIS-BARKER gang who are now fugitives.

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Post Office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida.

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May 18, 1935.

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Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Ave. at 9th St. N.W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. 1218; et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
KIDNAPING, etc.

Reference is made to your letter of March 8, 1935,
concerning the receipt of a letter dated February 26, 1935,
from Mrs. Carson Bradford of Ocklawaha, Florida, requesting
information as to whether the Bureau would be able to pay for
the damage suffered her residence while effecting the apprehen-
sion of the Barkers during January of this year.

Please be advised that Special Agent E. F. Fitzsimons
called on Mrs. Bradford at her home, 3158 North Bay Road, Miami
Beach, Florida, on May 16, 1935, and suggested the course she
may desire to pursue in this matter, such as was outlined in
the Bureau letter above mentioned.

Mrs. Bradford expressed appreciation of the thought-
fulness of the Bureau, and indicated that she may pursue the
course suggested in an endeavor to have a special bill introduced
before the Congress to cover the damage she suffered in this in-
stance.

Very truly yours,

R. A. ALT,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc - Cincinnati
St. Paul

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BREKID KLEIN LOUISVILLE ADVISES MORAN OUT OF PLACE

BUT BAGGAGE AND KERIN STILL AT APARTMENT NO CONTACTS MADE=

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DIRECTOR, FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION=

US DEPT OF JUSTICE PENNSYLVANIA AVE AT NINTH ST

BREKID RE TELEPHONE CONVERSATION, WITH MR TAMM TODAY

HERE OUT OF TOWN OVER WEEK END AND ASSISTANT ADVISES

HAVE CONFERENCE ON RETURN NEXT WEEK RELATIVE PERJURY

PROSECUTIONS WILL ADVISE RESULT LATER=

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DIRECTOR, FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION=

U S DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE PENNSYLVANIA AVE AT 9 ST

BREKID WILLIAM KERIN LEAVING INDIANAPOLIS PRESUMABLY

FOR CHICAGO SURVEILLANCE CONTINUED CHICAGO OTIFIED=

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DIRECTOR, FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION=

US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE PENNA AVE AT 9 ST NW WASHDC=

BREKID WILLIAM KERIN LEFT LOUISVILLE THIS AFTERNOON
 NOW LOCATED SEVERIN HOTEL INDIANAPOLIS WHERE AGENT
 ETAL FOLLOWED HIM AND WILL FOLLOW HIM WHEN LEAVING
 HEADING FOR CHICAGO=

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Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box 515
St. Paul, Minnesota

May 17, 1935

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Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St., N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218 -FUG.;
HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. 1236;
VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, I.O. 1237-FUG.;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232;
WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I.O. 1238;
HARRY SAWYER, with aliases, I.O. 1240-FUG.;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. 1239;
MYRTLE KATON, with aliases, I.O. 1241;
BRUNO PUTAS, with aliases - FUG., et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
KIDNAPING - HARBORING OF FUGITIVES -
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - MAIL. FIREARMS ACT.
St. Paul file No. 7-30

Reference is made to my telephonic conversation with you this morning, at which time I advised you that the jury, at about 12:00 o'clock noon today, returned its verdict in the above entitled case; that the jury found the following parties guilty as charged in the indictment of conspiring to kidnap and transport Victim Bremer in interstate commerce and to hold him for ransom:

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Arthur R. (Doc) Barker
Harold V. Alderton
James J. Wilson
Oliver A. Berg
John Joseph (Boss) McLaughlin

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I further advised you at that time that the court immediately imposed a sentence of life imprisonment upon Barker and Berg. It is interesting to note that at the time the court pronounced sentence upon Barker, the court stated to Barker, "You have had no defense in this case. The evidence is convincing that you are guilty of the crime charged. Kidnaping can not go unpunished." The court then imposed the life sentence, with a few closing remarks.

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It is also interesting to note that at the time a life sentence was imposed upon Berg, the court stated to Berg, "You have told a fantastic tale. You have given a story which would have fooled simpler minds than those of the jury." The court further indicated that the story given by Berg had been completely discredited and was not capable of being believed. With a few closing remarks, he then imposed a life sentence upon Oliver A. Berg.

The United States Attorney has advised that the Federal sentence imposed upon Berg today will not take effect until such time as Berg is released by the state of Illinois.

Federal Judge M. M. Joyce has indicated to the United States Attorney that the sentencing of McLaughlin and Wilson will probably take place during the week of May 26, 1935; that the disposition as to McLaughlin is pending advice from the Attorney General's office at Washington, in view of the condition of the health of McLaughlin. The court further indicated that the sentencing of Wilson has been held in abeyance pending the procurement of information from Wilson as to his attitude as a witness if, as and when Dr. Moran is brought to trial.

The sentencing of Allderton and Farmer has been held in abeyance to determine what their attitude will be as witnesses in the case against Harry Sawyer and such other subjects as might be apprehended between now and the November term of the Federal Court sitting at St. Paul.

As you were advised today, William E. Vidler and Phillip Delaney were found not guilty.

Very truly yours,

H. E. Andersen

H. E. ANDERSEN
Special Agent in Charge

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DIRECTOR FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

US DEPT OF JUSTICE PENNSYLVANIA AVE AT 9 ST NORTHWEST WASHN DC

BREKID JOHN RUSSELL MORAN NOT AT LOUISVILLE TODAY ABSENT USING

AUTOMOBILE WILLIAM KERIN STOP BAGGAGE AND AUTOMOBILE OF MORAN STI

AT APARTMENT WHERE KERIN LOCATED PRESENT LOCATION MORAN

INDEFINITE NOTHING DEVELOPED TO SHOW ANY CONTACT AS YET OR

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W. R. Ruggles

FED BUREAU INVEST CHGO 5-11-35 11-20 AM MWC

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SAC ST PAUL

FIVE MEN, THREE DRESSED AS POLICEMEN, TWO DRESSED AS CIVILIANS HELD UP AND ROBBED THE EDISON APPLIANCE COMPANY, CHICAGO, MAY 9. THIS COMPANY HAD PREVIOUSLY PLANNED MAKING BONUS PAYMENT TO ALL EMPLOYEES WHICH WOULD HAVE AMOUNTED TO ABOUT \$80,000. PLANS CHANGED AND ROBBERS ONLY OBTAINED ABOUT \$3800. CAPTAIN SULLIVAN, CHIEF OF DETECTIVES, CHICAGO POLICE, ADVISES THIS MORNING GUARDS AT EDISON APPLIANCE COMPANY HAVE IDENTIFIED PHOTOGRAPHS OF HARRY CAMPBELL AND VOLNEY DAVIS AS PARTICIPANTS IN ROBBERY. ROBBERS USED BLACK FORD V-8 SEDAN WITH POLICE NUMBER 14 PAINTED ON OUTSIDE. POLICE CAR NUMBER 14 BEARS NO NUMBER AND IS USED FOR UNDER COVER WORK. THIS OFFICE NOW CHECKING IDENTIFICATIONS BY PHOTOGRAPHS WITH EMPLOYEES OF EDISON APPLIANCE COMPANY AND ADDITIONAL PHOTOGRAPHS WILL BE SHOWN TO EMPLOYEES.

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BREKID REFERENCE PREVIOUS TELETYPE AND TELEPHONE CONVERSATION WITH MR. NATHAN. TWO GUARDS, GEORGE RAPATA AND JOSEPH DEIRBAUM, AT EDISON APPLIANCE COMPANY POSITIVELY IDENTIFY PHOTOGRAPHS OF SUBJECTS HARRY CAMPBELL AND VOLNEY DAVIS AS HAVING PARTICIPATED IN ROBBERY MAY 9. CAPTAIN SULLIVAN, CHIEF OF DETECTIVES, ADVISED AGENTS CHAFFETZ AND SULLIVAN THAT HE WAS INFORMED THAT THE FORD V-8 SEDAN WITH POLICE NUMBER 14 PAINTED ON OUSIDE PULLED UP IN FRONT OF AN APARTMENT BUILDING AFTER THE ROBBERY. HE STATES HE IS COVERING THE APARTMENT AND INTENDS TO PLANT SAME AND ALSO TAP TELEPHONE WIRES. CAPTAIN SULLIVAN STATES HE WILL INFORM THIS OFFICE OF ANY DEVELOPMENTS. CLOSE CONTACT WILL BE MAINTAINED WITH CAPTAIN SULLIVAN IN EFFORT TO OBTAIN SUCH INFORMATION AS POSSIBLE

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*cc Mr. Nathan
Mr. Lamm*
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DIRECTOR

BREKID REFERENCE TELETYPE DATED 1- PM, MAY 11, 1935. MARY MONAHAN, ASSISTANT PAYMASTER EDISON APPLIANCE COMPANY, PRESENT DURING ROBBERY, ADVISED PHOTOGRAPHS OF SUBJECTS HARRY CAMPBELL AND VOLNEY DAVIS FAILED TO RESEMBLE ANY OF PARTICIPANTS. MISS MONAHAN GUARDED BY ROBBERS DURING ROBBERY AND FORCED TO ACCOMPANY THEM TO ENTRANCE OF BUILDING IN MAKING ESCAPE. CAPTAIN SULLIVAN DESCRIBES YELLOW BRICK APARTMENT HOUSE WITH COURTYARD AT OR NEAR 5538 JACKSON BLVE. AS APARTMENT WHERE POLICE CAR 14 USED BY ROBBERS WAS PARKEC. POLICE CHECKING THIS ADDRESS FOR FURTHER INFORMATION. CLOSE CONTACT BEING KETP WITH CAPTAIN SULLIVAN FOR RESULTS OF INQUIRY. DO NOT BELIEVE IT ADVISABLE TO MAKE INDEPENDENT INQUIRY AT ABOVE ADDRESS AT THIS TIME.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

CT:ACS

Washington, D. C.

May 13, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

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- Mr. Baughman
- Chief Clerk
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Reference is made to the attached clipping from The Washington Times dated May 8, 1935, entitled "Bremer Abuse Tactics Cited". This story refers to the allegations that James Wilson, defendant in the trial of the Barker-Karpis gang was mistreated by Special Agents of the Bureau.

In connection with this article and as a matter of appropriate record, the following two paragraphs are quoted from a memorandum submitted by Special Agent K. R. McIntire under date of May 9, 1935, at St. Paul, Minnesota, addressed to the Director. These quoted paragraphs apparently answer the matter of these allegations in full.

"JIMMIE WILSON was the second witness called by the defense. He likewise admitted practically everything which had been charged against him by the Government, except that he insisted that he had no guilty knowledge at any time. The testimony of Wilson will not be set out at length in view of the fact that it was very similar to the signed statement introduced through the testimony of Agent John L. Madala. On cross examination, however, the Government made efforts to use two other signed statements which had been submitted to agents of this Bureau by JAMES WILSON in order to show inconsistencies in his direct testimony. At this point the defense objected to the use of such statements for impeachment purposes and it further objected to the introduction in evidence in view of the fact that they contended that the statements had been obtained under force and duress. The defense then called for a collateral inquiry to determine the voluntary character of the statements. During the collateral inquiry, WILSON assumed a very arrogant attitude and made innumerable sweeping statements alleging that agents Brown and Madala of the Chicago Office had brutally mistreated him for which reason he was in such dire fear that he was willing to sign anything in order to avoid further punishment. This inquiry was gone into at length and WILSON was cross-examined very severely. The Judge obviously sensing the false character of the allegations of WILSON took upon himself to cross-examine WILSON and showed the latter to be very inconsistent in his statements.

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Special Agents W. C. Ryan, John L. Madala and R. D. Brown were called by the Government at which time they completely discredited the testimony of WILSON. In order to be certain of his ground, the court also examined agents Ryan, Madala and Brown. At the close of this inquiry the court ruled that he was not convinced that WILSON had been mistreated and the court stated that the testimony of Agent Madala had been admirable insofar as he had had opportunity

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to cinch the story of Agent Brown if he had wished to corroborate Brown in every detail. The court stated further that Madala honestly refrained from perjuring his testimony in order to cinch the story of Agent Brown and after taking all the facts into consideration he concluded that WILSON had not been mistreated in any way and further that the statements sought to be introduced by the Government could be introduced."

Respectfully,


Clyde Tolson.

BREMER ABUSE TACTICS CITED

ST. PAUL, Minn., May 8 (I.N.S.)—An amazing story of third-degree methods allegedly used by Chicago Federal agents today was told by James Wilson, defendant in the trial of Barkley Karpis mobsters charged with the \$200,000 kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul bank president.

The jury was excluded from the courtroom while Wilson testified and defense attorneys tried to explain to trial judge M. M. Joyce why a signed statement by Wilson should not be admitted as Government evidence.

On September 4, 1934, at the Chicago office of the Federal division the youthful chauffeur for the fugitive Dr. J. P. Moran, was fingerprinted and photographed, he said; then was shown pictures of John J. "Boss" McLaughlin and Oliver "Izzy" Berg. The witness said:

"I couldn't recognize Berg. Agent Ralph D. Brown told me they would give me another chance to recognize the picture. John L. Madala, another agent, also was there.

"Out of a clear sky they started to beat me. Brown on one side and Madala on the other. They did that twice, and then I said I would identify any picture to avoid a beating. Blood was running from my nose, mouth and ears."

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BREKID VIDLER UNABLE TO SHOW ANY MATERIAL MATTER OMITTED FROM HIS STATEMENT BY AGENTS. DENIED INTENDING TO GO TO LOUISVILLE TO EXCHANGE MORE MONEY. ADMITTED TWO PREVIOUS FELONY CONVICTIONS. DECLARED HE HAD NO ~~CURIOUS~~ CURIOSITY AS TO SOURCE OF MONEY AND NEVER ASKED MCLAUGHLIN ABOUT SOURCE OF SAME EXCEPT THAT MCLAUGHLIN SAID THE MONEY CAME FROM A FRIEND. VIDLER RESTED HIS CASE. WILLIAM C CROLIUS AND CLARENCE PFUNDSTEIN CHARACTER WITNESSES FOR DELANEY. DELANEY ADMITTED PRACTICALLY EVERYTHING CHARGED BY GOVT EXCEPT GUILTY KNOWLEDGE. SAID HE ALWAYS WENT TO MUTUAL NATIONAL BANK BECAUSE HE HAD NO TROUBLE GETTING ALL THE LARGE BILLS THERE THAT HE WANTED. IN EXPLAINING SOURCE OF MONEY TO VIDLER DELANEY ADMITTED SAYING " LOOKS TO ME LIKE THE COMMITTEEMAN HAD RUN OUT WITH THE WARD FUNDS". ON CROSS EXAM DELANEYS PLEA OF LACK OF GUILTY KNOWLEDGE SHOWN TO BE FALSE. DELANEY DENIED TELLING AGENTS HE THOUGHT THE MONEY CAME FROM BANK ROBBERY. COUNSEL FOR MCLAUGHLIN MOVED TO STRIKE ALL TESTIMONY RE EXCHANGE OF MONEY AT MUTUAL BANK SINCE NO SHOWING MCLAUGHLIN INVOLVED. MOTION DENIED. MCLAUGHLIN JR TESTIFIED HIS FATHER ILL IN BED FROM NOVEMBER 1933 TO MARCH 1934. MCLAUGHLIN SR TESTIFIED AS TO EARLY LIFE THEN STATING DR MORAN AND A MR ADAMS MET HIM AT SHERMAN HOTEL CHICAGO MORAN STATING HE HAD SOME MONEY TO BE CHANGED - THAT ADAMS COULD NOT GO INTO BANKS BUT THAT MCLAUGHLIN COULD - THAT HE MCLAUGHLIN PROCEEDED CHANGING TEN THOUSAND DAILY WITH AID OF VIDLER AND EXX DELANEY - MCLAUGHLIN RECEIVING TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS FROM MORAN FOR EACH TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS KBSV EXCHANGE. COURT VACATED ORDER HOLDING EDNA MURRAY.

COURT ADJOURNED TILL MONDAY.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION US DEPT OF JUSTICE PENN AT NINTH
NORTHWEST WASHN DC

BREKID DEFENDENTS COMPLETED FINAL ARGUMENTS EXCEPT DELANEY US ATTY
SULLIVAN WILL ARGUE IN REBUTTAL FOR GOVERNMENT CASE WILL GO TO JURY
TOMORROW

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **St. Paul, Minn.**

FILE NO. **7-45 APG**

REPORT MADE AT Philadelphia, Pa.	DATE WHEN MADE 5-19-35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 5-10-35	REPORT MADE BY C. J. Martin
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS w.a. I. O. #1218-FUGITIVE et al		CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.	
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Gregory Codomo accompanied Duke Randall when the latter removed Ford Coupe from parking space at the Biscayne Kennel Club to the parking lot in the rear of the El Commodoro Hotel. Car repaired behind grandstand at Kennel Club was that owned by Codomo and repaired by him.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- P -</p> <p>REFERENCE: Letter from Jacksonville to Philadelphia, dated April 27, 1935.</p> <p>DETAILS: <u>AT NEWARK, N. J.</u> Upon his return to Newark to spend the week-end Gregory Codomo communicated with the writer and was interviewed in the place of business of his brother, Leonard Codomo, at 373 Central Ave. The Ford Coupe mentioned in the letter of reference was removed from where it was parked between the first and second cottages at the Biscayne Kennel Club by Duke Randall who then took it to the parking lot at the El Commodoro Hotel. Randall was driven to the Kennel Club by Codomo in the latter's car. This car had Ohio license plates on it at this time the number of which Codomo did not remember. Codomo repaired the car owned by him behind the grandstand during a period of three days around the 5th, 6th and 7th of November, 1934. Randall used Joe Adams' Lincoln car to exchange some parts that he had bought at the Penney Stores when he found that they were not what he needed. To his knowledge the car taken by Randall was not repaired as it was considered by Codomo to be in very good condition.</p> <p>Codomo is at present and for the next six weeks will be in Dover, N.H. where he is residing at 24 Kirkland Street and receiving his mail at the General Delivery window at the Post Office at that place. If during that time</p>			
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it is necessary to ascertain anything further from him it is suggested that leads be set out for the Boston Office. After the expiration of the stated time he may be located through his brother Leonard Codomo, operator of the Select Used Car Co., 373 Central Ave., Newark, N. J.

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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CINCINNATI, OHIO.** FILE NO. **7-82**

REPORT MADE AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS	DATE WHEN MADE 5/18/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 4/11-12 & 4/20 to 5/15/35	REPORT MADE BY R. C. SURAN
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218; FUGITIVE; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236; VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1237; WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O. 1238; WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases I.O. 1239; MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O. 1241; et al			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Synopsis of Facts: Photographs of Harry Campbell and Volney Davis identified as being likenesses of individuals who participated in robbery of Edison Appliance Company, May 9, 1935. Mary Monahan, Assistant Paymaster of Edison Company, disputes above identification made by guards. Informant at Bensenville, Illinois, observing Elmer's Tavern and reporting license numbers of cars appearing there. Kahn family of Elmhurst, Illinois, have departed from that place for Germany. Information obtained John Russell Moran located at Louisville, Kentucky; surveillance being maintained on Moran at that place. Alleged Chicago address of J. R. Moran, 4165 South Halsted Street, fictitious. Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Live Stock Union occupies address of 4187-89 South Halsted Street, Chicago, Illinois. J. R. Moran apparently receiving mail at that address. Surveillance of Hy-Ho Club, to 4/12/35 failed to reveal whereabouts of subject Harrison. Investigation at Mankato, Minnesota, unproductive. Charles Stratton and others in St. Joseph, Michigan, and Benton Harbor, Michigan, unable to furnish information of value. Volney Davis alleged to have contacted R. A. Wilroy, Aurora, Illinois, after escape from Agents at Yorkville, Illinois. Report Karpis living at Harvey, Illinois, erroneous. Investigation conducted relative to Mrs. E. Frost, 6252 North Magnolia Avenue, Chicago, and Harry Williams, Maryland Hotel, Chicago, both of whom were in communication with Frankie Foster at New York City.			
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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>M. H. Quinn</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	7-576-6069	RECORDED AND INDEXED: MAY 21 1935
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██████████ reports information obtained concerning activities of family of Elmer Farmer and defense attorney in connection with the trial of the case now in progress at St. Paul, Minnesota.

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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, Chicago, 4/20/35; report of Special Agent W. F. Seery, New York City 4/13/35 and report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, Chicago, 4/12/35.

DETAILS:

The following report covers the various investigative activities of the Agents assigned to this work at Chicago, whose identities are indicated in the report of their investigative activities contained hereinafter.

On May 11, 1935, Special Agent A. P. Barber, while at the Chicago Police Department on other business, was advised by Chief of Detectives John L. Sullivan, that on May 9, 1935, five men, three of whom were dressed as policemen and two dressed as civilians, held up and robbed the Edison Appliance Company, Chicago, Illinois, at which time the robbers obtained approximately \$3,800 in cash. Captain Sullivan advised that guards at the Edison Appliance Company identified photographs of Harry Campbell and Volney Davis as being the likenesses of the participants in this robbery; that the perpetrators of the crime used a black Ford V-8 sedan with police number "14" painted on the outside. Captain Sullivan further advised that the regular police department Car No. 14 bears no number and is used for undercover work only. Captain Sullivan further advised Agent Barber that he had "a location" and would advise the Chicago Bureau office concerning his investigation of this place before any raid was conducted. Captain Sullivan would furnish no more information to Agent Barber, but advised that if he developed any information concerning the whereabouts of the robbers he would immediately communicate with the Chicago Bureau office.

Special Agent A. P. Barber interviewed Mr. W. Jarva, Assistant Secretary and Treasurer of the Edison General Electric Appliance Company, 5600 West Taylor Street, Chicago, Illinois, relative to the information which had been furnished by Chief of Detectives John L. Sullivan of the Chicago Police Department. Mr. Jarva advised that the robbery occurred about 7:00 A.M. on May 9, 1935, and at the time of the robbery guards George Repata, 1911 South 56th Avenue, Cicero, Illinois, Frank Sterba, 2955 South Karlov Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, Joseph Beirbaum, 5316 West 13th Street, Cicero, Illinois, and Charles Mix, 124 North Pine Street, Chicago, Illinois, were

present, together with Miss Mary Monahan, Assistant Paymaster, 1614 South 61st Avenue, Cicero, Illinois, Casper Meyers, 1614 South 61st Avenue, Cicero, Illinois, and Joseph Lantvit, the latter named individuals being janitors. Mr. Jarva advised that the robbers obtained the sum of about \$3,800 in money. He stated that as a general rule the paydays fall on Wednesdays and that the payments were made as the different shifts go off duty, and as a result most of the employees' wages had been paid prior to the time of the robbery. He further stated that as a general rule while the paydays fall on Wednesdays, in months containing five weeks the paydays fall on Thursdays, and that the sum of between \$50,000 and \$90,000 is paid out to the employees; that this sum includes a bonus which is paid once a month. He further advised that the robbers obtained four .38 calibre Special Smith and Wesson revolvers with five inch barrels which his company had purchased from the Smith and Wesson factory on January 19, 1932. He advised that the company had purchased five such guns and obtained the invoice showing the guns with the following numbers: 636612, 636521, 636549, 635566, and 636829. Mr. Jarva was unable to identify the four guns taken by the robbers, advising that one of the guns was at the time of the interview located in the safe and he would not have access to it until a later date and that he would be able to advise at that time which gun was still in the possession of the company.

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Mr. Jarva advised that Detective Freedman of the Chicago Police Department had exhibited photographs of Volney Davis and Harry Campbell to the guards who were present during the robbery and that these individuals had been identified by the guards as having participated in the robbery. Mr. Jarva was questioned to determine if any of the robbers had touched anything for the purpose of ascertaining if it would be possible to find any latent fingerprints of any of the robbers. He advised that the Chicago police had not made any efforts to discover any latent fingerprints left by the robbers and that the door to the vault and to the safe had been handled by various employees of the office during the past few days.

Guards George Repata, Frank Sterba, Joseph Beirbaum and Charles Mix were interviewed in the office of the above company. Photographs of Harry Campbell, Volney Davis, Alvin Karpis and William Weaver were shown to the guards. Repata and Beirbaum positively identified the photograph of Campbell as being one of the robbers, while Sterba positively identified Volney Davis as being another.

Beirbaum stated that he was stationed on the sidewalk in front of the door at the office of the above company at about 7:00 A.M. on the date of the robbery and observed a 1930 Ford sedan, painted black, with "Police No. 14" painted on the side of it, swing into Taylor Street from Central Avenue and stop in front of the office. He stated that upon stopping three police officers, dressed in full police uniform, identical with that worn

by Chicago policemen, got out of the back seat of the car and informed him "we got a report there is a stickup here". At this time two individuals in plain clothes got out of the front seat of the car and all five surrounded him and upon entering the door of the offices asked him if he was a police officer and upon showing them his badge which was fastened to his holster, one of the men removed his gun and said that they would take care of that for him and that they would find out if he was a police officer or not at a later time. The men then entered the lobby of the building on the ground floor and obtained guard Repata's gun under the same pretext. They then continued up the stairs to the second floor where they accosted guard Sterba. Upon approaching Sterba one of the men asked where the stickup was and then asked where is your badge and your gun, whereupon they questioned Sterba if he was a police officer or not and took his gun and advised him to the effect that they would find out whether he was a police officer or not. They then continued on to the vault, which is located on the second floor and accosted guard Charles Mix and Miss Monahan. They then entered the vault, being preceded by the four guards and Miss Monahan and after taking the money, which was contained in a cash box, out of a safe within the vault, locked the four guards in the vault and commanded Miss Monahan to accompany them to the ground floor. Upon reaching the ground floor they advised Miss Monahan that everything was all right and left the building.

The guards advised that Miss Monahan did not realize that the robbery had taken place until all of the robbers had fled from the building.

The following are composit descriptions of the participants of the robbery as received from the four guards mentioned above:

Number One man - Who is described as being the leader:

Age - 43 to 45 years
Height - 5' 7" or 8"
Weight - 225 pounds
Build - Heavy
Hair - Dark brown
Pimpled, pock-marked face, pimpled pocked nose
Wore heavy dark rimmed glasses
Was dressed in civilian clothes, wearing tan suit, speckled grey topcoat and brown hat. The general consensus of opinion among the guards was that this individual was of Polish extraction but advised that he spoke clear and distinct English.

Number Two man - who the guards identified from a photograph as being Harry Campbell:

Dressed in regulation Chicago Police Department uniform - long trousers, blue stripe on trousers, regular regulation police shoes. Hat insignia and badge were identical with those used by Chicago Police Department.

Age - 35 years

Height - 5' 7"

Weight - 145 lbs.

Hair - Dark

Blotches on face

Twisted his mouth to one side while talking to them.

Number Three man:

Age - 45 years

Height - 5' 7"

Weight - 230 pounds

Spoke clear, distinct English and was believed by guards to be of Polish extraction.

Dressed in a uniform similar to that worn by Number Two man. Was wearing the summer style police hat and regulation police shoes.

Number Four man: (Identified from photograph as being Volney Davis)

Dressed in regulation Chicago Police Department uniform, long trousers and regulation police shoes.

None of the guards would advance any description of the fifth man. They advised that he acted as a rear guard during the progress of the robbery and that no opportunity was had to determine his description.

All of the robbers were armed with pistols and no other type of weapon was noticed during the robbery.

All of the guards agreed with the information concerning the robbery as given by guard Beirbaum, which is set forth in preceding paragraphs.

Nick Folgers, 1340 57th Court, Cicero, Illinois, another employee of the above company advised that he observed the bandits as they were fleeing from the scene of the robbery in the Ford sedan. He stated that these men made their escape by proceeding west on Taylor Street for one block, then left on Waller Street and west on Fillmore Street. He further advised that he did not have sufficient time to observe the men very closely but noted at the time they passed him that all of the men were in the act of changing their uniform hats for soft felt hats. He advised that the automobile passed so rapidly that he was unable to make any observation of it other than to note that it had "Police No. 14" painted on the side; that the word "police" was spelled out and painted in a slightly curved manner with the number "14" placed directly under it.

Mary Monahan, Assistant Paymaster, was interviewed by Special Agent Barber. Miss Monahan advised that the photographs of subjects Harry Campbell and Volney Davis failed to resemble any of the participants. Miss Monahan advised that she was guarded by the robbers during the robbery and forced to accompany them to the entrance of the building in making their escape.

Captain Sullivan advised on May 13, 1935, that a yellow brick apartment house with a large courtyard located at or near 5538 Jackson Boulevard was the apartment where police car No. 14 was seen parked half an hour after the robbery occurred. Captain Sullivan stated that he had at that time two men checking this address to ascertain the owner and manager thereof for further information regarding the identity of the robbers. He stated that he would immediately advise the Chicago Bureau office should he obtain any information indicating that any members of the Karpis-Barker gang were residing at this address or should he obtain further information indicating they were the perpetrators of the above robbery. From Captain Sullivan's conversation, Agent gathered that he did not desire the Chicago Bureau office to conduct an investigation at the above apartment house at this time. He was advised that this office would at any time be glad to assist in any investigation he might be making in this matter.

This matter was discussed with Special Agent in Charge M. H. Purvis, who did not deem it advisable at this time to make an independent inquiry at the above mentioned apartment house. Special Agents D. P. Sullivan and M. Chaffetz made a surveillance of the neighborhood in the 5500 block on Jackson Boulevard and ascertained that there was a large yellow building with a large courtyard located at 5556 Jackson, which undoubtedly is the apartment house referred to by Chief Sullivan. Close contact is being maintained with Chief Sullivan for further developments in this matter.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent
A. P. Barber:

Mr. W. Jarva, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer of the Edison
General Electric Appliance Company, 5600 West Taylor Street, Chicago,
called the Chicago Bureau Office on May 14, 1935 and advised that his
company had received a special delivery letter from Mrs. Bertha J.
Mairs, Station B, Charleston, West Virginia, postmarked at Charleston,
West Virginia, at 3:00 P.M., May 13, 1935. Mr. Jarva read the letter
over the telephone to Agent, and it is quoted below:

May 11th/1935

Mrs. Bertha J. Mairs
Station B. Charleston
West Va.

Dear Sir:

I have noticed in the newspaper where Edison Electric
Appliance Company were robed of Three Thousand and Eight hundred
Dollars.

Now if you wish for me to help you to locate those people
and get you money back let me know. Of course I would expect
you all to pay me after my wourk was finished.

Because it will cost me money to catch them and mabey I
will live to finish my work and mabey I wont.

Because I take a awful responceability upon my selve to
do work like that.

Let me know at once what about it. I beleive I can help
you. Answer soon. Yous very Respectifuly

/s/ Mrs. Bertha J. Mairs
Station B, Charleston, West Va."

Mr. Jarva advised that he would send instant letter to the Chicago Bureau Office by messenger, inasmuch as one of his messengers had to make a trip to the Loop on other company business. Upon its receipt this letter will be retained in the Chicago Bureau Office file of this case.

A telegram was directed to the Pittsburgh Bureau Office on May 14, 1935 requesting that office to conduct an investigation at Charleston, West Virginia for the purpose of interviewing Mrs. Bertha J. Mairs to ascertain if she has any information of value concerning the identity of the individuals who robbed the above company.

A letter was also transmitted to the Director, together with copies to the St. Paul, Cincinnati and Pittsburgh offices, confirming the information set forth in the above telegram, on May 14, 1935.

Under date of May 14, 1935, the Pittsburgh Bureau office advised that Bertha J. Mairs had no information concerning the above robbery and was considered to be mentally deranged.

On April 29, 1935, Mr. C. L. Oswald, who is employed at the roundhouse at Bensenville, Illinois, and who is residing at 459 Washburn Street, Elgin, Illinois, called this office. Mr. Oswald is one of the individuals contacted by Special Agent W. C. Ryan, who agreed to maintain a surveillance of the tavern of Jim Farmer at Bensenville, Illinois, and furnish this office with any information concerning people calling at this tavern in whom this office might have an interest. The tavern referred to is commonly known as "Elmer's Tavern". Mr. Oswald called at the office in order to obtain photographs of various women connected with this gang, stating that a number of women had been calling at the tavern operated by Jim Farmer. He was furnished photographs of Myrtle Eaton, Madeline Snyder and Gladys Sawyer, as well as those of other fugitives in this case.

Mr. Oswald advised Special Agent Chaffetz that he had seen several cars at the above tavern, but that he had checked the same and determined that they were owned by parties residing in Bensenville, Illinois, or parties with whom he was acquainted. He further advised Agent Chaffetz that he is keeping a very close lookout on all persons calling at the tavern and will immediately report any information of value to this office. He added that the tavern is running a "book"

taking bets on races, and for this reason a large number of cars are frequenting that place.

Mr. Oswald on May 10, 1935, advised Agent Sullivan that he saw cars bearing the following license plates in front of Elmer's Tavern:

1935 Illinois license no. 585-520, which he stated were issued to John Keller, 754 North Cicero Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, for a De Soto Sedan;

1935 Illinois license No. 62-172, which were issued to P. D. Little, 4834 Henderson Street, Chicago, Illinois, for a Dodge Sedan.

On May 11, 1935, Mr. Oswald called from Elgin, Illinois, and advised that the following license numbers had been observed at Elmer's Tavern:

1935 Illinois license No. 422-720, issued to Jesse J. Reid, 3102 North 78th Avenue, Elmwood Park, Illinois, for a Plymouth sedan;

1935 Illinois license No. 986-575, two men were seen in this car which is either a De Soto or a Chrysler; no descriptions of the occupants were secured.

Mention has been made in previous reports that Deputy Sheriff Lang at Wheaton, Illinois, commonly known as "Smoky", frequently traveled about with Elmer Farmer. Deputy Sheriff Lang was interviewed by Special Agents J. L. Madala and D. P. Sullivan. He stated that he has known Elmer Farmer at Bensenville for some time; that he and Farmer went about together frequently; that Farmer appeared to be a likeable good-natured fellow, who made a living from slot machines, and from the tavern he operated at Bensenville. Deputy Sheriff Lang stated that he did not know during the time he went around with Elmer Farmer that Farmer aided hoodlums in obtaining places to hide out. He was shown photographs of all members of the Karpis-Barker gang, which he failed to recognize.

Deputy Sheriff Lang, however, stated that some time approximately in August of 1934, he noticed a young man fixing a spare tire on a Ford sedan, which was parked in the vicinity of Elmer Farmer's tavern; that he stopped and looked at the man and he stated that this man appeared to be similar in appearance to the photograph of Alvin Karpis, which was shown him. Lang stated he did not question this young man, but he obtained the license plates on the car, which bore at that time 1934 Illinois plates No. 995-646, which were issued to Mrs. Grace Tait, 2641 Washington Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois, for an Oakland coupe. Lang stated that he never checked the above address; that he has not seen this young fellow before or since the above incident. Deputy Sheriff Lang likewise stated that the photograph of Dr. Joseph P. Moran appeared familiar and that he believed he had seen a man of similar appearance to Moran either at Joliet or Aurora, Illinois, or the vicinity of these two towns.

Lang further stated that Mike Moreno, a hoodlum located at Melrose Park, frequently visited Elmer's Tavern; that Moreno apparently provided Farmer with tips on horse races.

Lang further stated that Farmer frequently visited Kahn's Stand, a barbecue place located on North Avenue near Melrose Park, and that he and Farmer frequently went out with the two young daughters of Mr. Kahn, who operated the above barbecue stand. It is to be noted that the daughters of Kahn are young girls, approximately 17 and 19 years of age. Helen Kahn especially appears to have gone about with Farmer frequently.

Lang further stated that he had no information indicating that any hoodlums ever visited Kahn's Barbecue Stand; that there were two or three tourist cabins located in the back of the stand; that he cannot recall at any time seeing any members of the Karpis Barker gang or other hoodlums visiting this stand. However, he stated that some months ago, he recollected seeing a tall thin fellow standing outside of Kahn's Barbecue Stand, and when shown the photograph of Russell Gibson, Lang stated that this photograph appeared to be a likeness of this man. Lang did not obtain the license plates on the car driven by this man, nor was he able to provide any further information. Lang stated that the Kahn family

had a lease on the barbecue stand for the sum of \$3000.00 for a period unknown, but undoubtedly for a year or more because of the large sum involved, and that the whole family intended leaving for Germany approximately May 10th for an indefinite stay. Lang stated that he frequently dropped in to visit the Kahns with friends of his, and at his suggestion, Agents accompanied Deputy Sheriff Lang to Kahn's stand, where a casual conversation was had with Helen Kahn. Deputy Sheriff Lang stated that he had received some information indicating that some members of the Karpis-Barker gang had been seen in the county and exhibited to Helen Kahn photographs of all members of the Karpis-Barker gang. She stated that she had never seen any of these persons. However, from her conversation, it appeared that she was withholding information. Lang further stated that Elmer Farmer for the past 10 years had been living with a woman named Helen, who formerly was married to a man named Conliff at Bensenville; that she is presently living with her mother, a Mrs. Wynn on Addison Street, Bensenville; that Helen's uncle formerly ran a drug store, which is now closed, at Bensenville. Lang said that he did not believe that Helen would provide any information she might have in locating members of the Karpis-Barker gang not yet apprehended.

On May 6, 1935, the Chicago Bureau office received information from the Sheriff at Wheaton, Illinois, that the Chicago Tribune had made inquiry concerning one Kahn and family, who were said to have been arrested in New York on May 6, 1935, while boarding a ship for Germany, and that Bremer ransom money had been found in possession of Kahn.

Investigation by the Chicago Bureau office indicated that Kahn called John Snyder, the present operator of Kahn's Grove at Elmhurst, Illinois, a barbecue stand formerly operated by Kahn, by long distance telephone on the Thursday prior to May 6, 1935, informing him that he was leaving Chicago that day.

Mr. John Snyder was interviewed by Special Agent D. P. Sullivan and stated that the Kahn family left Elmhurst approximately three weeks ago, returning about two days after they left, and again departed, stating that they were going to visit various relatives in Wisconsin, Indiana and Michigan, but did not give the names or the addresses of these relatives. Mr. Snyder stated that Kahn had recently purchased a new Ford V-8 sedan in which the family were to drive to New York, the car to be shipped to Germany. He further stated that the only relative he knew of Kahn's was a Dr. Kahn, a chiropodist located at Tulsa, Oklahoma, whom Mr. Kahn visited during the past January past; that he understood that the Kahn family was to leave either on the steamship Bremen or Europa

on either May 11th or May 17th. Snyder was shown photographs of all members of the Karpis-Barker gang, which he failed to recognize. He stated he leased the premises from Kahn on April 1, 1935. Snyder was questioned concerning the report that the Kahn family had been arrested in New York City, and he stated that he had no definite information in this regard but had heard from a number of persons living in the vicinity that Kahn had been arrested; that because it was well known that Kahn and his daughters were well acquainted with Elmer Farmer, some persons had stated that Kahn had been in possession of Bremer ransom money. He stated he had been unable to locate the source of this report, but expressed the opinion that it was mere scandal.

The Oklahoma City office was telegraphically requested to interview Dr. Kahn, chiropract at Tulsa, Oklahoma, to ascertain all information concerning the present whereabouts of Kahn and his family and the names and addresses of relatives he might be likely to visit.

On May 6, 1935, the New York City office was requested by teletype to locate and interview the Kahn family and the Washington Field office was requested to furnish the New York City office with information concerning the name of the boat and the date of sailing which possibly could be obtained from the application for the passport.

The New York City office advised by teletype on May 7, 1935, that the Kahn family was booked as third class on the steamship Bremen, sailing at midnight May 10, 1935. The New York City office advised that no local New York address could be found for the Kahns and it would be necessary to interview them on the Bremen or detain their departure. It was believed that an interview aboard the steamship Bremen would be unsatisfactory. Special Agent in Charge Purvis communicated with Assistant Director Harold Nathan at Washington and informed him fully as to the details in this matter. Mr. Nathan was of the opinion that Kahn could not be prevented from sailing and advised that he would immediately inform the New York City office by telephone.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents G. C. Woltz and M. Chaffetz, Agent Woltz being the reporting agent:

The above-named agents conducted an extensive investigation at 1102 West Madison Street, Chicago, Illinois, in an effort to locate John Moran or Tommy Wilder, the latter being an associate and contact of Moran. These men were supposedly meeting at Schultz' Restaurant at this address and might be contacting Harrison.

The letter of Special Agent in Charge R. E. Vetterli, St. Louis, Missouri, of April 8, 1935, sets out this lead, which was based upon information furnished by Deputy Sheriff H. D. Newbold of Clayton, Missouri.

Agents Woltz and Chaffetz established the fact that the restaurant formerly operated by Schultz and Joebel at 1102 West Madison Street, Chicago, Illinois, had been sold several months ago and was at this time operated by a person named Pilat, and that this restaurant was a cheap restaurant which had a large patronage at mealtimes. However, very seldom was there anyone hanging around or loafing within the place other than at mealtime. For a period of several days Agents could not observe anyone resembling either Moran or Wilder or Harrison in or near this place.

The letter carrier, Mr. J. M. Smith, whose number is #704, Main Post Office, Section 7, and who carries the mail at this address was interviewed and shown photographs of Moran, Wilder, Harrison and also other members of the Karpis-Barker gang, but he could not identify anyone as having been seen by him near this address. Mr. Smith also stated that no mail of a personal nature was received at any addresses near this place and that nearly all mail which was received seemed to be circulars and papers.

It was established that the only person living over the restaurant or near it was a Mr. Coopy and his wife, who had lived there for the past twenty years and who were regarded as being reliable and honest and, according to Mr. Smith, had no connection with hoodlums and did not have any visitors at times when he delivered mail at this place. Mr. Smith advised that the local police were checking on this same matter about two months ago and questioned him about the same address and the same people that we were asking about.

It was established that the Coopy's phone number was Seeley 9809, and that the phone number of the restaurant at 1102 West Madison Street was Canal 9869. These phone numbers were checked through the records of the Illinois Bell Telephone Company for incoming and outgoing calls. The address at 1104 West Madison Street, which is an adjoining store and at which the Paragon Wholesale Liquor Store is operated, was checked through the records, as well as a hotel directly over this store with the entrance at 1104 West Madison, with negative results as to all phones.

A letter was written to the St. Louis Office requesting that Mr. H. D. Newbold, the deputy sheriff of Clayton, Missouri, be contacted to determine just what period of time the information which he had received covered, as apparently many changes had taken place at this address in recent months, and since the local police were checking this same place two months ago it is possible that the information received by Mr. Newbold originated from the local police in Chicago after negative information was obtained by them upon checking this address.

The following memorandum was submitted by Acting Special Agent in Charge D.M.Ladd:

April 22, 1935

On Sunday, April 21st, 1935, Mr. E.J. Connelley received a call from [redacted] to the effect that Willie Harrison had been seen by him in the company of one Babs Moran, a hoodlum from St. Louis. b7c
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In accordance with this information, Mr. Connelley and the writer immediately proceeded to the vicinity of the Rienzi Hotel and contacted [redacted]. He advised that he had seen Willie Harrison make a contact with Moran, at which time Moran walked by him and handed him a slip of paper or some bills, he was not sure as to the nature of the package handed between the two. He stated that Moran was with another unknown individual who was driving a car bearing a 1935 Florida license, No. 45251, the make of the car being unknown; that Willie Harrison walked around the corner from this place and took a blue Publix cab; that he was unable to obtain the number of this cab.

In accordance with the above information, a telegram was forwarded to the Jacksonville office requesting them to advise as to the name of the owner of the license number above referred to."

On the same date, the Jacksonville office telegraphically advised that 1935 license plates 45251 were issued to J.D. Finnegan, Ambassador Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida for Dodge broughm; that his car bore motor No. SDR-5894. The Jacksonville office later on the same date advised that investigation at Miami Beach, Florida disclosed that Finnegan was a Chicago gambler who resided at the Ambassador Hotel, Miami Beach from November, 1934 to January of 1935; that he had been employed as a dealer at George Carter's Gambling Place and Bar at Miami Beach; that Finnegan had returned to Chicago three weeks ago; that his Chicago address could not be obtained; that Finnegan bears a good reputation among gamblers and has no police record. The telegram further stated that Finnegan is reputed to be acquainted with William J. Harrison and other hoodlums but not believed to be associated with Harrison or other members of the Karpis-Barker gang; that Finnegan has a wife and one child in Chicago.

Upon orders of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, Special Agent D. P. Sullivan, who is reporting the following investigation, checked into the Rienzi Hotel, 600 Diversey Parkway, on April 22, 1935, and checked out late on the afternoon of April 24, 1935. It was believed advisable to have an Agent in the vicinity of the Rienzi Hotel, where [redacted] had stated Moran frequented almost nightly. b7c b7d

Agent spent some little time at Isbell's Restaurant located on the ground floor of the Rienzi Hotel. John Russell Moran is reported to have frequently visited this restaurant. Agent likewise frequented the Rienzi Arcade Bar located at the Rienzi Arcade, Diversey and Broadway. This place, according to [redacted] likewise is frequented by John Russell Moran. However, Moran was not seen.

Early in the morning of April 24, 1935, informant [redacted] stated that he had seen William Kern, alias Curran, an intimate associate of Moran in the neighborhood of the Rienzi Hotel; that Kern was drunk and had stated that he and Babs, referring to Moran, and Willie were going to the races at Louisville. [redacted] stated that he could not definitely state who Willie was but that the only Willie he knew was William J. Harrison, who was known to many of his friends as Willie Harrison. [redacted] stated that Kern was driving a late model Oldsmobile sedan, bearing 1935 Florida license 9350. [redacted] stated that he felt certain that Kern was the owner of the above-mentioned car. The Jacksonville office was telegraphically requested to ascertain all possible information concerning the party to whom the above plates were issued. In answer thereto the Jacksonville office on April 25, 1935, telegraphically advised that the above-mentioned plates were issued to Dr. E. H. Ruge, Apalachicola, Florida, for a Ford coach; that the Chief of Police at Apalachicola, had advised that Ruge was born and reared in that town; that Ruge was a dentist bearing a good reputation; that he had left the city several years ago, and his present whereabouts were unknown, although he is believed to be located someplace in the State of Georgia.

[redacted] advised that should Kern and Moran proceed to the races at Louisville, he felt absolutely certain that they would not stay at Louisville, but would stop with a former Chicago hoodlum by the name of Patty Hogan, who operates a tavern called the Log Cabin at Jeffersonville, Indiana near Louisville, Kentucky. Later on during the day [redacted] stated that he had obtained

information from an acquaintance of Moran that Moran and Kern had left for Louisville that day. A letter was directed to the Indianapolis office requesting that office to make appropriate investigation at Jeffersonville, Indiana to ascertain whether Moran or Kern could be located at the above mentioned tavern operated by Patty Hogan.

On April 25, 1935, [REDACTED] telephonically communicated with Special Agent V.W. Peterson and advised that he had been mistaken; that Patty Hogan's place was not located at Jeffersonville, Indiana, but at Newport, Kentucky. A letter was directed to Special Agent in Charge E.J. Connelley at Cincinnati advising him of the above information, a carbon copy of which was forwarded to the Indianapolis office for its information. A photograph had been previously forwarded the Indianapolis office with a letter from the Chicago office dated April 24, 1935.

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On May 11, 1935 Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley at Louisville, Kentucky telephonically communicated with Special Agent in Charge M. H. Purvis and stated that Bill Kiern, companion of John Russell Moran, had just sent a telegram via Postal Telegraph, to Frank Walsh, 20 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois, Room 707, reading as follows:

"Please send fifty to 4540 West Broadway
thanks".

Mr. Connelley requested that investigation be made to determine the identity of the addressee of the telegram.

Agents M. Chaffetz and D. P. Sullivan, the latter being the reporting Agent, made the following investigation:

Mr. Gordon Smith, manager of the Great Northern Office Building, 20 West Jackson Boulevard, was interviewed and he stated that James P. Nolan had rented Room 707 since October, 1932. Mr. Smith stated that Nolan was engaged in operating some sort of a bookmaking establishment, the great bulk of his business being done by telephone. He stated that Nolan, at the time he rented the above office suite, gave his residence address as 6048 North Washington Avenue, telephone Rogers Park 4140; that Nolan did his banking at the Amalgamated Trust & Savings Bank; that Nolan had a brother named J. J. Nolan who was a member of the Chicago Board of Trade. Mr. Smith stated that he had made inquiry of several references given by Nolan at the time he rented the above office suite and had ascertained that Nolan was considered highly reputable; that he ran an ordinary and apparently legitimate bookmaking establishment, which he believed was frequented by stock brokers and business men of some little wealth. He stated that there were approximate 20 people employed by Nolan, most of them acting as commission brokers for him at various places in the city. Mr. Smith further stated that he did not know any of the persons working for Nolan but suggested that Agents interview Henry Coens, a barber who has his place of business immediately across the hall from the suite occupied by Nolan. Mr. Smith stated Coens was an intelligent, family man who minded his own business and who could be relied upon.

Henry Coens, barber on the seventh floor of the Great Northern Office Building, was interviewed in the presence of Mr. Smith, and he stated that he has been operating his barber shop in this office building for 25 years; that James P. Nolan and other persons employed at room 707 frequented his barber shop; that Nolan was a highly reputable man with a fine type of clientele. He stated that very few persons

personally called at room 707; that apparently most of the business was done by telephone. He stated that Charles Burns, an ex-prize fighter is a porter employed by Nolan.

Coens further stated that Frank Walsh is employed by Nolan as a bookkeeper. Walsh was described as follows:

Age: 40 years
Height: 5 feet 10 inches
Weight: 140 pounds
Hair: Sandy, partially bald

Coens stated that Walsh is a bachelor and lives somewhere on the south side of Chicago. Coens further stated that Walsh was a man of very fine character and further stated that Nolan and the people working under him appeared to be a fine type of people.

Coens appeared to Agents to be a dependable, intelligent person. He was shown photographs of John R. Moran, William J. Harrison and other members of the Karpis-Barker gang, which he failed to recognize, adding that he has an excellent memory for faces and that he felt certain that he would have recalled it if any of the persons represented in the photographs shown him had visited Nolan's place or his own barber shop.

The above information was telephonically communicated to Special Agent Z. J. Van Landingham, Tyler Hotel, Louisville, Kentucky in the absence of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley.

On May 10, 1935, Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley advised the Chicago Bureau office by telephone that John R. Moran and Bill Kierns were in Louisville, driving Oldsmobile sedan bearing 1935 Florida license No. D-9350, and a Graham Paige bearing 1935 Florida license No. D-5088, which were issued to John R. Moran at Miami, Florida. Mr. Connelley further advised that Moran was staying at 4540 West Broadway in Louisville, Kentucky, and that his Chicago residence was 4165 South Halsted Street, where he was living under the name of John R. Moran. Mr. Connelley suggested a check be made at this address.

On this date Special Agents D. P. Sullivan and M. Chaffetz checked the address of 4165 South Halsted Street, Chicago, Illinois, and ascertained that this address was formerly occupied by a tavern which was destroyed in the Stockyards fire last May. Inquiry of the carrier delivering mail at the above address failed to disclose any information concerning Moran, Harrison, or other members of the Karpis-Barker gang as having frequented this neighborhood, although the carrier stated that the photographs of Harrison and Moran appeared somewhat familiar. The carrier stated that the address of 4165 Halsted Street, before its destruction, was occupied on the ground floor by the Horn Palace Tavern, which was frequented by James "High Pockets" O'Brien. This tavern is now located at 4189 South Halsted Street and is managed by Tony Polcus. The second floor up until the time of the fire at the address 4165 South Halsted had been occupied by the Dakota Hotel with John Pappas as manager. The above hotel is now located at 741 Root Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Reference is made to the telegram from the Cincinnati Bureau office to the Chicago Bureau office, dated May 14, 1935, in which it was stated that it had been ascertained that John Russell Moran received a telegram from his mother, Catherine Clyatt, on April 1st at 4187 South Halsted Street, Chicago, Illinois.

On May 15, 1935, the following investigation was conducted by Special Agent W. C. Ryan with reference to the address 4187 South Halsted Street. It was observed by Agent that the address 4187 South Halsted is occupied by the Stockyards Hardware and Paint Company; that this address is located in a two story building, which also contains the address 4189 South Halsted. Between the two above mentioned addresses is the entrance to the second floor of this building, no address being noted on the door of this middle entrance. The address 4189 South Halsted is occupied by the Horn Palace Tavern.

At the Stockyards Post Office Substation, 700 West Root Street, Agent was advised by Assistant Superintendent Al Priest that the Stockyards Hardware and Paint Company is operated by a party by the name of

Davis who has conducted business there for approximately two years and that he is generally known to be a very reputable citizen. Mr. Priest had no definite information as to the occupants of the upstairs part of the building at 4187-89 South Halsted; however, at the time of Agent's interview with him he received a phone call from the regular carrier who serves this district and it was ascertained from the carrier by telephone that there was a letter in the Post Office at that time addressed to J. R. Moran. It was also ascertained from the carrier that the upstairs portion of the address in question is occupied by the Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Live Stock Handlers Union, local No. 517. The carrier also advised that the Horn Palace Tavern is operated by one Tony Tulcas (not Polcus). The carrier stated that the address which was on the letter addressed to J. R. Moran was 4165 South Halsted Street, but that this address was formerly occupied by a hotel operated by one Pappas, which hotel has been destroyed by fire, and that Pappas is now operating a hotel at 741 Root Street. The carrier stated that he had made inquiries at 741 Root Street and at the Horn Palace Tavern, 4189 South Halsted, for John R. Moran, but that he was unknown at both of these places. He stated that he had not made inquiry at the headquarters of the labor union located on the second floor of the building, nor had he inquired at the hardware store at 4187 South Halsted.

Mr. Priest obtained the letter, which was at the time in the Post Office, addressed to John R. Moran, and it was noted that this letter was postmarked at Chicago, Illinois, May 14, 1935, and addressed to Mr. J. R. Moran, 4165 South Halsted Street. The letter bore the return address of the Bergl Chevrolet Sales Company, 5342 West Cermak Road, Cicero, Illinois. It was ascertained by holding this letter to the light that it contained a statement dated May 10, 1935, showing that on April 23, 1935, there was a balance due on the account of J. R. Moran of \$5.00. Arrangements were made with Mr. Priest whereby another attempt would be made to deliver this letter to J. R. Moran on the same afternoon of the interview. Mr. Priest stated that if Agent would communicate with him by telephone later the same afternoon he would advise of the results of the further attempt to locate Mr. Moran.

Later the same afternoon Agent contacted Mr. Newman, foreman of the Stockyards Post Office substation, telephonically and was advised by him that the letter to Mr. Moran had been delivered and accepted that afternoon. He stated that carrier John C. Bonesh, 2619 South Wells Street, telephone Victory 8717, had made inquiries at 4187 South Halsted Street in the upstairs portion of that building, and that upon inquiring in a rear room of the second floor, where a gambling establishment is operated, an individual there pointed out to him a party as being J. R. Moran. Mr. Newman stated that the carrier delivered the letter to the individual

pointed out to him and that he accepted the same; that the carrier described the party who accepted the letter as being 5' 8" in height, weight 200 pounds, stocky build, reddish hair, and florid complexion, and that he wore gold rimmed glasses and a grey suit. Mr. Newman also stated that after the carrier had delivered the letter to the above individual he noticed that this party left the gambling establishment and proceeded across Halsted Street to the Stockyards Inn located at about 4178 South Halsted Street. Mr. Newman advised that there are two entrances to the Stockyards Inn, one of which is located on Halsted Street and the other on Exchange Street.

At the time of the dictation of this report, active investigation is being conducted to determine the identity of the individual who accepted the letter.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent D. P. Sullivan, accompanied on the various evenings by Special Agents F. G. Tillman, A. A. Muzzey and W. C. Ryan, from April 8 to 12, 1935, this memorandum being dictated by Agent Sullivan:

The Hy-Ho Club, at 2242 South Cicero Avenue, Cicero, Illinois, was kept under surveillance nightly from 11 P.M. to 1 A.M., and the following license plates, with the listings given thereof, were noted:

April 11, 1935

- 820-714 - Chevrolet Sedan -
- 383-662 - Oldsmobile Sedan, license issued to Alta A. Silverman, 608 Huron Street, Maywood, Illinois.
- 343-381 - Ford coupe, 1935 model, license issued to Bernard M. Connelley, 1829 N. Keeler Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.
- 323-888 - Pontiac Sedan, license issued to Commerical Tire and Supply Co. (S. J. Eberhardt), 49 Washington Boulevard, Oak Park, Illinois.

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- 158-432 - Packard automobile - license issued to Daniel C. Donaldson, 811 N. 5th Avenue, Maywood, Illinois.
- 184-302 - Chevrolet automobile - license issued to Howard A. Ward, 1301 S. 49th Avenue, Cicero, Illinois.
- 356-582 - Ford automobile - license issued to John Dwyer, 1635 W. 69th St. Chicago, Illinois.
- 483-511 - Chrysler automobile - license issued to James Bambala, 5741 W. 22nd St. Cicero, Illinois.
- 581-187 - Plymouth automobile, license issued to Benton Mauzy, 2634 Oak Park Avenue, Berwyn, Illinois.
- 582-884 - Essex automobile - license issued to Kenneth A. Hedrick, 5450 N. Paulina St. Chicago, Illinois.
- 637-487 - DeSoto automobile - license issued to Mearl J. Miller, 1010 Marengo Avenue, Forest Park, Illinois.

647-637 - Chevrolet automobile, - license issued to George Rauch, Newton, Ill.

759-436 - Plymouth automobile - license issued to Albert Panno, 150 N. 20th Avenue, Melrose Park, Illinois.

The above information regarding cars seen in the neighborhood of the Hy-Ho Club does not appear to have any particular significance as to any connection with the subjects involved in this case. However, the information is herein listed for possible future use.

Each night between midnight and one o'clock one or more of the above mentioned Agents entered the Hy-Ho Club for the purpose of ascertaining whether WILLIAM J. HARRISON or other members of the Karpis-Barker gang were frequenting this tavern. No persons answering these descriptions were seen, nor was any person answering the description of TONY CAPEZIO, reported contact for Harrison, seen in this place.

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With further reference to efforts to identify the individual known as "Duke", referred to in previous reports as being the individual who at the present time was harboring some individual wanted in the present case, Special Agent D. P. Sullivan on April 30, 1935, interviewed [redacted], who advised that for the past ten years he, [redacted], had known a man named Duke, who is presently employed as a porter at the Grand Hotel, located over the Hy-Ho Club, Cicero, Illinois. He described this "Duke" as being approximately 35 years of age, 5' 8" in height, of medium build, having light brown hair and a fair complexion. He stated that "Duke" formerly was employed as a bartender at the Hy-Ho Club when it was operated by the Pizzo brothers. He stated that at that time the club was called the Cinema Club; that it was while the club was operated by the Pizzo brothers that it advertised the fact that no refreshments and sandwiches would cost more than twenty-five cents.

[redacted] referred to in the report of reference of Special Agent R. C. Suran, Chicago, Illinois, dated April 12, 1935, undoubtedly had reference to the Hy-Ho Club when it was operated under the name of the Cinema Club. [redacted] advised that he is well acquainted with this man named "Duke", and he believes he can ascertain whether any persons considered by the criminal element as being "hot" have been frequenting the Hy-Ho Club or living upstairs in the Grand Hotel. Agent Sullivan did not deem it advisable to specifically inform [redacted] as to the persons wanted, but he stated that he believed he could ascertain in general whether any badly wanted criminals had been frequenting the Hy-Ho Club or the Grand Hotel.

[redacted] on April 27, 1935, advised that he likewise was acquainted with another man named "Duke" and pointed this man out to Special Agent D. P. Sullivan in front of 7117 Roosevelt Road, Berwyn, Illinois, where "Duke" is supposed to be operating a bookmaking establishment.

James A. Howe, real estate, 7118 Roosevelt Road, President of the Oak Park Village Board, stated he was a rental agent for 7117 Roosevelt Road, located directly across the street from his office. He advised that this place is owned by Leon Edidin, 3108 Lyndale Avenue, telephone No. Spaulding 7009. He stated that Edidin is employed by the Cook County Sanitary District and appears to be legitimate. The address 7117 Roosevelt Road was rented on February 22, 1935, to Joseph Paulson by the owner. Howe stated that he knows nothing concerning Paulson, but that the place is frequented by the best people in Berwyn and is orderly. He stated that he never heard of any individual named "Duke" employed at this bookie place. He stated that the address 7117 Roosevelt Road had been vacant for about six months prior to the time Paulson leased it, in February of 1935; that prior to that time it had been operated by a man who gave his

name as Ryan from Cicero, Illinois. Howe said that the name of Ryan may have been fictitious. Howe was shown photographs of Harrison, Babs Moran and all other members of the gang, which he failed to recognize. Howe stated that the barber who operates the barber shop next door to 7117 Roosevelt Road, was a reliable and dependable person, who, although he did not play the races, would undoubtedly be acquainted with anyone frequenting the bookie place next door.

[redacted] further advised Agent Sullivan that on or about November 1, 1934, while he was visiting at Gallichios, Russell Gibson was present and gave to one of the Gallichios some money to pay for repairs done on his Ford sedan which he had that day left at Dempsey's Ford Sales Agency located at Madison and Oakley Streets, Chicago, Illinois. [redacted] further stated that Joe Gallichio had mentioned on one occasion that he had met members of the Karpis-Barker gang at or after midnight at the Triangle Restaurant located at Dearborn and Randolph Streets, Chicago. [redacted] under questioning stated that the Gallichios spoke as though this had been the custom in the past, but that he did not know the Triangle Restaurant was a meeting place at the present time should the Gallichios be in touch with any members of the Karpis-Barker gang. [redacted] further advised that neither the Gallichios nor Sam Mano had made any mention in the past month of having contacted any members of the Karpis-Barker gang. [redacted] pointed out the address of 838 South Winchester Street as the address where Joe and Frank Gallichio with their wives are presently residing. This house is located in a squalid and apparently disreputable residential neighborhood, inhabited apparently almost wholly by Italians. From examination of the neighborhood it does not appear that a surveillance of this house could be made.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents G. C. Woltz, C. G. Campbell, C. B. Winstead and R. L. Jones, Agent Woltz being the reporting agent:

Following instructions from Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley the above-named agents left Mankato, Minnesota at about 9:30 P.M. on the night of April 11, 1935 and proceeded to a point about three miles south of Mankato city limits and on Highway 169, for the purpose of keeping under surveillance the house purported to belong to Belle Born, and endeavored to establish the identities of occupants of the house and the identities of any persons who might visit or call at the house, also the identity of any cars which might make an appearance at this location.

Agents Winstead and Jones proceeded to the house from the main highway while Agents Woltz and Campbell remained in a Bureau automobile near the highway. Agents Woltz and Campbell remained at the highway for the purpose of following any automobile which might drive out from the residence abovementioned.

Agents Jones and Winstead observed that only one woman was in the house at this time and only one room seemed to be occupied since there was only one illuminated, and while returning to the highway Agents Jones and Winstead observed an automobile which turned in the driveway and proceeded towards the house from off the highway. The car was driven by a man, who was the only occupant, and the license number was observed to be Minnesota 1934 #B197545, and just as the car turned into the front yard at the house a floodlight or large arc light, which was fastened at the top of the telephone pole directly in front of the house, was turned on. After the light was turned on the man entered the house. Several minutes later the arc light or floodlight, as well as the lights inside the house, were all turned off. Then a dim red floor light was turned on in the front room of the house.

Agents at this time secured another automobile, and Agents Campbell and Winstead parked along the highway south of the entrance to Belle Born's house, and Agents Woltz and Jones parked along the highway north of the entrance. At about 1:00 A.M. a man came out, entered the car and drove off in the direction of Mankato, or north

on Highway 169. Agents Woltz and Jones followed the car and determined that it was an Oldsmobile Coupe, about a 1927 year model, and had license number B197545, 1934, Minnesota, and was driven to 1529 - 3rd Avenue, Mankato, Minnesota. Subsequently it was established by Agents Murphy and Lawrence of the St. Paul Office that the car belonged to a person named Lamani, which is set out in code in a memorandum submitted by these agents and further referred to in reports in this case.

On the night of April 11, 1935, Special Agents E. L. Jones, C. B. Winstead, G. C. Woltz, and C. G. Campbell, on instructions from Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, went to the home of Belle Born located three miles outside of Mankato, Minnesota, to attempt to learn who the occupants were.

Agents Jones and Winstead walked to the house from the highway. The lights in the front room of the house were burning and the interior could be seen very plainly from the positions Agent's took in front of the house. It was observed there was only one woman in the house. Agents then went back to the highway and observed a car bearing 1934 Minnesota license number B197545. This car turned into the road leading to Belle Born's house. It was driven by a man unaccompanied. This man drove to the front of Belle Born's house and parked. The flood light was turned on in the front yard, and after the man entered the house the flood light was turned off. The lights inside the house were also turned off except one red floor lamp in the front room.

Agents Jones and Winstead then joined Agents Woltz and Campbell and returned to Mankato and got another Bureau automobile. Agents Winstead and Campbell then parked on the highway South of the Born home, and Agents Jones and Winstead parked North of the Born home, and remained parked in these positions part of the time and paroled the highway part of the time, never going far enough away so that this car could leave the Born home without being seen by Agents.

At about 12:45 a. m. a light was turned on in the basement, but didn't stay on long. Then the man left, this being about 1:00 a. m. He left in the above described automobile. Agents in both cars trailed this car and man to a house in Mankato, which it was later learned was 1329-3d Avenue.

After Agents watched this man put his car up again, they then proceeded to the Belle Born home and all lights were turned off and remained turned off while the Agents kept surveillance.

Mention has been made in previous reports from the Jacksonville office that one Danny McFarland, a gambler at Miami, Florida had been interviewed and he had stated that he had been acquainted with William J. Harrison for some years; that Harrison was well known at Benton Harbor, Michigan and at the Whitcomb Hotel, St. Joseph, Michigan.

The following investigation was made at Benton Harbor and St. Joseph, Michigan, by Special Agent D.P. Sullivan:

Charles Stratton, attorney-at-law mentioned by the Jacksonville office as a personal friend of Special Agent L.B. Nichols was interviewed, and he stated that he represented Fred "Killer" Burke at St. Joseph, Michigan during the year 1929; that Burke and other hoodlums from Chicago frequented St. Joseph and Benton Harbor, Michigan at that time. Stratton stated that he was never retained by any one definite person; that all his legal work done by him for Burke and his followers was done through intermediaries. However, Stratton stated when questioned as to the possibility of any one hiding out at St. Joseph or Benton Harbor, that Phil DeAndrea was a former hoodlum residing in Chicago, who had been living in St. Joseph for approximately 7 years; that De Andrea is connected with the Teamsters and Truckers Union, and the Hod Carriers Union at Chicago; that he has a large home which he recently built across from the Berrian Hills Golf Course at St. Joseph, Michigan.

Stratton was shown photographs of members of the Karpis Barker gang, all of which he failed to recognize.

Chief of Police Phairas, St. Joseph, Michigan, was interviewed, and he stated that at the time Fred "Killer" Burke was arrested for the murder of a policeman at St. Joseph, Michigan in 1929, he had in his possession a card bearing the name Willie Harrison, 403 State Street, Calumet City, Illinois; that at that time Chief Phairas proceeded to Calumet City and interviewed Harrison, who stated he had only met Burke occasionally on the golf course and was not well acquainted with Burke. Chief Phairas stated that the Whitcomb Hotel formerly was frequented by hoodlums from Chicago, but that it was presently operated by respectable people; that the Vincent Hotel in Benton Harbor, Michigan, up until the past year, had been operated for some years by Danny O'Connor, who came to Benton Harbor about 1928 from Chicago. Chief Phairas stated that O'Connor became a political boss at Benton Harbor, but was deposed about a year ago; that he left Benton Harbor, Michigan, and is now operating the Great Lakes Brewery at Calumet City, Illinois. It is to be noted here that the

Great Lakes Brewery is reported to be owned by John Patton, Mayor of Burnham, Illinois, and is reputed to be a Capone syndicate brewery. Patton is reported to be a close friend of William J. Harrison. Chief Phairas stated that Al and Ralph Capone, and other members of the Capone syndicate frequented the Vincent Hotel at Benton Harbor some years ago; that Phil DeAndrea is closely connected with the Capone syndicate, and has a cottage a short distance out of Benton Harbor, Michigan, which was used by Gus Winkler, Fred Goetz and others as a hideout during the year 1929.

Chief Phairas stated that Richard Ren, clerk of the Vincent Hotel was reliable; that this hotel had changed hands about a year ago, but was now considered a reputable hostelry.

At the Whitcomb Hotel, Agent interviewed Irving Hallit and Earle Ankli, room clerks, and Etta Cohan, who operates a cigar stand, and showed them photographs of all members of the Karpis-Barker gang, including photograph of Harrison, which they failed to recognize. Mrs. Katharine Thompson, house keeper, when shown photograph of Harrison stated that Harrison, a year or more ago, had stayed at the hotel for a few days under the name of Harris. She recalled having played bridge with him on one occasion. The registry records of the hotel were checked from January 1, 1934 up until the present time, but no registration of Harrison could be found. Identification orders of Karpis, Campbell, and Harrison were left at the hotel, and Mr. Harris, manager of the hotel advised that he would immediately notify the Chicago Bureau office should Harrison or other members of the gang register at the hotel.

Agent drove by the DeAndrea home, and noted that it is located in an isolated place overlooking the river just on the outskirts of St. Joseph. It is a house that would be difficult to be kept under surveillance, and it is immediately across from the Berrien Hills Golf Course. Lee Dustin, greens keeper of the Berrien Hills Golf Course was interviewed, and shown photographs of all members of the Karpis-Barker gang. Dustin could not recognize any of these photographs as representing anybody he had ever seen.

At Benton Harbor, Michigan, Deputy Sheriff Miller was interviewed, and he stated he would make it a point to keep the De Andrea home under surveillance, and would make note of any suspicious appearing cars or persons at the DeAndrea home, and would notify the Chicago Bureau office should they obtain any information indicating that Harrison or other members of the

Karpis-Barker gang were frequenting Benton Harbor, St. Joseph or vicinity.

Richard Ren, clerk at the Vincent Hotel, Benton Harbor, Michigan, was interviewed and shown photographs of the members of the Karpis-Barker gang which he failed to recognize. When questioned as to any possible places of hideout, he stated that Danny McFarland and Bill Conner formerly had a place on route 31, about 10 miles north of Benton Harbor, which was visited by hoodlums from Chicago; that McFarland was a gambler who had gone to Miami, Florida and had attempted to open up a dog track, but was unsuccessful in obtaining a license. Ren had reference, undoubtedly to Danny McFarland, who has been previously interviewed on several occasions by the Jacksonville office.

Deputy Sheriff Miller and Agent inspected the DeAndrea cottage located on Riverside Road next to the school house at Riverside, Michigan, near Benton Harbor, and noted that this cottage apparently was vacant, the windows having been boarded up. This is the cottage that Winkler and Goetz are reported to have formerly used as a hideout.

Postmaster M. Kittell was interviewed, and shown photographs of all members of the Karpis-Barker gang, which he failed to recognize. He stated that the DeAndrea cottage had been vacant for the past seven months. Identification orders of Karpis, Campbell and Harrison were left with Postmaster Kittell, and he stated he would immediately notify the Chicago Bureau office should any of these men appear in the vicinity.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents J.L. Madala and D.P. Sullivan at Aurora, Illinois:

Pete DeKing, mentioned in previous reports as having been acquainted with Volney Davis and Edna Murray during the time they resided at Aurora, was interviewed. He stated that on the morning that the Chicago Bureau office Agents raided the Rex Cafe following the escape of Volney Davis at Yorkville, Illinois, he, Biff Weber, Bill Grady and John "Bubbles" Barbo, a bartender at the Rex Cafe, were engaged in a card game at the time of the raid. DeKing stated that Biff Weber is the owner of the Rex Cafe, and that Bill Grady owns the Mill Tavern at Montgomery, Illinois. As mentioned in previous reports Bill Grady was acquainted with Volney Davis, Edna Murray, Bill Weaver and Myrtle Eaton, during the time they were located in Aurora. During the course of the above mentioned card game, a remark was passed by someone of the aforementioned persons, whose identity DeKing cannot now recall, that Volney Davis had visited Ted Smith's Tavern shortly after his escape at Yorkville, had unsuccessfully attempted to obtain some money from Ted Smith, and had thereupon left that tavern and proceeded to the Ridgeway Tavern on Ridgeway Avenue. DeKing stated that this tavern is jointly owned by Richard Graham and a man named Twilliger; that at this tavern Volney Davis either left the car which he was driving, or obtained the car.

DeKing further stated that when Davis was in Ted Smith's Tavern, R.A. Milroy, former U.S. Attorney at Chicago, now a practicing attorney at Aurora, was likewise in the tavern, and that Volney Davis asked Milroy to accompany him to the Ridgeway Tavern. DeKing stated that Milroy is a reputable lawyer, and is reliable, and he expressed his opinion that Milroy would provide any information he might have concerning this matter.

DeKing further stated that John Grady, son of Bill Grady above mentioned, who operates the Mill Tavern at Montgomery, Illinois, kept company with Edna Murray, unknown to Volney Davis, during the time that Davis and the Murray woman resided at Aurora. DeKing stated that John Grady is a young fellow who considers himself somewhat tough; that he does not believe that Grady would provide any information if interviewed by an Agent.

On May 8, 1935, Mr. Schiffman, Sinclair Filling Station, 15808 Park Avenue, Harvey, Illinois, telephonically communicated with Special Agent in Charge M. H. Purvis. He stated that a customer of his named Robinson, residence 15221 Lexington Avenue, Harvey, Illinois, had a tenant in his house whom he believed to be Karpis. Robinson advised Mr. Schiffman that there were two men and two women living at his place and that the man he believed to be Karpis runs into the house every time anyone approaches. Mr. Schiffman stated he would have Mr. Robinson at his filling station for interview.

Special Agents M. Chaffetz and D. P. Sullivan straightway proceeded to Harvey, Illinois, where the following investigation was conducted and is reported by the latter Agent:

Mr. Howard Robinson, residence 15221 Lexington Avenue, Harvey, Illinois, was introduced to Agents by Mr. Schiffman. He stated that his mother-in-law owns the house adjoining his residence at 15223 Lexington Avenue, and that approximately a month ago, through the rental agency of Horace Holmes, 172 East 54th Street, Harvey, this house was rented to a man named Hartman and his wife. Hartman at that time stated that he was a lineman for the telephone company and that he had previously lived in Gary, Indiana.

About nine days ago another man, whom he described as being approximately 27 or 28 years of age, height five feet eight inches, of medium build, dark hair, dark complexion, and well dressed, moved into the Hartman residence with his wife. He stated that Hartman was approximately 40 years of age, about 5' 10" in height, weight about 200 pounds, light brown hair, light complexion, of stout build, and having hazel eyes; that Hartman's wife was approximately 22 years of age, height 5' 8", slender build, brown hair and dark complexion, and that the other man's wife looked as though she might be a sister of the above woman and is described in a similar manner. He stated that the dark haired man who moved in nine days ago was wearing a mustache and that he had acted very suspiciously; that he occasionally played baseball with Robinson in the back alley, but that this man would hurry into the house whenever anyone passed and appeared to take great pains not to be seen on the street. He stated that this man apparently had no occupation and spent most of his time about the house; that Hartman and this dark complexioned man had two automobiles, one a large type of car and the other a panel bodied Ford truck of a late model. Robinson did not know the license plates on these cars. Robinson stated he frequently had visitors and that he did not believe it would arouse any suspicion for an Agent to enter his house. Thereupon Agent Chaffetz accompanied Robinson to his home.

At this time Mr. Robinson sat down to eat his lunch and Agent remained in the living room with Mrs. Robinson, who was questioned by Agent concerning these people living next door. Concerning the party of whom her

husband was suspicious, Mrs. Robinson stated he was at that time in the back yard hanging out the family wash, and that he could be seen by Agent. She also stated that his name was Chevalier and that it was her information that he was employed at the soda fountain at the Sherman Hotel in this city. Directly contrary to the story given by her husband, Mrs. Robinson stated that these people were just the average type of persons, very quiet, and did not seem to be in the least bit suspicious to her; that the Hartman family and the Chevalier family each have two children, and that it was her impression that the Chevalier man was having quite a difficult time in making both ends meet, in that he did not have a position, or very much money, and for that reason was living with Hartman.

Agent Chaffetz closely viewed Mr. Chevalier and it was determined that he did not resemble in any way photographs of the subjects wanted in this case.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents M. Chaffetz and L. Whitson, and same was dictated by Agent Chaffetz:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent R. Le Jones containing information about a party named Harry Williams registered at the Maryland Hotel in this city on March 14, 1935, and to the memorandum of the same Agent, dated April 19, 1935, which sets out information to the effect that this same party had checked back into the Maryland Hotel, Room 914, on April 18, 1935. It will be recalled that this is the party who was called telephonically from the apartment of Frank Foster in New York City, which information is set up in the report of Special Agent W. F. Swary, dated April 13, 1935, at New York City.

Following the receipt of this information to the effect that this party was at the Maryland Hotel, arrangements were made whereby Special Agent W. L. Buchanan of this Office to keep in touch with the manager of the above hotel, and to obtain any information possible concerning this party. It will be noted that Special Agent Buchanan was shortly thereafter transferred to another Office, therefore, Special Agent L. Whitson was to continue the investigation at the above hotel.

Agent Whitson was informed by John A. Dressen, a Clerk of the above hotel, that Harry Williams had checked out of the hotel on April 25, 1935, leaving his baggage there, and stating that he would be gone for a period of one week or ten days. On this same date Agent Chaffetz, accompanied by Special Agent Whitson, went to the Maryland Hotel in order to make a survey of the room occupied by this party. It should be noted here that Williams had checked out of the Maryland Hotel before Agent Whitson had an opportunity to have him pointed out by the management of the hotel.

Agents Chaffetz and Whitson thoroughly search the room occupied by this party for latent fingerprints but none of any value could be located. There was located, however, a letter addressed to H. Williams, Hotel Meurice, Room 100 - 145 West 58th Street, New York City, bearing the return address "Mrs. B. Gottlieb, 3934 West 19th Street, Chicago, Illinois. The envelop also carried a registered stamp bearing #551487. This letter clearly indicated that Harry Williams was the son of Mrs. Gottlieb, and also indicated that Mr. Gottlieb, the husband of Mrs. B. Gottlieb,

had recently died. The letter contained no further information of value.

There was also located in the room a memorial booklet printed by Weinstein Bros., 3600 - 10 Roosevelt Road, Chicago. This memorial booklet was made out in the name of Gootlieb, and apparently was for the father of Harry Williams.

There was also located a membership card, bearing #8625, for the Club Balboa, 1204 South Hill Street. No city was indicated on the card, but it was apparently for Los Angeles, California, and the telephone number Prospect 7676 was also listed on said card.

There was also located a business card for Benjamin Blank, M.D., Suite 1016 Taft Building, Hollywood, and Vine Street, telephone Gladstone 1166. No other information of value could be obtained as a result of the search of this room.

The baggage of this party still remains at the hotel and arrangements have been made whereby Agent Whitson will be immediately notified as soon as this party checks back into the hotel.

A list of the telephone numbers called by this party at the time he was at the hotel, from April 18 to April 25, 1935, is as follows:

Longbeach 7812 listed for Eastwood Towers, 922 Eastwood Ave., Chicago;
Delaware 8976 " Ruth Miller, 114 East Walton Place, "
Lakeview 3226 unpublished telephone

In reference to letter from Special Agent in Charge F. X. Fay of the New York Office dated April 10, 1935, and to report of William F. Seery, Special Agent of the same office dated April 13, 1935, Special Agent R. L. Jones obtained the following information:

On April 16th Agent made a discreet investigation at 6252 North Magnolia Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, and learned that Mrs. E. Frost lives on the second floor in a five-room flat. After talking to the janitor in regard to renting an apartment, Agent does not think it advisable at this time to disclose his identity to this janitor in regard to this matter because the janitor seems to be very "cagey" and talked with a very broken dialect that could hardly be understood. However, Agent did learn that George F. Sivore and Company of 30 North Dearborn Street, telephone number Harrison 6300 were in charge of the apartment at this address. Mr. George Sivore states that Mrs. Frost occupied this apartment when his company took the apartment building over. He advised they had had this building in their charge for about eight months. Due to this fact, Mrs. Frost was not required to make out an application sheet, which would of course furnish information in regard to how they made their living, etc. He also states that he does not know her as she always mailed the rent money to his office and that Arthur Kruggell Company of 4865 Broadway, telephone number Longbeach 5531 had charge of this apartment because his company took it over and that he might have an application for rental filled out by her.

Mr. Daniel A. Bullard, Mail Carrier at the Uptown Post Office, Chicago, states that he knows Mrs. E. Frost, who is an old lady about sixty years old that lives in Apt. #2 at 6252 North Magnolia with a young daughter about twenty years old and that Mrs. Frost has a married daughter who lives in New York. Mr. Bullard met this married daughter last summer while she was here visiting her mother. Bullard also recalled that this daughter got several registered air-mail letters while here, but he does not remember her name; that he has never delivered any mail to Mrs. Frost's apartment for any one except Mrs. Frost and her daughters with the exception of some mail that came to a party named Kaplan, which was received by Mrs. Frost up to approximately six months ago. At this time Mrs. Frost told him not to leave any more of the Kaplan mail there. Bullard never has seen Kaplan and does not know whether this party is a man or woman.

Agent exhibited photographs of all women suspects in the Brekid Case to Bullard, but he failed to recognize any of them as being any person he had ever seen at the Frost apartment.

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On April 17, 1935 Special Agent R. L. Jones learned from Charlie Kruggell of the Arthur Kruggell Realty Company, 4865 North Broadway, telephone Longbeach 5531 that the Arthur Kruggell Realty Company had supervision of the apartment located at 6252 North Magnolia Avenue from November, 1932 to August, 1934; that Mrs. E. Frost and her daughters lived in Apt. #2 at this address during this time and were the occupants of this apartment at the time they took charge of the building; that one of the daughters, Miss Sadie Frost, signed the lease of the apartment, a tracing of the signature of Miss Sadie Frost attached to this report.

In February, 1933 and January, 1933, Mrs. Frost received two Western Union money telegrams from the married daughter in New York for payment of rent on the apartment. The following is a copy of these telegrams which Mr. Kruggell has in his file:

February 2, 1933 - 6447 1/2 Sheridan Road
No. AW93
to Mrs. E. Frost
6252 N. Magnolia Ave.
from Mrs. Dorothy Frost,
at J. H. New York, N. Y.
No message J458799 \$100.00

January 4, 1933 - 6447 1/2 Sheridan Road
No. AW93
to Mrs. E. Frost
6252 Magnolia Ave.
from Frank Frost
C. P. New York, N.Y.
J420598 \$100.00

Mr. Kruggell also states that the Steinbach Rental Company, located at 6150 North Broadway, telephone number Rogers Park 2737, had charge of this apartment at 6252 North Magnolia before the Kruggell Company took it over and that they could probably furnish more detailed information as to who these people are than he could and possibly would have references, etc.

Mr. Carl Steinbach, Jr. of 6150 Broadway, states that he had charge of apartment at 6252 North Magnolia in 1931 and part of 1932; that he leased the apartment number 2 to Mrs. Frost in 1931 and that Sadie Frost, a daughter, signed the lease. Mr. Steinbach

made a diligent search for the application that was filled out by the Frosts, but was unable to locate it, it having been misplaced. However, from memory Mr. Steinbach states that Mrs. Frost and her daughters, Esther and Sadie, lived there alone at that time and at the time he leased them the apartment, the married daughter who lived in New York was visiting them and remained with them several weeks, however, he does not recall her name. On Mr. Steinbach's suggestion, this Agent with Steinbach, interviewed the janitor, George Hutter, who lives in the basement at 6252 North Magnolia Avenue, who Mr. Steinbach has known for a long time and knows to be a dependable person. Mr. Hutter states that Mrs. Frost has lived at this address for several years; that she has several daughters and one son; that one daughter is married and lives in New York, and that about a year ago this daughter and her husband visited Mrs. Frost. He further states that her son is married and lived in New York, however, he does not know his first name or any of the girls' first names. One daughter lives with Mrs. Frost at the present time and works at the Beauty Salon, located at 1219 Devon Avenue, Chicago, and the other daughter moved from 6252 North Magnolia Avenue, about three months ago, to somewhere on the North side of Chicago, but does not know where. All pictures of Subjects in the Brekid Case were exhibited to Mr. Hutter, but he failed to recognize any of them. A picture of Frank Foster, alias Frank Frost was among these pictures, and Hutter readily identified it as an exact likeness of the husband of Mrs. Frost's daughter who lives in New York. Hutter further states that he has never noticed anything unusual about these people. They were always very quiet, very nice, and no men ever visited the apartment with the exception of this son-in-law, Foster. Mr. Hutter agreed to get in touch with the Chicago Bureau Office through Mr. Steinbach in the event Foster or his wife or any one else shows up at Mrs. Frost's apartment.

It will be noted by this report that Mr. Steinbach does not have charge of this apartment at Magnolia Avenue at this time, however, he is very cooperative and wishes to assist the Bureau in this or any other investigation in which he might be of some help. Mr. Steinbach was furnished the address and telephone number of the Chicago Bureau Office, and he promised to call the Bureau in the event any one shows up there and the janitor gets in touch with him. Mr. Steinbach gives the following description of Mrs. Dorothy Foster, alias Mrs. Dorothy Frost:

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Age:	31 yrs.
Height:	5' 2 1/2"
Weight:	120 lbs.
Build:	Medium
Hair:	Auburn
Looks:	Very attractive
Manner:	Talks like she had plenty of money, well-dressed.
Marital status:	Married, has baby boy about 3 1/2 yrs. old.

Mr. Johnny Dressen, room clerk at the Maryland Hotel, Chicago, Illinois, states that Mr. and Mrs. Harry Williams registered in Room 1314 Maryland Hotel on March 14, 1935. They checked out April 5, 1935, giving the address Los Angeles, California. They left a forwarding address, this being Mr. H. Williams and Mrs. Blanche Williams, 145 West 58th Street, Apt. #10D, New York City. He also states that during their stay at the Maryland Hotel they received several letters from California, but he does not recall what city. In the event any other mail arrives for them, he will get in touch with the Chicago Bureau Office. Pictures of all the Subjects in the Brekid Case were exhibited to Mr. Dressen, but he failed to identify them as the exact likeness of Mr. Williams or Mrs. Williams, however, he states that the pictures of Harry Campbell resemble the man Williams.

The following is a list of telephone calls made by Williams and Mrs. Williams during their stay in the Maryland Hotel:

March 14	(Location)	
" 15	" "	Crawford 8021 Hyman Gottlieb, 3934 W. 19th St., Chi. Delaware 8976 Ruth Miller, 114 E. Walton Pl., 1st Apt. West. Crawford 8021 Franklin 9600, Morrison Hotel, 79 W. Madison St. Brigate 8283 Esther Frost, 6252 Magnolia Ave.
" 16	" "	Crawford 8021 Franklin 9600 Victor 8484
" 17	" "	Hotel Dalton, 1234 S. Wabash Ave. Crawford 8021
" 18	" "	
" 19	" "	
" 21	" "	

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	(Location)	
March 26		Franklin 2100
		Sherman Hotel, Chicago
		Crawford 8021
" 29		Nevada 10118
		Senator Apts., 3845 Washington
" 30		Ravenwood 1015
		(Non-list telephone)
April 2		Franklin 5400
		Washington Hotel, 167 W. Wash- ington.

A tracing of Williams' registration at the Maryland Hotel is attached to this report.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent A. Dickstein on April 27, 1935 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Lane Maloney, Investigator in Charge, Internal Revenue Department of the Alcohol Tax Unit, advised agent that a friend of his by the name of Walter R. Boyd, who is connected with the Hiram Walker Whiskey Distributors at Detroit, Michigan, advised him that on April 20, 1935 he had overheard a conversation in a cafe at which place he was having a drink, and this conversation pertained to the distribution of the Bremer kidnap money during the time that Bremer was kidnaped; that he was unable to get the full details of the conversation and he referred agent to Mr. Walter R. Boyd.

Walter R. Boyd was contacted at the Abbott Crest Hotel, 1226 West Wisconsin Avenue, Milwaukee, and he advised as follows:

On April 20, 1935, he had been in a certain cafe, the name of which he does not remember, and while sitting in the adjoining booth he overheard a conversation between two persons, and the following is what was said:

"After Bremer was released Aiello received a telephone call from Minneapolis the night before Bremer was released. Aiello left immediately for Minneapolis".

This person in this booth further stated that he was the bartender at that place at the time and he was the one who received this call; that after Aiello proceeded to Minneapolis and returned, he came with a little hand bag full of money, and in a secret room of this cafe he assorted the denominations, fives, tens and twenties, and Aiello remarked that this was "hot" money from the Bremer "snatch".

From further conversation Mr. Boyd gathered that the person speaking was the bartender of this cafe at the time this took place and because of mistreatment to him by the owner of that cafe he felt rather prejudiced in his remarks. That is all the conversation Mr. Boyd related to agent that he had overheard from the next booth. However, he was unable to advise agent the name of this cafe or the description of the person who had been talking.

At the Milwaukee Police Department agent contacted Detective Sergeant Louis Dieden, who is thoroughly familiar with all Italians in Milwaukee. Upon interview agent was advised by Detective Dieden that during the Bremer kidnaping Sam Aiello and Al Tusa were partners in the Vanity Cafe at 639 North Third Street, Milwaukee; that they had operated this place together as partners up until February, 1935, and are presently partners in the alcohol and booze business and have an office in the

Warner Building on Wisconsin Avenue; that during the latter part of February the Vanity Cafe was sold by Tusa and Aiello to George Turgelonis and that he runs this Vanity Cafe with his sister, Marie Turgelonis, who heads the Government list of known bootleggers at Milwaukee. Sergeant Dieden also advised that Tusa and Aiello were always in the booze and alcohol business and he is very doubtful as to their connections with the Bremer kidnap money. If such were the case, he would know it inasmuch as he is acquainted with every Italian in town and is also familiar with their background.

For the information of agent Detective Dieden furnished the following set-up of Al Tusa.

Al Tusa, bootlegger and alcohol dealer, with offices in the Warner Building, Wisconsin Avenue, resides in his own home valued at \$25,000.00 at Whitefish Bay, Wisconsin, a suburb of Milwaukee. His first wife died about eight years ago and he came from Chicago, his original place of residence. There is no criminal record on file with the Milwaukee Police Department of this person, since he and Aiello have always done business with illegal methods; however, they have both kept within the law.

As to Sam Aiello, Detective Sergeant Dieden advised that he is married to an Italian woman from Chicago and has two or three small children, is about 50 years old and owns his own home, worth \$50,000.00 at Whitefish Bay in the same vicinity as that of Al Tusa; that Al Tusa and Sam Aiello have always been in partnership in the alcohol and booze business at Milwaukee and are to this day connected as such partners.

Neighborhood investigation of the Vanity Cafe disclosed that Tusa and Aiello have operated this cafe for a number of years and have sold same to George Turgelonis and presently this place is run by him. The Criminal Identification Unit did not disclose any criminal records against Aiello and Tusa, and as stated by Detective Dieden, these two persons have always been very cautious in their dealings at Milwaukee, since they know that if they would step beyond their bounds they would be driven out of the city by the Police Department.

With reference to the report of Special Agent O. C. Dewey, Omaha, Nebraska, March 15, 1935, the following investigation was conducted by Special Agent A. Dickstein at Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Agent located Morris and Charles Giesenfield, Attorneys at 536 West Wisconsin Avenue, alleged cousins of Subject Harry Sawyer. Upon interview, Charles advised that Harry Sawyer was seen by him in 1917 during the war; that since that time he had not had any information about him. Morris Giesenfield at no time had seen Subject Sawyer and would not recognize him if he were to meet him on the street. The Giesenfield brothers were unable to furnish any valuable information which would assist in locating Subject Sawyer.

Benjamin Sandlo, an uncle of Subject Sawyer, is unknown to him except that he is somewhat of a relation to him; that although this Subject is related to him, he at no time had occasion to ever meet him since his family all resided at Lincoln, Nebraska. He was unable to furnish agent with any information.

Mr. Morey Sandlo, a son of Benjamin Sandlo, operating the Pioneer Auto Sales at 920 North 27th Street, was contacted by agent, and he advised that he had never met Subject Sawyer. He stated that about one year ago Subject Sawyer's mother passed away and Charles Giesenfield, his father Benjamin and himself had driven down to Lincoln, Nebraska to attend the funeral; that at the funeral he had no occasion to meet Subject Sawyer other than to know that the family had another son who was considered a black sheep, referring, of course, to Subject Sawyer; that he is most positive that Subject did not attend his mother's funeral and therefore he had not the occasion to meet him. Mr. Sandlo was unable to furnish agent with any information or leads which would tend to locate the present whereabouts of Subject Harry Sawyer.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent E. F. Enrich on April 23, 1935.

Pursuant to a telephone call received at the Chicago Bureau office from one [redacted] agent proceeded to the southwest corner of Jackson and Clark Streets, Chicago, at which place he received the following information from that party:

At the present time in St. Paul, Minnesota an attorney, Meakin, has a direct connection with the United States District Attorney in that district, and through this connection he has obtained information as to the exact evidence which the United States is to present in the case entitled "United States versus Arthur "Doc" Barker, et al." Pursuant to the information so obtained the defense is procuring from Bensenville, Illinois a party by the name of Franz, a banker, a judge and a certain man who is at the head of a very large lumber company in that town, which parties they anticipate placing upon the stand as alibi witnesses to prove that various defendants were not at the places alleged by the prosecution at the times designated.

In addition [redacted] stated that one Tony Capezio has recently sent \$300.00 to Jim Farmer, which money is to be used for expenses in transporting the above mentioned parties to St. Paul, Minnesota. Further [redacted] stated that Tom Gibbons, who is the sheriff in St. Paul, Minnesota, has been "going along with the boys", meaning that he has been permitting the various defendants in the above entitled case, while incarcerated in the county jail in St. Paul, Minnesota, to communicate with one another, and that through this method Monty Carter has been reached by them and is expected to plead not guilty and to testify differently than the prosecution had anticipated.

[redacted] stated that Helen Farmer, the wife of Elmer Farmer, defendant in the above case, was in Chicago, Illinois last Saturday and Sunday (April 20 and 21), and that this information has been obtained partially through her.

Based upon the above information, a teletype was sent to the Bureau on April 23, 1935, containing information to the effect that a discreet investigation was being conducted by this office to determine who the above parties may be. Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley at Cincinnati, Ohio, and the St. Paul Bureau office were advised concerning the above information. The above teletype also contained information to the effect that a conversation between agent Brennan and Monty Carter on April 23, 1935, indicated that there was no change of attitude on the part of the latter party. Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley suggested

that agent Brennan again see Carter to see if any effort had been made by anyone to have him change his plea or statement. This suggestion was given to Special Agent R. D. Brown at St. Paul, who was requested to have this done.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent M. Chaffetz on April 24, 1935, to determine who the parties referred to above might be, and the possibility of their acting in the capacity as furnished by confidential informant Cook.

Agent interviewed Mr. Heim of the Western Union Company, Chicago, who is a resident of the city of Bensenville, Illinois, and who has in the past furnished the Chicago Bureau office with reliable information. Mr. Heim stated that there is no family in the city of Bensenville by the name of Franz who could be the party mentioned by informant [redacted]. He did state, however, that there is a family in Bensenville by the name of Franzen, which is in all probability the one involved. Concerning this family Mr. Heim furnished the following information: b7c
b7d

It consists of numerous members, all of whom were and are now associated in some manner with the State Bank of Bensenville, which had closed about a week before the moratorium, at which time all of its assets and affairs were transferred to the bank located at Lombard, Illinois. However, the bank was subsequently reopened by some of the members of the family who had been previously connected with it. Before the bank closed, it was operated by Albert Franzen, who was Cashier; Chester Franzen, who was Assistant Cashier; George Franzen, Vice President, all of which three are brothers, and also by William Franzen, Vice President, who is an uncle of the above, and who is a brother of C. A. Franzen, the original organizer of the bank, who was the father of Albert, Chester and George. C. A. Franzen died about four or five years ago. The bank is presently operated by a corporation consisting of George Franzen and his wife, Louise, and their son, Eugene Franzen. However, George Franzen, although his name is connected with the bank, takes no active part in its operation since he is at present mentally unbalanced and is now residing at a sanitarium near Ottawa, Illinois and has not been in Bensenville for a great length of time. This family also operates the Building Material Company, which is the largest lumber concern in the city of Bensenville. George Franzen is the designated head of this concern but as it is noted he no longer takes any active part in the business affairs of this family, his son, Eugene, is actively running this lumber company and has been doing so for a period of two or three years.

Mr. Heim informed agent that the member of the family who, in all probability, is the party who may appear for the defense in this case is Eugene Franzen, who is presently operating the lumber company and is also taking an active part in the State Bank of Bensenville. Concerning him, Mr. Heim stated that he has always associated with the element in Bensenville of which Elmer Farmer is a member. He also stated that he is the type of person who would appear for the defense. It is therefore believed that Eugene Franzen is the banker and head of the lumber company mentioned by Helen Farmer to confidential informant [REDACTED] b7c b7d

Agent discreetly questioned Mr. Heim concerning the various other members of the family, in order to determine whether any other member of the family could be approached if it were deemed advisable in order to determine what the attitude of any of the members of the family would be toward any of the defendants in this case. It was determined that William Franzen, who is a gentleman about 75 years of age, now retired, is considered to be a party who is absolutely beyond reproach; that he bears an excellent reputation in the city of Bensenville and could be relied upon to cooperate with this office if it were found necessary to interview him.

In addition, it was determined that Mr. William Franzen has a son, Herbert, who is presently connected in some manner with the Federal Farm Bureau, the exact nature of his position being unknown.

Mr. Heim furnished agent with the following information concerning persons who may possibly be the judge mentioned by Helen Farmer.

He stated that at the present time one Julius Frey is the City Magistrate, having been elected by the popular vote of the village. This party also occupies a position with the Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul and Pacific Railroad, and is not the type of person who would become involved in this case.

Mr. Heim also stated that there are a large number of justices of the peace in the city of Bensenville, and in his opinion there are only two who would possibly be the persons who might appear for the defense. One of these parties is named Korthauer, whose first name or initials are unknown to Mr. Heim, this party being 70 years of age, and the reason Mr. Heim believed that this may be the party involved is the fact that he lives within one block of the home of Elmer Farmer. Mr. Korthauer was at one time Mayor and Judge in the city of Bensenville, and it was Mr. Heim's belief that he might possibly appear for the defense.

The other justice of the peace who might be the party involved is one George A. Giles, who resides on Orchard Street near Irving Street, Bensenville. Concerning him, Mr. Heim stated that he was the type of person who would appear as a character witness for anybody in order to get the publicity resulting from such an appearance. He is the braggadocio type of person who is known to associate with the class of people connected with Elmer Farmer, and he is in all probability the party mentioned by Helen Farmer.

Mr. Heim was requested by agent to keep this inquiry absolutely confidential.

Since Mr. Heim in the past has proven to be a very valuable source of information concerning activities in the city of Bensenville, as it has been determined that he can be relied upon to keep such inquiry as might be made of him confidential, he was requested by agent to make discreet inquiry at Bensenville to determine definitely, if possible, who the parties mentioned by Helen Farmer might be.

The information obtained concerning Eugene Franzen and the two justices of the peace who might be the people involved in this case was transmitted to the Bureau by teletype April 23, 1935. All of the above information was transmitted to Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, Cincinnati, and also to the St. Paul office.

At the suggestion of Mr. Connelley, agent telephonically communicated with Mr. Eugene Franzen under the pretext that agent was employed by the Equitable Life Insurance Company, and that a party applying for a position with that company had given Mr. Franzen as a reference. The purpose of this telephone call was to determine whether Mr. Franzen was going to be in Bensenville for the next few days. As a result of this call, agent determined that Mr. Franzen was to be at his office every day for the next several days.

No further investigation was conducted at this time, pending receipt of additional advice from the St. Paul office.

PENDING

Post Office Box 1278
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
May 18, 1935

DB:VC
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Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
I. O. #1218 - FUGITIVE, et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your telegram of May 7th, request-
ing that a Doctor Kahn, a chiroprapist of Tulsa, Oklahoma, brother
of Reinhold Kahn, be interviewed concerning the names and addresses
of relatives said Reinhold might contact prior to sailing for Ger-
many.

You were advised on May 8th, telegraphically, that
Doctor Herbert Kahn of Tulsa has been interviewed and that no valu-
able information had been obtained from him.

In confirmation of my wire, I beg to submit the follow-
ing, obtained by Special Agent Paul Hansen in this respect at Tulsa,
Oklahoma:

Dr. Herbert Kahn is a chiroprapist or quack foot doctor
and operates from a fourth rate hotel at 108 1/2 North Main Street in
Tulsa. Dr. Kahn advised Agent Smith and me that he has one brother,
Wilhelm Kahn, a machinist, who works for some factory on the south
side of Chicago and also apparently lives on the south side. He
has another brother, Gottlieb Kahn, who is a "skipper" on some boat
or in the ship yards in Berlin, Germany. Dr. Kahn said that he
understands that this brother, Gottlieb, is probably employed on some
river boat that goes out and in of Berlin. Kahn said that he did
not keep in close communication with any of his relatives and he
has not been in Germany since several years before the World War.
He does not know of any person his brother Reinhold would visit in
Germany except their only brother there.

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"Kahn said that his brother, Reinhold, visited him in Tulsa about a year ago last January and told him of his business in Chicago and said that "several of the boys" had been at his place in Chicago and that he has personally seen Dillinger and sold him sandwiches and drinks."

Very truly yours,

DWIGHT BRANTLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc Cincinnati
Bureau

Room 1408
370 Lexington Avenue
New York, N.Y.

May 19, 1935

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St., N.W.,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing herein voucher, in favor of
the New York Telephone Company, in the amount of \$23.18,
covering telephone service over Circle 9-1045, which
telephone was installed at 145 West 58th Street, New
York, N.Y. at our request in order that Frank Foster,
residing at said address, might be kept under surveillance;
this in connection with the case entitled Alvin Karpis,
with aliases, et al - Edward George Bremer, Victim -
Kidnaping.

Very truly yours,

R. Whitley,
Special Agent in Charge.

Encls.

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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR
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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

May 17, 1935.

Time-5:26 P. M.

MEMORANDUM

RE: Bremer Trial Verdicts

Mr. Suydam telephoned and advised that he was giving to the press the report which I sent around to the Attorney General's office together with the comments of the Attorney General. The reference made to the Deputy Chief is being omitted.

Mr. Suydam inquired if there were any other members of the gang still at large. I stated that Volney Davis, Alvin Karpis, and Harry Campbell were still at large. Mr. Suydam also inquired if Harry Sawyer would go on trial shortly and I stated that I thought he would.

J. E. H.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CINCINNATI, OHIO.**

FILE NO. **7-50**

REPORT MADE AT CHARLOTTE, N.C.	DATE WHEN MADE 5/20/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 5/18/35	REPORT MADE BY T.M. McDade
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, w.a., FUGITIVE, et al			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING - HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Stop orders placed with Motor Vehicle Bureaus of North and South Carolina on Chevrolet coupe motor #4,155,550; Chevrolet sedan motor #4,545,856; Pontiac Sedan, motor #935,155.

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REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent T. M. McDade, Chicago, Illinois, dated April 29, 1935.

DETAILS:

On May 9, 1935, letter was received from Benj. R. Stroup, Director, Motor Vehicle Division, South Carolina, State Highway Department, Columbia, South Carolina, stating that an examination of the records in his office failed to disclose any registry on the following automobiles:

Pontiac Sedan,
Motor #935,155
Serial #815,227.

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>T.M. McDade</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	7-576-6073	RECORDED AND INDEXED: MAY 21 1935
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Chevrolet Coupe
Motor #4,135,550
Serial #1DAO-313,359.

Chevrolet Sedan
Motor #4,543,656
Serial #1DAO-49,837.

Stop cards were placed in the files of the
Motor Vehicle Division, at Columbia, South Carolina.

On May 14, 1935 a letter was received from Mr.
L. S. Harris, Director, Motor Vehicle Bureau, Department
of Revenue, Raleigh, North Carolina, in reference to the
same automobiles, in which he stated that these cars
had not been registered in North Carolina, and that stop
cards had been placed on their files.

No further investigation now being outstanding
in the Charlotte District, this case is being Referred
Upon Completion to the Office of Origin.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

FORM NO. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

CINCINNATI, OHIO

N.Y. FILE NO. 7-120

REPORT MADE AT: NEW YORK CITY	DATE WHEN MADE: 5/20/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 5/5-15/35	REPORT MADE BY: LEE F. MALONE
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218 DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I. O. 1232 HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I. O. 1236 VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. 1237 WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I. O. 1238 WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I. O. 1239 HARRY SAWYER, with aliases MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I. O. 1241 - et al EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING, HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE, NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Alice Conrad left NYC 11:30 P.M. 5/3/35 and arrived Cleveland, O. 9:05 P.M. 5/4/35, where surveillance was turned over to agents of Cleveland office. Mail cover removed as to Alice Conrad at NYC. Mrs. Dorothy Frost's notebook reveals addresses from the following individuals: Moe Sedway; Meyer Lansky; Louis Lepkey, and others. Mrs. Frost discovered the secret phone in her apartment on the evening of 5/6/35. Telephone tap and secret phone system removed and surveillance terminated with reference to Frank Frost. Dorothy Frost received mail from Mrs. Louis Dolin, 5602 Grosvenor Road, Cleveland, O. Rienhold Kahn advised that Farmer was not well known to him and that Karpis, Davis and Campbell were unknown to him. Ann Kahn was never out with Farmer unless accompanied by her mother. Kahn will return to United States about August 1st and will return to his home. Motor Vehicle Bureau, State of Connecticut, advises no registration of Chevrolet coupe, Motor #4135550 and Ford V-8, Motor #18-493080. Business phone of Harry Schneeweiss reflects no toll calls.

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>R. White</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	7-576-6074	RECORDED AND INDEXED MAY 21 1935
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REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent Lee P. Malone, New York,
N. Y., 5/9/35.
Teletype of Chicago office, dated May 9, 1935, 2 P.M.

DETAILS:

AT NEW YORK CITY

On May 3, 1935, the writer and Special Agent W. S. Harzenstein proceeded to the West 36th Street Station of the Great Eastern Bus Line for the purpose of conducting a surveillance of Alice Conrad during her trip from New York City to Cleveland, Ohio. Alice Conrad, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Moratti, arrived at the bus station at about 11:20. Special Agent Harzenstein took a description of Alice Conrad. Alice Conrad boarded a Great Eastern bus at about 11:28 and the writer followed, taking the seat just in the rear of the one occupied by Alice Conrad. The bus left the West 36th Street station at approximately 11:30 P.M. and arrived in Cleveland, Ohio at 9:05 P.M. May 4, 1935. During the trip Alice Conrad did not hold a conversation with any of the passengers on the bus nor did she come in contact with any individuals at the several stops made during the trip. The Cleveland Bureau office was advised by telephone as to the particular bus on which Alice Conrad was proceeding to Cleveland and the writer noticed, as the bus came within the city limits of Cleveland, Ohio, that a Hudson sedan drew up along the right side of the Great Eastern bus but did not note particularly the individuals in the car. The bus driver suddenly put on his brakes and forced the Hudson sedan to draw ahead of the bus. The writer, a short time after this incident, again noticed the same Hudson sedan pull up on the right hand side of the bus and this time the writer took particular note to observe who was driving the car and it was observed that Special Agent Clyde E. Smith was driving the Hudson sedan, and Agent Smith gave a signal of recognition and the writer discreetly indicated that Alice Conrad was the party in the seat directly ahead. Agent Smith then drew away from the bus and proceeded in the direction of the Cleveland business section. The Great Eastern bus stopped at the Great Eastern Bus Station in Cleveland, Ohio, near the Hotel Cleveland, and Alice Conrad got off the bus and was followed by the writer. It was observed that she was met by a man who was driving an automobile bearing Michigan license. Special Agent W. E. Hopton of the Cleveland office contacted the writer and the surveillance of Alice Conrad was turned over to Agent Hopton and Agent Smith.

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On May 8, 1935, a letter was directed to Mr. Albert Goldman, Postmaster of the General Post Office, and requested that the mail cover on all first class mail addressed to Alice Conrad and Mr. and Mrs. Carlo Morrell at 34 West 36th Street and 32 West 37th Street be removed.

On May 4, 1935, Special Agents A. T. Deere and J. H. Farley entered the apartment of Frank Frost at the Hotel Maurice and located a notebook belonging to Mrs. Dorothy Frost, which contained the following names and addresses:

H. Goldstone;
415 Aldine,
Lake View 4456

Clarence Gleason, 66-3800-E-26
1202 No. Pine Ave. 88-193
Austin 8797.

D. Kay,
Pantages Theatre,
Hollywood Boulevard, 62-16823-4
Hollywood, California

Louis Lepkey, *See cards*
Susquehanna 0193.

Harold Levy, *62-47106 87-538-5*
1 No. LaSalle Street, *7-2099-1966*
State 3566-1380, Hyde Park.

Moe - Tom Weber, *See cards*
Barbizon Plaza Hotel - 2342.

Wm. Andleman,
The Cardinal, *No record*
243 West End Ave.

Brownie Cramer,
Dupont 3745, Mpls. *No record*

Charles Brennan, Lawyer, *26-4694*
315 Montgomery, *31-6346*
San Francisco, Calif. *45-725*

9-3218
7-576-12057

Get cards

B. Miller,
Jenny Hotel,
New Orleans, La.

Jack Doyle,
Locust 4559.

Dutch Louis,
Connie's Tavern, No record
2524 Broadway
Riverside 9-8926.

Max Greenberg,
4th Avenue Hotel,
429-4th Avenue,
Ashland 0977.

62-9985
84-12-1466
26-15-73
26-617
32-1645
62-23403
62-21978
29-11-12
7-1-4092
7-494-117
52-1602-1
44-397
1-1501-170
41-1-684

H. A. Walters,
142 So. Maine Street,
Las Cruces, N.M.

No record
29-5392-271X
62-0-2877
62-159938

Wm. Weller,
Palace Hotel,
132 West 45th Street,
Bryant 0816.

OG 294881

Freda Weisberger,
1834 Caton Ave., Apt. 10, No record
Brooklyn, N. Y.

George Hatfield,
c/o San Pass
Sherry-Netherland

60-1501-1585, No 31X
62-26841
62-24215
77-6832-28
51-215-6

Roland Brown,
RKO

No record

Max Fox,
256 W. 97th Street.

See cards (25 references)

Meyer - Penn 6-0837,
1440 Broadway, R. 568.
Home - Riverside 0488.

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address or
Bulld*

*Get Ref in
address
or Bulld*

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Meyer Lansky, 54-2104, 25-283, 7-576-674, 36-1838
233 W. 99th Street, 62-12188-833, 62-28915-1586, 62-38107-2, 60-1501-1588, No. 1582

(note: Agent Tracy of the New York Bureau office advised the writer that Meyer Lansky was a former partner of "Bugs" Siegel and that his N. Y. police number is B70258.)

Bert McGrath,
Off. Frank, 1177. No record
Home - Irving 3154.

Bank Mayfair,
Pensacola 1100.

Ben Siegel,
Apt. 16D, 201 W. 85th St.,
New York City. Out card 5/20/38
Susquehanna 892D.
Off. Columbus 5-2921-2.

Moe Sedway, 7-576-674, 80-607-466
Piccadilly Hotel, 62-52855-19, 30, 32, 62-29950-241
Off., Bryant 9-6154 and 24-5892-1309, 7-2162-39
Bryant 9-5882, 67-12114-873, 66-7512-19-4, 2768x

Robert Steinhardt, 76-585, 7-576-2929, 62-30930-302
3900-1st Avenue South, Mspls. 7-277-822, 7-52, 7-54, 7-113.
520, 647, 823

Two postcards were also found by the agents and are as follows:

• Dorothy Frost,

Hose, Lingerie, Accessories

Col. 5-8846 40 W. 57th St.
New York City •

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Monroe Catering Company,
179 W. Monroe Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dearborn 5380
Dearborn 4352.

While in the apartment, the agents located several snapshots of both Frank Frost and his wife, Dorothy Frost, which are very good likenesses and were evidently taken in Miami, Florida, this year. Six copies of each of these photographs are now in the New York Bureau office file. A photograph of Frank Frost taken by a street photographer and the receipt for which was picked up by Special Agent M. W. McFarlin, while following Frost, was obtained by the New York Bureau office and is a very good likeness of Frank Frost. There are six copies of this photograph in the New York Bureau office file.

The surveillance of Frank Frost from May 2 to May 6, 1935 reveals the following information:

Frost frequented the following places:

The Chicken Coop Restaurant,
37 West 58th Street.

Ziegfeld Theatre,
6th Avenue and 54th Street.

Waldorf Theatre,
50th Street.

Subway barber shop on the southeast corner
of 47th Street and 7th Avenue.

Paramount Theatre,
Broadway and 43rd Street.

Dave's Restaurant,
50th Street and Broadway.

Lindy's Restaurant,
Broadway and 49th Street.

Gallagher's Restaurant,
228 West 52nd Street.

Playhouse Theatre,
West 48th Street.

Luxor Hotel and Baths,
121 West 46th Street.

Hollywood Barber Shop,
47th Street and Times Square.

Longchamps Restaurant,
57th Street, between 5th and 6th Avenues.

Radio City Music Hall,
50th Street and 6th Avenue.

It was ascertained that New York license Y 6904 which appeared on the 1934 Buick automobile in which Frank Frost was seen on May 2nd was issued to Philip Katz, 210 Avenue "N", Brooklyn, N. Y.

The telephone tap and secret phone in Apartment 13D, occupied by Frank Frost, for the period of May 3 to May 6, 1935, revealed the following information:

On May 3, 1935, at 2:35 P.M., Dorothy Frost received a telephone call from Molly, who stated that she was coming to Apartment 13D.

[REDACTED] b7c

At 5:22 P.M. Molly called Atwater 9-3182, and a man named Phil answered the phone; Molly asked for Lou. Lou was not in but a message was left for him to call at the Frosts.

[REDACTED] b7c

On May 5, 1935, Special Agent Deere, while listening over the secret phone, heard the following conversation between Dorothy Frost and Blanche Williams: [REDACTED] b7c

[REDACTED]

At 4:40 P.M. Agent Deere heard Dorothy Frost mention [REDACTED] b7c

[REDACTED]

The conversation was short and was soon dropped with no after discussion. Dorothy started this conversation when she evidently saw an article in the paper [REDACTED]

On May 6, 1935, at about 3:50 P.M., Dorothy called room service in the hotel over the telephone and ordered some writing paper and also complained of the fact that it was cold and drafty in their apartment. About 4:10 P.M. Agent W. S. Devereaux, who was listening over the secret phone system, heard Dorothy [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] b7c

At this point, Agent Devereaux proceeded to the roof of the Maurice Hotel and cut the wires along the parapet at the south end of the roof which led to the microphone and took the loose end of the lead wire and threw the wire down the chimney to Apartment 13C occupied by agents of the New York Bureau office. On returning to Apartment 13C, Agent Devereaux found that he had locked himself out and proceeded to the corner drug store and called the New York Bureau office. Agents Deere and R. H. Emory proceeded from the New York Bureau office to Apartment 13C and pulled the lead wire out of the chimney to Apartment 13D occupied by Frank Frost, and found that the microphone had been removed from the wire.

At 5:25 P.M. a call was made to the Frost apartment, and Agent Deere listened in on the same through the telephone tap. b7c

[REDACTED]

On instructions from the New York Bureau office, the telephone tap was removed from the phone in Apartment 13D and the surveillance was discontinued. The Bureau was advised of these developments by telephone and, in the absence of instructions to reinstitute the surveillance, the same was not continued.

Manager Conlon of the Maurice Hotel was advised that the surveillance was not being continued and also advised of the developments in the matter, and was requested to notify the New York Bureau office if the Frosts mentioned the fact of the discovery of the microphone to him. To date no mention has been made by the Frosts of this incident to Mr. Conlon.

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The following is a record of the phone calls made from the Frost apartment since those set out in the report of reference, to May 7, 1935:

Circle 7-7000

The Barbizon-Plaza Hotel,
West 58th Street and 5th Ave.

Columbus 5-2100

The Windsor Hotel,
100 West 58th Street.

Algonquin 4-7974

Mrs. Betty W. Smith,
128 East 10th Street.

Lackawanna 4-2520

Morosco Theatre,
217 West 45th Street.

Circle 7-5384

Joe's Delicatessen,
900 Seventh Avenue.

Michigan 2-2967

Mrs. Mary A. Cotter,
88-30 74th Place,
Woodhaven, L.I., N.Y.

Bryant 9-3182

Milbank Leman & Co.,
2 West 46th Street.

Circle 7-7000

The Barbizon-Plaza Hotel

Walker 5-1500

The American Machine & Metal Co.,
100 Sixth Avenue.

Circle 7-5384

Joe's Delicatessen,
900 Seventh Avenue.

A mail tracing was received on May 9, 1935, which indicated that Mrs. Frost had received the following letter:

Air Mail letter postmarked **Wahington**

Addressed to:

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Mrs. Frank Frost
Hotel Maurice
145 W. 58th St.,
New York City, N. Y.

Apt. 13 D.

Return address:

Mrs. Louis Dolia
3602 Grosvenor Road,
Cleveland, Ohio.

This mail tracing is being forwarded with copies of this report to the office of origin.

The following additional names and addresses were located in the Frost apartment:

Dr. L. Stanley Barnett,
514 West End Avenue,
Susquehanna 7-1116.

The following name and address appeared in a notebook of Frank Frost:

Louis S. Zenaty
#3653 - 25th District
2116 Naragansat

This is evidently the name and address of a policeman on the Chicago police force.

The following name and address appeared on a business card:

Bert, Irving 3159.

It appeared on the business card of the Horbert Unverzagt, Chrysler and Plymouth West City Motor Company, 2926 North Cicero Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, Ave. 6-100.

On May 6, 1935, the New York Bureau office received a teletype from the Chicago Bureau office which indicated that Rienhold Kahn, a former operator of Kahn's Tavern, North Avenue, Elmhurst, Illinois, was sailing with his family on either the Bremen or the Europa on the 7th, 11th, or 18th of this month.

On May 7, 1935, Mr. Edwards, the Assistant Passenger Traffic Manager of the North German Lloyd Lines, stated that the Bremen sailed on May 10, 1935 at midnight. He was requested to ascertain if Rienhold Kahn and family had booked passage on the Bremen for that date. A search of his records revealed that Rienhold Kahn was sailing on the Bremen on May 10, 1935, as a third class passenger, and that staterooms 902 and 904 were reserved for him and his family. Kahn had been booked through the Chicago office of the North German Lloyd Lines and Mr. Edwards advised that the tickets had all been issued and further information could be traced through the Chicago office of the North German Lloyd. Edwards was instructed to place a stop order as to inquiries that might be received from Kahn with reference to his reservations and that Kahn's New York address be secured at this time and this information immediately forwarded to the New York Bureau office.

The telephone operator of the New York Bureau office called 35 of the leading hotels in New York City but was unable to locate Rienhold Kahn as being registered at any of these hotels.

The Chicago Bureau office was advised of developments and requested to trace the booking of Rienhold Kahn at Chicago, Illinois. The Chicago Bureau office advised by teletype that reservations were made for Rienhold Kahn and his family March 21, 1935 and at that time he stated that he expected to drive to New York to arrive on the date of embarkation. No hotel reservations were made and the car will be shipped to Germany.

On May 10, 1935, the general office of the North German Lloyd directed the writer to Mr. Friedrichs, baggage master of Pier 86, for the purpose of securing information with reference to Rienhold Kahn's automobile. Mr. Friedrichs directed the writer to automobile checker Turner, who ascertained that Rienhold Kahn's automobile was on the list to be shipped to Germany on the Bremen which sailed at midnight that day. The record also indicated that the car had been delivered on the pier at 11:30 A.M. the same day, and Turner and the writer went out on the pier and inspected Kahn's car and it was found to be a Ford V-8 sedan, Illinois license 152752. In the lower right hand corner of the windshield appeared the seal of the Chicago Motor Club bearing in the center "AAA". The seats in the car were covered with seat covers which were made of a matted material light in color and bordered by a four inch border of blue checked material. On the rear window of the car appeared a seal which indicated that the car was protected by the Pinkerton National Detective Agency and the seal bore the name of the Chicago Motor Club. On the spare tire cover appeared "Purnell and Wilson, Inc., Des Plaines, Illinois".

Baggage master Friedrichs advised that the usual time for embarkation of third class passengers was 7:00 P. M. but as there was quite a large crowd for this trip the embarkation would probably start an hour earlier.

At 5:30 P.M. Assistant Special Agent in Charge Hanson and the writer proceeded to Pier 86 and there contacted the embarkation clerk who had already received notice through his general office that inquiry would be made with reference to Rienhold Kahn. He agreed to call the agents' attention to the party who presented his papers for a reservation in the name of Rienhold Kahn. Agent Hanson and the writer stood in the vicinity of the embarkation booth of the third class passengers and spotted a group of people answering the description of Rienhold Kahn and his family. When Rienhold Kahn, in his position in the line of passengers, passed Agent Hanson, he was asked if he were Rienhold Kahn and he admitted that he was. Kahn was informed that Agents Hanson and Malone were Government men and wished to talk to him after he had boarded the Bremen. For an instant Kahn appeared rather excited and asked if it were important and if it were in connection with Farmer, and he was advised by Agent Hanson that it was. He readily agreed to be interviewed in his stateroom aboard the Bremen and, after the necessary procedure with reference to passengers and other papers was completed, Agent Hanson and the writer

accompanied Rienhold Kahn and his family which consisted of his wife, Elizabeth, his daughters Ann, Elizabeth and Clara, and son Rienhold, Jr., to their staterooms, 902 and 904, third class. Kahn advised that he was acquainted with Elmer Farmer but only in a business way as Elmer Farmer operated a similar business and had installed slot machines in Kahn's Tavern. Farmer came to Kahn's Tavern quite frequently and usually ate his meals there. Farmer had previously taken his meals at a Mrs. Ames' in Bensonville, Illinois, and in about March, 1934, had begun to take his meals at Kahn's Tavern, and had continued this habit off and on through 1934 and part of 1935. Kahn advised that his camp had not been opened during the winter of 1934-1935 and that Davis, Karpis, Barker or Campbell had never stayed at his camp to his knowledge. He further advised that he did not know anyone by the name of Whitey and that none of these individuals had ever been introduced to him by Elmer Farmer. On two occasions Elmer Farmer and Smokey Lang had taken Kahn and his family to a picture show but that was the only social relationship he had had with Elmer Farmer.

Ann Kahn advised that she had never been out with Elmer Farmer except in the company of her mother and that on these occasions, which were few, Farmer had taken Ann and her mother to a picture show. Mrs. Kahn advised that this was correct and that she had always gone out with her daughters when they had accompanied a young man to a picture show or other places.

Kahn advised that the only people he had seen in the company of Elmer Farmer were his helpers who assisted him in the installation of his slot machines and a friend of Farmer by the name of Smokey Lang.

At the time of boarding the Bremen, Kahn was carrying a black briefbag and when asked by the agents as to what was in the briefbag he readily opened the same and exhibited a bottle of medicine, his passport papers and a book of Reiseschecks in the amount of 400 marks. Checks B No. 1654756 to 59 were in the amount of R.M. 50 and checks C No. 2335039 to 40 were in the amount of R.M. 100.

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Kahn advised that when he left Chicago he stopped at Bridgman, Michigan, and visited his cousin, Ferdinand Schultz, and from there proceeded to Gettysburg, Pa. and looked over the Gettysburg battlefield. From there he went to Washington, D. C. and took in the sights there and came to New York about May 8, 1935 and stayed at the Langwell Hotel. He stated that he was going to visit his brother, Goetlieb Kanwischer at Strasburg, Germany, which is just outside of Berlin and the street address was Backmann St. Kahn advised that he lived on Route 64 just outside of Elmhurst, Illinois, and that he had rented his tavern and road camp for a period of five years at a rental of \$100.00 per month. When asked how he had secured the money to make this trip, he advised that he had sold a piece of property on Highway 54 in Du Page County, Illinois, to the County as they desired it in connection with constructing a highway. He stated that this information could be readily checked through the County authorities.

Kahn advised that he had been in this country about thirty years and that he had secured his first papers in 1916 in the United States Court for the Northern District of Illinois and had been naturalized and is now a citizen of the United States. He stated that for several years he was a chiropodist in the State of Illinois and that for the last six years he had operated Kahn's Tavern which is on the outskirts of Elmhurst, Illinois. Kahn advised that he will return to the United States about August 1st and will proceed to his home on the outskirts of Elmhurst, Illinois.

On May 9, 1935, a letter was addressed to Michael J. Connor, Commissioner of Motor Vehicles in the State of Connecticut, and a request was made that stop orders be placed against Chevrolet Coupe, Motor #4135550 and, Ford V-8, Motor #18-49308Q. It was also requested that any stop orders outstanding for the New York Bureau office on the following listed cars be removed:

Buick sedan	-	Motor #2797868
Buick sedan	•	" #2858090
Ford Coupe, 1933 Model	•	" #40-304794
Graham Paige sedan	•	" #1024021
Packard Club sedan	•	" #189533
Auburn sedan	•	" #BB1527
Buick Club sedan	•	" #2875177

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Chevrolet coupe	Motor #2029084
Chevrolet sedan	#3554674
Dodge sedan	#DP 65846
Ford DeLuxe coupe, V-8	#18-328420
Ford DeLuxe sedan, V-8	#899365
Ford V-8 Coupe	#18-1037486
Ford V-8 sedan	#1130843
Ford V-8 Victoria coupe	#1142463
Plymouth sedan	#81821
Pontiac sedan	#885160
Pontiac sedan	#1058715

On May 15, 1935, there was received from the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, Hartford, Conn., a letter dated May 13, 1935, which advised that to date their records failed to reveal any of the above mentioned automobiles registered in the State of Connecticut.

On May 9, 1935, Mr. William T. Knight of the Legal Department of the New York Telephone Company, in response to a letter directed to him by the New York office, contacted the writer by telephone and stated that there had been no suburban calls made from Drydock 4-0040, which appears to be the business address of Harry Schneeweiss and which is listed in the name of Raphael J. Koch, 82 Bowery, New York City.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

NEW YORK OFFICE

Determine connection between Frank Frost and Sally Phillips, 115 Central Park West, New York City. Will ascertain the telephone listing for Endicott 2-5263.

Will ascertain the identity and reputation of Mos Krichman, 436 Beach 27th Street, Arverne, L.I., N. Y.

Will ascertain the reputation of Thomas J. Malloy & Co., 444 Fourth Avenue, New York City.

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Will contact Mr. Ainsworth, Chief of Detectives, Park Central Hotel, New York City, with reference to Max Yudelwitz, Room 818, who registered April 12, 1935.

Will ascertain the identity and reputation of Philip Katz, 210 Avenue "N", Brooklyn, N. Y., to whom New York State license Y6904 was issued.

Will ascertain the listing of Atwater 9-3182, and the identity and reputation of this party.

Will ascertain the exact title of the bank as printed on the blank cashier's check found among the effects of subject McDonald. It is noted that there is no National bank in New York City using the exact corporate title "National Savings and Trust Company of New York". There is, however, a bank called the "National Safety Bank and Trust Company of New York", charter #13260. If this title agrees with that on the blank check, inquiry should be made at that bank to determine the manner in which subject McDonald acquired possession of the blank cashier's check of that bank. It is also suggested that there may be a State bank using the exact corporate title "National Savings and Trust Company of New York". If necessary, it should be determined whether there is such a bank and if there is, inquiry should be made at that bank for the same purpose. In the event that the exact title of the bank printed on the blank cashier's check in the New York office differs from any of the titles given above, consideration should be given the practicability of having further information developed by the Washington Field office. This lead is set out in the report of Special Agent H. Ranstad, Washington, D. C., dated April 25, 1935.

The above investigation should be expedited inasmuch as the cases at Miami are set for trial on June 17, 1935. The Jacksonville office desires to prepare a summary at the earliest opportunity.

The Chicago office, in letter dated April 24, 1935, suggests that investigation be made at New York City at the Claridge Hotel for the purpose of obtaining information regarding the whereabouts of members of the Karpis-Barker gang. Further information was set out by the Chicago office in letter dated March 16, 1935.

The New York office will ascertain to whom telephones Defender 3-1636, Pennsylvania 6-0943 over which George E. Brown received a call from Tom Malloy, Wisconsin 7-3808 and Circle 7-2700 call to George Brown, are listed, and ascertain the identity and

reputation of these individuals and also if they may possibly be contacts of the fugitives in this case.

Will interview Peggy O'Neill, 460-45th Street, Brooklyn, N. Y., for such information as she may have concerning "Duke" Randall, Martin Conroy, a renting contractor with offices in the Empire State Building, has on several occasions employed Randall. He also may have information concerning Randall. Randall's trial is set for June 17, 1935 at Miami, Florida. This lead is set out in report of Special Agent C. J. Martin, Philadelphia, Pa., April 10, 1935.

Will remove the temporary Wanted notices of Fred Barker with aliases, Bureau No. 59163; Jess Doyle, Bureau No. 99402; Edna Murray with aliases, Bureau No. 9397; Harry Campbell with aliases, Bureau No. 419856; Volney Davis with aliases, Bureau No. 400441; William Weaver with aliases, Bureau No. 17920; Harry Sawyer with aliases, Bureau No. 421335 and Myrtle Eaton with aliases, Bureau No. 337474. Inspection of the file indicates that the Wanted notices were placed with the New York Police Department and the White Plains Police Department. There should be left on file with the various Police Departments the temporary Wanted notices issued by the Bureau for Clyde Nimerick with aliases, Bureau No. 77961, and Charles J. Fitzgerald with aliases, Bureau #95780. This matter was set out in Bureau letter dated March 26, 1935.

Will communicate with Post Office Inspector Frank Shea at New York City for further information relative to J. A. Scott, 236 West 55th Street, New York City, Scott being in the postage stamp business.

Will contact Inspector Michael F. McDermott, Third Detective District, 150 West 68th Street, Manhattan, telephone Trafalgar 7-7274, for any information he may have relative to the identity of Lewis Brooks alias Louis Brooks, and further to establish if Louis Buchhalter alias "Lepke" is at this time in New York City. McDermott has a contact who advises from time to time as to the movements of the "Lepke" mob.

Will conduct an investigation of Harry Schneeweiss, residing at 1852 East Fourth Street, Brooklyn, N. Y., telephone Esplanade 5-7792, to determine if he is a possible contact for the St. Paul gangsters.

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At Bethel, Conn., will interview Lillian Beatrice Beach,
R.D.#2, Box 23, for the purpose of ascertaining whether she has
corresponded with Volney Davis under the name of George Lawrence
Harper, as a member of the Get-Acquainted Correspondence Club.

PENDING

1551 First Nat'l. Bank Bldg.,
El Paso, Texas,
May 18, 1935.

Mr. M. H. Purvis,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
1900 Bankers Building,
Chicago, Ill.

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL.

Dear Sir:

RE: MAUREY NIEMS, alias MAUREY SHAPIRO,
Possible Informant.

One Maurey Niems, alias Maurey Shapiro, has just been released from jail here where he was held on a charge of forgery. After being released he came to this office and reported what he thought was possibly some information of value in regard to the Bremer kidnaping case which he had received from [redacted] presently confined in jail on a counterfeiting charge. It will be recalled that [redacted] was employed for a time under the Oklahoma City office as an undercover informant on his own representations that he could put the finger on Karpis, Barker, et al. Knowing [redacted] as I did, it was considered that the information furnished by Niems was of no value. However, Niems is down and out and claims to be anxious to secure some sort of undercover work by which he can make a living and, having been born and reared in Chicago, I advised him that his best chance to secure such employment would possibly be through the Chicago office.

His background, as related to me, is about as follows: He is a Jew, born and reared in Chicago; formerly employed by Koe Rosenbaum, political leader, doubtless known to you. Niems was employed first by Rosenbaum in the capacity of a truck driver at \$192.00 per month during which time he was attending law school at night. He later was admitted to the bar, married and finally apparently became involved in some of Rosenbaum's unlawful activities, resulting in his becoming embroiled in a ballot box stuffing case about three years ago. He was arrested and through the influence of his father-in-law got out of that scrape by having the charge reduced to obtaining money under false pretenses and was sentenced to sixty days in jail. He states that the others who were caught in the ballot stuffing affair were sent to Joliet. Niems was then disbarred from the practice of law and, according to his intimations, began flirting with various sorts of unlawful

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activities. He finally drifted to El Paso, lost his money gambling, forged a check and was arrested. He then, through some means, raised enough money to pay off the check and was released from jail here on May 14, 1935.

He avers that he has learned his lesson and has concluded that he would rather have any sort of a job which is honest than to live as he has been living; that he does not expect to be able to hold down any good job in a commercial line on account of his record and that he thought he might perhaps be of service to this Bureau as an undercover informant. He states that he is particularly well acquainted among crooks and crooked politicians in Chicago where he has numerous relatives and, furthermore, that he would be content with any sort of small job if he could earn even as much as eighteen or twenty dollars per week, if it was not crooked money.

Niema is a good looking Jew of fine physique and he impressed me as being very intelligent and fairly well educated. He is now endeavoring to get back to Chicago and I suggested that he might call to see you upon arrival there and advised him to lay before you his whole background so you might decide as to whether he could be of service as an undercover informant in Chicago or vicinity. He is absolutely broke at present and I gave him a couple of dollars with which to buy food. I imagine he will leave here tomorrow or next day. Incidentally, Niema advised he had at one time done some work for former States Attorney Crowe of Chicago.

Very truly yours,

R. H. Colvin,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc Bureau.

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June 20, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

RE: MAUREY HENSKY -

~~Investigation~~

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated June 7, 1935 with respect to the letter from the El Paso office dated May 16, 1935, concerning one Maurey Hensky alias Maurey Shapiro who called at the El Paso office and at your office, endeavoring to secure employment as a confidential informant.

Your attention is called to your letter to the Los Angeles office, dated April 17, 1935, in the above captioned matter, inasmuch as it appears that Maurey Hensky may be the same person as Maurey Hensky alias Maurey Shapiro. The Bureau file in the above captioned matter indicates that the Phoenix, Arizona office is now the office of origin, the file of the Los Angeles office having been transferred to the Phoenix office on May 31, 1935, due to the re-allocation of territory.

Since it appears that Maurey Hensky alias Maurey Shapiro may still be in Chicago, Illinois, he should be interviewed promptly with reference to the above captioned matter.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

CC - Phoenix
El Paso

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. NATHAN

RE: Bremer Case

Mr. Suydam telephonically inquired if it wouldn't be a good idea if the Attorney General got out a press statement regarding the convictions in the Bremer Case. I stated it was a very good idea, and I advised that I had sent around a memorandum setting forth the facts in the case together with the convictions.

I stated that the press statement might express the Attorney General's gratification at the outcome of the case, also, indicate the perseverance of keeping after this case since January 1934, and commend the Jury for its courage, et cetera.

I remarked to Mr. Suydam that one interesting angle of the case was that the Deputy Police Commissioner of Chicago testified as a defense character witness, which was a rather unusual picture, but McLaughlin happened to be the political boss in Chicago.

Very truly yours,

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John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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U. S. Department of Justice

Room 1403
370 Lexington Avenue
New York, N.Y.

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May 17, 1935

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Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St., N.W.,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing herein voucher, in favor of the New York Telephone Company, in the amount of \$29.81, covering telephone service over Circle 7-1253, which telephone was installed at 150 West 58th Street, New York, N.Y. at our request in order that Frank Foster, residing at 145 West 58th Street (directly across the street) might be kept under surveillance; this in connection with the case entitled Alvin Karpis, with aliases, et al - Edward George Bremer, Victim - Kidnaping.

Very truly yours,

R. Whitley
R. Whitley,
Special Agent in Charge.

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ABOUT \$EPPXX \$300.00 EACH FOR THEIR ASSISTANCE, COULD GIVE NO EXPLANATION WHY HE, MC LAUGHLIN, MADE NO EXCHANGE. MC LAUGHLIN DENIED KNOWING OR MEETING FRANKIE WRIGHT, DECLARING HE, MC LAUGHLIN WAS CONFINED TO

BED UNTIL ABOUT APRIL 1, 1934. MC LAUGHLIN ADMITTED ONCE DELIVERING MONEY TO MORAN NEAR THE RAILROAD TRACKS, AS TESTIFIED BY AGENT BROWN. DECLARED HE WAS QUESTIONED BY AT LEAST 30 DIFFERENT AGENTS THE NIGHT OF HIS ARREST. ADMITTED DRAWING TWO DIAGRAMS FOR AGENT BROWN, BUT DENIED PRACTICALLY ALL PRINCIPAL POINTS TESTIFIED TO BY BROWN. MC LAUGHLIN STATED HE TOLD AGENT BROWN ALL ABOUT DOC MORAN BUT DENIED EVER KNOWING A SLIM OR AN IZZY. WHEN HAMM KIDNAP MONEY WAS MENTIONED MC LAUGHLIN SHOUTED "THATS A DELIBERATE LIE". STATED HE RECEIVED \$1200.00 FROM DOC MORAN FOR HIS SERVICES. MCLAUGHLIN FLARED UP VIOLENTLY WHEN IT WAS SUGGESTED THAT MORAN CHOSE HIM BECAUSE HE HAD HAD PREVIOUS MONEY CHANGING EXPERIENCE. ON REBUTTAL GOVERNMENT CALLED WILLIAM ROBERT HOLMES OF JOLIET PENITENTIARY TO SHOW NUMBER OF VISITS OF AGENT MADALA TO SEE BERG. AGENTS BROWN AND MADALA ALSO GOVERNMENT REBUTTAL WITNESSES. TOTAL OF 121 GOVT EXHIBITS USED IN CASE. MOTIONS IN THE ALTERNATIVE FOR DISMISSAL OR DIRECTED VERDICT DENIED AS TO DELANEY, VIDLER AND WILSON.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box #766
Cincinnati, Ohio

May 13, 1935.

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Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Ave., at 9th St., N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Sir:

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Reference is made to Bureau letter of May 10, 1935, enclosing copy of a letter received from [redacted] in which he makes application for the reward for information leading to the capture of Mrs. Kate Barker and her son, Fred Barker.

This party, [redacted] was offered no reward by me, but was employed by me as an informant on the basis of \$10.00 per day, as to which authority was requested of the Bureau to pay him not to exceed \$60.00 to cover a period of six days, however he was only employed for two days and was paid accordingly \$20.00 for such two days' work, January 14 and 15, 1935.

The work of this party as covered in my report of February 3, 1935, page 3 in the matter of "ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. #1218 - FUGITIVE et al., EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim; KIDNAPING, HARBORING OF FUGITIVES, OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE, NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT", [redacted]

[redacted] and immediately thereafter I had Agent Jones and this party [redacted] discontinue any further efforts, by directing them to proceed immediately to Ocala, [redacted]

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Confidential Informant

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As no reward was outstanding for these parties and none was offered to him by me, he being employed on a per diem basis, for which he was fully paid, to determine certain information, he having obtained nothing on January 14, 1935 and was only engaged with Agent R. L. Jones on January 15, 1935 and did not locate and identify these parties in the house in question, he would therefore not be entitled to any reward even if one had been offered or if one had been outstanding for information leading to the location and capture of these persons.

It is therefore suggested that this party be advised that as far as this Bureau is concerned, there was no reward outstanding for the information leading to the capture of either Kate or Fred Barker and that as far as this Bureau is concerned, he was paid in full for the services rendered to us; that we had no agreement with him to pay him any reward and provided further that if such an agreement had existed, he did not furnish us with the information which he claims to have furnished us, namely information leading to the capture of Fred and Kate Barker.

This party also gave information to the papers as to what his activity had been although it was definitely understood the matter was to be treated as confidential.

Very truly yours,


E. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Dear Sirs

Reference is made to your letter of May 9, 1935 in which you make application for the reward for information leading to the capture of Mrs. Kate Barker and her son, Fred Barker, and state that as a result of your work you obtained information relative to the location of Kate and Fred Barker. You further state that inasmuch as there was a large reward offered for these parties, you feel that you should be considered.

Please be advised that there was no Federal reward offered for the apprehension of Kate or Fred Barker, nor was there any reward for information leading to the capture of these persons.

I have been informed by Mr. E. J. Connelley who was in charge of the Agents at Ocala, Florida that there was no agreement with you to pay a reward for any information leading to the apprehension of these individuals. I have been further advised that you were employed by Mr. Connelley as an informant on the basis of \$10.00 per day; that you were employed for two days and were accordingly paid \$20.00 for the work which you performed on January 14 and 15, 1935.

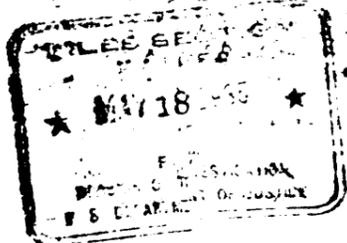
I wish to thank you for the offer of assistance which you extended to the Agents of this Bureau.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.
May 14, 1935

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

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Mr. Nathan	✓
Mr. Tolson	
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Mr. Glavin	
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Mr. Purvis called on the telephone and said that the Agents from the Chicago Office who were at St. Paul testifying in the Bremer kidnaping case have returned, and have received information that Gladys Sawyer is writing a letter either to the Attorney General or to the President, and an attorney named O'Sullivan, of Omaha, is also writing a letter, complaining of the treatment that she, Gladys Sawyer, received while in the Chicago Office last summer in voluntary custody. It seems that Gladys Sawyer alleges that Paula Harmon, Winona Burdette and herself were given a truth serum there.

I told Mr. Purvis this was absurd, but that I, of course, was glad to have any information along these lines.

Very truly yours,

H. Nathan.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

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Washington, D. C.

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In any release concerning the Bremer Kidnaping, I would suggest that the Attorney General might desire to mention the fact that Deputy Commissioner Alcock of the Chicago Police Department testified as a character witness in behalf of Boss McLaughlin, one of those convicted at St. Paul.

Very truly yours,


H. Nathan.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

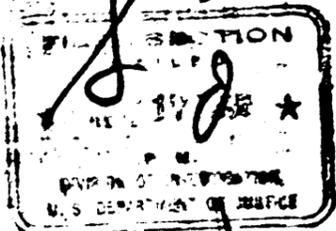
For your information I am attaching hereto a memorandum which summarizes the facts, investigative and prosecutive results to date in connection with the case involving the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer. I thought you would be particularly interested in knowing the identity of the persons who have today been found guilty to charges preferred against them in the Federal Court for the District of Minnesota.

Respectfully,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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MEMORANDUM

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Information was received from the victim in this case, Edward Bremer, relative to the refueling of gasoline tanks from gasoline cans enroute when victim Bremer was returned from the hideout in which he was held, to Rochester, Minnesota, where he was released. Four gasoline cans were found shortly thereafter and from one of these cans, there was developed in the Technical Laboratory of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, a latent fingerprint, found to be identical with that of Arthur "Doc" Barker. On March 22, 1934, the Attorney General announced that Alvin Karpis and Arthur R. Barker, alias "Doc" Barker had been definitely identified by the Federal Bureau of Investigation of the United States Department of Justice as one of the kidnapers of Edward G. Bremer. Subsequent investigative inquiry, continuing over the course of practically a year, tended to establish the complicity in this kidnaping of other members of this gang, including Volney Davis, Harry Campbell, Elmer Farmer, Harold Alderton, William Weaver, Harry Sawyer, William J. Harrison, Byron Bolton, Joseph P. Moran, Oliver A. Berg, John J. McLaughlin, William Vidler, Philip J. Delaney, James J. Wilson and Myrtle Eaton. Indictments were returned at St. Paul, Minnesota on January 22, 1935 in the cases of these individuals.

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May 17, 1935.

**MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
MR. WILLIAM STANLEY**

For your information, I am attaching hereto a copy of a memorandum which I have today addressed to the Attorney General, together with the enclosure referred to therein, which pertains to the status of the investigation into the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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- Mr. Gurnea
- Mr. Harbo
- Mr. Hendon
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- Mr. Nease
- Miss Gandy

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
508 Medical Arts Building
Nashville, Tennessee
May 20, 1935

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Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at Ninth Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN^D KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE
I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with
aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL
with aliases, I.O. 1236; VOLNEY DAVIS
with aliases, I.O. 1237, FUGITIVE;
WILLIAM KEAVER with aliases, I.O. 1238;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O.
1239; MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O.
1241; et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER,
Victim - KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIRE-
ARMS ACT -

Dear Sir:

Please forward to this office twelve (12) addi-
tional copies of the Identification Order # 1239 of William J.
Harrison, alias Willie Harrison; alias W. J. Harrison; alias J.
B. Bolton; alias W. J. Ryan.

Very truly yours,

W. A. Smith
W. A. SMITH
Special Agent in Charge

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From: Mechanical Section

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_____ Miss Gandy
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Mr. Newby

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May 28, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
Nashville, Tennessee.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O. No. 1218, et al,
Edward George Bremer, Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

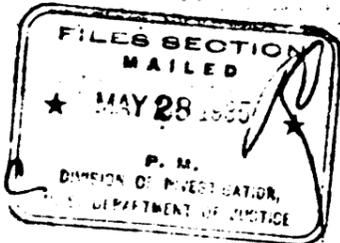
In accordance with the request contained in your letter
of May 20, 1935, there are transmitted herewith twelve additional
copies of Identification Order No. 1239 issued by the Bureau on
subject William J. Harrison, with aliases.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure No. 207532

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St. Paul



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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida.

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May 21, 1935.

AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY:

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St. N.W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
FUGITIVE - I.O. 1218; et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
KIDNAPING.

There is transmitted herewith one copy of an original letter addressed to the Clerk, United States District Court, Miami, Florida, dated Dayton, Ohio, May 17, 1935, over the signature of one John Egan - Attorney-at-law, in which inquiry is made concerning the sentence imposed on Dolores Delaney, former subject in this matter at Miami. The original of the above-mentioned communication was exhibited to Special Agent B. F. Fitzsimons, Resident Agent at Miami, on the afternoon of May 20, 1935, by Mr. Palmer Rosemond, Clerk of the United States District Court.

It is possible the attorney who is interested in the sentence imposed on Dolores Delaney contemplates legal proceedings in her behalf, and it is presumed that the Bureau, may desire to ascertain the identity of Mr. Egan and his connections in this matter.

Copies of this letter and the referred to communication are herewith supplied Offices indicated below.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt
R. A. ALT,
Special Agent in Charge.

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John E. Egan, Attorney at Law,
Twelfth Floor; Third National Building,
Dayton, Ohio
May 17, 1935.

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Clerk of the United States District Court,
Federal Building,
Miami, Florida.

Dear Sir:

Would you kindly let me know by return mail the date sentence was passed in your District Court at Miami, if it was done there, upon one Dolores Delaney, who, I understand, was committed to the Woman's Penitentiary at Milan, Michigan?

Also let me know when the Spring Term of your Court is concluded there, and when your next term will open there?

It is my opinion that Judge Ritter presided in this case.

Very truly yours,

(Signed)

John Egan

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 515,
Saint Paul, Minnesota

May 20, 1935

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at Ninth Street, N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; ET AL;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.
KIDNAPING. OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE.
HARBORING OF FUGITIVES. NATIONAL
FIREARMS ACT.

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During the afternoon of May 17, 1935, Assistant United States Attorney George A. Heisey, St. Paul, Minnesota, sent word that the sentences of HAROLD V. ALLDERTON, ELMER FARMER and JAMES WILSON had been deferred by the Court at the request of his office. The reason therefor he said is that consideration will be taken of their attitude toward the Government in subsequent trials of defendants in this case who have not, as yet, been apprehended or prosecuted.

In connection with possible cooperation of these defendants, it should be noted that HAROLD ALLDERTON and ELMER FARMER would make valuable witnesses as to the fugitive defendants being in ALLDERTON's house in Bensenville during the time that Victim Bremer was held there. This would corroborate the testimony of BYRON BOLTON, who is yet to be sentenced.

With reference to DOCTOR MORAN, a fugitive defendant, it may be noted that JAMES WILSON could testify relative to the part played by the Doctor in this case.

Inasmuch as Special Agent J. E. Brennan is well acquainted with the defendants mentioned above and has talked with them several times a week during the past four months, it occurred to me that in the interest of this case, Agent Brennan should remain in St. Paul for the present time. Accordingly, on May 18th, I telephoned Mr. Tamm in Washington and suggested that the Bureau consider rescinding the order for Agent Brennan to

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report for retraining purposes in Washington on May 20th in order that he might further tie-up this case. Mr. Tamm was furnished with a brief of the information set forth above.

During the afternoon of May 18th, Mr. Tolson telephoned from Washington and authorized me to retain Agent Brennan in St. Paul for the time being to develop the evidence in this case through the defendants here. I have instructed Agent Brennan to give this case his full time attention in order that all evidence available may be at hand when defendants not tried are brought to trial. The Bureau will be kept advised.

Very truly yours,

H. E. Andersen

H. E. ANDERSEN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box 515
St. Paul, Minnesota

May 20, 1935

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street N.W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - I.O. #1218,
FUGITIVE; ET AL.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
KIDNAPING - HARBORING OF FUGITIVES -
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - NATIONAL
FIREARMS ACT. St. Paul File No. 7-30.

On May 7, 1935 Post Office Inspector Adolph A. Weicht called at the St. Paul Bureau Office and advised that he had received a letter from his superior, The Post Office Inspector in Charge, Washington, D. C., advising that a complaint had been made to the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation to the effect that the Postmaster at St. Paul, Minnesota, had failed to cooperate with the Special Agent in Charge of the St. Paul Bureau Office in placing a cover on all mail received by ANDREW ROTHEMEYER, address 949 West 7th Street, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Special Agent R. D. Brown interviewed Mr. Weicht at his office, New Post Office Building, St. Paul, Minnesota, and Mr. Weicht produced his correspondence file on this matter, which included a letter signed by the Director, dated April 5, 1935, reading to the effect that the Postmaster at St. Paul, Minnesota, had refused to place a cover on mail received at 949 West 7th Street, St. Paul, Minnesota. His file also included a letter, dated April 8, 1935 from the Postmaster at St. Paul, Minnesota, to Special Agent in Charge D. M. Ladd which made reference to a letter from Special Agent in Charge Ladd dated April 6, 1935, which letter requested a cover placed on mail received by ROTHEMEYER for a period of thirty (30) days. The letter to Mr. Ladd dated April 8, 1935, from the Postmaster at St. Paul, Minnesota, was to the effect that the mail cover would be placed.

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Mr. Weicht stated that the Postmaster at St. Paul, Minnesota, would like to be advised wherein he had failed to cooperate when requested, that subordinate employees of the Postmaster at St. Paul, Minnesota, may have on occasion failed to comply strictly with the Postmaster's instructions, but that he does not believe the Postmaster at St. Paul has at any time

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time refused to cooperate. He further stated that should employees working under the Postmaster at St. Paul fail to comply with any such instructions, the office of the Post Office Inspector would then be utilized in requesting that the various sub-post office employees strictly comply with orders of the Postmaster in carrying out requests of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. He stated he would greatly appreciate being advised as to wherein the Postmaster at St. Paul had refused or declined to cooperate at any time.

Special Agent R. D. Brown has carefully reviewed the file with reference to this matter to determine if there is any correspondence contained therein wherein the Postmaster at St. Paul has refused to cooperate. There is a Western Union telegram from the St. Paul Bureau Office to the Nashville Bureau Office dated April 5, 1935 advising of the receipt of information to the effect that ROTHEMYER had received a postal card from MYRTLE EATON, dated on or about March 18, 1935, from Chattanooga, Tennessee. There is a teletype message, bearing the same date, to the Bureau furnishing this same information. There is a letter to the Postmaster at St. Paul, Minnesota, dated April 6, 1935 requesting tracings on all mail delivered to ANDREW ROTHEMYER at 949 West 7th Street. There is a letter from the Postmaster at St. Paul, Arthur A. Van Dyke, dated April 8, 1935, acknowledging receipt of the request of April 6, 1935 for tracings and advising that the request would be complied with. No correspondence or report could be located indicating that Postmaster Van Dyke had refused to place a mail cover on mail received at the before mentioned address.

Post Office Inspector Weicht has been assigned to investigate this matter and would appreciate being advised as to the exact nature of the complaint relative to Postmaster Van Dyke's failure or refusal to cooperate in this instance.

Very truly yours,

H. E. Andersen

H. E. ANDERSEN
Special Agent in Charge

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CC Chicago

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The Postmaster's Office

UNITED STATES POST OFFICE
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

August 30, 1934.

Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
P. O. Box 515,
Saint Paul, Minnesota

Attention - D. M. Ladd
Special Agent in Charge

Gentlemen:

Pursuant to the request made in your letter of August 27, 1934, (St. Paul file No. 52-144), the carrier serving the Augsburg College, 8th St. and Elst Avenue So., this city, was instructed to take tracings of address, return card and postmark on all first-class mail received for Miss Margaret Hulbert, s/o Augsburg College, for a period of 20 days, sending tracings each day as received to the Superintendent of Mails who will in turn transmit them to your office.

The following is quoted in part from GENERAL LETTER NO. 501, Office of the Chief Inspector, Washington, D. C., to Inspectors in Charge, all Divisions, dated April 16, 1934.

"The practice of postmasters furnishing tracings of mail direct to others than post office inspectors is incompatible with the control which the inspection service should exercise over postal service relationships toward criminal law enforcement as contemplated in the regulation quoted. The practice should therefore be discontinued. General Letter 158 is hereby rescinded.

Requests for tracings made by others than post office inspectors should be handled by postmasters as follows: the person desiring tracings should be advised to communicate with the Inspector in Charge informing him of the identity of the fugitive, the nature of the charges, whether an indictment has been returned or a warrant for arrest issued, whether the tracings are expected to disclose the point from which a fugitive is writing and if not what connection the tracings have with the problem of apprehension. In his discretion, the Inspector in Charge may direct the postmaster to take tracings or supply information for such limited periods as may be deemed warranted.

In cases where an emergency is alleged it will be proper for the postmaster to consult the local inspector, and if an inspector is not available, the postmaster may make the tracings and deliver them to

responsible officers in advance of permission from the Inspection Service provided the applicant furnishes the postmaster with the prescribed statement of facts; in such an event the postmaster should forward the statement of facts to the Inspector in Charge with a report of his own action.

It is requested that each Inspector in Charge advise every postmaster in his division of the substance of the preceding paragraphs.

The subject should be administered in such a way as to further the ends of justice, preserve cordial relations with local and Federal law enforcement agencies, protect the privacy of mail matter, and at the same time maintain the required control by the Inspection Service of all investigations of postal law violations and use of postal facilities in criminal law enforcement.

I would appreciate your being governed thereby when tracing is desired on mail for patrons of this office in the future.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) W. C. ROBERTSON
Postmaster

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May 2, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,
I. O. 1218, FUGITIVE; ET AL;
Edward George Bremer, Victim,
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES;
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE;
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of May 20, 1935 advising that Post Office Inspector Adolph E. Weicht had called at your office advising that a complaint had been received by the Post Office Inspector in Charge, Washington, D. C., from the Bureau to the effect that the Postmaster at St. Paul, Minnesota, had failed to cooperate with the Special Agent in Charge of the St. Paul Office in placing a cover on all mail received by Andrew Rothmeyer, 949 West 7th Street, St. Paul, Minnesota.

It is noted from your letter that Special Agent E. M. Brown interviewed Mr. Weicht and examined his file, which purported to include a letter signed by the Director, dated April 5, 1935, reading to the effect that the Postmaster at St. Paul, Minnesota, had refused to place a cover on mail received at 949 West 7th Street, St. Paul.

A complete and thorough search has been made of the Bureau files and it has been ascertained that no such letter was sent to the Post Office Department by this Bureau. However, on April 8, 1935 there was referred to the Post Office Department by the Department a complaint as to the lack of cooperation upon the part of Postmasters. There was included in this letter a statement to the effect that the Postmasters at St. Paul, Minnesota, Norwich, Connecticut, and Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, had refused to place mail covers. The statement as to the refusal of the Postmaster at St. Paul, Minnesota, to cooperate, was erroneous. The refusal to cooperate was made by W. C. Robertson, the Postmaster of the Minneapolis, Minnesota, Post Office, whose refusal was based upon the instructions issued by the Post Office

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Department in General Letter No. 501, dated April 16, 1954, which prohibited Postmasters from furnishing tracings of mail without the authority of the Post Office Inspector in Charge. A copy of the letter of the Postmaster at Minneapolis, dated August 30, 1954, in which he refused to place a mail cover on all mail addressed to Miss Margaret Hulbert, c/o Augsburg College, is inclosed herewith for your information.

It is desired that you again contact Mr. Weicht and verify the fact that his file does include a letter signed by the Director dated April 5, 1955, reading to the effect that the Postmaster at St. Paul, Minnesota, had refused to place a cover on mail received at 949 West 7th Street, St. Paul, Minnesota. In the event his file does contain such a letter, it is desired that you secure a copy thereof and forward it to the Bureau in order that a further search may be made of the Bureau files in this matter.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Inclosure No. 519715

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- Mr. Tracy
- Miss Gandy

May 21 1935

Mr. R. Radio Broadcast
 Kate Barker

Mr J Edgar Hoover
 Federal Bureau of Investigation
 U S Department of Justice
 Washington D C

Dear Mr Hoover:

Here is a copy of the Barker Case story
 from Lowell Thomas' broadcast Friday
 night.

Cordially yours

A.A. Schechter

A A Schechter
 News Editor

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Excerpt from Lowell Thomas'

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May 17, 1935. NBC-WJZ Network

St. Paul, Minnesota: Another case - the verdict guilty - the sentence life imprisonment. With those pronouncements by the jury and the judge, we come to the end of another crime trail. After the killing of Dillinger the black mark of crime public enemies was awarded to the Barker-Karpis Mob and violent things proceeded to happen. One after the other gang members were eliminated - Ma Barker and her son Fred were killed, her other son Arthur was captured. Only one mobster remained untouched, Alvin Karpis. He's still alive, free, the only survivor at large of that list of widely advertised enemies, but Arthur Barker, known as Doc, got his today in St. Paul. It was, or rather that gang was, perhaps the most murderous desperate of them all. Its leader in brains and will was the machine-gunning old woman Ma Barker; that was the flaring headline at the time. Was it just so much lurid sensationalism? Well, I asked the question some weeks ago of the Number 1 of the Federal Agents, J Edgar Hoover, and he told me it was literally and precisely true - he described the motherly and murderous Ma Barker as having reared her two sons to the profession of crime. She recruited the members of their gang, planned the robberies, assigning roles to her bandit sons and to their pals. Chief Agent Hoover related how Ma on occasions would even procure the release of a crook from prison, appearing before a Parole Board, more motherly than ever. She would promise to look after the boy, but she would procure the release because she knew the kill of that particular gangster for the next holdup or kidnapping she was planning. The center of crime in the whole series of outlaw terror was the

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Bremer kidnapping. The Barker-Karpis mob snatched Edward Bremer, the St Paul banker, collected \$200,000 in ransom and in doing so left a clue. In the getaway after receiving the money they tossed away a gasoline can, Federal men recovered the can and developed the fingerprints and those fingerprints put the finger on the mob. Then followed a hunt by the army of Federal agents. The heat grew intense, the mob split, Ma Barker and her son Fred went South to Florida. Arthur Barker and a couple of his pals hid out in Chicago. The two sections of the mob kept in close touch with each other by telegraph and telephone. Courtney Ryley Cooper in his book tells of the intensely dramatic catastrophe that befell them. Ma Barker and Fred in their Florida cottage read in the newspaper one morning how the Federal Agents had raided the Chicago hideaway of the Barker-Karpis mob. One gangster killed, another captured. But there was no mention of Doc Barker. The fierce old woman knew that her son had been keeping himself concealed in that hideaway so she scanned the news line by line and still no mention of Doc Barker. She believed her son Doc somehow had escaped. That's why Ma Barker and Fred stayed put in their little cottage in Oklawaha, Florida, instead of taking to the trail again. Well, the Federal Agents were keeping their secret; that was what was happening. They captured Doc all right but they gave out not a word about him. They kept him hidden, isolated, questioning him, and in his belongings they found the scrap of paper and on it scribbled the word "Oklawaha" and that gave them the steer to the little Florida resort town. The next thing was that machine gun battle in which Ma and her bandit son were killed, the relentless old woman with a machine gun in her hand at the time. Now the criminal drama of Ma, the master mind, who raised her sons to be bandits has played out. The Federal men have put the surviving son Doc Barker on trial for the Bremer kidnapping and today came the verdict - guilty, the sentence - life imprisonment.

May 25, 1935

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Mr. A. A. Schechter,
News Editor,
National Broadcasting Company, Inc.,
R. C. A. Building,
30 Rockefeller Plaza,
New York, New York.

Dear Mr. Schechter:

Thank you for your letter of
May 21, 1935, enclosing excerpts from Mr.
Lowell Thomas' broadcast of May 17, 1935,
dealing with the Barker-Karpis gang.

With best wishes and kind re-
gards, I am

Sincerely yours,

- Mr. Nathan
- Mr. Tolson
- Chief Clerk
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Coffey
- Mr. Edwards
- Mr. Egan
- Mr. Harbo
- Mr. Keith
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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Cincinnati, Ohio

St. Paul FILE NO. 7-20

REPORT MADE AT St. Paul, Minn.	DATE WHEN MADE 5-20-35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 5-17-35	REPORT MADE BY J. E. BREMER
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TITLE
ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218 - FUGITIVE;
HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. 1236;
VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, I.O. 1238;
WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I.O. 1238;
HARRY SAWYER, with aliases, I.O. 1240;
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. 1239;
MYRTLE KATON, with aliases, I.O. 1241; et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.

CHARACTER OF CASE
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

BRYON BOLTON unable to recall any conversation with subjects indicating that they were known to the manager of the Hotel El Comodoro, Miami, Florida, or that he knew they, or any of them, were wanted for the BREMER kidnaping.

REFERENCES:

Report of Special Agent E. K. McKee, Jacksonville, Florida, dated 5-13-35; and teletype message from the Bureau dated 5-15-35.

DETAILS:

Agent interviewed BRYON BOLTON, who is confined in the Ramsey County Jail, St. Paul, Minnesota, pending disposition of his plea of guilty to the charge of conspiracy to kidnaping, with reference to a conversation he had previously had with Special Agent McKee, particularly with reference to the knowledge he may have obtained from any members of the Karpis-Barker "mob" through conversations with them, or in any manner, which would indicate that the manager of the El Comodoro Hotel at Miami, Florida, had knowledge that Alvin Karpis, or any others of the "mob" were wanted at St. Paul for the Bremer kidnaping. BOLTON stated that since conversing with Agent McKee in this regard, he has endeavored

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to recall anything any one of the "mob" may have told him but was unable to recall anything in this regard.

BELTON was again interviewed by Special Agent E. C. Coulter and agent on May 20, 1935, and stated that while he was sure that this information must have come to him through conversation with someone of the "mob", he was unable to recall any conversation he had with anyone about it.

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May 17, 1935.

Time-3:28 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. NATHAN

RE: Bremer Case

Mr. Schechter, News Editor, National Broadcasting Company, New York City, advised by telephone they were giving the verdict in the Bremer Case quite a place in Lowell Thomas' broadcast tonight, and he hoped I would have time to listen in. I stated that we were very happy over the outcome as it had been a long, drawn-out case, starting in January 1934. Mr. Schechter said their broadcast would include the story of "Ma" Barker also. He further advised the broadcast would be at 5:45 P.M.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

*Mr. Nathan
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Edwards
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REPORT MADE AT Birmingham, Ala.	DATE WHEN MADE 5-20-35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 5/10, 11, 14, 18/35	REPORT MADE BY J. S. KAVANAUGH
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218-FUGITIVE, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER- VICTIM.			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Inquiry in Mobile, Ala. reveals that Catherine Clyatt is mother of John Russell Moran and that she frequently wires him small amounts of money. Cover placed on mail received at Catherine Clyatt's address in Mobile.

DETAILS:

AT MOBILE, ALA.

Investigation covered by this report is predicated on telephonic advice from Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, May 10, 1935, to Special Agent in Charge, R. B. Nathan, to the effect that one John Russell Moran, currently under surveillance at Louisville, Ky., had sent a telegram to Catherine Clyatt, 55 North Lawrence Street, Mobile, the substance of which was the following:

"DEAR MOTHER IT DOES NOT LOOK VERY FAVORABLE FOR THE TRACK HERE AT THE PRESENT TIME CAN USE A LITTLE MONEY IF YOU HAVE IT ADDRESS 4540 WEST BROADWAY.
RUSSELL"

Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley requested that investigation be conducted to ascertain the identity of Catherine Clyatt.

The 1935 city directory listed Guy L. Clyatt, a printer, as the occupant of 55 North Lawrence Street, and his wife as Catherine Clyatt.

The current telephone directory listed Catherine Clyatt as the subscriber to the telephone at 55 North Lawrence Street, under telephone No.

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At the postoffice it was ascertained that carrier No. 7 has covered this route for fifteen years and on interview he stated that he had delivered mail to Catherine Clyatt under several names at that address, ever since he had been on the route. He stated that the neighborhood was formerly the "Red light district" and that Catherine Clyatt operated a house, but that when the district closed she continued living there and operating a house, apparently under protection. He stated that she has had several husbands; that she is about 50 years old; that her present husband does not work and that she receives most of her mail from St. Louis, Mo. and East St. Louis, Ill., where he understands she has relatives. From time to time, he stated, other women (usually about middle-aged) stay with her. He stated that he occasionally receives mail addressed to John Russell Moran at that address. When shown the strip pictures of members of the Barker-Karpis gang, he could not identify any one as having ever been seen by him.

Mr. D. C. Harris, manager of the main Western Union office on Royal Street near the Battle House, searched his records but was unable to find any money having been wired to John Russell Moran on May 9, 10 or 11, and promised to notify agent in the event money should be wired to him.

The manager of the main office of the Postal Telegraph Co. on Daphin Street searched his records for May 9, 10 and 11, with negative results. He promised to notify agent in the event money is wired to Moran.

At the Southern Bell Telephone Co., 206 St. Francis Street, through the courtesy of the manager, it was ascertained that the only toll charge from Dexter 2842 at 55 No. Lawrence St., either collect or made from that address during the months of January to May 10, inclusive, was a telegram from Mobile to Chicago on April 1, 1935, on which the charges were 86¢.

At the Western Union Telegraph Co., it was ascertained that the telegram was addressed to John R. Moran, 4187 So. Halsted St., Chicago, Ill. and read as follows:

"Want to wire you money Let me hear from you Love-Mother."

It was also ascertained that Catherine Clyatt wired to John R. Moran at that address on the same date, without any additional message, \$50.00. Subsequently it was determined from Mr. Harris, Manager, main Western Union office, that one of his girls remembered the transaction and also remembers wiring money at other times to John R. Moran from his mother, Catherine Clyatt. She stated that the amounts have never been more than \$30.00 and usually are sent about every ten days or two weeks, but that she did not remember sending one for several weeks.

It was ascertained by agent that 55 No. Lawrence Street is an old one-story building next to a laundry in a run-down neighborhood about five blocks west of the main business section of Mobile. The nature of the neighborhood and the request for a discreet investigation rendered it inadvisable to make any neighborhood investigation.

Chief of Police Burch of the Mobile Police Department stated that he was acquainted with Catherine Clyatt for over fifteen years and that she was known to him as "Kitty Lewis", the name Lewis being one of her former husbands who has been dead for several years. He stated that she was known to operate a disorderly house several years ago, but that this condition does not exist now because Kitty and most of her acquaintances are advancing in years. He added that he never met her son but that it was his understanding that when he was a small boy she sent him to St. Louis to be raised by her sister and other relatives. In August of 1931 Chief of Police Burch was notified by either the Chief of Police or Sheriff at Benton Harbor, Michigan, that John Moran, Kitty's son, had been seriously wounded and that he had some correspondence in his files about it, which could not be located. He remembered, however, that it was her son, John R. Moran, who was with Killer Burke at the time he was apprehended in Benton Harbor, Mich. in August, 1931 and that during the apprehension, or an accident growing out of it, Moran was either wounded or injured. Chief of Police Burch stated that he had a confidential informant, a former member of the police department, who was well known to Kitty and would drop in casually to see who was visiting her. Agent left his strip of pictures of the Barker-Karpis crowd with Chief Burch for the use of his confidential informant. Subsequently the confidential informant advised Chief Burch that the only occupants other than Kitty and her husband were a sister from St. Louis visiting her and two other women about 40 years of age, none of whom could be identified as the Barker-Karpis crowd.

A list of the Bremer kidnap money has been forwarded to the Western Union office in Mobile by the Birmingham office, and Mr. Harris, the manager, who was cooperative and will be discreet, has agreed to keep a close check on all money telegraphed.

A 30-day mail cover for all mail to 55 North Lawrence has been requested and shown mail from E. St. Louis, Mobile, and St. Louis; also from Los Angeles, California and Spartanburg, S. C. These are being forwarded to Mr. E. J. Connelley with his copy of this report.

UNDEVELOPED LEAD:

BIRMINGHAM OFFICE at Mobile, Ala. will continue to report the results of the mail cover.

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U. S. Department of Justice
Washington Field Office, Room 5745
Washington, D.C.

May 21, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St. N.W.,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I.O.#1218; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O.#1237; HARRY CAMPBELL,
with aliases, I.O.#1236; DR. JOSEPH
P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O.#1232;
WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I.O.#1238;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O.
#1239; MYRTLE KATON, with aliases,
I.O.#1241, et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER,
Victim. KIDNAPING - HARBORING OF FUGI-
TIVES - OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - NATL.
FIREARMS ACT.

While interviewing Charles Gallison alias Charles Gorman, presently being held in the District of Columbia Asylum and Jail on a charge of embezzlement in connection with an investigation being conducted by this office, Gallison advised Special Agent L.B. Nichols that prior to his removal to Washington, D.C., he was connected with the Biscayne Kennel Club, Miami, Florida, and that while working at this dog track he became fairly well acquainted with Leroy Morrison who frequently visited the track. During this time, Gallison advised that he was of the opinion that Morrison was not hot, he was just a man of moderate means vacationing in Florida. However, after the shooting at Ocala, Florida, where Fred Barker and his mother were killed by Special Agents of the Bureau, Karpis' picture appeared in a Miami paper at which time Gallison stated he recognized Leroy Morrison as being Karpis. Gallison further stated that when he was arrested by the Miami Police Department for the Washington Police Department he was placed in the same cell with Duke Randall and later moved to the cell occupied by Cassius McDonald. Gallison stated that he believes that Joe Adams is making Duke Randall the goat in the case in which he is held, and that he is sure that Randall never suspected Morrison as being hot.

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Regarding Cassius McDonald, Gallison states that he did not talk very much in the cell but when he did he referred to Special Agents as "those cossecks", stating all they had on him was that he made two trips to the United States; that Sailing Beruch frequently visited

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Cassius McDonald, McDonald frequently speaking of him as one of his best friends, stating that he was helping him make his bond at the time of his release. McDonald told Gallison that Sailing Baruch, who, it should be noted, is the brother of Bernard Baruch, had made his bond for him. Gallison further added that he has known Cassius McDonald for a long period of time by reputation; that he is supposed to be the head man in Cuba and could help anyone who wanted to get into the gambling racket at that place. McDonald also frequently ran around with a race horse tout called Ruby, his real name being Rubenstein. According to Gallison, all the information he has concerning Rubenstein is the fact that he is known to have run booking joints at different places in the country. Gallison is unable to furnish a description. Photographs of the Karpis-Barker crowd were exhibited to Gallison. He readily identified the photograph of Karpis as being identical with Leroy Morrison. He was unable to identify any of the other photographs of the gang except that of Willie Harrison. Regarding Harrison, he states his face is very familiar and, while he cannot definitely place him, he believes that he frequently visits the Biscayne Kennel Club at Miami, Florida. Gallison has no further information of value to offer.

Very truly yours,

J.M. Keith
J.M. KEITH, *and*
Special Agent in Charge.

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CC Cincinnati
St. Paul
Jacksonville

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

EAT:CDW

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

May 18, 1935

Time - 10:05 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Baughman
Chief Clerk
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
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Miss Gandy

Mr. Andersen telephoned from the St. Paul Office in regard to the above entitled case, and said that Agent McIntyre of that office is instructed to report to Washington for re-training; that Agent Brennan is also under instructions to report to Washington, and Agent Coulter is under transfer. He said that if these three men leave the office, he will have no Agents in the office who are familiar with the facts in this case and who are acquainted with the defendants who have not been sentenced. (At this point, Mr. Andersen said that sentence as to the remaining defendants in this matter has been deferred.) He said that it would be very desirable to him and to the United States Attorney if Agent Brennan were allowed to remain in St. Paul for a while.

In this connection, Mr. Andersen said that Brennan has been contacting the defendants for about an average of three times a week for quite a long period of time, and they feel as friendly toward him as anyone could under the circumstances. He further said that the United States Attorney is planning to use some of the defendants, possibly Aldrich, Farmer and Wilson, as witnesses in future proceedings, and wants to use Brennan as a sort of a contact or connecting link here.

I told Mr. Andersen that I would transmit this information to the Director for his decision as to whether or not Brennan could remain in St. Paul. Mr. Andersen said that they are scheduled to leave St. Paul some time tonight, and would like to know as soon as possible.

I told Mr. Andersen that it appears that undoubtedly perjury was committed in connection with the defense of these people, and the Bureau desired that he press this matter vigorously with the United States Attorney and get his reaction to the same; that the Bureau should be advised promptly of the reaction of the United States Attorney in this regard.

MAY 23 1935

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM

I think Brennan might remain but not Coulter or McIntyre.

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J. G. H.

*St Paul office
arrived for report
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H. P. W. TOLSON
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Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
P. O. Box 515,
St. Paul, Minn.
(Name and address of Contributor)

Date May 22, 1935.

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

Dear Sir:-

Following are the dispositions of cases on which
fingerprints have been mailed to the Bureau of Investiga-
tion:

Print Number	Name and Alias	Disposition
# 78291	WILLIAM EDWARD VIDLER	Conspiracy to Kidnap
Chicago P. D.	with aliases William E. Vidler ✓	Acquitted 5/17/35.
	"Williams" ✓	
	"Bill" ✓	

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Very truly yours,

H. E. Andersen

H. E. ANDERSEN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice,
P. O. Box 515,
St. Paul, Minn.
(Name and address of Contributor)

Date May 22, 1935.

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

Dear Sir:-

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

Print Number	Name and Alias	Disposition
95-12729-98546	OLIVER A BERG, with aliases	Conspiracy to Kidnap.
#1431 S.P. Joliet, Ill.	Ollie Berg	Sentenced to Life 5/17/35.
	Oliver Bennet	
	Oliver Bennett	
	Otto Margo	
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	"Izzy"	

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J. E. Hoover

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Very truly yours
H. E. Andersen
H. E. ANDERSEN.
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U. S. Department of Justice,
P. O. Box 515,
St. Paul, Minn.
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Date May 22, 1935.

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

Dear Sir:-

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

Print Number	Name and Alias	Disposition
#11261	JESS DOYLE with aliases	Conspiracy to Kidnap. Dismissed May 6, 1935.
S.P. McAlester, Oklahoma.	Jessie Doyle Jess Doyle E. A. Conley J. C. Stacey J. E. Stacey G. C. Stacey William Connelley E. A. Connley E. V. Conley E. A. Conely	Infon Docket

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Very truly yours,
H. E. Andersen
H. E. ANDERSEN,
Special Agent in Charge.
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Laboratory Report

May 20, 1935.

Number: 7-576-5993

Case: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE,
I. O. #1218, et al.; EDWARD G. BREMER -
Victim; Kidnaping

Specimens: Registration card of W. J. Harrison, National Hotel Registration
#4421, dated September 9, 1934.

Examination requested by: Jacksonville Bureau Office.

Date received: May 15, 1935

Examination requested: Handwriting

Examination by: Appel *WJG*

Result of examination:

A comparison was made of the National Hotel registration card
#4421, dated September 9, 1934, bearing the signature "W. J. Harrison,
4539 Gibson, St. Louis, Missouri" with the known signature of William J.
Harrison, and it is the opinion of the examiner that Harrison wrote the
signature appearing on the hotel registration card.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE,
I. O. #1218, et al.; EDWARD G. BREMER -
Victim; Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

There is transmitted herewith the laboratory report covering the examination of specimens submitted by your office in connection with the above entitled matter and received in the Division May 15, 1935.

Very truly yours,

May 21 1935

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure: #313359.

H. J. E. C.
EA *W. J. H.*
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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CINCINNATI, OHIO		REPORT MADE BY: KENNETH LOGAN
REPORT MADE AT: Omaha, Nebraska	DATE WHEN MADE: 5/21/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 5/16/35
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1238; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. #1236; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1237; WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I.O. 1238; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. 1239;		CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I.O. 1241: --- et al --- EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, VICTIM		
<u>Synopsis of Facts:</u> <p style="text-align: center;">Miss Opal Watkins, West Bend, Iowa, has received no communication from GEORGE LAWRENCE HARPER; will notify Omaha Office if any received.</p>		
<u>REFERENCE:</u> <p style="text-align: center;">Circular letter from E. J. Connelley, Chicago, 2/14/35, to all field offices,</p>		
<u>DETAILS:</u> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>At West Bend, Iowa</u></p> <p>Miss Opal Watkins, a member of the Get Acquainted Correspondence Club of Denver, Colorado, states she has received numerous letters from all over the United States, but has received none from a party by the name of HARPER.</p> <p>Miss Watkins was furnished the address and telephone number of the Omaha Office, and was requested to notify this office at once should she receive any communication from HARPER, which Miss Watkins agreed to do.</p>		
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To

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Dr. Matthew F. Eusterman
Rochester, Minnesota

May 3, 1935

Hon. Fomer S. Cummings
Attorney General of U. S.
Washington, D. C.

Honorable Sir:

Because of the very nature of this correspondence, I beg you at the outset that it come in contact only with those concerning the issue involved herein.

It pertains to the reward offered for the information leading to the capture of Dillinger and the crowd involved in the Bremer kidnapping. Some few weeks previous to the raid on the hotel in Chicago it was my happy privilege to give what information I had to three of your operators. They were a Mr. Michael J. Glynn on one occasion, a Mr. Hollis and another whose name I do not recall. At that time I advised them as to where they could go in Chicago to uncover their hide-out. I told them that in the event they could not be found there they would very likely find them at a resort near Lac du Flambeau, Wisconsin. I also told them that the hide-out for Bremer was between LaCrosse and Chicago nearest to Dubuque.

The reason I happened to be so nearly exact in advising these men what to do when they consulted with me, was as a result of a conversation I overheard in the lobby of the Lowry Hotel in St. Paul. At that time two men entered who I knew to be gangsters of some sort and who were frequent visitors to my office in Rochester as dental patients. Upon their entrance I recognized them and immediately pretended I was asleep with my head resting on my arm. They evidently recognized me for upon taking a settee adjoining mine, I heard one say, "That's the 'doc' from Rochester, but let him sleep." Then in a low voice I could hear them discuss such things as 100 grand and a ten hour hop with pavement all the way, and they finally closed with the remark "We can hold him near the big city."

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Dr. Matthew F. Eusterman
Rochester, Minnesota

May 3, 1935

The above conversation I carefully rehearsed to your operatives. The reason I advised them about the Chicago Hotel location and the Lac du Flambeau resort place was because I had gleaned this information from these men in my conversations with them during their dental work. While I am not acquainted with Karpis I believe that if your department would shadow a Robert Fuller who headquarters at South Bend, Indiana you would find him there or gain the knowledge that would result in his capture.

Again I repeat, that if you consider my information authentic, after verifying it by consulting with your men Glynn and Hollis and if then you consider that I am properly entitled to the reward it must all be done in confidence. There are seven in my family and I know what would happen to us if a certain party every became aware that I had any contact with this case as regards the characters mentioned.

Very truly yours,

/s/ M. F. Eusterman DDS

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Dr. Matthew F. Rusterman,
Rochester, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of May 3, 1935, addressed to Honorable Homer S. Cummings, United States Attorney General, at Washington, D. C., which has been referred to this Bureau, in which you request information as to the reward for the persons involved in the Bremer kidnaping, and in which you state that you furnished certain information to three Special Agents of this Bureau.

Please be advised that there is no reward offered by the Federal Government for the apprehension of any of the persons involved in the Bremer kidnaping. However, I am instructing Mr. E. E. Anderson, Special Agent in Charge, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 232 Post Office Building, St. Paul, Minnesota, to have a Special Agent interview you for any information you may have relative to the whereabouts of any of the persons involved in this kidnaping.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc - St. Paul (enclosing 2 copies of Dr. Rusterman's letter of 5/3/35)

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May 22, 1935.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. No. 1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim;
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Information has been received from the Jacksonville Office of the Bureau that Special Agent E. K. McKee, who is presently assigned to your office, returned from Cuba to Miami on May 18, 1935. It is anticipated that Agent McKee will conclude his present assignment in about one week.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR OF THE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION.-

Reference is made to the cases pending in the Southern District of Florida, entitled United States v. Joseph Adams, et al, charging conspiracy to harbor and conceal Karpis, and in this connection there is attached hereto a copy of a memorandum prepared by Mr. Walter Barlow, Special Assistant to the Attorney General, who has been assigned to these cases, showing the action taken on May 2nd when the twelve indictments in the above causes came on to be heard on demurrers before Judge Ritter at Miami.

A careful examination has been made of all the evidence in these cases, and there is no direct evidence which shows that the defendants knew Karpis, as Karpis; nor is there any circumstantial evidence which would establish such knowledge.

Under Section 246, Title 18 USC, which deals with the harboring or concealing of any person for whose arrest a warrant or process has been issued so as to prevent his discovery and arrest, requires notice or knowledge of the fact that a warrant or process has been issued for the apprehension of such person. It necessarily follows that in a conspiracy charge to violate Section 246, Title 18 USC, knowledge on the part of the defendants is an essential element and must be proved. It is, therefore, my conclusion that this necessary element as to knowledge on the part of these defendants cannot be established from the facts at hand.

A grand jury will convene at Miami on May 27th, and it is, therefore, requested that this matter be given further investigative attention with a view to obtaining, if possible, before that time, evidence as to such knowledge on the part of these defendants.

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I have read the report of Special Agent McKee, dated May 13th on the subject, and the facts therein set out do not help the situation, except that it would seem that the statement made by Byron Bolton affords a lead for possible development of such evidence. It is noted, however, that this undeveloped lead has been referred to the St. Paul office for appropriate attention.

In view of the short time remaining before the convening of the grand jury, I shall appreciate being promptly advised of fur-

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ther developments in this investigation.

Respectfully,

Joseph B. Keenan
JOSEPH B. KEENAN,
Assistant Attorney General.

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May 7, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. KEENE.

Re: United States v. Joseph H. Adams, et al.
(12 cases - Southern District of Florida)

On May 2, 1935, the twelve indictments in the aforementioned causes came on to be heard on demurrers before Judge Ritter in Miami. After the argument had progressed it was apparent that the court felt that a number of these indictments were faulty and also that there were too many indictments seeking to set up the same state of facts. With this in mind and being extremely doubtful of the indictments myself, and bearing in mind that we could re-present this matter to the Grand Jury which meets on May 27, 1935, I asked the court to be permitted to review the indictments, together with Mr. Holland, the United States Attorney, to the end that we could dismiss the indictments which were obviously faulty and prepare memoranda briefs upon those we wanted to defend.

As a result of this conference we dismissed six of the indictments and are now attempting to defend the other six indictments. In this connection it should be noted, however, that there are still indictments charging all of the defendants with various felonies and that our strategic position has not been impaired but has been helped by the action taken. It was also determined at this conference that, in the event these cases should be tried, that all the indictments should be consolidated into one indictment with several counts, charging misprision and conspiracy to commit misprision of a felony. In addition thereto, we have a separate indictment under the National Firearms Act, which indictment is being challenged upon the constitutionality of the Act.

The indictments dismissed were:

Indictment #4610, United States v. Joseph H. Adams, Nathan H. Heller, Cassius McDonald, and Harry Randall. In addition thereto, this indictment was against Delores Delaney and Wynona Burdette, but was not dismissed as to them inasmuch as they had already plead guilty to the indictment and are now serving time. This indictment charges conspiracy to commit misprision of a felony in that the defendants knew that Karpis was a fugitive felon under the fugitive felon law who had traveled in interstate

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Commerce and that he was a fugitive for the purpose of avoiding Federal prosecution in that the defendants would not as soon as may be notify the proper authorities. This indictment was faulty by reason principally of the fact that the fugitive felon statute (18 U.S.C.A., Section 408(e)) does not make it an offense to be a fugitive from Federal prosecution.

Indictment #4611 is against Joseph H. Adams alone and charges in the first two counts misprision in that Adams knew that Farpis was a fugitive felon to avoid state prosecution and in the third and fourth counts that he was a fugitive felon to avoid Federal prosecution. As to the last two counts the same reasons for believing them faulty apply as applied to indictment #4610, supra. As to the first two counts the vagueness as to the time and place, whether or not it referred to St. Paul, Minnesota, or Dade County, Florida, made the venue most questionable.

Indictment #4613 is an indictment against all the defendants charging conspiracy to commit misprision of a felony in that the defendants knew that Farpis was a fugitive felon to avoid state prosecution. This indictment was thought faulty in that it was most vague and indefinite as to the crime the defendants conspired to conceal and as to the venue of the crime to be concealed. In this connection see Bratton v. United States, (C.C. A. 10) 93 Fed. (2d) 795.

Indictment #4643 charges the defendant Nathan H. Heller with misprision in four counts similar to the indictment against Joseph H. Adams, #4611, and was thought faulty for the reasons given thereunder.

Indictment #4658 charging misprision against defendant McDonald is similar to indictments #4610 and 4643, supra, and was thought bad for the reasons there given.

Indictment #4672 against defendant Harry Randall charged misprision of a felony and was similar to the indictments #4658, 4643 and 4611 and was thought bad for the same reasons.

After the dismissal of these six indictments we still have indictments #4608 charging conspiracy to harbor and conceal against all the defendants; 4609 charging harboring and concealing against Adams and Randall; 4612 and 4673 charging violation of the National Firearms Act against Adams and Randall; #4644 charging harboring against Heller and indictment #4659 charging harboring against defendant McDonald.

I am now in process of preparing a memorandum brief seeking to sustain these indictments as against the demurrers which have been filed. It is very doubtful in my mind if any of these withstand the test. However, as heretofore stated, new indictments may be obtained at the Grand Jury to be convened upon the 27th day of May, 1935.

Respectfully,

Walter L. Barlow,
Special Assistant to the Attorney General.

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TO SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE AT ST PAUL

BREKID EXPEDITE LEAD REPORT OF S K MOORE MAY THIRTEENTH INTERVIEW BYRON
BOLTON TO OBTAIN INFORMATION SHOWING DEFINITE KNOWLEDGE OF DEFENDANTS
IN HARBORING CASE IN SD OF FLORIDA AS TO IDENTITY OF KARPIS

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MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL KEENEAN.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
Fugitive, I.O. 1218, et al;
Edward George Bremer - Victim
KIDNAPING.

Reference is made to your memorandum dated May 17, 1935, relative to the case pending in the Southern District of Florida, entitled United States versus Joseph Adams, et al, charged with conspiracy to harbor and conceal Alvin Karpis, to which there was attached a copy of a memorandum prepared by Mr. Walter Barlow, Special Assistant to the Attorney General, who has been assigned to try these cases.

In response to the request contained in the penultimate paragraph of your memorandum, please be advised that the St. Paul Office of this Bureau has conducted a re-interview with Byron Bolton, with a view to further developing the information requested in the undeveloped lead set forth in the report of Special Agent S. K. McKee, dated May 19, 1935, with negative results.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

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REPORT MADE AT Cincinnati, Ohio	DATE WHEN MADE 5-22-35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 5/14 to 18/35	REPORT MADE BY E. B. KLEIN MGR
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218 DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236; VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases - FUGITIVE I.O. 1237 WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O. 1238 WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: MYRTLE CATON with aliases, I.O. 1241 et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.			
Surveillance maintained on Kerin and Moran at Louisville, Ky. Moran disappeared night of May 13 with Oldsmobile Coach, while Kerin left Louisville 5-17-35 and drove the Graham Paige Coupe to Chicago arriving there on May 18, 1935. Cincinnati and Indianapolis Agents discontinued investigation at this point and return to their respective headquarters.			
REFERENCE:	Report of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley Cincinnati, Ohio, 5-14-35.		
DETAILS:	AT LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY Special Agents E. J. Wynn, H. B. Mill, H. W. Costello, W. L. Buchanan and E. B. Klein maintained surveillance in the vicinity of 4540 W. Broadway, Louisville, Kentucky and up until the night of May 13, 1935 John Russell Moran and William Kerin were seen on different occasions to leave and return to their residence, usually driving the Oldsmobile Coach bearing 1935 Florida State license plates D 9359.		
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>E. J. Connelley</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	7-576-6099 MAY 23 P.M.		RECORDED AND INDEXED: MAY 23 1935 MAY 25 1935 JACKETED:
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In view of the fact that the Graham Paige Coupe carrying 1935 Florida license D 5088 was left parked in front of their residence it was not deemed appropriate to follow Moran and Kerin away from the vicinity on each occasion fearing that their car might be lost in the traffic and the possibility of their then returning to the apartment and removing their luggage before the Agents could return.

On the evening of May 13 at about 9:00 P.M., Kerin and Moran left their residence and drove downtown in the Oldsmobile Coach. They were not observed to be carrying any baggage at the time they departed from their residence. These individuals were shadowed to the Seelbach Hotel where they spent the evening in the cocktail room of the hotel. They were observed at different hours during the evening and were seen in the cocktail room at 12:30 A.M. on the morning of May 14, 1935.

Neither Moran nor Kerin were observed to return to their residence and at about 7:00 A.M. on the morning of May 14, 1935 the Graham Paige Coupe still remained parked in front of their residence. The Oldsmobile Coach was not observed in that vicinity or in the downtown hotels frequented by Moran and Kerin. Inquiry at the apartment developed that Moran and Kerin had not apparently slept in the apartment the previous night and it was observed that the clothing and baggage of both parties still remained in the apartment.

At about 2:00 P.M. on this date Special Agents Dill, and Buchanan located the Graham Paige Coupe at Jeffersonville, Indiana parked in front of the Municipal Bar. At 6:00 P.M. on this date Kerin returned to his apartment driving the Graham Paige Coupe, however Moran and the Oldsmobile Coach were not again observed about Louisville, Kentucky.

It later developed that shortly before 2:00 P.M. on this date Kerin had returned to the apartment unobserved by the Agents covering the apartment at that time and had remained but a short time and drove away in the Graham Paige Coupe and it is not known what means of conveyance was used by Kerin when he visited his apartment prior to the leaving in the Graham Paige Coupe.

On May 17 at about 4:30 P.M. Kerin was observed to leave his residence with golf bags and several pieces of luggage and to load this luggage in the Graham Paige Coupe. He drove away and crossed the Municipal Bridge at Louisville, Kentucky into Jeffersonville, Indiana and stopped in front of 526 Indiana Street, Jeffersonville. He removed what appeared to be the golf bags from his car and carried them into the house at this address. A few minutes later he came out, re-entered the Coupe and drove to Indianapolis, Indiana. He was followed by Agents Dill, Wynn, Buchanan and Klein, who were using two cars.

At Indianapolis, Indiana Kerin registered at the Severin Hotel and was assigned to room 905. His car was taken to and stored in the Meridian Garage.

On May 18 at about 10:45 A.M. Kerin checked out of the Severin Hotel and had his baggage loaded into the Graham Paige Coupe. He drove through to Chicago, Ill.

Kerin was followed by the same Agents who had trailed him from Louisville, Kentucky the previous date.

Near Hammond, Indiana, Special Agents E. C. Suran, Lish Whitson, M. Chaffetz and Cassidy of the Chicago Bureau office, who were using two Buick cars, took up the shadowing of Kerin. Kerin drove to the Quincy Garage, located across the street from the Great Northern Hotel and after parking and storing his car he proceeded to the Great Northern Office Building. The shadowing was continued by the Chicago Bureau Agents.

Special Agents Dill, Wynn, Buchanan, and Klein reported to Special Agent in Charge M. H. Purvis and were instructed by Mr. Purvis to discontinue the investigation and return to their headquarters. Agents then left Chicago about 6:30 P.M., for their respective headquarters.

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May 21, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM.

In compliance with the request of Mr. Newby, I am transmitting herewith two copies of abstract of criminal record, showing description, as appearing in the files of the Identification Division of W. R. Calloway, our file #137261, who is probably identical with the W. R. Calloway, whose record Mr. Newby requested.

Respectfully,

L. C. Schilder.

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Post Office Box 515,
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May 22, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Ave. at 9th St., N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; ET AL;
Edward George Bremer - Victim;
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES;
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL
FIREARMS ACT
St. Paul File 7-30.

Referring to telephone call from Assistant Director
Harold Nathan on this date regarding Byron Bolton, United
States Attorney George Sullivan of St. Paul, Minnesota,
has stated that he will be in Washington on May 27th, and
will confer with Assistant Attorney General Keenan and
Director Hoover as to the disposition of this defendant,
and that sentence will be deferred until after he has had
these conferences.

Very truly yours,

H. E. Andersen
H. E. ANDERSEN, *cc*
Special Agent in Charge.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I. O. #1218, et al; EDWARD G. BREMER -
Victim; Kidnaping

Acting Special Agent in Charge R. B. Donaldson telephoned from Jacksonville, Florida to advise that Special Agents S. K. McKee and W. E. Peters would complete the dictation of the report covering their activities in Cuba and Miami, Florida in connection with the Bremer kidnaping case, sometime tomorrow, May 23, 1935.

Mr. Donaldson requested advice as to what instructions the Bureau desired to issue with respect to Agent Peters. After advising you of this telephone call and in accordance with your instructions, a wire was directed to the Jacksonville office requesting Agent Peters to return to his headquarters after completing the dictation of the report. Special Agent McKee will remain at Jacksonville to confer with Special Assistant to the Attorney General Walter L. Barlow relative to a representation of the harboring cases to a new Grand Jury.

Mr. Donaldson was instructed to retain a copy of the report now being prepared at the Jacksonville office to be delivered directly to Mr. Barlow when the latter arrived in that district.

Respectfully,

R. E. Newby
R. E. Newby.

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INFORMED ME HIS REPRESENTATIVE SAN FRANCISCO ADVISED HIM
THAT ALVIN KARPIS APPREHENDED AT BOISE BY REPRESENTATIVES
YOUR SALT LAKE CITY OFFICE AND INQUIRED THROUGH ME FOR
INFORMATION STOP REPRESENTATIVES THIS OFFICE DID NOT ARREST
KARPIS AND NO INFORMATION KNOWN HERE CONCERNING HIS
WHEREABOUTS STOP ADVISING YOU IN EVENT REPRESENTATION
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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

POST OFFICE BOX 812
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

May 23, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St. N.W.,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218
DR. JOSEPH MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I.O. 1237, FUGITIVE
WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O. 1238
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239
MYRTLE CATON with aliases, I.O. 1241 et al
Edward George Bremer, Victim - KIDNAPING;
HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF
JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

I am transmitting herewith four lifts of latent fingerprints and two enlarged photographs of the same lifts with the position reversed, all of which are appropriately marked for identification, these having been obtained from objects in the room occupied by WILLIAM R. KERIN, at the Shoreham Hotel in this city.

It is desired that these latent print impressions be compared with the fingerprint records on file in the Identification unit, of all the known subjects and their associates in the above entitled case. It is also desired that these impressions be compared with the fingerprints appearing on all the record cards bearing the name WILLIAM KERIN.

Should an identification be made as a result of the above comparison, it is desired that this office be notified at once.

Very truly yours,
RECORDED & INDEXED

M. H. PURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge.

Special Agent in Charge.

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POST OFFICE BOX 812,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

May 23, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with
aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL
with aliases, I.O. 1236; VOLNEY DAVIS
with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1237;
WILLIAM TRAVER with aliases, I.O. 1238;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O.
1239; MYRTLE LATCH with aliases, I.O.
1241; et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER,
Victim - KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIRE-
ARMS ACT - CHICAGO FILE NO. 7-82

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Reference is made to the letter from this office to you under
date of May 21, 1935, relative to the investigation being conducted by
this office in an effort to locate subject William Harrison through
John Russell Moran and William Kerin.

Subsequent to the advice furnished you in that letter concern-
ing the Shoreham Hotel, Agent Suran interviewed Irving Kushner, U. S.
Narcotic Inspector, who resides at the Shoreham Hotel, and contrary to
the information previously furnished you concerning the reputation of
the Shoreham Hotel, Mr. Kushner stated that Mrs. Solomon Harrison, the
manager, is a woman of good reputation and quite prominent in Jewish
activities in Chicago, but that she was inclined to be excitable and
talkative. Mr. Kushner advised Agent Suran to Mr. C. Scott, Assis-
tant Manager, Mr. Kushner introducing Agent Suran to the photograph of
be very reliable. Mr. Scott was shown the photographs of John Russell
Moran and Willie Harrison and Mr. Scott, indicating the photograph of
Harrison, stated he could "put the finger" on him at any time it was de-
sired. He was advised that the apprehension of this individual was
immediately desired. Mr. Scott at once left his office and returned with
a notation of the license number FLORIDA D 8088, stating that this was
the license number of the car being driven by the individual known to
him as Kerin and who was identical with subject William Harrison. William
Kerin's name had not been mentioned to Mr. Scott prior to this time, and
the latter advised that there was absolutely no question in his mind, but
that Kerin and Harrison were identical. Mr. Scott advised that Kerin
checked in at the Shoreham Hotel on January 27, 1935, and continued to
live there until April 26, 1935, at which time he checked out of the hotel
and did not return until May 18, 1935. Mr. Scott stated that it was his
information that when Kerin checked into the hotel on January 27, 1935,

he had just returned from Florida. He further advised that he had seen Kerin at the hotel about two years ago. Scott identified the photograph of John Russell Moran as having lived with Kerin at the Shoreham one week prior to April 26, 1935. The handwriting of William Kerin on the registration card at the hotel was examined and does not appear to be identical with that of subject Harrison.

Special Agents Suran and Chaffetz made an examination of room 314 occupied by Kerin and nothing was found to indicate that Kerin was Billie Harrison. On the contrary, the bags found in the room of Kerin were marked "W.R.K.". Latent fingerprints were obtained from water glasses and an alarm clock and an examination of these prints by Agent Chaffetz showed them not to be identical with those of subject Harrison. Through the cooperation of Mr. Scott, Agents Chaffetz and Suran were furnished a room from which Kerin could be observed leaving the hotel. Agents Chaffetz and Suran observed Kerin and are of the opinion that he is not identical with subject Harrison. However, Mr. Scott still insists that there is no question in his mind, but that they are identical. Arrangements are being made on this date to have Clara Gibson view this individual if possible, in order to remove any question as to his real identity.

On May 22, 1935, information was received from the Superintendent of Mails, Stockyards Station, Chicago, Illinois, that a letter had been received at this station addressed to J. R. Morgan, 4165 South Halsted Street, Chicago, Illinois, and the letter carrier was of the opinion that the letter was possibly intended for J. R. Moran. He accordingly endeavored to deliver the same at the address 4167-89 South Halsted Street, and was advised by individuals at that gambling establishment that J. R. Moran had returned to St. Louis, Missouri.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent J. S. Kavanaugh, Birmingham, Alabama, dated 5/20/35, wherein it is noted Moran is in frequent communication with his mother, Mrs. Catherine Clyatt at Mobile, Alabama, and that mail tracings secured from the mail addressed to 55 North Lawrence Street, Mobile, showed that mail had been received from St. Louis, Illinois, and St. Louis, Missouri. It is believed that if it has not already been done, the St. Louis office should be fully advised concerning these tracings, which it is indicated were furnished to your office, as it is believed possible that these tracings might reveal the St. Louis address of John Russell Moran. The Birmingham office is requested to pay particular attention to any mail received at 4167-89 South Halsted Street, Mobile, Alabama, and furnish the results of all tracings which indicate mail is being received at St. Louis, to assist the St. Louis office in locating a possible St. Louis

address of John Russell Moran. It is further noted in the report of Agent Kavanaugh that Moran and his mother make use of the telegraph. It is also requested that a cover be placed on all telegrams addressed to Catherine Clyatt in order to locate the possible St. Louis address of Moran.

It is believed desirable that the St. Louis office maintain close contact with ██████████ in order to ascertain if John Russell Moran contacts her in St. Louis, and whether she can furnish further information concerning the location of subject Harrison.

Very truly yours,

M. E. PURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Birmingham
St. Louis
Detroit

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Post Office Box 515,
Saint Paul, Minnesota

May 23, 1935

Hon. George F. Sullivan,
United States Attorney,
Saint Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUG. I.O. 1218; ET AL.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.
KIDNAPING. HARBORING OF FUGITIVES.
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE.
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter dated May 18, 1935, in which you request investigation regarding the whereabouts of SAWYER after his flight from St. Paul until the time of his recent arrest. Your request has also been noted to interview ALDERTON and FARLER for the purpose of determining what information they may furnish against SAWYER.

As you suggested, this matter is being assigned to Special Agent John E. Brennan of this office and report of his investigation will be submitted to you.

Very truly yours,

H. E. ANDERSEN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Cincinnati

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Post Office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida.

May 23, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, OHIO.

Dear Sir:-

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O.
1218, - FUGITIVE; et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
KIDNAPING, etc.

In connection with the investigation in Havana, Cuba, relative to Cassius McDonald's involvement in the harboring cases in Miami, Florida, the following quoted telegram was located at the Western Union Telegraph Company, Havana, Cuba:

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3011 HARVARD AVE CLEVELAND OHIO

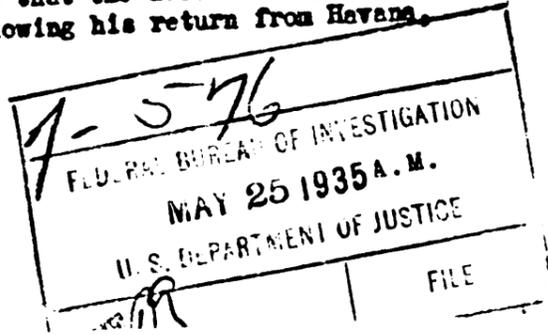
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OTHER BUSINESS OK

JUAN."

This telegram was no doubt sent by Juan Jimenez, gambler in Havana, Cuba, to McDonald at the above address, which is thought to be the address of the Harvard Club.

You are also advised that a search of the telegraph company records at Miami, Florida, resulted in the location of a message signed A. Hebebrand, addressed to McDonald at 74 N W 20th Street, Miami, Florida, the address of one Tomas Renedo, who has admitted receiving and sending messages for McDonald. Renedo has informed that the above message signed A. Hebebrand was delivered to McDonald following his return from Havana, Cuba in January, 1935.



TO CLEVELAND OFFICE
5-23-35

It is requested that appropriate inquiries be made through the Western Union Telegraph Company in Cleveland, Ohio, to learn if the above quoted message was in fact delivered to McDonald at the Harvard Club. Please ascertain who signed for this message in the event it was not delivered to McDonald in person.

Kindly give this matter expeditious attention as this information is desired for use in Court at Miami, Florida, on June 17, 1935.

Very truly yours,

R. A. ALT,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc - Bureau
Cincinnati
St. Paul

Jax #7-24

POST OFFICE BOX 618
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

May 23, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Sir: In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I. O. 1236
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1237
WILLIAM BEAVER with aliases, I.O. 1238
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239
MYRTLE BROWN with aliases, I.O. 1241 et al
Edward George Bremer, Victim - KIDNAPING;
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES;
NATION FIREBOMBING ACT.

There are transmitted herewith two copies of photograph and abstract of the criminal record of one JOHN RUSSELL MORAN alias "BAB" MORAN alias "BAKE", a close associate of William J. Harrison, one of the subjects in this case.

The Bureau advised Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley at Chicago, Illinois under date of April 18, 1935, that the files of the Identification Division do not reflect the dispositions of the several arrests set forth on the record, and it is the Bureau's desire that the disposition of each arrest be obtained and forwarded to the Bureau, in order to complete its files.

It will be noted that the criminal record of John Russell Moran reflects that he was arrested by the Sheriff's office at St. Joseph, Michigan on August 12, 1931, for investigation. The record does not reflect any disposition relative to this arrest, and it is therefore requested that same be obtained by your office, and a disposition sheet forwarded to the Bureau at the earliest possible date.

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc Cincinnati

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MAY 25 1935

R A ALT
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U S DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
412 U S COURTHOUSE & P O BLDG
JACKSONVILLE FLORIDA

PLEASE FURNISH ALL INFORMATION RELATIVE NINETEEN THIRTY FIVE
FLORIDA LICENSE TWO NINETEEN NINE TWELVE

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Cincinnati

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POST OFFICE BOX 812
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

May 23, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
St. Louis, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1234
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1237
WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O. 1238
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239
MYRTLE CATON with aliases, I.O. 1241 et al
Edward George Bremer, Victim - KIDNAPING,
HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE;
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

In connection with the investigation being conducted concerning a party named WILLIAM R. KERIN, a known associate of John Russell Moran, it is desired that your office make appropriate inquiry through the Police Department in your city to determine whether Kerin has a criminal record with that department.

Kindly give this matter your immediate attention.

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS,

Special Agent in Charge.

WJMS

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POST OFFICE BOX 812,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

May 23, 1935.

Mr. Ernest J. Krueger,
Postmaster,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

In connection with an official investigation being conducted by this office, it is requested that a thirty day mail cover be placed on all first class mail addressed to William R. Karin, Shoreham Hotel, 2315 Sheridan Road, Chicago, Illinois, and tracings thereof furnished to this office marked for the attention of Chicago file No. 7-82.

Thanking you for your usual splendid cooperation in these matters, I remain

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge.

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In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I.O. 1218; et al - EDWARD GEORGE
BREMER, Victim - KIDNAPING; HARBORING
AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL
FIREARMS ACT

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
FROM: DIVISION #1 & DIVISION #3

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TO: Director
 Mr. Nathan
 Mr. Tolson
 Mr. Edwards
 Mr. Quinn
 Mr. Tamm

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 Division Five
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 Mr. Foxworth
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Miss McCarthy
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Any references to W.R. Calloway
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Supervisor.

Post Office Box 812
Chicago Illinois

May 20, 1935

Special Agent in Charge
Cincinnati, Ohio

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE
I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with
aliases I. O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with
aliases, I.O. 1236; VOLNEY DAVIS with
aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1237; WILLIAM
O'NEVER with aliases, I.O. 1238;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O.
1239; MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I. O.
1241; et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER -
Victim. KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES;
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS
ACT.

Reference is made to your letter dated May 16, 1935,
requesting that the Bremer file index in this Office be examined
in an effort to ascertain whether the same reflects any record
concerning one W. R. CALLOWAY.

Please be advised that a search of the Bremer file
index in this Office fails to reveal any information concerning
this individual.

The photograph of W. R. CALLOWAY mentioned in your
letter was not received at this Office.

Very truly yours,

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cc-St. Paul
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1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio



May 22, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: **ALVIN KARPIS**, I. O. #1239, wa et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

Please forward to this office at the earliest practical date ten photographs of William J. Harrison, with aliases, I. O. #1239, together with photostatic copies of the handwriting specimens of Harrison, which are contained in the Chicago office file.

It is also requested that this office be furnished with photographs of C. E. WINTERHALTER, alias C. E. CARROLL, alias C. W. CARROLL, alias CHARLES KENDALL, Bureau jacket #30222. It will be recalled that a Bureau abstract of the criminal record of this man was found in the house occupied by Fred Barker and Paula Harmon, 4419 East 175th Street, Cleveland, Ohio, during September, 1934.

It is also requested that this office be furnished with handwriting specimens of subjects Karpis, Campbell, Davis, and Weaver, which are contained in the Chicago office file.

The photographs of William J. Harrison are urgently needed by this office, and it is requested that they be forwarded as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

J. F. MAC FARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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Cincinnati
Indianapolis

P. O. Box #766
Cincinnati, Ohio

May 22, 1935.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE
I.O.1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases
I.O.1232; HARRY CATBELL with aliases
I.O.1236; VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases - FUGITIVE
I.O.1237; WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases,
I.O.1238; WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases,
I.O.1239; MYRTLE EATON with aliases,
I.O.1241 et al., EDWARD
GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF
JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Dear Sir:

In connection with the 1934 Ford Victoria automobile and the 1934 Model Ford Sedan, which were seized and turned over on Court orders to the Chicago office for use of the Bureau and which we recovered in the vicinity of 3912 Pine Grove Ave., Chicago, Ill., and as to which apparently John C. DeCourcy, Attorney for Arthur "Doc" Barker is making efforts to repossess, as I recall in connection with the Victoria Ford inquiry has developed through the Agency selling this automobile that Russell C. Gibson purchased this car and his picture was identified as having purchased the car. In the absence of any statement from Russell Gibson, deceased, it would appear a practical impossibility for Arthur R. Barker to establish ownership of this car and it is believed that this point should be brought out definitely in any effort of the Attorney in question to repossess the car in question.

In this connection it is believed that similar investigation as conducted for the Victoria Ford should be conducted for the Ford Sedan, which was seized, in order to definitely tie up the person selling this car as to the identity of the person who purchased it, as it is not believed that Arthur R. Barker, at any time, purchased the cars in question and the

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absence of statements from the persons who did purchase such cars that they had purchased them for Arthur R. Barker would no doubt make it difficult to sustain any action to repossess these cars, inasmuch as he would fail to prove definite ownership. It is believed that possibly the individuals selling these cars should be tied up with very definite sworn statements of their knowledge of the transactions to preclude the possibility of Attorney DeCourcy, at any subsequent date obtaining a more favorable statement from them, which would aid him in his endeavors to establish ownership of these cars in the person of Arthur R. Barker.

Very truly yours,

E.J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

CC Bureau
St. Paul

P. O. Box 7766
Cincinnati, Ohio

May 22, 1935.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE
I.O.1218; Dr. Joseph P. Moran with
aliases, I.O. 1232; Harry Campbell with
aliases, I.O.1236; Volney Davis with
aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O.1237; WILLIAM
WEAVER with aliases, I.O.1238;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O.
1239; MYRTLE EATON with aliases,
I.O.1241 et al.,
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION
OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Dear Sir:

In connection with certain serials used by me as
to investigation at Middle Island, Lake Erie, there is returned
herewith to you, as belonging to the Chicago file, copy of
letter to the Director from the Detroit Office dated March 23, 1935
your serial K-7-82-2657. There is also returned copy of my
letter to the Director dated March 13, 1935, your serial 2456;
also letter of the Director to me under date of March 8, 1935
your serial 2419; also copy of letter from the Director addressed
to me, dated March 26, 1935, your serial 2712.

Very truly yours,

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E. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

CC Bureau

1616 Federal Reserve
Bank Building
Kansas City, Missouri

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April 30, 1935 OF INVESTIGATION

Special Agent in Charge
Chicago, Illinois

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O.
#1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with
aliases, I.O. #1232; EDWARD GEORGE
BREMER - VICTIM - KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

In connection with the telephone call on April 29, 1935, between Special Agent Peterson of your office and the undersigned, relative to an individual who appeared at the Chicago office claiming to have information concerning Karpis, you are advised that inquiries conducted at Leavenworth Penitentiary today were unproductive of results in determining whether a person as described by Agent Peterson was employed at the hospital in 1931.

It is noted from Agent Peterson's conversation that your informant refused to disclose his identity, stating that at the time of the prison break at Leavenworth he assisted the Warden from the floor when he, the Warden, had been shot. This is contrary to the exact details, inasmuch as the file at this office and all of the officials and attendants interviewed at the Penitentiary today were unanimous in the statements that Warden White was not injured at the Penitentiary, but about five miles therefrom and after being injured was immediately taken to the hospital at a town adjacent to Leavenworth.

The Secretary to the Warden, E. Bokholdt, on being interviewed had no recollection of an individual as described by Agent Peterson being employed at the hospital as an intern. He called to his office a guard, W. C. Roman, who was employed in the hospital as a pharmacist at the time of the prison break. Roman stated that he could not recall an inmate who was employed as an intern at that time answering the description given. Larry O'Brien, an inmate employed at the hospital at that time, and at the present time, likewise could not recall anyone answering the description. Neither could W. K. Ramsey, who is serving a life sentence for murder, and who was employed in the hospital at that time.

Mr. Bokholdt, advised that it would be impossible to determine the identity of persons employed at the hospital on that date unless their names were furnished. He advised that Doctor C. A. Bennett was then the prison physician. Doctor Bennett was interviewed at his residence, 1009 S. Broadway, Leavenworth, Kansas, and he stated that he could not recall anyone employed at the hospital answering the description, but suggested the following names of doctors whom he had recalled as inmates on or about the time of the prison break: Cahill, Spannare and Holland. Cahill, Doctor Bennett described as being a crook with blue eyes, age 40, sandy hair, wears glasses

and walks with a slight limp. Dr. Holland was a dope addict from Chicago, with a pronounced southern accent. He was also described as being a crook and as having dark hair, a well trimmed mustache, about 40 to 42 years of age and six feet tall.

With the exception of Dr. Spannare, the records clerk was unable to locate the files on Cahill or Holland, and it is highly possible that Doctor Bennett was mistaken in connection with their names. It was observed from the records that Dr. Charles I. Spannare was paroled November 14, 1931, and his description in noway tallies with that furnished by Agent Peterson.

Doctor Bennett suggested that a doctor by the name of Willis might be the person in question, but the record clerk at the Penitentiary was unable to locate an inmate in 1931 by that name.

Inquiries were made of several different guards who were on duty at the hospital at that time, but none seemed to be able to recall an inmate interne answering the description given. Doctor O. C. Williams, who was on duty at the hospital at the time the inquiries were made, attempted to obtain some information from some of the inmates on a suitable pretext relative to a person answering the description of the individual who called at the Chicago office, but he stated none of the inmates had any information of value.

The record clerk, Carl Sarber, after a search of his files, located a photograph of one Doctor George C. Benitz, Leavenworth Penitentiary #35727, whose photograph is attached hereto. He, however, was discharged April 3, 1931. His description is as follows:

AGE	51
HEIGHT	5 feet 11 inches
WEIGHT	189 pounds
HAIR	black mixed with gray
EYES	olive chestnut
COMPLEXION	dark
BUILD	large and muscular
TEETH	few gold fillings
EARS	large
	a mole on left cheek. A vertical scar one inch long at second joint of right middle finger on the inside
RESIDENCE	St. Joseph, Missouri

Numerous inquiries were made among inmates, officials and guards but none of them seemed to be able to recall anyone who would coincide with the description of the person claiming to have information concerning Karpis. And, it is impossible to make a search of the records at Leavenworth without either a name, a photograph or some other positive identifying data. It is suggested that if the Chicago office can procure a photograph of the informant, that it be forwarded to this office for the purpose of

being exhibited at Leavenworth. It was the belief of some of the officials and of the trustees also, that if the person were incarcerated in Leavenworth in 1931 as stated, some of the old-timers would be able to identify him.

It was suggested by guard Dungle, who was employed at the hospital at the time of the break, that the person concerning whom the inquiries are being made might be one Doctor Walker, an aviator, but Dungle, nor any of the other officials could not recall Walker's first name and in view of the numerous Walkers in the files of the Penitentiary, it was impossible to locate his record. It is noted, however, that there is a file at the Kansas City office on Herbert Walker, who was identical with the Walker mentioned by Dungle. It will be observed from page six of the report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, dated November 6, 1933, at Kansas City in the case entitled Herbert W. Walker with aliases, Misuse of Government Transportation Request, that the description somewhat tallies with that furnished by the Chicago office with the exception of the hair, Walker's being described as black and slightly bald while your informant's is described as being sandy and thin on top.

Very truly yours,

R. B. NATHAN
Special Agent in Charge

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Washington Field Office, Room 5745,
Washington, D.C.

May 21, 1935.

Mr. E. A. Baughman,
Commissioner of Motor Vehicles,
Gulford Avenue & 21st Street,
Baltimore, Maryland.

Re: Alvin Karpis, w.a., fugitive, I.O. 1218; Dr. Joseph P. Moran, w.a., I.O. 1232; Harry Campbell, w.a., I.O. 1235; Volney Davis, w.a., I.O. 1237; Fug.; William Weaver, w.a., I.O. 1238; William J. Harrison, w.a., I.O. 1239; Myrtle Eaton, w.a. I.O. 1241, et al. Edward George Bremer, victim; Kidnaping; Harboring and Obstruction of Justice; National Firearms Act.

Dear Sirs:

Please refer to the letter from this office dated March 28, 1935, in which you were kindly requested to check your files for the purpose of ascertaining whether 1933 model Pontiac Coach, motor #35185, serial #915237 had been registered in your jurisdiction for the year 1935, and if not, that you place a stop order against this automobile and a notation made to immediately notify this office should application for registration be made.

It has been discovered that in reporting this car, a mistake was made in recording the serial number which should be #15227 instead of #15237. This office will be very grateful if you will please change your records to show the correct serial number of the above described automobile and immediately notify this office should application for registration be made.

Please accept my sincere appreciation for your past courtesies.

Very truly yours,

J. E. KEITH,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Mr. E.J. Connelley,
Cincinnati, Ohio
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POST OFFICE BOX 612,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

May 21, 1935.

Mr. J. H. Harrington,
Superintendent, U. S. Post Office,
Uptown Station,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

With reference to the mail cover which you have been maintaining on the first class mail addressed to Mrs. E. Frost, 6252 North Magnolia Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, which cover was requested by Special Agent R. L. Jones of this office, I wish to advise you that it will no longer be necessary to cover this mail and I desire to thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge.

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In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I.O. 1218; et al - EDWARD GEORGE
BREMER, Victim
KIDNAPING - HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION
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POST OFFICE BOX 812,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

May 21, 1935.

Mr. Ernest J. Krueger,
Postmaster,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

In connection with an official investigation being conducted by this office, it will be appreciated if you will have a thirty day mail cover placed on all first class mail addressed to John Russell Moran at the addresses 4165 and 4187 South Halsted Street, Chicago, Illinois, forwarding tracings thereof to this office marked for file No. 7-82.

Thanking you for your usual splendid cooperation, I remain

Very truly yours,

M.H. PURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge.

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In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I.O. 1218; et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim
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Washington Field Office, Room 8745,
Washington, D. C.

May 11, 1935.

Mr. W. A. Van Buser,
Director of Traffic,
District Building,
Washington, D. C.

Re: Alvin Karpis, w.a., I.O. 1218;
Dr. Joseph Moran, w.a., I.O. 1232; Harry
Campbell, w.a., I.O. 1236; Volney Davis, w.a.,
I.O. 1237, fug.; William Weaver, w.a., I.O.
1238; William J. Harrison, w.a., I.O. 1239;
Myrtle Eaton, w.a., I.O. 1241; et al. -Kidnaping;
Edward George Bremer, victim. -Kidnaping;
Harboring and Obstruction of Justice; Nation
Firearms Act.

Dear Sir:

Please refer to the letter from this office dated March 26, 1935 in which you were kindly requested to check your files for the purpose of ascertaining whether 1935 model Pontiac Coach, motor 935155, serial #815237 had been registered in your jurisdiction for the year 1935, and if not, that you place a stop order against this automobile and a notation made to immediately notify this office should application for registration be made.

It has been discovered that in reporting this car, a mistake was made in recording the serial number which should be 815237 instead of 815237. This office will be very grateful if you will please change your records to show the correct serial number of the above described automobile and immediately notify this office should application for registration be made.

Please accept my sincere appreciation for your past courtesies.

Very truly yours,

J. M. KEITH,
Special Agent in Charge

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Special Agent in Charge
Cincinnati, Ohio

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218, et al
Edward George Bremer, Victim
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES;
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL
FIREARMS ACT

Dear Sir:

In connection with the efforts of this office to locate subject William Harrison through John Russell Moran, it has been considered advisable to place the address of 4187-89 South Halsted Street, Chicago, Illinois, under surveillance. As you will recall the second floor of this building is occupied by the Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Stock Handlers Union, and a gambling establishment. At this address you will further recall John Russell Moran receives mail. The mail carrier, who delivered a letter addressed to J.R. Moran at that address, which letter was accepted by an individual who it is now definitely believed was Moran, stated that he also saw this same man in the Stock Yards Inn located directly across the street from the above address.

On May 20, 1935, Special Agent M.J. Cassidy checked in at the Stock Yards Inn and is registered there in room 282 under the name of Mike Ryan. Agent Cassidy will remain at this hotel a reasonable time in an effort to locate Moran and through him Harrison, or other members of this gang.

Investigation has been conducted by Agent Duran in connection with the address of Kerin at 3318 Sheridan Road, which is the Shoreham Hotel. Mr. R.L. Vanderalice, Secretary of the Northshore Hotel Association, who is favorably known to this office, was interviewed and he advised that the Shoreham Hotel has a reputation of taking anyone in as guest, and that it is his information that numerous gamblers reside there as well as other individuals of the gangster type. He stated that the hotel is now leased by the Chicago Title and Trust Company to Solomon Harrison, an attorney, who has had the same since April 1, 1934. Mr. Vanderalice further

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advised that this hotel was a hangout for what was known at one time as the Tim Murphy gang, and Murphy was later slain in close vicinity to the hotel. The hotel is surrounded by reputable exclusive apartment buildings. Mr. Vanderalice stated that he had found Captain James Sarris of the Lincoln Park Police to be very reliable, and suggested that Mr. Sarris might be able to furnish information concerning this building.

Captain Sarris has advised that the building itself is in the jurisdiction of the Chicago City Police, but that he had a very reliable officer who had jurisdiction of the boulevard adjacent to this building by the name of V. Nelson. This officer was reliable and would assist in any way possible.

Officer Nelson advised that the Shoreham Hotel is under the acting management of Mrs. Solomon Harrison, wife of Solomon Harrison, the attorney. He stated that he personally considered the management as unreliable, but advised that he had an informant in the building [REDACTED] b7c b7d

individual would not reveal that an investigation was being conducted in connection with the hotel. Officer Nelson will put Agent Suran in touch with [REDACTED] Further efforts will be made to determine if Kerin is associating at the present time with Willie Harrison.

At 2 A.M. on the morning of May 19, 1935, Kerin was observed as still being in possession of the Graham Paige coupe, bearing Florida license D-5088. The gray Oldsmobile, which was registered in the State of Florida, and which is believed to be the property of Kerin, has not to date been observed, although efforts have been made to locate the same at the address 4187-89 South Halsted, Chicago, at the Rienz Hotel, the Stock Yards Inn, 20 W. Jackson Boulevard, as well as at the Shoreham Hotel.

Very truly yours,

M.H. PURVIS
Special Agent in Charge

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P. O. Box #709
Portland, Oregon

May 17, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
Denver, Colorado.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases-FUGITIVE,
I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with
aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL,
with aliases, I.O. 1236; VOLNEY DAVIS,
with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1237;
WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I.O. 1238;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O.
1239; MYRTLE KATCH, with aliases, I.O.
1241; et al - Edward George Bremer,
Victim - Kidnaping; Harboring and Obstruc-
tion of Justice; National Firearms Act.

Dear Sir:

As a result of a stop order placed with the Secretary of State, Salem, Oregon against the names of the above subjects and known aliases on all automobiles registered in the state of Oregon this office is now advised that George L. Martin, alias of subject Harry Campbell, registered on April 29, 1935 a Plymouth Coach, engine or motor number FF-94828 or FF-92828 (Application apparently uncertain as to one figure), 1934 model, Colorado license for the year 1935 number S-2095. Applicant George L. Martin gave as his residence 1212 4th Street, Greeley, Colorado.

It is requested that investigation be made at 1212 4th Street, Greeley, Colorado for the purpose of ascertaining the true identity of George L. Martin.

Very truly yours,

C. C. SPEARS,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Cincinnati
Mr. Connelley

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one and the same persons.

The writer checked bill of sale #1100920 on file at the County Clerk's Office, Cleveland, Ohio, and same reflected that Jack Berg of 1427 Allerton Hotel had purchased a 1932 Buick coupe, serial #2623568, motor #2779602, from the Ohio Buick Company at Cleveland, Ohio, on Oct. 25th, 1934. The Ohio Buick Co. had purchased instant automobile from Marguerite Burke, 2322 E. 132nd St., Cleveland, O. The bill of sale further reflected that Mrs. Burke was the wife of Billie Burke, former national open golf champion and had previously registered the above-stated car in the state of Connecticut under the name and address of Marguerite Burke, 72 Dallywood Rd., Greenwich, Conn.

The above information was telephonically furnished to Special Agent Bliss Morton of the Indianapolis office May 10, '36, by Special Agent G. E. Smith at Cleveland, Ohio.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MAC FARLAND,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Cincinnati

Post Office Box 2118
Detroit - Michigan
May 14, 1935

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O.
#1218 - FUGITIVE; et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER-Victim.
Kidnaping, etc.

Mr. John J. Ryan
Superintendent
U. S. Detention Farm
Milan, Michigan

Dear Sir:

I am returning herewith letter written by
Dolores Delaney to her sister, Miss Margaret Delaney,
6045 Kimbark Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. This letter
has been scrutinized by this office and has been
found to contain no information of value.

Thanking you for your cooperation, I am,

Very truly yours

D. L. Nicholson
Special Agent in Charge

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Postoffice Box 314,
Birmingham, Alabama,
May 13, 1935.

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Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Tyler Hotel,
Louisville, Kentucky.

Dear Sir:

Re: BREKID;
RE-TELETYPE.

With further reference to inquiries at Mobile, Alabama regarding one Moran, now under surveillance at Louisville, Kentucky, you are advised that a check of telephone calls during the past several months made from the telephone at 55 North Lawrence Street, discloses there have been no long distance calls from that telephone, but that one telegram was charged to this telephone. It has been determined that this telegram was sent April 1, 1935 to Moran at 4137 South Halstead, Chicago, Illinois. The telegram was as follows:

I WANT TO WIRE YOU MONEY LET ME HEAR FROM YOU
LOVE MOTHER

The records of the Western Union Telegraph Company further reflect that on the same date, Mrs. Clyatt wired the sum of \$30.00 to Moran at the above address, there being no message with the transmittal.

Very truly yours,

R. B. NATHAN
Special Agent in Charge

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Chicago
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P. O. Box 214,
Birmingham, Ala.

May 11th, 1936.

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Post Office Inspector in Charge,
Chattanooga, Tennessee.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases
I. O. 1218 - Fugitive, et al.
Edward George Bremer - Victim
Kidnapping.

Dear Sir:

In connection with an official investigation receiving
the act of attention of this office, you are requested to cause
to be placed a 30 day order on all mail received at 55 North
Lawrence Street, Mobile, Alabama and forward tracings of mail
received to this office, marked File 7-22.

Thanking you for your cooperation in this and past
instances, I am,

Very truly yours,

R. B. MATHEW
Special Agent in Charge

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POST OFFICE BOX 812,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

May 13, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with
aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL
with aliases, I.O. 1236; VOLNEY DAVID
with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1237;
WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O. 1238;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O.
1239; MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O.
1241; et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER,
Victim - KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIRE-
ARMS ACT - CHICAGO FILE NO. 7-82

Reference is made to the letter of the Oklahoma City office,
dated May 9, 1935, calling the attention of this office to the apparent
discrepancy in the listing of the serial number for the Pontiac car which
is in the possession of Dr. Moran, as it appears in the summary report
of Special Agent T. M. McDade, Chicago, Illinois, 4/29/35, and letter ad-
dressed by Mr. Connelley from Chicago, Illinois, to the St. Paul office on
December 26, 1934.

A check of the file has been made and it has been ascertained
that the following information is correct: Pontiac sedan, motor No. 935155,
serial No. 815227. It should be noted here that no information is available
as to whether this particular car is a four door or a tudor sedan, it being
possible that if it were the latter it might be described as a coach. How-
ever, the original information as to the sale of this car to Dr. Moran in-
dicates that this car was recorded as a sedan. It has been ascertained that
in the manufacture of Pontiac cars there is no differentiation made between
different models of cars by motor and serial numbers assigned to this make of
car, regardless of the type of body. Therefore, it is noted that in this case
in the placing of stops on this car, it is not necessary to specify the type
of body.

It is, therefore, requested that all offices receiving copies of this
this letter again contact the Motor Vehicle Registration Bureaus of the various
states and record the information for stops placed on this car correctly as to
motor number and serial number as given above, if the stop placed prior to the
receipt of this letter was made up with the incorrect serial number as given
in the above reference letter.

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge.

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POST OFFICE BOX 612,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

May 13, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with
aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL
with aliases, I.C. 1236; VOLNEY DAVIS
with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1237;
WILLIAM CRAVER with aliases, I.O. 1238;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O.
1239; MYRTLE HATTON with aliases, I.O.
1241; et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER,
Victim - KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIRE-
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With reference to the results of the investigation
set out in the report of Special Agent in Charge D. W.
Magee, New Orleans, dated May 10, 1935, regarding Ford
coupe, 1933 model, motor No. 40-304794, mentioned on page
2 of the report of Special Agent T. M. McDade, Chicago,
Illinois, dated April 29, 1935, please be advised that in-
asmuch as it is known that Davis has owned other automo-
biles since he was in possession of the above mentioned Ford
coupe, it is felt that further investigation concerning this
car is not justified at this time. As mentioned in the re-
port of Special Agent McDade, undoubtedly this car was traded
in by Volney Davis some time ago.

Very truly yours,

M. H. FORVIS,
Special Agent in Charge.

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St. Paul

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POST OFFICE BOX 812,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

May 14, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with
aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL
with aliases, I.O. 1236; VOLNEY DAVIS
with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1237;
WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O. 1238;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O.
1239; MYRTLE LAYTON with aliases, I.O.
1241; etal - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER,
Victim - KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIRE-
ARMS ACT - CHICAGO FILE NO. 7-82

Kindly refer to Chicago letter dated May 13, 1935, ad-
dressed to the Cincinnati office, in which is set out correct
information concerning Pontiac sedan, motor No. 935135, serial
No. 815227. Please be advised that in making some of the extra
copies of this letter the fifth line in the first paragraph was
inadvertently omitted, which paragraph should read as follows:

"Reference is made to the letter of the Oklahoma
City office, dated May 9, 1935, calling the attention
of this office to the apparent discrepancy in the
listing of the serial number for the Pontiac car which
is in the possession of Dr. Moran, as it appears in the
summary report of Special Agent T. M. McDade, Chicago,
Illinois, dated 4/29/35, and letter addressed by Mr.
Connelley from Chicago, Illinois, to the St. Paul office
on December 26, 1934."

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Postoffice Box 314,
Birmingham, Alabama,
May 11, 1935.

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Mr. W. B. Wooten,
Inspector in Charge,
Post Office Department,
Chattanooga, Tenn.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter of May 14, 1935, in
reply to letter from this office dated May 11, 1935, relative to
a mail cover received on mail addressed to 55 North Lawrence Street,
Mobile, Alabama, you are advised that the individuals in whom
this office is interested at that address are Mr. and Mrs. Gay
L. Clyatts, or Clyatt.

Your cooperation with this office in this matter
will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

R. B. NATHAN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218-FUGITIVE,
et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER-VICTIM.
KIDNAPING.

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Washington Field Office, Room 5743
Washington, D. C.

May 15, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Fugitive,
I. O. 1218; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases,
I. O. 1236; JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases,
I. O. 1292; VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases,
I. O. 1237 - Fugitive; WILLIAM WEAVER, with
aliases, I. O. 1238; WILLIAM J. HARRISON
with aliases, I. O. 1239; HARRY CARTER, with
aliases, I. O. 1240; MYRTLE PATON, with aliases,
I. O. 1241, ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE BREWER - Victim.
Kidnaping; Harboring of Fugitives; Obstruction
of Justice; National Firearms Act.

Dear Sirs:

Reference is made to your letter of May 7, 1935 and to report
from this office dated May 11, 1935, in the above entitled case,
concerning investigation relative to the National Corn Exchange
Bank.

In order that your files may be complete, I am returning herewith
with the original cashier's check drawn on the National Corn Exchange
Bank bearing #220. Previous investigation concerning this matter
has been outlined in the report above referred to.

Very truly yours,

J. M. KEITH,
Special Agent in Charge.

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E J CONNELLEY
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U S DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
426 U S CUSTOM HOUSE & POST OFFICE BLDG
CINCINNATI OHIO

BREKID CHICAGO AGENTS WILL USE TWO BLACK BUICK SEDANS ILLINOIS LICENSE
FOUR FOUR FIVE SIX THREE FOUR AND NINE FOUR TWO FIVE EIGHTEEN WHEN MEETING
YOUR AGENTS RE MORAN MATTER STOP INDIVIDUAL AGE ABOUT FIFTY WEIGHT TWO
HUNDRED HEIGHT FIVE FEET EIGHT COMPLEXION FLORID WEARING GOLD RIMMED GLASSES
ACCEPTED LETTER YESTERDAY ADDRESSED TO J R MORAN FOUR ONE SIX FIVE SOUTH
HALSTED AFTER BEING POINTED OUT TO LETTER CARRIER AS J R MORAN IN GAMBLING
ESTABLISHMENT FOUR ONE EIGHT SEVEN SOUTH HALSTED LETTER FROM BERGL MOTOR
COMPANY CICERO CARRIER UNABLE IDENTITY PHOTOGRAPHS FURTHER INVESTIGATION
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June 4, 1935.

Mr. E. H. Purvis,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
1900 Bankers' Building,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of May 23, 1935 transmitting four lifts of latent fingerprints and two enlarged photographs of each, which were taken from objects in the room occupied by William R. Kerin at the Shoreham Hotel, Chicago, in connection with the case entitled Alvin Karpis with aliases - Fugitive, I. O. #1218, et al.; Edward G. Bremer - Victim; Kidnaping.

You are advised that the four latent fingerprints appearing on the lifts have been compared with the fingerprints of the following named persons with negative results: Dock Barker, with aliases, Russell Gibson, Oliver A. Berg, William Weaver, with aliases, Jess Doyle, Alvin Karpis, with alias, William Westerman, Clyde Himerick, with alias, William J. Harrison, Bruno Austin, John G. Hagan, Bert Angus, Harry Campbell, Charles P. Clouse, William E. Meade, with aliases, Charles J. Fitzgerald, Martin John Langdon, with alias, Volney Davis, with alias, Harry Sawyer, with aliases, Brent Glasscock, Joseph B. Koran, Mrs. Jack Snyder, with alias, Mrs. Ross Aucker, with alias, Paula Harmon, with alias, Myrtle Eaton, with aliases, Marjorie Keating, Bertha Engler, Irene McCann, Mrs. Dorothy Procter, with alias.

In addition, two of the latent impressions present sufficient characteristic detail to permit classification and they have been searched through the single fingerprint file but no identification has been effected. Copies of these will be placed in the unidentified section of that file with a view to possible identification as additional fingerprints are added to the file.

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Mr. M. H. Purvis,
Chicago, Illinois.
June 4, 1935.

A search of the alphabetical name files of the Identification Division does not reveal any record for William R. Kerin, alias William Kerin. However, the fingerprint cards of William Kerins, #73062, Police Department, New York, New York and William Henry Kerins, a Civil Service employee, were used as a basis for comparison with the latent fingerprints without effecting an identification.

The four lifts of latent fingerprints are being returned herewith, photographic copies having been made for the completion of our files.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

REGISTERED MAIL.

Enclosure #312628.

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M. H. Purvis,
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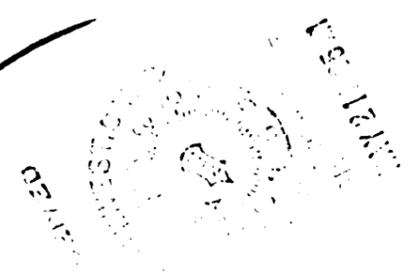
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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

414 Philadelphia Saving Fund Bldg.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

May 24, 1935.

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

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with
aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL
with aliases, I.O. 1236; VOLNEY DAVIS
with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1237;
WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O. 1238;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O.
1239; MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O.
1241; et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER,
Victim - KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OB-
STRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIRE-
ARMS ACT.

Dear Sir:

On May 23, 1935, at 8:00 P. M. information was received from Mr. M. B. Markland, 45 N. Windsor Ave., Atlantic City, N. J. who advised that he had heard rumors to the effect that Karpis had returned to Atlantic City.

I immediately dispatched Agents Thompson and Horan to Atlantic City for the purpose of ascertaining information relative to this matter. Subsequently I was advised by Agent Thompson that Mr. Markland had received this information from a Mr. Harold Gray, owner of the Globe Protection Co., 1616 Pacific Ave., Atlantic City, N. J. who stated that a Mr. Kerrigan, who was employed by Mr. Gray, overheard two men talking near the Danmore Hotel to the effect that "Mr. K is back in town". As yet this office has not been able to obtain any verification of this rumor and it is not believed at the present time that there is much significance to it. However, Agents Thompson and Horan are remaining in Atlantic City for the purpose of checking up on all angles of this matter and I will keep you advised concerning further developments.

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Very truly yours,

R. G. Harvey
R. G. Harvey,
Special Agent in Charge.

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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CINCINNATI, OHIO** FILE NO. **7-576-6108**

REPORT MADE AT: DENVER, COLORADO	DATE WHEN MADE: 5-22-35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 5-16, 20-35	REPORT MADE BY: N. J. L. PIEPER RA
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE I.O. 1218 ET AL EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Investigation at Greeley, Colo., discloses owner of Plymouth Coach #PF-94628 to be George L. Martin and not Harry Campbell. Stop cards placed on 1935 Pontiac Coach, motor #235155, serial number corrected to read #815227.

REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent N. J. L. Pieper, Denver, Colo., 5-4-35; letter from Chicago Bureau Office to Cincinnati Bureau Office dated 5-13-35; and letter to Denver Bureau Office from Portland Bureau Office dated 5-17-35.

DETAILS:

AT GREELEY, COLORADO.

Immediately upon receipt of the Air Mail letter from the Portland Bureau Office, this Agent with Special Agent J. B. Shiley proceeded to Greeley, Colorado, to determine whether George L. Martin was Subject Harry Campbell.

Investigation at 1212 - 4th Street, Greeley, disclosed the house to be in a residential district, a small frame building with a sign thereon denoting that rooms were for rent. The last available Directory of the City of Greeley was a 1931 Directory which listed W. H. Meeker as the owner and resident of 1212 - 4th Street.

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>E. P. Guinan</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	7-576-6108	RECORDED AND INDEXED: MAY 25 1935
COPIES OF THIS REPORT FURNISHED TO: 3 - Bureau 2 - Cincinnati 2 - St. Paul 2 - Portland 1 - San Francisco	MAY 25 A.M.	CHECKED: MAY 27 1935
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Agents contacted H. W. Sizer, Mail Carrier for this district, and he stated that Mr. Meeker died some time ago and that persons by the name of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Jones had moved into the premises on the 15th of February, 1935; that prior to their occupancy, the premises had been occupied by Mrs. W. H. Meeker, the widow of the deceased W. H. Meeker, and her daughter Mrs. Ray Martin. Checking his records, Mr. Sizer advised Agents that Mrs. Meeker and Mrs. Martin were now residing at 1410 E. 7th Street in Greeley. Mr. Sizer also informed Agents that these persons were well known in Greeley, having resided there for a number of years, and that although he did not remember George L. Martin, he was certain that he had seen no person around the neighborhood who answered the description of the photograph of Harry Campbell which was exhibited to him.

Mrs. W. H. Meeker was interviewed at 1410 E. 7th Street regarding George L. Martin, and she advised that there had been a George L. Martin residing with them at 1212 - 4th Street when they lived there but that she was uncertain as to his whereabouts. She suggested that we talk to her daughter, who was at the same place, concerning the matter.

Mrs. Ray Martin, her daughter, related to Agents that George L. Martin is her husband's, Ray's, brother and that he had gone west in his Plymouth car, and although she did not know exactly where he was at this time, she recalled that her husband had mentioned receiving a letter from his folks, who have lived at Pierce, Colorado, for many years, to the effect that George was in California.

Ray Martin was interviewed at his hamburger stand at 811 - 10th Street, Greeley, and advised Agents that his brother, George L. Martin, driving a Plymouth Coach, 1934 model, which he had purchased from the Jacobson Plymouth Dealers in Greeley, had gone out west, and he believed he was in Sacramento at this time receiving his mail General Delivery. He said that prior to George's leaving, he had been running the hamburger stand with him, Ray, and had gone west for a vacation.

Inquiry at the Sheriff's Office failed to disclose any record on George L. Martin, and he was not personally known by Deputy Sheriff Eldred.

[REDACTED] have had a record on George L. Martin since 1929, which shows that he has been in Greeley continuously since 1929 and has been connected with the Snappy Lunch, which is the hamburger stand at 811 - 10th Street. b7c b7d

The license records of Weld County were checked, whereupon it was determined that Colorado 1935 license #3-2095 had been issued to George L. Martin on a 1934 Plymouth Coach, motor #PF-94628; and from the driver's

permit, although no signature was available, it was determined that Martin is 25 years of age, 5 feet 5 inches in height, weight 180 pounds, brown eyes, and brown hair, his title number being #92554, issued under the address 1212 4th Street, Greeley.

Mr. E. J. Coombs of the Jacobson Plymouth Company checked his records and advised Agents that George L. Martin had purchased a late 1934 Plymouth Coach, motor #PF-94628 and was at this time traveling in the west with the car, continuing to make his payments through him at the garage; that he had, prior to his leaving, been associated with his brother at the Snappy Lunch stand at 811 - 10th Street; and that he bore no resemblance to the photograph of Harry Campbell which was exhibited to him.

Mr. C. T. Beckman, salesman at the Jacobson Plymouth Company, advised Agents that he has known George L. Martin since Martin was a small boy and that he purchased this car from him; that he was now traveling in the west, continuing his payments to the Motor Company, and was expected to return; that he had an opportunity offered to drive some persons west, and, not having had a vacation for a number of years, decided to take advantage of this opportunity, which he was doing at this time. The photograph of Harry Campbell was shown to Mr. Beckman, who stated that Campbell was approximately ten years older than Martin, from his observation of the photograph. It will be noted that this is the approximate difference in their ages. Beckman reiterated the statements of other persons interviewed that Martin was of good character and well known in Greeley and whose parents resided at Pierce, Colorado.

It should be noted that the letter of reference from the Portland Bureau Office sets out the motor number of the car incorrectly and that the correct number as herein set out is PF-94628.

Due to the fact that investigation disclosed unquestionably that George L. Martin is not identical with Subject Harry Campbell and that he was probably returning to Greeley shortly, no lead is being set out for the San Francisco Bureau Office to interview Martin through General Delivery at Sacramento. However, a copy of this report is being sent to the San Francisco Bureau Office for their information.

The respective Motor Vehicle Registration Bureaus in the States of Colorado and Wyoming were advised of the correction to be made on stop cards placed on 1933 Pontiac Coach, motor #935155, changing the serial number to read #815227.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 515,
Saint Paul, Minnesota.

May 22, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Ave. at 9th St., N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I.O. 1218; ET AL; Edward Geo. Bremer -
Victim; KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF
FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE;
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Dear Sir:

The United States Marshal at St. Paul advised this office that Deputy U.S. Marshal Sinclair and a matron were departing for Milan, Michigan, with prisoner Wynona Burdette at 3:30 p.m., May 21, 1935, via the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad from St. Paul to Chicago, arriving in Chicago at 10:00 p.m., and departing via the Pennsylvania Railroad at 11:50 p.m. for Fort Wayne and via the Wabash Railroad to Milan.

Special Agent Coulter of this office followed Deputy Marshal Sinclair from the Jail to the Depot and remained in the vicinity until the train departed. The Chicago Bureau office was notified telephonically of the arrangements and the suggestion made that one or more Agents meet the train and remain with the Deputy Marshal until he departed.

Very truly yours,

MAY 27 1935

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H. E. ANDERSEN,
Special Agent in Charge. MAY 20 1935 .M.

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U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box #2344
Boston, Massachusetts

May 24, 1935

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Ave., at 9th St., N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I. O. 1232;
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I. O. 1236;
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WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases I.O. 1239;
HARRY SAWYER with aliases, I. O. 1240;
MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I. O. 1241;
OLIVER A. BERG with aliases, FUGITIVE, et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM KIDNAPING;
HARBORING: OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE: NATIONAL
FIREARMS ACT.

Reference is made to Bureau Communication dated March 26, 1935 relative to the above entitled matter. Please be advised that the instructions contained in that letter have been carried out by personal contact with the Rhode Island State Identification Bureau, Massachusetts State Identification Bureau and with the Police Departments located at Portland, Maine, Burlington, Vermont, and Manchester, New Hampshire.

Officials of the above departments were advised that Harry Sawyer with aliases was taken into custody at Pass Christian, Mississippi, on May 3, 1935, and that Identification Order #1240 had been cancelled.

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Very truly yours,

C. D. McKean
C. D. McKEAN
Special Agent in Charge

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[Signature]

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
105 West Adams St. Chicago, Illinois.
(Name and address of Contributor)

Date May 23, 1935.

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

Dear Sir:-

Following are the dispositions of cases on which
fingerprints have been mailed to the U. S. Bureau of Investiga-
tion:

Print Number	Name and Alias	Disposition
Chicago, Ill. Police Department No. C-46457 Arrested 2/12/35 33	JOHN RUSSELL MORAN alias "BAB" MORAN alias "BABB"	Dismissed.

Handwritten: 35
5-31-35
[Signature]

This form to be submitted to the U. S. Bureau of
Investigation to report dispositions of cases in which prints
were forwarded previously. Dispositions include such informa-
tion as advice relative to sentences imposed, fines, discharges
from custody, etc. Several cases may be listed on each sheet.

Very truly yours,
M. H. Purvis
M. H. PURVIS
(Official Title)
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U. S. Department of Justice

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CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

May 23, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U.S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St. N.W.,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,
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Bremer, Victim - KIDNAPING; HARBORING
OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE;
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

A 5/28
JP.

Reference is made to your letter dated May 16, 1935, in connection with the above entitled case, requesting that the disposition of each arrest not indicated on the abstracts of the criminal record of JOHN RUSSELL MORAN alias "BABY" MORAN which was forwarded to Mr. E. J. Connelley at Chicago, Illinois on April 18, 1935 be obtained and forwarded to the Bureau.

5-23-35
JP

An examination of the criminal record in question reflects only one arrest record in this district, namely Chicago Police Department number C 46457, John R. Moran, arrested February 12, 1933; general principles. It appears from our files that a disposition sheet relating to the above record was transmitted to the Bureau under date of April 27, 1935, indicating that the above charge against Moran was dismissed. However it may be possible that this disposition sheet was not received at the Bureau, and accordingly another disposition sheet showing the arrest in question is attached hereto.

Very truly yours,

M. H. Purvis, *uz*

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Special Agent in Charge.

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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA

FILE NO. 7-11 MS

REPORT MADE AT: Buffalo, New York	DATE WHEN MADE: 5/24/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 4/29; 5/8, 15, 20/35	REPORT MADE BY: G. V. DOHERTY
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218 FUGITIVE; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. 1235; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, I.O. 1237 - FUGITIVE; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232; WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I.O. 1238; HARRY SAWYER, with aliases, I.O. 1240; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: 1239; MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I.O. 1241; et al EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING - HARBORING OF FUGITIVES OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE & NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
<p>Joseph P. Moran not identical with salesman who sold surgical instrument to Dr. John E. Fitts, Atlanta, Ga., nor is he known at the Boehm Surgical Co., Rochester, N.Y. Dr. Gross, Buffalo, N.Y. furnished list of the members of the American Urological Association; same forwarded to office of origin. Association bulletin published Baltimore, Md. where addressograph machine is available. Lorenzo E. Brock and family, Niagara on the Lake, Ont. apparently respectable. No information developed that Moran or his associates were ever seen in said town.</p>			
<p>REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent F. T. McIntyre, Jr., Birmingham, Ala. dated 4/2/35; letter Special Agent in Charge Dwight Brantley, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma dated 4/16/35; Bureau letter dated 4/27/35; letter Special Agent in Charge H.H. Reinecke, Indianapolis, Ind. dated 4/25/35.</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>H. L. Lattinman</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	7-576-6112	RECORDED AND INDEXED: MAY 25 1935
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DETAILS:

AT ROCHESTER, NEW YORK

The following investigation was made by Special Agent J. D. Cunningham.

C. C. Boehm, President of the Boehm Surgical Company, 205 St. Paul Street was interviewed and a picture of Joseph P. Moran was exhibited to him and he stated that he knows all the salesmen connected with his company personally and that the picture did not represent any of his salesmen.

From Miss Jones, his Secretary, it was ascertained that the salesman who sold a May's Ophthalmoscope on April 4, 1933 to Dr. John B. Fitts, Medical Arts Building, Atlanta, Georgia, was George Minnich. She advised that they had no address in their file for this salesman as he continually traveled, but that he had been with their firm for five years and they regarded him as a very good salesman and she vouched for his reputation. She also failed to identify the picture of Moran.

Mr. Boehm stated that there was no union association magazine or centralized Bureau through which various people could be contacted in an effort to identify and locate Moran. Mr. Boehm however, informed that Bausch and Lomb Optical Co. of Rochester were large dealers in this field, and that possibly they could give further information in this respect.

Mayson C. Gaffney, Salesmanager for Bausch and Lomb Optical Co., St. Paul and Smith Streets, was interviewed and he stated that he has attended numerous conventions in the past which were attended by various salesmen selling instruments to eye doctors; that he is totally unfamiliar with the picture of Moran; and that he feels that if Moran had been active in a legitimate way that he would recognize the picture.

Mr. Gaffney stated that there are several large houses throughout the country whose activities are nation wide in this field; that there are no unions or associations in connection therewith, but he felt that these houses if contacted might give information concerning

Moran. It was explained to Mr. Gaffney that Moran would in all probability not be selling instruments in a legitimate way connected with a known house, but in all probability would be "bootlegging" such instruments. Mr. Gaffney advised that these large houses know all the dealers and anyone who under-sells their salesmen in their particular field, and this man felt that if Moran was active at all in this respect that these legitimate houses would be aware that some outsider not connected with a legitimate house was endeavoring to under-sell their salesmen in their territory. He further explained that all instruments of this type have serial numbers and can be traced, and that as these salesmen had no union or centralized bureau he could think of no better way of endeavoring to trace Moran than as above stated. The larger companies are as follows:

The Mueller Co., Odgen Ave., Chicago, Ill.
 A. S. Aloe, 1819 Olive St., St. Louis, Mo.
 Max Wochter, 29 West 6th St., Cincinnati, O.
 Watters' Hospital Supply Co., 155 E. 23rd St., New York, NY
 N. S. Low & Co., 212 E. 23rd St., New York City

In further connection therewith Mr. Gaffney stated that Squibbs Drug Co. have salesmen canvassing all doctors in the country, and that many orders for surgical instruments are placed through these salesmen due to their direct contact with the various physicians. He thought that possibly if these salesmen could be contacted in some manner that they could give information concerning Moran.

In conclusion Mr. Gaffney stated that his company would be glad to cooperate with the Bureau in any respect but that he felt it would be an impossible task to circularize all the companies making these surgical instruments, but felt that the manner set forth above would be the most practical means. No specific lead is to be set forth in this respect it being left to the office of origin whether or not these companies should be circularized, whether I. O. orders should be sent and the best manner of making said contact.

AT BUFFALO, NEW YORK

Attention is here noted to reference letter of Dwight Brantley, Special Agent in Charge, Oklahoma City, advising that a letter had been received by Mrs. Pearl L. Campbell, 818 So. Rockford

Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma, bearing the return address of 700 Lafayette Avenue, Buffalo, N.Y. Attention is called to report of Special Agent G. V. Doherty, Buffalo, N.Y. dated 12/7/34 at page seven thereof, covering an interview made by Special Agent J. D. Cunningham, Buffalo, N.Y. of Mrs. Luella Potter, 700 Lafayette Avenue, at which time she advised that Pearl Campbell had worked for her as a nurse for a period of years. This interview disclosed that Mrs. Potter knew nothing of Harry Campbell, nor did she connect Pearl Campbell with that individual.

Numerous attempts were made to re-interview Mrs. Potter but no contact was made due to the fact that she was out of town and not available. Mrs. Potter will be interviewed in the near future and questioned.

Pursuant to instructions in Bureau letter of reference, Dr. James B. Cross, Crosby Building, Buffalo, N.Y., was interviewed and he advised that he is the Treasurer of the American Urological Association. The purpose of this writer's visit was explained to Dr. Cross and he stated that he would be glad to cooperate with the Bureau in every respect. He stated that he thought the placing of an advertisement in the association's bulletin would be a practical method of contacting the various physicians in the association.

He stated that this magazine was published by Williams and Wilkins, publishers, Mt. Royal and Belford Avenues, Baltimore, Md. and that Dr. Hugh Young, Editor-in-Chief, Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, Md. would be the proper person to contact relative to placing said advertisement. A discussion was had with Dr. Cross as to the advisability of placing such an advertisement in the bulletin due to the fact that Karpis would in all probability contact a "quack" doctor and not one connected with the association, and that he might hear of the advertisement in this matter. In this respect, however, Dr. Cross stated that this publication is very exclusive; that it is the custom of various doctors to bind each issue into a bound volume, and the contents thereof are not made public, and he felt that such information would be confined strictly to members of the association.

Dr. Cross felt that if the gonorrhoea infection had reached an advanced stage that Karpis would require the services of a member of the American Urological Association.

Dr. Cross was questioned as to whether or not he had an addressograph machine available for the purpose of circularizing the members of this association with Identification Order No. 1218, and Dr. Cross advised that he did not have such a machine, but that he was sure the publishing company at Baltimore, Md. did have one as they handled the mailing of the bulletins each issue.

Dr. Cross turned over to this writer an alphabetical and geographical list of the members of the American Urological Association revised as of October 1, 1934. He stated that all members listed therein would receive copies of the association bulletin, as the receipt of this bulletin was not optional with them, but that it was mailed to them by virtue of their membership in the association. The list furnished this writer is being forwarded to the office of origin with copies of this report.

The following investigation was made by the writer.

AT NIAGARA ON THE LAKE, ONTARIO

Mr. J. Taylor, Postmaster, Niagara on the Lake, Ontario and his assistant Miss Wells, with whom the writer has had several confidential contacts, on being interviewed advised that Ren Brock unquestionably was Lorenzo E. Brock, who resided on Regent Street in said town; that his wife's name is Irene and his mother's name is Mabel; and that he lives with his mother on Regent Street; their said street is not numbered, however, this house is the third house on the right hand side from Main Street. It is a single, two story frame building, at the present time painted yellow.

Mr. Taylor after searching his records stated that he could not find where any registered package had been shipped to any place in the States by any member of the Brock family; that he recalled occasionally the Brock family received mail from some place in Indiana.

Relative to the Brock family, Mr. Taylor advised that said family have always resided in Niagara on the Lake and have always conducted themselves in a very respectable manner; that Ren Brock for several years was employed as an Express Messenger on the Michigan Central Railroad on the run between Buffalo, Detroit and Chicago;

however, approximately two or three years ago he lost this position and since that time has been engaged in selling insurance and doing odd jobs in Niagara on the Lake and vicinity; that it is his understanding that the Brock family are at the present time in financial distress due to the fact that Ren Brock has been unable to secure steady employment, and as a result the family are at the present time taking in washing in order to procure food; that while it is possible for them to get financial assistance from the charity organizations, they have never requested same; that Ren Brock during the past year and a half has been drinking quite heavily, although he has never been in any difficulties to his (Taylor's) knowledge.

Mr. Taylor and Miss Wells were shown the photograph of Dr. Moran together with several other photographs and Miss Wells was unable to identify any of the pictures; however, Mr. Taylor stated that the picture of Dr. Moran appeared to be familiar in that he recalled having seen someone who resembled Moran. Mr. Taylor stated that he was positive that said person was not at the present time residing in Niagara on the Lake, nor had they resided there for several months, and it is quite possible that he may have seen this individual somewhere else in Canada.

The writer interrogated Mr. Taylor at length relative to the identification of the photo of Moran, however, nothing additional was developed. Both Mr. Taylor and Miss Wells were unable to furnish any information as to the friendship or associations of the Brock family with anyone in that vicinity, however, they did indicate that very little entertaining was done by them; that in the event they saw anyone who resembled Moran or any of his associates whose pictures were displayed to them they would immediately communicate with the Buffalo Bureau Office.

[REDACTED] upon being interviewed confirmed the statements as set forth on the interview with Mr. Taylor and Miss Wells with the exception upon being shown the photographs he was unable to identify any of the individuals as having been in Niagara on the Lake. It is quite possible, he stated, that had anyone who looked like Moran been in Niagara on the Lake he would unquestionably recalled said person; that he personally has observed the activities of Brock in the past year or two and is inclined to believe that Brock would engage in

any activity in which he could procure money; that since his release from the Michigan Central Railroad, Brock has encountered considerable difficulty in making a living; that during the summer of 1934 Brock took an automobile trip into the States and he felt quite certain that he went into Indiana; that it was his understanding that some relative of Brock's is residing in Indiana, but what the connection was he was unable to positively state,

[redacted] stated that the Brock family did very little entertaining and he is positive that if anyone had been visiting at their residence the same would have come to his attention, however, in the future he will closely observe the activities of the Brock family and in the event he sees anyone who answers the description of Moran or anyone who is a stranger to Niagara on the Lake, and in any way acts in a suspicious manner, he will immediately communicate with the Buffalo Bureau Office.

[redacted] was unable to furnish the license number of Brock's car, but stated that he will secure same at the earliest possible date, and if interviewed subsequently will gladly furnish same to a representative of this office. In addition he stated that he will make discreet inquiries and any information which he might be able to develop as to the associates or relatives of the Brock family in any place outside of his town, he will gladly furnish when subsequently interviewed.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE at BALTIMORE, MARYLAND will interview Dr. Hugh Young, John Hopkins Hospital, and secure his permission to insert an appropriate advertisement in the American Urological Association; and will interview Williams and Wilkins, Publishers, Mt. Royal and Belford Avenues, and secure from them permission to use the addressograph machine or whatever facilities they have for the purpose of mailing Identification Orders on Alvin Karpis to various members of the association.

THE BUFFALO OFFICE at NIAGARA ON THE LAKE, Ont. will at a subsequent date interview [redacted] Mr. Taylor and Miss Wells of the Postal Department, for such information as they may possess as to the activity of the Brock family.

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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CINCINNATI, OHIO**

FILE NO. **7-2**

REPORT MADE AT: LITTLE ROCK, ARK.	DATE WHEN MADE: 5/21/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 5/17-19/35	REPORT MADE BY: N. E. MARSHALL
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. #1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. #1236; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. #1237; HARRY SAWYER, with aliases; WILLIAM REAVER, with aliases, I.O. #1238; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. #1239; MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I.O. #1241; Et Al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: No information relative to fact Phoenix Donald and Myrtle Eaton have purchased farm and living on it near Donald's old home. Ellen Holm unknown Hutchinson, Arkansas.			
REFERENCE: Letter from Kansas City dated 4/26/35. Letter from St. Paul to Bureau dated 4/13/35.			
DETAILS: H. J. [redacted] Postmaster, Salem, Arkansas stated he has been carefully watching the [redacted] Donald's relatives in and near Salem, Arkansas, and none of them have received [redacted] which has been in any manner suspicious and massive very little mail. Photographs of Phoenix Donald and Myrtle Eaton were exhibited to Humphries who stated no one resembling either of these parties has ever called for or sent any mail from Salem to his knowledge. Phot graphs of Donald and Eaton were exhibited to Rural and Star Route Mail Carriers of Fulton County who advised they have never seen anyone resembling either of these parties and will advise the Little Rock Bureau Office in the event they do.			
DETAILS: L. G. Langston, Sheriff of Fulton County, Salem, Arkansas which is the County Seat of the County in which Mammoth Springs and Thayer are located advised he is positive Phoenix Donald and Myrtle Eaton have not purchased a farm in Fulton County, Arkansas and stated he is positive he would have heard some rumor to that effect if they had. Sheriff Langston stated he has kept a rather close watch of the relatives of Phoenix Donald and is certain he has not been in Fulton County.			
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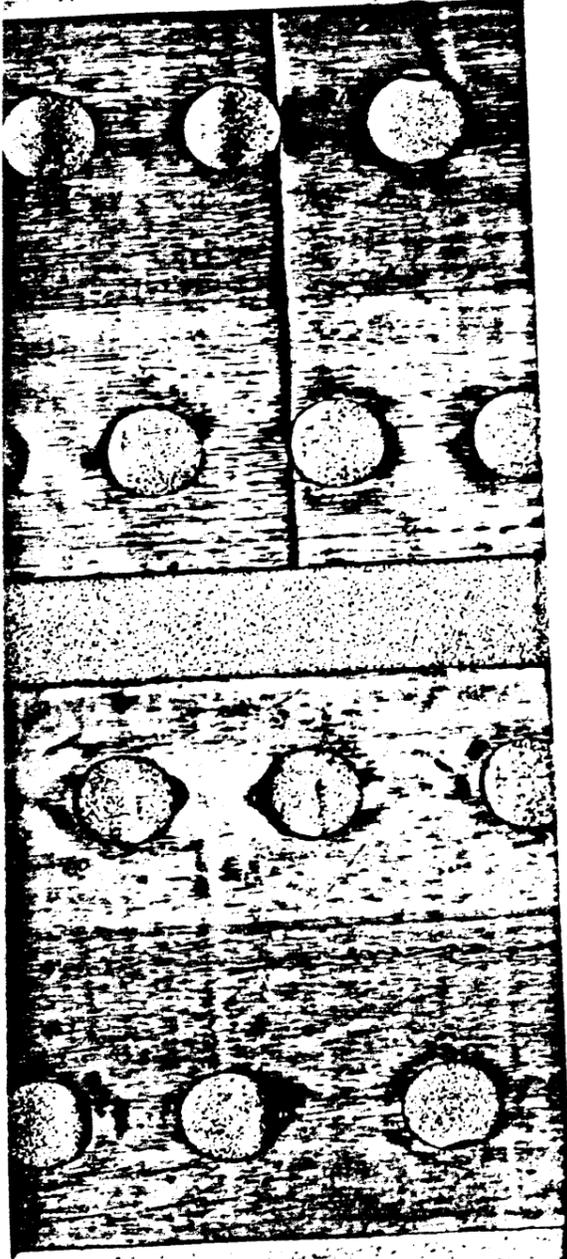
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Joe Stinnett, County Clerk, Fulton County, Salem, Arkansas, advised no one resembling Donald or Eaton have purchased a farm in Fulton County or have ever recorded any deeds with him and also stated none of the relatives or close friends of Donald have ever purchased any farms in recent years or recorded any deeds in Fulton County and he would surely remember it if they had.

Allen Baker, Postmaster, Jamestown, Arkansas advised Hutchinson, Arkansas is a mountain community situated about 4 miles south of Jamestown in the mountains. Mr. Baker advised Hutchinson, Arkansas, has no Post Office and everyone in the community receives their mail out of Jamestown on a rural route. Mr. Baker further stated he has been Postmaster since 1922 and knows everyone in the community; that none of them have a post office box in Jamestown and he is positive there is no one named Ellen Holm living in the community and he knows of no family named Holm, living either in the Hutchinson Community or in Jamestown or vicinity.

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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Record of Telephone Call or Visitor

5-23 1935.

Time 3:19 PM

Name Mr. Haakinson, AP

Referred to

- Mr. Nathan
- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. Baughman
- Chief Clerk
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Coffey
- Mr. Edwards
- Mr. Egan
- Mr. Harbo
- Mr. Keith
- Mr. Lester
- Mr. Quinn
- Mr. Schilder
- Mr. Smith
- Mr. Tamm
- Mr. Tracy
- Miss Gandy

Details:

Stated that man who identified self as Karpis on plane from Omaha traveling in this direction is listed as Jack Hoque in custody of an officer named A.O. Clark.

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MAY 27 1935

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

EAT:CDW

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

May 24, 1935

Time - 12:20 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Baughman
Chief Clerk
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Keith
Mr. Lester
Mr. Quinn
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Miss Gandy

Mr. H. E. Andersen telephoned me from the St. Paul Office and advised that Chief Deputy United States Marshal Picha came into the St. Paul Office this morning and advised that Doc Barker is being removed to Leavenworth at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon via the Great Western Railroad. The Deputy Marshal informed Mr. Andersen that it was impossible to get a drawing room on this train, and this condition would remain for quite a distance, and for this reason, he wanted to know if this Bureau would furnish some assistance in guarding Barker on this trip. Mr. Andersen said that while he told the Deputy Marshal that we could not lend them any assistance in this matter, he wanted to get official sanction of his actions in this regard. I told him that he was entirely right; that we cannot lend such assistance to the United States Marshals, since removing prisoners is their duty.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

Removes to prison

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

May 18, 1935

Chief Clerk
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Keith
Mr. Lester
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Lelidt
Mr. Schilder
Mr. Smith
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Tracy
Miss Gandy

Time - 12:05 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

Mr. Alt telephoned from the Jacksonville Office with reference to the investigation being conducted in Cuba in connection with the above entitled case, and advised that he has just received information from Agents Peters and McKee in Havana that they have completed their investigation in Havana with the exception of about two more interviews and a small bit of additional investigation. Mr. Alt said that Mr. McKee is returning to Miami, Florida this afternoon, and Peters will remain in Cuba to conduct the two interviews which remain, and also some additional investigation; that Peters will return to Miami on Monday, next. Mr. Alt said that the men in Cuba had deemed it safe for one of them to remain in Cuba alone.

Mr. McKee advised that it will take him and Mr. Peters about three days, after Peters gets to Miami, to clean the work up in Miami; that after this he will be ready to dictate a report covering his investigation. Mr. Alt said that he advised McKee he would have stenographers available for him to dictate his report on this matter, including the summary report. As a matter of fact, Mr. Alt said that his office will do everything in their power to expedite the submission of these reports.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM

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May 23, 1935.

Time 2:50 PM

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. NATHAN.

Re: Rumor that Karpis had been captured.

Mr. Suydam telephoned and stated that there was a news flash that a manacled man in pajamas had been put aboard an airplane at Omaha in the custody of some Federal Agents and that this man was reported to be Alvin Karpis. I advised Mr. Suydam that there was no foundation for this report as far as I knew but that I would verify my belief.

Time 3:13 PM

Mr. Haakinson of the Associated Press telephoned with regard to the above report and was advised that there was no foundation for the report, as far as the Bureau was concerned.

Time 3:53 PM

Colonel Gates telephoned and inquired about the above report. I advised him that nothing was known about the matter here at the Bureau and that I did not believe there was any foundation for the story. Colonel Gates inquired if we had an agent named A.O. Clark and I advised that we had not.

Time 4:30 PM

Mr. Thornburgh of the International News Service telephoned and inquired about the above report. I advised him that the report was, as far as I knew, false.

Time 4:37 PM

Mr. Suydam advised, during a telephone conversation, that the Chicago office of the United Airlines had a wireless from the pilot of the plane in which Karpis is reported to be riding, to the effect that the prisoner was Karpis. I advised Mr. Suydam that I had no knowledge of Karpis' capture.

Time 4:57 PM

I telephoned Agent Dederick at Butte and advised him of the above reports, stating that we had received reports that the person in

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custody was Karpis, Herton, Goodrich and one Jack Loughe, the latter being wanted for murder in Tennessee, and that this person had been reported as being taken into custody at Boise, Idaho by a man named A. S. Clark, who took him aboard the plane. I inquired if Mr. Deaderick had any knowledge of this report. Mr. Deaderick advised that he had just learned of the report about thirty minutes ago and had called the Chief of Police at Boise, who advised Mr. Deaderick that yesterday this individual under the name of Jack Loughe, was arrested at Dale, Oregon by the police there at the request of the police at Memphis, Tennessee, where he is wanted for murder. Mr. Deaderick stated that he had asked the Chief of Police at Boise if the individual was anyone wanted by the Bureau and had been advised that Loughe was being taken into Chicago by some police officers from Memphis, Tennessee, and that he was also wanted at Chicago for murder. Mr. Deaderick stated that he was preparing a wire on this matter for the Bureau at the time of my call. I instructed him to furnish the Bureau with any further information in this matter by wire.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 515,
Saint Paul, Minnesota

May 23, 1935

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; ET AL;
Edward George Bremer, Victim.
KIDNAPING.

There is attached hereto copies of correspondence
between Arthur "Doc" Barker and Mildred Kuhlman, which has been
"smuggled" in and out of the Ramsey County Jail.

Very truly yours,

H. E. Andersen
H. E. ANDERSEN, *cc*
Special Agent in Charge.

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May 9, 1935.

Hello Hun. Well dear I had another day of hearing statements going on. No Fooling. dear I am mad at you for not writing me today I think I would Kick you in your pants if I was where I could What is wrong did you have a hang over. I see my attorney didnt look so hot this morning some guy told Jimmy this morning he saw you and you said to tell me and Jimmy hello for you I dont know who he is where were you last night you had Better Be carefull where you go for you will have the G. on you again and I wont Be able to connect with you this way if they get to watching you. Now see pig consider your self Bawl out I no dear it is hell to stay up there in that room all the time. well hun I guess By the middle of next week everthing will Be over as far as the trial goes I will Be glad to get it over with. dear I have one hundred things to think of. and you are on my mind all of the time. What did you think of the P. S. in the last letter do you think he should take a half day and do that ha ha dear I dont know what I will do if I have to go away and never get to see you any more for you are the one and only girl I ever really love and I would swear to that dear I will write you a short letter and give it to the lawyer so he want think you are hearing from me in any other way. for he sure has got nose trouble and plenty of it. I will fix up everthing about the short right away. I told him I wanted him to get it as soon as possible But didnt say what I wanted him to do with it. well dear hold your hiad up and hope for the Best well will close for this time for I an going to write some more letters so By By Sweet heart and hope you a lot of luck. it looks like you are the only pal that is really sticking By me to the end and I will never forget you dear dosent make no different what happen to me. Sweet heart you had Better write me a long letter soon for I want to hear from my darling so Bad it Kind of run the Blues away so long sweet heart hoping to hear from you real soon your Buddie as ever. lot of hugs and kisses.

Shorty

COPY

May 9, 1935

Wednesday

Hello Dear - - -: Well my sweet, I saw Mr. B. S. last night, so I'm sick today. Would'nt mind being sick honey if I had been drinking with you. Did'nt start drinking very much untill I talked to him though. Then I just simply went to town. I was so blue darling for you, and the more I drank the bluer I got.

We first had a few drinks up here, and then it was getting rather late, and I wanted to get him out of here, and did'nt feel as though I could tell him to go, as I thought it may make the big heel angry. And a person like he is I'd rather have on my side then on the other. Gee, I hate him to death, as Wimpy would say. Remember, in the funny papers? Which we did. I finally wound up by going to the wash room at the place I-left-him we were, and just forgot to go back to the table. Got a cab instead and came home. Guess he'll be kind of sore about that eh? And I'll just say I didn't know what I was doing. Darling guess you know what he told me but will tell you anyway. He says you never told him to get the car for me. Of course I didn't let on as though you told me anything about it. So he said, did Shorty tell you that you was going to get it. I said no but being his wife I just wonder about it thats all. He said the car is in Chicago and it will have to be sent here to the G. men. He always keeps bringing up the subject about that furniture in Chicago. Guess he's trying to get his hands on that too. Or has he already?

I forgot to tell you that when I said I'm his wife. He said are you willing to prove that you are? And also for it to come out in the papers?

As far darling as I'm concerning yes dear I'm willing for it to come out in the papers. He said why didn't I tell the G. men then, and I said because I thought it was none of their business. But of course he dose'nt believe that. The bastard devil. As for that other in the box, he says nobody can go near it, as there are a couple of G. men there ready to grab anybody that comes near. And that Mr. Bremer will claim it after the trial. Is'nt that the stuff alright. Well thats DeCourcy. I surely did laugh when you said you were going to let him off for a half a day. Dearest do you really think he'd take a half day off? I wonder. I believe that he's to loyal to you dear. I don't believe he'll leave you that long. Oh darling it would be a pleasure to see that man horse wiped. Thats what he needs and more maybe, for treating you the way he has. Dear darling if

only there was some thing I could do for you. My dear I'd surely do it. And that goes for allways, so remember that dearest.

It is now four o'clock, and soon you'll be back again. And I have'nt even been out. I still feel sick. That's some thing new for me. I never get sick after drinking and you know that. Gee, my dearest, I believe I'd well if only we were together again. Talking about men dear, I don't know another one. I guess the G. boys know that to. I'll bet none of them are men. Or I mean I'll bet there is'nt a man among them. Not the man my dear that you are. Gee, I'm really proud of you, and I don't mean may be. I always shall be. I'll never forget you dearest, never. As long as I live. Gee, honey I'm going to lye down for a while. I'm really in a bad way. Thanks to Mr. B. S. and myself.

Just had another talk with DeCourcy. He says that you gave the car to him and as for that money there's no chance for me to get it, as he claims he has'nt had a cent so far from you.

Then after a little while he says alright what do I get if I get it for you. I said that he is not my lawyer but yours and for him to do as you wish. So he says oh wouldn't i be your lawyer if I'd do this for you. I said no indeed, You'd only be carrying out Shorty's wishes. And you are his lawyer.

Then he insists that I'd write you a note which I refused to do, as he could then claim that he is my lawyer and claim a fee from me as well as from you. He's one devil that needs a little takeing care of. He says he has all of your personal property. He also said that Bremer made a deal with him for half of everything the way I understand. So I guess your the only one that can work on him. He says after the trial he can do more, which you know is nothing more than _____.

Its just an out for the fool to stall untill he thinks your gone.

Honey dearest I must close as the train wants to leave in a hurry. All my love dearest (P.G.)

COPY

May 10, 1935

Hello. Sweet Heart. have you got over the hang over. Well dear I had another day in court it sure is getting to be tiresom day after day. I guess you know by now you cant drink and old set like the lawyer down. eh. Dear I guess you will be suprised to get a letter on this kind of paper. But it is the Best I can do tonight Sweet heart if I was out we would thru a good drunk no fooling. Would you be in for it. I Bet you would I heard you had a ride this afternoon glad to hear you got out for a little air. that fellow told me what a swell pal I had. I said you are telling me. No one has to tell me. hun I am proud of you and getting crazy about you ever day. I see now that you wont quit me just because I am in a jam Boy it is hard to love some one and cant be with them I never did think I would ever fall in love. But I know I am in that fix and dont care if the world knows it. I knew I was getting stuck a long time ago. I have seen girls I like But didnt love them. I had to come to Ohio to find the right one. Hun what ever happen to me you can say I was really your pal and will always will be to the end. if I ever get out and we get together they will have one hell of a time getting me way from you again. Dear the lawyer he hasent taken the half day off yet But I think he need to dont you. Hun I have been haveing a feu argument with him. I will make him give you the short and see that you get it. I also let you know how to get smokey you will have to steal him. I will tell this guy and he can tell you I think the trial will be over with in the middel of the week dear I guess my wife has left for I had some of the other Boy to ask their wife if she was still here they said they hadent seen her for a couple of days. I was hoping she was still here I wanted you to meet her and let her talk about me and you could ask her a lot of question about about me abd have a lot of fun out of her and then tell her she was haha and then tell her you were my wife did the lawyer give you a letter from me I sent on at noon and he said that you were not in. I guess you were out riding Dear if I only had you in my arm Boy how happy I would be. What a loveing up I would give you. this four months in here has seemed like it was a year to me Well dear I will close for this time with lots of love a lots of hugs and Kisses to my S.P.

Shorty X X X -----X X X
Smack - - Smack

P. S.

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Be sure and let me know if the
lawyer give you the letter for I dont want him to read it. so
long - Hum X X - -

Thursday
May 10, 1936

Hello sweetheart---I'll still call you sweetheart, even though you did bawl me out. And I know that you are right also. So not again my dear, as I do want to be able to hear from you. Its bad enough not to be able to see you, but that would be still worse, not to even hear from you my dearest. Gee honey, as time goes on I get lonelier for you my sweet. Wonder what will all happen yet. Gee if only we could be together again. I've never known before what it meant to really want some one, as much as I want you. I wonder if I'll ever forget. I don't think so honey, I don't see how I can. Shorty dear don't you think I'll be able to at least see you just once before you go away? I want to so very much; some times I just think I can't stand it. You being away and I'll never know whats happening to my darling.

Darling you must never forget to write to me, if it goes that far. Gee, I allways had hopes that somebody would come along and take you out of there. But I guess they're all frightened to death, themselves. I'd be more than willing to never see see you again, if that could keep them from taking you away. Then I'd know you could at least be doing what you wanted to. And not be locked up. What ever you do honey don't get into fights or do anything that will make it still tougher for you. And I hope that maybe some day somebody will be able to do some thing to get you out of there.

Honey as for that fellow that said helle to you and Jimmy for me, is just the bunk, I never talked to anybody about either one; Or no body at all in fact. I don't talk to strangers in the first place. Not even in a kidding way. Somebody just wants to try to do some kidding or start something. Thats the only thing I can figure out.

I took a walk today after I came out of the show. I went to see Fredric Marsh and Charles Laughton in "Les Miserables". It was very good. Some of these G. men should go see that, and take a little lesson from it. But of course they'd see it the other way around. I suppose they'd enjoy seeing prisoners beaten until they were half dead. The brutes don't know anything else I guess.

My dearest I wonder if you are thinking of me, tonight, dear. I can't for the life of me get you off my mind. Its hell darling. Its really no fun. Do you mind if I go crazy over you ha, ha, but I guess I can take it better than that. It wouldn't be so bad if only I knew they'd treat you good. I don't know maybe I am

imagining things, that will never happen. Gee, you know I feel that it would'nt be half so hard, if it were only I that was going away for a while instead of you. That sounds rather silly too does'nt it. But thats the way it is, with me honey dear. I've wished that more then once. Honey, is there anything I can do at all for you. How about your father dearest, is somebody with him, or does he need something. If there's ever anything at all that I can do, let me know. And I'll most surely do it if it's at all in my power.

I wrote to Nellie for the first time since I left the St. Paul, and told her not to let anybody know where I am. So I'll write you a little scandal from T. if she dishes it out. I hope she does. I'd like to know whats going on up there, since I'm away and you too. I really wonder if they'll be able to run things right with you and I both gone. But they'll just simply have to learn to stand on their own feet for once. We'll just let them learn something for themselves for a change. Let them find out what it is, not to be able to fall back on somebody for advice all the time eh? I'll bet it won't be long and the darn city'll fold up. Oh, well we can't help that, as between you and I and that new place we're taking over, we'll have our hands full enough. We'll run things right eh? The way they should be run. What a lot of B. S. that is eh, honey.

Honey dear I'm going to climb into my bed now, and very likely dream about you. I have'nt missed a night yet, so guess I won't this evening either.

I love you sweetheart, more than anybody in this world, or more than anything in the world. You can always remember that my darling Shorty. Good night dearest, will write a few lines in the morning.

Well honey its another day again.

Honey I guess I'm just plain dumb, for I don't know for the life of me what the devil you want dear. When you say, do you understand.

And here's something sweet for you. Nellie received my letter last night, so this morning she called me on the phone. She said everybody just about raised hell to find out what happened to me, when I checked out of the St. Paul. They were so worried that she called the G. office in Detroit to find out what happened.

and they told her, not to worry about me, that I'm allright. And that I checked into another hotel under a different name. So just try to fool them. Ha ha isn't that a good one. So if the G. men up here went to the trouble to let them know in Detroit where I am, it seems to me that they must be pretty darned interested in me. And for what reason. So there's no reason for me to stay in, as they know anyway where I am. I think it would be best for me to perhaps come and sit right in court, and if they ask me what I'm doing here I'll say that I don't know, but I'm subpoena'd, and I have to stay untill Mr. DeCourcy releases me. Which is of course true. And then to dearest I do want to stay, unless you don't want me to Of course thats something different again.

Honey she said that our dago friend robbed a mail truck, so he'll get about 40 to 50 years I guess. That gives me a big laugh. How about you.

Well honey the train is about to leave so will close for this time.

Lots of love to my darling.

S.P.

May 11, 1935

Hello Sweet heart. I received your of today was glad to hear from my Hun. Dear here is and address you can write. my Dad it is Claud B. Kenney, Miner Bank Bwilding. Joplin, Missouri Room. 309-311. that is a lauyer of his you can address it to him and then have one on the inside seal to dad with his name on it just put G. E. you know the rest I mean the last name I may want you to go see him after this all over with if not you can write him, and I can tell you a lot of things you can tell him. I have got a meet with my attorney to morron I guess we will have hell I dont know. Dear you can use your own Judgement about coming over to the trial or you can ask my attorney and get his advice ha ha for he is a man that can fix up any thing. Boy the old trial is on the last go around it will Be over in a feu days. Sweetheart pray for me. when that Jury goes out do you think it would do any good. Dear that was to Bad about the Dago wasent it a _____ like him never will have any luck. if I ever see him I dam sure tell him what a fine heel I think he is. for saying my and your name over that hot phone. Hun they sure are putting on a shou for the people up here Dear you talk about dreans I have had then for the last three nights alnight about you I guess it is Because I think of you all the day I see you just as plain as if you were here But when I wake up my mama is not there and then Boy am I Blue then. do you ever hear our song, pop goes your heart. We sure did have some fun out of willie about that didnt we. dont for get the address for I dont know yet I may have to write you that way. I think I will go in the movie when I get out of here. they are trying to take my picture all the time. Hun do you think I would make a good star I guess you think I have Blou my top. By not getting some paper to write you on. if I ever Blou my top it will Be over you. for I never have had any one on my mind like I have you. Dear I dont care for I am proud of you and I always will be. if I did get out I would never leave you for very long at a time. well Dear I will close for this time. and go to Bed. But that going to Bed alone is hell when you are not there. Oh yes I for go something I got suied today for three hundred thousand dollars ha ha is that good they can take a half a day off and do the same thing I wanted my lauyer to do. so By By sweetheart and good dreans your pal. lots of love and a gang of Kisses X X X smack - smack - smack ha ha hou that eh

Mr. Shorty

May 11, 1935

Hello honey dear -----,

Well darling what do you think about it all. I mean about Nellie, and what they told her? That's pretty good isn't it. I do wonder just how it did happen. Oh, well Mr. DeCourcy subpoena'd me so that's that. I could've very well run away eh? That's my story and I'm stuck with it. But I don't want the other party to get it.

Rene and a boy friend of hers got kind of drunk for themselves, and got on a plane and got as far as Chicago, then called the St. Paul hotel up here, and found that I had already checked out, so they went back again, not knowing how to get in touch with me. That's what Nellie told me over the phone. I might just be thinking things but I believe that if they ever start on B. & T. they'll surely pick her up. It's funny she can't think of that her self. I'm glad I wasn't there, as they would have no doubt, come rolling in drunker than lords and the whole town would have seen them as loud as they both are when they are drinking.

Say I see that DeCourcy is Sawyers lawyer also. What a rimping he's going to get from that heel, and doesn't know it eh.

Gee, honey I didn't get a letter today, oh, well I got two yesterday. So no I must be silly it was only today, that I received two you see that's how good my mind is for remembering. Ha Ha, pretty bad eh? Guess that's because I've been thinking about what Nellie told me a quite a bit.

Say, honey dear I never thought George would pull a thing like that now, as hot as it is, did you? Wonder how much more swalking he'll to this time.

Gee, honey I'm good and hot now. Some dam fool several doors down came and raped at my door, and when I looked out the bastard was at his door, motioning for me to come over. I said, I like to have a club long enough to hit you over your head, and slamed the door as hard as I could, guess I awakened everybody on this floor with that bang. But I don't give a dam. Gee, things like that burn me up. Bet he won't do that again so soon. Gee I'm sorry I didn't go over and smack him square in the face. Oh well

I guess he's just some dam old bum that does'nt know a darn thing eh, so suppose I'll cool off a little. But I'd still like to smack him a couple of good ones.

Well sweetie darling, I'm kind of sleepy now, so guess I'll say good night as its 12:30 a time for me to start my dreaming of you agsin as usual, and thats nothing new to you. Is it sweetheart.

Will write you more tomorrow dearest. Love and kisses and good night Shorty dearest.

Talking about hell darling, it surely is. I know it would'nt be nearly as hard if we did'nt care for each other so very much. But I just can't help it and thats all there is to it. I Don't believe that you really did understand before just how much I really did care for you. Did you darling?

Dearest I will go see your father if I can or write to him or anything you say sweetheart.

Gee I suppose this will be one, long old day for you sweet. And tomorrow also. Wish we were together it would'nt seem half so long. In fact it would just fly for me.

Dearest there has'nt been a day that I have'nt prayed for you. But did'nt want to tell you as I thought you would laugh at me. Neither shall I stop, even after you are gone. If you go I'll never forget you sweetheart, never.

Dearest if you do see George please my dear, don't start anything up there, as it may make it worse for you honey. And I surely would'nt want that.

So you are being sued eh? Well is'nt that just lovely.

Sweet I love you honey and I'm wondering just what you are doing every minute of the day, and just what is your mind.

Dearest I'll sign off now as the train is going to leave soon.

All my love dearest so by by,

P. G.

May 12, 1935

Hello Sweet heart how is my mama tonight fine I hope Gee But this has Been a long old day. I Knou dear they are long to you also. I will have a couple of days of rest then will start the old grind over Dear I sure am glad that you were checked out of the St. Paul when Rena and her Boy friend call you up. for it is like you say they would of come up here drink and Been looking for you and just of caused a lot of hell some people can cause you a lot of hell cant they. was it Rudy with her. Rena is a good fellow But she talk to much. they were jealous of you and I for they Kneu we liked each other. they thought they could you about me and you would Believe it. about me Being with some other girl. wonder what they thought when it didnt work I had got stuck By that time I didnt care for But one girl then and you Knou who that was dear it was you. I was stuck a long time. But I tried to Keep it to my self. for I thought you would of thought I was crazy. I really love you then But. I an more so than ever nou. I finally found out what love was. Say Dear old slim sure did use to Kid me when we would go on those trips he would say Boy you got it and you got it Bad and put me in the grease. he would say I had the same Kind of trouble one time and laugh like hell and then sing it is just love. I would tell hin I was not stuck. he would say no not Much. he said there is to much difference in you here lately and laugh and say you cant

Mr. slim. the last trip we were on I told hin yes I was stuck. did he laugh and say I told you Mr. slin was right and then he said I had Better Buy him a drink ever time he wanted one, or he would tell willie about me confessing to hin I was in love. he said willie will run you nuts. I promised hin I would Buy the drinks when he wanted them. he said well shorty you got a good girl and he was glad I went for a girl like you. Dear old slim like you. he sure was a good old Boy wasent he. well I guess you are tired of all this By nou eh. Dear about that nut coming to your door. I Bet you were hot I would of like to of seen it. why didnt you hit hin on his hiad you did the Best thing at that. he must of thought he was a hot number. But found out he wasent so hot eh. You will find lots of nuts in this old world. Dear about what Nellie was saying. they may of got the word from the lauyer about you Being in some other hotel under another name for he talk a hell of a lot when he is drunk. I Bet Nellie was worried about you for a while she sure is a pal of yours. it make one feel good to Knou that they have a friend like that. I will have some fun if I ever see the dago. I will tell hin a lot of things and ask hin if he lost his girl one time. Bou would he get hot. he was a dirty _____

and mistreated you over nothing. he should of Kneu he couldent get
along with you like that, My lauyer was up today he smell like a pickle
Barrel. I dont think he is going to Be Sawyer Lauyer. He has got
Just nose trouble that all he hasent took the half day off yet ha ha
Dear if I ever get out of here I will wash the dishes and also dry
then for you let you Be the Big Boss eh ha ha I Bet you would Be
a Strick Boss woulden you. I might Be able to go out then if I would
Be a good Boy. I Bet you think I have Blou my top. I going to keep
on writeing untill I get so sleepay I cant write any more you will
think you have got a news paper to read. well dear I will close for
this time for I knou you are tired so By By sweet heart lots of love
and a Big hug and Kisses to my loveing wife

shorty

P.S.

Sweetheart I had a couple of vistor today they were G. men I Kneu when
I sau then coming they didnt mean me no good. Say Dear you should see
my nose it is almost well nou, and Boy am I glad it is Just about normal
again. Hun where were you tonight I an Keeping a check on you and have
nose trouble Bad. so you had Better. let me Knou something. we dont
want to get to fighting for you Knou hou it would Be if two Bad people
like you and I had a trouble eh.

Well I had Better ring off for it is about my Bed time and I guess
you are tired of all of this writeing I could write you alnight and
never get tired.

Boy would I feel good then. Hun if I ever do get out I will sure
come to you and I dont want no one in my place when I get there. the
lauyer ask me to day if I and you were married on the square I said
yes he said why didnt you tell the G. I said we didnt want your folk
to Knou it then. By By S. P. b7c

May 13, 1935

Hello. Dearest Sweetheart. I will write you a few lines to past
part of this long old day away and also to see how my mama is.
Dear did you ever think when you first me me that I would cause
you all of this greif. I Bet not Hou is the time going with you.
slou I Bet. Well it will be over in a few more days. then we will
Knou what it is going to Be. Say Hun where did the Dago get pinch
and over what job. I just got through haveing a good sleep I took
a good Bath and fell off But I missed geting my Back wash. Say I
am sure mad after writeing that long letter I wrote and didnt get
no anser. But I Knou the real reason why. Hou it will Be a couple
of days Befor I hear from you that wont seem more than a year. Dear
has the fellow Knock on your door any more and tried to get you to
come over. I Bet it didnt make you to hot sh wonder what he wanted.
Just some company I guess. I cant figure out nothing else. Can you
ha ha. Dear I will see if it cant Be fixed up so we can see each
other in a few days for I sure would like to see you the Best in the
world. has my attorney call you up lately if you ever need any
legal advice Just call on hin. he is just like the standard oil
company. he is at your serive ha ha ? what do you think. Dearest
I guess you may thing I have Blou my top But I think of you as much
as I do my self or more. Just wonder what will Become of you. Well
hin you can always say I was not such a Bad fellow after all that I
was on the square with every one mabe some day you will find someone
that you like Better than I. and then you will forget me. Say I
was talking to the lauyer he was talking about you he said she is
a perry good Kid But is to nuttey about me. he said I cant figure
that out. ha ha a good attorney like hin should figure that out
shouldnt he dont say anything to hin about it for he would wonder
hou you heard it well I will have to close for this time for the
train is to leave in a few minute. I got held up on writeing you
tonight. I will Be looking for a Big long letter from you tomorrou
so By Dearest Sweetheart, your as ever

Shorty

lot of love and hug and Kisses

Saturday

May 13, 1935

My dearest - - How is my sweetheart today. Gee, this is a nasty old day, raining and everything else, so I've stayed in all afternoon. Wish I could be staying in with you. I would'nt even notice the weather then. In fact it would be a great pleasure. Gee, honey dear if only we could have one more chance, to be together. And if you'd do anything wrong, so they could take you away from me, again, I'd well I don't know what I'd do. I guess nothing at all. Gee, Shorty dearest I'm sure praying that there will be another time for us. Honey dear its terrible to think of you leaving to go to a place where you can't do as you want to do. What ever you do my darling, please hold your temper and don't get into fights so they won't make it any worse for you. My darling that would be so terrible. I really wish that it could be me in a jam instead of you sweetheart. Shorty dearest what do you think about me coming to see you about Wednesday if they will allow me to? Gee, sweetheart I can't tell you, honey how it makes me feel, when I think mabe, I won't even see you befor you go. Oh, dear if only things could be done over again. I know thats a silly thing for me to think, but I can't help it dearest. I just can't. At times I feel as though I simply must see you. Gee dear I'm blue and lonely for you. Gee if only I could snap out of it.

Well dearest I'm going to sign off for a while as I'm very hungry and its seven thirty now and I've only had coffee today. And it has stopped raining, so I believe I'll go to a show, for a few hours. Gee, sweetheart if only you could go. Will write more later sweetheart. By by for now. Love dear.

Well honey it is now eleven oclock and I've just come from a show, and it was a punk show, and was it raining again, gee it is just pouring down. So I had to go into the office and call a cab. I stood out in front for about twenty minutes waiting as I thought there'd be one along soon, but no luck,

Oh, hell honey, here I am again.

But dear, I'll be thinking of you, and most likely dream about you again, as I always do. And then wake up, only to relise it was just another dream. So good night my sweet darling, and a Million kisses dear, and all my love.

Will write more tomorrow when I have read your letter. Good night
sweet heart again.

Sunday

How'dy Shorty dear - - Gosh the train was in a hurry today, could'nt
wait a second; Said he had to be there at two today. So you'll get
two letters in one tomorrow.

Honey I sure laughed about what you said about slim. That you had
to buy him a drink when ever he wanted one or he'd tell Elmer, about
you caring for me. What was the matter don't you think you could
have taken that. But I know they sure could rib a person when they'd
all get together. I will never forget the songs Slim used to sign.
I'll say he was a peach. But gee, how I hate his wife. I guess I
haven't told you, what she called me. The morning when everybody
had to appear for the first time; I didn't come in untill they were
all dismissed. The guard took me up, and I saw Pat on the elevator,
so she waited for me down stairs. When I went down she said, she
went up to Slims wife and was going to talk to her as she felt sorry
for her. So she said "I guess you don't know me, but I'm Pat,
Mildreds girl friend." Slims wife said, "Slim never interduced me
to those husslers, so I don't know her". Pat said that she just
walked away from her then and didn't say another word. I'd like
to have a talk with her sometime and let the dam fool know that
I'm not a hussler, as she called me, and I think I'm a darn sight
better than she is. What a pat on the back that was eh? But I
mean it.

Honey, you said that you would tell George a few things when you
see him. That's sure all right with me. But dearest please be
carefull so there won't be any fights, and make it worse for you
my dearest. As for him I don't care what would happen to him. But
you darling I must - - surely do care. So darling please be carefull
for me. I don't want you to be hurt any more.

Sweetheart it is about seven again and I have'nt had a bit of food
today, so I'm just about starved. But I have to loose some weight
so thats O.K. with me. So I'll stop now and go down to eat.

Well sweetheart I had my breakfast, dinner and supper all in one.
And feel a lot better. Gee honey, I'll bet this is a long day for
you to. Even longer than for me as, I received a letter and you

didn't. Gee, honey I hope you are'nt feeling blue. I do love you so much it hurts to think of you haveing the blues and me not being able to do anything about it. Your letters do make me feel a lot better allso dearest. I wish I could be going away with you. Then I would'nt care if they'd keep us for the rest of our lives. How about you? Then we'd at least be together, and then it would'nt be half bad at all. I could forget about everything else and everybody else. That would'nt be hard at all. In fact it would be a pleasure just so I could be with you dearest one. I wonder if you relize how much I care for you. I don't believe you really can, as it is so very very much.

So you told the mouth piece we are really married. So did I. But why do you suppose he was so interested, as to ask you. Do you suppose it was because he did'nt believe me? I have'nt heard from him lately. Guess he's busy getting drunk. He knows I'm pretty sure that I don't care very much about him, so maybe thats why he's not coming around so much. And then again he does'nt care so very much for me, I don't believe. He said he was going to bring a radio up, but I haven't seen it. But I would'nt use it anyway I don't suppose. Because I never used the one at the St. Paul, as it makes me a lot bluer, not being with you, and then to hear all those pieces. Each one would remind me of you. Something that happened when we were together. And then I have to think of not being able to be with you. Its hell honey dear. So, I'd just turn the darn radio off and make a face at it, besides ha ha.

Did you say something about blowing your top. How's that for blowing my top. Pretty bad, I would say when you get so far that you make faces at a poor helpless radio eh? I wish you was here so I could make faces at you honey. And would I make faces, oh boy and how. Then I suppose the fight would be one, as I'm quite sure you'd do the same to me. Gee, honey, its to bad we never did have a fight so I could show you how bad I am. And you could have gone for an ice pick or something ha ha. I mean an ice pick just to defend yourself, because its a sure thing you would have had to have something to save your life with ha ha; Am I bad oh boy. And you never found out. Well maybe I'll have better luck next time to show you that. Boy oh boy will I beat you and will you run and scream for help. I can just see you now, going as fast as you can down the street, passing all cars, trains and what ever happens to be going the same way you are, with me right on your tail. Gee, honey you have something to look forward to now. But I guess maybe I've scared you so badly now that you'll tell them to never let you out, because that

that wife of yours is one bad person. So guess I should'nt have told you, as now darn the luck, I'll never get a chance. Gee, I never thought what if you'd turn on me, but I guess I won't have to think about that, as you'd be to scared to do that. Oh, now honey don't worry and you won't have to tell them to keep you, as I was only kidding you. So there now, just calm yourself. I was just trying to scare you again.

Oh gee, honey I had intended to go for a walk this evening, but I started writting that silly stuff and its a little to late I think, because its ten oclock now, and most likely all the bums in town would be on the street at this hour, and wise crack and try to pick me up and what have you and so on. So guess I'll just stay in, as I can't enjoy a walk if I have to be pestered by a lot of darn fools. So guess I'll get to bed early and take a long walk in the morning and again in the after noon to make up for lost time.

I have'nt heard from Nellie yet. When she called the other day she said she was going to write. So maybe I'll get a letter from her tomorrow. And if she gives me any scandal I'll let you know. But I guess she told me most of it over the phone.

Well sweetheart, my sweetie pie, guess I'll read for a while and then turn in for the night. I wonder dearest if you are thinking of me?

Honey you asked me if it was Ludy with Rene. No it was'nt. But it was a fellow that can get as drunk as Ludy and as loud, and stay drunk for as many days as Ludy can. I know that you don't know him. His name is Rollie Rowe, hes a hardware store owner in Toledo. And he's sure the pistol. You can have a lot of fun with him, when he first starts drinking, or when hes sober but when he gets to much, hes a pain in the neck. At least he is to me and a quite a few people that I know. Well sweetheart happy dreams, and all my love, a million hugs and a million kisses. Goodnight my dearest darling. I love you.

Well honey the train just got here, and is in sort of a hurry again. So will not be able to write very much. And you were mad because you wrote such a long letter eh, is that nice. You said you wonder what will become of me. So do I. I know this much I'll not go back to Toledo. And more than that I can't tell you. I'm not feeling very good today. Don't know what it is. Just feel punk is all I guess.

Well sweetheart untill tomorrow. The train is blowing its horn again the last one. So love and kisses to my darling.

P.G.

Tuesday Evening
May 14, 1935

Hello My darling. I wonder just what my sweetheart is doing now. And if you've been thinking of me. I surely have. This has been a long old day, as I stayed in all day, waiting for your wonderful mouth piece to show up, but he hasn't. It is now ten o'clock so he won't come any more this evening. I tried to call his office all day but could get no answer. He's really good. I thought he'd sure show-up today. Hope he does at least by noon tomorrow. So I've just sat around up here, and reading, and so on. I'm really getting stiff from sitting around so much, or maybe I'm getting old eh. I guess you feel about the same way and maybe worse; As my darling has been sitting longer than I have, Gee, honey I wish I could sit with you. I would'nt mind it so much. Gee, honey remember I told you about the man that knocked on my door. Well as I was down stairs eating today, he was trying to pull some little girl from the street up stairs. He got her as far as the elevator and they stopped him. He didn't have any coat on and his one suspender was hanging down. He looked a mess. He must be half nuts I believe. So I'm going to be carefull, about opening this door. Can't tell what a fool like that will do.

Well honey dear I'm going to get undressed and lye down, as my back surely does hurt. Guess I must have caught cold in it or something. Mostly something I guess eh.

I'll bet I wouldn't even feel an ach then honey dear. I surely wish you were here sweetheart. Well I guess its like Slim used to say. Pay it no mind kit; You have to take the bitter with the sweet you know, so don't beef. I guess thats about right. Honey dear tell me why you wanted to know that about Ruth. I've got nose trouble. Bad to. Is it going to do me any good to have nose trouble or isn't it. Anyway is O.K. with me honey. Well sweetie pie I haven't heard from Nellie yet, shes takeing her time I guess eh. Or maybe she's waiting untill she has a lot of scandal for me. So I can't tell you yet sweetheart anything more about George then I allready have. But you little devil I want you to behave when you do see him. And you know why I want you to. Just for your own sake dearest, thats all. Not for him. As he's sure poison to me and always will be. Even just his name is enough for me. Gee, but he's a mean man. I hope I never meet up with another one like that as long as I live. Sweet darling I'm going to stop now for sure and get undressed, so I'll write more tomorrow dearest. Love dear, a big hug and a lot of kisses - -Good night and I'm sure to have you in my dreams I'm sure of that, I always do. Well honey I surely did all night long. I suppose I still would be, but the boy here awakened me as there was some baggage for me. Nellie sent the rest of my cloths as I asked her to. Because I'm not going back to Toledo - - for some time.

I have some friends in Rome and Utica New York, so I don't know, I may go there for a while. And see if there is something I can do there. They say there is. But I'm not at all sure that I will go. All though they are really nice people. Well honey DeCourcy was here this noon. He said the car I cannot have as the G. men have it, and anyway he said you didn't sign for it. And the money he said at Chicato was sent to your folks or somebody up there.

Gee, honey I would be very happy to have you care for me so much that you'd be jealous of me. But I'd never even give you a reason, as I care for you to much. I called Pat as I wanted to know my self how she found out and she said she called Nellie. So don't worry about that. Honey as for hanging around as you said at Pats, I don't intend to. She is not haveing anything to do with that dago. They have been split up for ever since they picked us up. She is going to get married pretty soon I guess. Darling I don't want to go back to T. right away on account of the pappers. After a while I may of course I got along up there O.K. I never fight with anybody. And of course you have a right to ask me all the questions you want to. I didn't even know that they let Ruth go out at all. So I don't know anything about it. When you came back as you say and didn't hear anything maybe that was one of the mornings they keep my door closed all morning, and would some times keep it closed untill late in the afternoon and locked. For what reason I don't know. And no my darling nobody ever tried to do anything to me. up there or take me out. And as for what they said about getting drunk up here, dearest thats a lie. You surely should know that. I haven't even gone out with another girl up here. How can you believe that stuff. I'll say that card reminded of a lot of things. I'll never forget them either. Of course thoes dam fools took anything they wanted. How about that new rob I just bought you. I guess they took that to. And its a good one too. I paid thirty five dollars for it. And as for some place to meet I will have to think about that for sometime. Have you any idea.

I don't want to say my folks because they'd be watching me for sure.

Well honey I'll have to stop now as its time for the train to leave again.

So lots of love my dear and kisses. I wish they were reall ones allso.

P.G.

May 14, 1935

Hello Sweetheart - -How's my baby dear today. Gee, honey I wish I could be on that jury. I bet I'd hold out untill they'd all be willing to let it go my way and how. And even if it would take months and months. I'm hoping sweetheart and praying that they will show a little mercy.

Darling DeCourcy had better show up over here, as I don't want them to call me again about the bill. I'm sorry I have to mention that but I can't help it.

I glad honey that you do know now that I really care for you. I don't know how you could have helped knowing that before as I surely did show you that I did.

Sweet you asked me what Pat thought about Slims wife saying that. She's plenty hot, and says that she won't rest untill she gets her told. Because she of all people has no right to say a thing like that even if it were true.

Honey just don't get to mad about me not saying anything about your nose. I did think at the time you told me, that it sure is swell and I'm glad honey dear that you are'nt haveing any trouble with it. So don't kick me as you see I was thinking about it.

Dearest you asked me about Ruth; I believe you are wrong about them takeing her out, all though I can't say for sure because any time anybody passed my door, they'd close it. But what do you mean when you say they took her out. Do you mean took her out for a good time or to question her or what? If they did take her out I don't know anything about it. I don't know when they left those girls go, but a few days before they let me go, I thought everything was pretty quiet around there. So I don't know weather they left before I did or not. They let me go after I was there for I guess about four weeks. Four weeks lacking a day or two. It was about nine o'clock in the evening when they released me. Why honey are you asking me this? They also asked me if I knew Ruth, and I said no. So I don't know what she said. I mean if she told them that she knew me or not.

No darling I haven't heard from Nellie. I will tell B. & T. what you said. I'll let them know some way. But I'm not going back there for a long time. But never the less they'll find that out. They know allready that somebody did a lot of talking as they have been raded about six times. of course they never found anybody there, that they were looking for. I think B, & T. are two swell fellows, but their women talk to much. I like

them, but just wouldn't care to ever have them to know anything about me. You can sure have a swell time with them eh? But that's as far as I ever want to go with them.

Honey dear of course I really go with you if they'd sentence me to. With pleasure honey. Sweetheart I don't know anything new excepting that Pat got nose trouble also after she tried to call the St. Paul and found that I wasn't there. So she made it her duty to find out. So she wrote to me, and wants me to at least she says stop off in Chicago when I go through. She didn't say how she found out the name I am using or the hotel I'm staying at, but said she'd tell me all that when she sees me. She says she's on the watch for Slims wife though. She says she has already told that good for nothing brother of hers about it. So I guess that didn't go down so very well with Pat. She says if it had been anybody that had any right to make a crack like that she'd forget about it.

Well sweet darling that's all the news I know so guess I'll have to stop, and the train is here now also. Just came in and wants to get going.

So will write tomorrow sweetheart and I love you honey and I'm keeping my fingers crossed when that jury goes in.

By by dear, with all my love and all the kisses in the world.

P.G.

May 15, 1935

Hello Dearest. How is my sweetheart tonight good I hope. Hun I feel perry good tonight I dont know why. with out it was the letter I got from the one and only girl I love. say little pal you sure are a sticker. what I mean by that is you have stayed with me when I was in a Jam. Dear if it would of Been a lot of people they would of give me the pitch. and I know it. But you have Been true Blue with me. And am I proud of you. I say so. Dear if I never see you anymore. You will neve Be out of my mind. I mean if I have to live through hell I will always think of you. I could never have a Bad thought of you. What ever you did for I Know you are on the square. Dear if I got out of this Jam I would be the happiest man in the world for I Know that some one I love would Be waiteing for me. Boy I would say to all my friends and everyone else I want you to meet Mrs. B. my wife and dear it would really Be Mr.--Mrs. on the square at once if you would give your consent. and Dear I Know you would do that. Dear do you think some times I have to much nose trouble asking you all of those question. Dear I cant help it if you do. Well I guess it is Just love I never had it Befor. But I will say onething I have it Bad and have had it for quite a while so sweetheart dont pay no attention to my nose trouble for I have a neu nose now and I have to try it out eh. I wrote a short note and gave it to the mouthpeice I guess you got it ok. Hun I had quite a talk with him today. He said he was going to release that that money down there so my dad can make a fight for it. I guess he is going to try and straighten up a little he also said he had Begam to like you now. he said Boy you have got a girl that has got some sence. he also said he Kneu he should of went and seen you more than he did. I dont know hou he come to change so much at once. Some one must of come and seen hin eh. Dear dont Haul hin out for I guess he did the Best he could, so I guess the Best way to get along with hin is to pay him no mind. Hun you had Better pray for me after tomorrou afternoon for the Jury will have my case in their hands then. Sweetheart see if you cant fix it up so we can go on a Big drunk. Boy and would I get on one you remember the time we went to Chicago and were drunk almost a week with Eddie and Johnney. Say that Just reminds me of something did the G. ever ask you about then let me Know if they did Say there is something very inportance I want you to do if you go to Chicago But I will tell you latter for it will take quite a while to explane it to you now hun if you dont intend to go that way Just say so. for I may Be able to get some one else to do it. you had Better use that haid or there is a Southern gentleman going to Jump you up you Know the way I use to tell you I would do. I would get Back about ten feet and you would Bend over and I would run and Kick you. But you will have to promise to Be Back up for me to Be ready for me to Kick you again By the time I got Back. Do you understand eh. that is the way we use to Kid each over all of the tine. Hun I Kneu the

card would remind you of old times. I am glad that you found out about
how pat got your name and address for I didnt know what to think of it.
When you see pat I want you Both to have a drink and say here to shorty
ha ha I guess you still remember the time you and I and pat Elmer got
on that drunk ha ha was my Baby drunk that night. Boy and you. that Just
you drunk I would get if I was out tonight about Ruth I no she had Been
out some place with the G. some place. the one day they taken me away and
I wonder where every one was when I came Back they had all of the doors
close. But I didnt hear no one for the next half of a day I was there
well Dear I will ring off for it is about my Bed time and I know I
will have a dream about you. You I really had one last night you must
of Been thinking of me. I would like to tell you about it you would
get a Kick out of it. But it is son long to tell you so By By sweetheart
with lots of love and hugs. Kisses Boy if they were only real.

Shorty.

P.S. that alright about you haveing nose trouble. for hun you cant
have much nose trouble for you havent a very Big nose you that for
getting you told. ah. You dont say I think I am smart.

May 15, 1935

Hello. Dearest. how is my mana tonight. fine I hope. Boy I heard a wonderfull plea put up for me today. By my attorney it was pitfull. if I wasent to get sometime I dam sure will nou. I have had more tough breaks since I have Been in the Jam than I ever thought that one man could ever have. I will send the Jack Off lauyer over to see you tomorrow if he isent to buisy. I sure wish he had of taken the half a day off and - - - this afternoon in place of making the plea he did. Sweetheart I did care for you Befor nou more than you will ever Knou and Dear I Kneu you cared for me. I guess if you and I had of stayed together much longer I would of Been like the dago after you with and ice pick ever time you look atany one. what do you think. Hun Just ferget about Slim wife for she dont Knou what she was talking about or she could of never said that about you. that is god dam funney about hou pat found out about you and the nane you were under do you think she could of got it from Nellie or did she Knou hou to get a hold of her find out soon as possible for I dont want this party to get in a Jam for I would feel I was the cause of hin geting in to trouble. Some one that Knou told her to find out who it was. Dear you are your own Boss But if I were you I would not go down to pat for she has got that dago pinp and his Brother is a policeman. it is not the Kind of a Bunch for you to Be around even if there is nothing wrong. you Knou people will have there own idea. you do as you like, But i say one thing sweet-heart if I ever caught you Just Buming around a joint like that I sure would Boot you no fooling. and I Knou it would hurt me more than it would you. Nou Dear I dont say you would go down there and stay or run around with the other girls. I like pat, and think a lot of her as a friend she is a real nice fellou herself. havent you ever made up your mind what you were going to do when you leave here Dearest I gqess I worry about you as much as I do my self. for you are to nice a Kid to Be push around like you have Been since you got pinch. why is the reason you dont want to go Back up to T. toun didnt you get along up there the last time you were up there. I gqess you think I have got nose trouble By asking you all of the question if I havent hun, Just tell me so and I will dummy up. what I meant about Ruth is I think it was the morning I went to Detroit it was on the 16th I seen them Bring her in and one of the G. men ask her if she had Been out home and Back so soon. she said yes. he said way out to Gary indiana and Back. she said yes. then I was Brought Back the next day and I didnt hear no one up there I was Keep there from 7 untill 12 that day and I didnt hear no one in any of those rooms only some men that is the reason I thought they took you girls some place. for I use to hear the G. men kiding Ruth all of the time and hear Slim wife crying. I think they were giveing Ruth a play for at night. I Knou they was some funney thing went on around there. they sure did try me about you they would sait it to Bad Boy you are chained up like that we will go up and take care of your girl for you. I would Just say yes. and let it go at that. I could hear you talking to then sometime. Dear did

any of them try to do any thing to you up there. or is it any of my
Business. here is some thing I want you to anser did you at any time
after you were released go out with any of them with a girl friend to
any spots. they were telling me up here they got penty drunk with my
girl friend and a friend of your. I Know you will think I have got a
lot of nose trouble. But Sweethear you are my girl I think I have a
right to ask you. Dear I Bet you will Be suprise to get this card with
your name on it. Boy it will remind you of old times I Bet. it came
in the Bags with my clothes. Hun you remember the pajanas you got for
me the good one. I never did get them are none of the ties I had. I
guess the G. men are wearing them? or do you think they would do that.
Sweetheart here is something I want you to Know I will Be with you some
day if I get Kill trying for I had just as leave Be dead as to Be lock
up all the time and not Be able to Be you. We will have to figure out
some place to meet in case I ever do make it I dont care if it is years
I will come to you. So dearest you cans use your hiad and figure out
some place and hou we can meet for you will Be the one on the outside
and would Be more able to pick a spot to meet you will Know if I ever
make it for they will raise plenty of hell. Well Dear I will ring off
hoping to hear from my loveing wife your as ever Shorty lots of love
and Kisses and hugs. Boy I wish they were real.

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U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box 1583

Butte, Montana, May 23, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at Ninth St., N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with
aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL
with aliases, I.O. 1236; VOLNEY DAVIS
with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1237;
WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O. 1238;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O.
1239; MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O.
1241; et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER,
Victim - KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIRE-
ARMS ACT.

Dear Sir:

At about 2:50 P.M., this date, Mr. T. L. Greenfield, owner of the Greenfield Advertising Agency, 16 North Wyoming Street, Butte, Montana, called in person at this office and exhibited to the undersigned a telegram which he had just received from the International News Service at Denver, Colorado, signed by L. F. Dosey, which was stamped at Denver, Colorado at 1:48 P.M., and which advised that Subject Alvin Karpis was in custody at Boise, Idaho, and wanted to know if this office could verify that fact. No information was furnished Mr. Greenfield other than thanking him for calling this matter to the attention of the Butte office.

Immediately upon departure of Mr. Greenfield, Special Agents Russell Bryon and K. D. Deaderick contacted Chief of Police Amer Harris at Boise, Idaho, via long distance telephone, and he advised that on May 22, 1935, at the request of the Police Department at Memphis, Tennessee, he and the Sheriff at Vale, Oregon, arrested a man by the name of Jack Loague at Vale, Oregon, who, according to his information, was a very dangerous and badly wanted man, being wanted on murder charges both in Chicago, Illinois, and Memphis, Tennessee; that immediately upon his arrest he was taken to Boise,

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Idaho; that this person was not fingerprinted, but that upon his arrest Detective W. T. Griffin of Memphis, Tennessee, and officers from Memphis had flown to Boise and taken custody of this man and departed from Boise at 2 A.M., this date, presumably for Chicago, Illinois, but that they may possibly have gone to Memphis, Tennessee; that he did not know the names of these officers, and although he had seen the man, Jack Loague, he was unable to give a detailed physical description of him; that he did not believe that this man was any subject of this investigation.

On the afternoon of May 23, 1935, the above information was furnished the Director by the undersigned, via long distance telephone.

Very truly yours,

D. H. Dickason
D. H. DICKASON
Special Agent in Charge.

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U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida.

WEP:MFS

May 23, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St. N.W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O.
1218 - FUGITIVE; et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
KIDNAPING, etc.

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated May 3, 1935, at-
tached to which is a copy of Laboratory Report, dated May 1st, 1935,
the same being Laboratory Report No. 7-576-5695.

It is noted that this Laboratory Report requests that ad-
ditional handwriting specimens be secured from Joe Adams and Henry
*Randall.

Please find attached hereto specimens of the handwriting of
Henry Randall, at which time Randall wrote the names of Henry Randall,
Duke Randall, Charles M. Bronson, and LeRoy Morrison, and which specimens
were obtained on individual slips of ruled paper, Randall not being per-
mitted to see how the name had previously been written.

Please also find attached hereto additional specimens of the
handwriting of Joe Adams, at which time Adams wrote the names of Leroy
Morrison and Charles M. Bronson. It will be noted that these specimens
were obtained on a full sized sheet of ruled paper, which paper was folded
each time that a name was written by Adams, in order that he could not see
how the name had previously been written.

It is respectfully requested that these specimens be compared
with the specimens set out as Specimens A, B, and C, as they appear in
the above mentioned Laboratory Report.

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Very truly yours,

R. A. ALT,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Laboratory Report

Case: BREKID

Number: 7-576-6120

Specimens: 7-576-6120A. 2 pages of sample handwriting of Joe Adams.
7-576-6120B. 8 small slips of yellow paper with blue lines containing
the sample handwriting of Henry Randall.

Examination requested by: Jacksonville Bureau Office

Date received: 5-28-35

Examination requested: Handwriting

Result of examination:

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Examination by: Appel

Send ~~xxxx~~ copies of Lab. Report to Cincinnati and St. Paul Bureau
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Leroy Morrison.

Adms Leroy Morrison

Randall Le Roy Morrison.
Le Roy Morrison. no.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA.**

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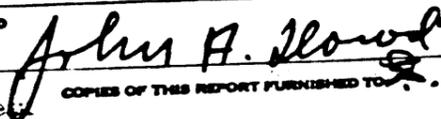
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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:
 WILLIAM C. BRADSHAW with aliases, I.O. 1239;
 HARRY STUBBS with aliases, I.O. 1240;
 HENRY BROWN with aliases, I.O. 1241; et al.
 EDWARD GEORGE BREWER - Victim.

Dave Spiller and Charlie Rennie, "Town House" Reno, Nevada, positively identify photographs of Nicholas Delmore as Jack Howard, and William Weisman as William Golder, and state that they were associates of Slim Burns, whose true name is Alvin Karpis. They further identified photograph of G.J. Fitzgerald as Karpis' father, and Barker Brothers father, all three at Reno being known as the Burns boys; further that all persons mentioned were close friends of William Graham and James McKay, Reno, Nevada.

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DETAILS:
 In connection with an investigation of the case entitled Unknown Subjects, Roy John Frisch, kidnaping, Salt Lake City File No. 7-35, information was obtained from Dave Spiller, Day Manager of the "Town House" and Charlie Rennie, his brother-in-law, owner and operator of the "Town House", to the effect that Slim Burns, who they identify as Alvin Karpis, was a close associate of Nicholas Delmore alias Jack Howard, and William Weisman alias William Golder. In this connection these individuals state that they were also close friends to a former partner in the "Town House" namely Louis Marymont, who now operates Louie's Rendezvous at Reno, Nevada.

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They further identified the picture of C.J. Fitzgerald as the man who represented himself as the father to the Burns boys, while they were in Reno, Nevada, the Burns boys consisting of Alvin Karpis, and Fred and Doc Barker; they further state they identified the picture of Kate Barker as the mother of said boys, but claimed that they only saw her on one occasion.

During the course of the interview with Dave Spiller, he stated that about three months after the Burns boys left Reno, which was in December 1933, the father, C.J. Fitzgerald, and his son Slim Burns (Alvin Karpis) came to Reno by plane and spent a few hours at the "Town House" and then left. It has been reliably assumed in previous investigation conducted in Reno and by the Chicago office, that Alvin Karpis came to Reno to dispose of part of the ransom money. Attempts will be made to more definitely establish the date, and who Karpis and Fitzgerald contacted while they were in Reno. The fact that Nicholas Delmore alias Jack Howard is friendly to Alvin Karpis, is important, inasmuch as the New York City Bureau office reports that Delmore is influential in New Jersey, and there is little doubt but what he would contact Delmore if in that vicinity.

No undeveloped lead is being set forth, and this information is primarily being furnished Special Agent in Charge E.J. Connelley, Cincinnati, Ohio, for his information. He might deem it appropriate to have some investigation conducted of Delmore's activities by the New York City Bureau office, to determine whether or not he concealed Karpis and Campbell after they escaped from Atlantic City.

Copies of this report are being furnished the New York office, and no undeveloped lead is being set forth at this time.

UNDEVELOPED LEAD:

SALT LAKE CITY OFFICE At RENO, NEVADA, will make appropriate investigation at RENO and LAKE TAHOE, NEVADA, for the purpose of ascertaining whether any of the contacts of Nicholas Delmore alias Jack Howard, and William Weisman alias William Golder, are concealing or contacting any members of the Karpis, Barker, GANG, it being borne in mind that the above persons were friendly to Karpis while he was in Reno, Nevada.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
506 Fletcher Trust Building
Indianapolis, Indiana
May 24, 1935

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Air Mail - Special Delivery

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Ave. at 9th St., N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Almost every year during the annual Speedway Automobile Races held at Speedway City, a suburb of Indianapolis, it has been found desirable to station agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation at the various entrances to the race course for the purpose of endeavoring to identify and apprehend fugitives wanted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. As is well known, these races occur on Memorial Day, May 30th, of each year.

Last year a number of agents were stationed at the gates with instructions particularly to be on the alert for any members of the Dillinger gang.

It is possible that the Bureau will instruct that the same procedure be followed this year, with the thought that certain members of the Barker-Karpis gang, or other fugitives, may attend the races.

At the present time there are only eight agents stationed in the Indianapolis District. In view of the absence from Indianapolis of the Special Agent in Charge one of the agents necessarily must remain in the office. It is important that another agent remain on duty at Louisville, Kentucky. Therefore, there would be only five or six Indianapolis agents available to watch the various gates during the races, if it is decided that this is to be done.

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Two of the gates are extremely large and after the gates are opened the people move in through those gates in throngs so great that it would require three or four agents at each of those gates to note the faces of all who enter. There are two or three other gates which would require at least two agents to each gate.

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It is believed that to properly scan the faces of all persons entering on foot and in automobiles the presence of at least twelve agents would be necessary.

Therefore, if the Bureau contemplates instructing that the entrances to the Speedway be watched May 30, 1935, it is suggested that six or seven additional agents be assigned to the Indianapolis Office to assist in that work.

In view of the fact that Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley of the Cincinnati Office is more or less familiar with the lay-out at the Speedway and that he has as a special assignment a number of cases involving fugitives, including the Karpis-Barker and Stolnap cases, a copy of this letter is being referred to the Cincinnati Office for his consideration.

Very truly yours,

H. H. Reinecke,

H. H. REINECKE,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc Cincinnati

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May 28, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
Indianapolis, Indiana.

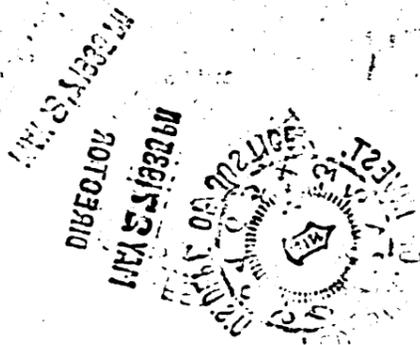
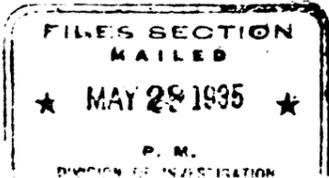
Dear Sir:

The Bureau is in receipt of your communication of May 24, 1935, advising of the coming annual Speedway Automobile Races, and further advising that only eight Agents are stationed in the Indianapolis district. In order to watch for Bureau fugitives at said race, you suggest that six or seven additional Agents be assigned to the Indianapolis Office for this purpose.

The Bureau recognizes the importance of watching closely all visitors to these races, but in view of the extreme demands being made on the Bureau's personnel at the present time it is desired that you handle this situation with the Agents now assigned to the Indianapolis Office.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.



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326 1/2 Post Office Building,
New Orleans, Louisiana.
May 24, 1935.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Re: Alvin Karpis, with aliases, Fugitive,
I.O. 1218; Harry Campbell, with aliases,
I.O. 1235; Volney Davis, with aliases,
Fugitive, I.O. 1237; Dr. Joseph P. Moran,
with aliases, I.O. 1232; William Weaver,
with aliases, I.O. 1238; Harry Sawyer, with
aliases, I.O. 1240; William J. Harrison,
with aliases, I.O. 1239; Myrtle Eaton, with
aliases, I.O. 1241; et al.
Edward George Bremer, Victim;
Kidnaping; Harboring of Fugitives; Obstruction
of Justice; National Firearms Act.

Dear Sir:

The subject matter of this letter concerns the possibility that Joseph H. Adams, alias Joe Adams, subject of the instant case, was in New Orleans, Louisiana recently.

W. A. Watson, of the Dixie Drive It Yourself Company, 1000 Common Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, telephone Raymond 2448, in company with Patrolman John Ricks, of the Auto Theft Bureau, New Orleans, Louisiana, appeared at the New Orleans Bureau office and advised that that company had rented a 1934 Plymouth Sedan, Motor #PF8131, carrying 1935 Louisiana license plates 127-858, to a J. H. Adams, residing at 6460 Vicksburg Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, and had absconded with the car.

Mr. Watson informed that J. H. Adams was in the slot machine racket and is presently reported to be vending a peanut machine; that in his efforts to trace J. H. Adams he had ascertained that he had recently been in Dyersburg, Tennessee, as well as at Bessemer, Alabama, where he is reported to have visited J. H. Gray. This J. H. Adams has a brother, Irving Adams, residing at Linden, Alabama. Mr. Watson stated that the J. H. Adams who rented the car is 36 years of age; height, 5' 11"; stooped posture; brown hair; eyes blue or hazel; weight 155 pounds. Mr. Watson, however, stated that it has not been the custom of his concern to be very careful about descriptions. J. H. Adams is reported to have his wife and children residing at the aforementioned address in New Orleans, Louisiana. Adams' wife has been very uncooperative in assisting Mr. Watson in the location of Adams. She did, however, exhibit part of a letter to Mr. Watson, large parts of which she had inked out and which Mr. Watson noted were instructions from J. H. Adams to his wife to tell Mr. Watson that he was in Memphis instead of Dyersburg, Tennessee, and that the Police had not got a line on him yet.

Mr. Watson informed the writer that J. H. Adams came to New Orleans in February 1935, but that he knew nothing further concerning the identity of him.

Reference was made to the file index and it was noted in mimeographed report of Special Agent in Charge J. H. Hanson, Jacksonville, Florida, dated February 20, 1935, that subject Joseph H. Adams of the instant case has a somewhat similar description to the J. H. Adams mentioned by Mr. Watson, and that Joseph H. Adams has relatives residing in Ktowah, Tennessee, and further that his occupation is similar to that of the J. H. Adams in question.

It is noted also that Joseph H. Adams was released on Ten Thousand Dollars bond in the instant case at Jacksonville, Florida.

A coded wire was directed to the Jacksonville Bureau office requesting a photograph of Joseph H. Adams and advice whether he had left Florida any time since February 1935. Responsive telegram from the Jacksonville office stated that Joseph H. Adams had been out of Florida since February 1935, possibly in Cleveland, Ohio, and that a photograph was being forwarded by air mail.

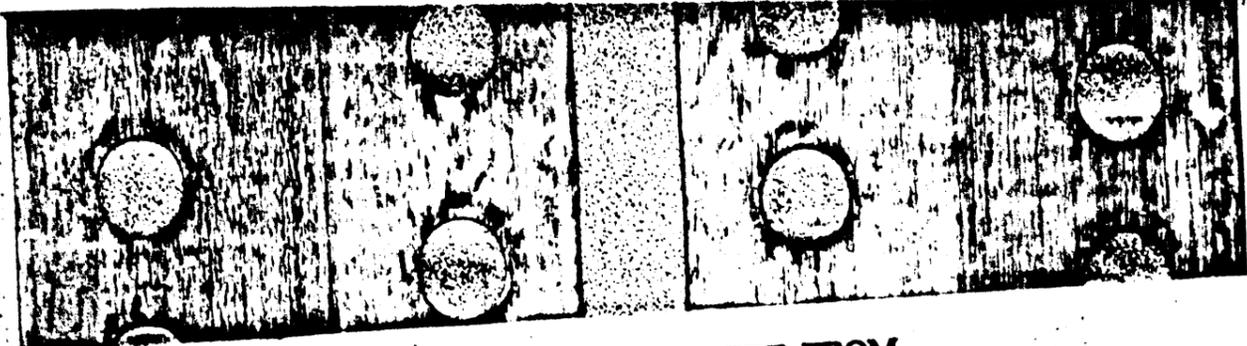
Mr. W. A. Watson of the Dixie Drive It Yourself has not been advised of the possibility of Joseph H. Adams and J. H. Adams being identical. He will be shown a photograph of Joseph H. Adams upon its arrival and in the event he identifies same, intensive effort will be made by the New Orleans Bureau office through investigation by mail cover of his wife to ascertain whether subject Alvin Karpis and others are in communication with him. Endeavor will also be made to locate the present address of J. H. Adams in the event he is identified, as he may be in communication or association with subjects wanted in the instant case in some Tennessee point.

All offices are requested to withhold active investigation on this matter pending possible identification. If identification is made the Bureau will be advised immediately.

Very truly yours,

D. W. Magee,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Jacksonville, Fla., May 23, 1935.

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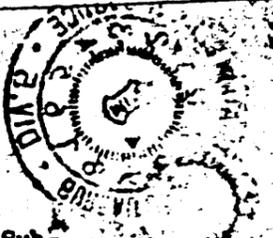
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Cincinnati, Ohio

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

REPORT MADE AT: Cincinnati, Ohio	DATE WHEN MADE: 5-25-35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 5/20 & 23/35	REPORT MADE BY: H. B. Klein
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, IO 1218 DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, IO 1232 HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, IO 1236			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, IO 1237 WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, IO 1238 SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, IO 1239 MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, IO 1241, et al EDWARD GEORGE BREWER - VICTIM.			 MAY 28 1935 DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
<p style="text-align: center;">General Traffic Manager, Cincinnati and Suburban Bell Telephone Co., Cincinnati, Ohio, is unable to locate telephone call emanating from Cincinnati, Ohio, to St. Paul, Minn., telephone number Dale 8465 between the dates of 12-1-34 and 3-1-35.</p>			
REFERENCE:	Report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, St. Paul, Minn., dated 5-1-35.		
DETAILS:	<p style="text-align: center;">AT CINCINNATI, OHIO</p> <p>Mr. A. O. Frank, General Traffic Manager, Cincinnati and Suburban Bell Telephone Co., Cincinnati, was interviewed and agreed to check his records with view of locating the exact point of origin of the alleged telephone call made from Cincinnati, Ohio, between the dates of 12-24-34 and 1-2-35 to St. Paul, Minn., telephone number Dale 8465. Mr. Frank also stated that in the event they were unable to find any record at the Cincinnati Office they would telephone at the company's expense to St. Paul and request that a check be made there for such an incoming call.</p>		
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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>B. J. Fonnally</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	7-576-6125		RECORDED AND INDEXED: MAY 27 1935
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On 5-23-35 Mr. Frank called agent at the Cincinnati Office and advised that their records had been checked from 12-1-34 to 3-1-35 and also communication had been had with the St. Paul Telephone Company and the record of this particular call could not be located.

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Fed. Bur. of Investigation, U. S. Dept.
of Justice, P.O. Box 2118, Detroit, Mich.
(Name and address of Contributor)

Date May 24, 1935

Mr. J. E. Hoover, Director,
United States Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

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

Print Number	Name and Alias	Disposition
Arrested July 31, 1931, Sheriff's Office, St. Joseph, Michigan	JOHN RUSSELL MORAN alias JOHN MORAN	Turned over to Illinois State Authorities. No fingerprints taken or no police number given at time of arrest.

Handwritten initials and scribbles

Very truly yours,

D. L. Nicholson
Special Agent in Charge
(Official Title)

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
Post Office Box 2118
Detroit, Michigan
May 24, 1935

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218 - FUGITIVE,
et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM
Kidnaping - Harboring and Obstruction
of Justice - National Firearms Act

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Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Chicago Bureau office letter of April 24, 1935, to the Detroit Bureau office, requesting that the Detroit office obtain the disposition of the arrest of John Russell Moran, Peoria, Illinois, Police Department #5743, under the name of John Moran, St. Joseph, Michigan.

Special Agent S. L. Fortenberry ascertained at the Sheriff's Office, St. Joseph, Michigan, that John Russell Moran was arrested on July 31, 1931, in company with Gus Winkler, at the time they had a wreck just outside of the city of St. Joseph, Michigan; that Winkler and Moran, who were seriously injured, were taken to the hospital, and that Winkler was later released and placed in the County Jail; that Moran stayed in the hospital for approximately one month, and during that time it was ascertained by the Sheriff's Office that Moran was wanted in Illinois. When Moran was released from the hospital he was turned over to the State authorities of Illinois, and no formal charge was ever entered against Moran by the Sheriff's Office. However, Moran was held pending a charge of drunkenness and of carrying concealed weapons, but such charge was never entered on the Sheriff's arrest docket inasmuch as he was released to the Illinois State authorities. Disposition sheet as to the above arrest is being attached.

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Very truly yours,

D. L. Nicholson

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Post Office Drawer - 1457
St. Louis, Missouri
May 25, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
Cincinnati, Ohio

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases-FUGITIVE I.O.#1218;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases I.O.#1232;
HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases I.O.#1236;
VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases-FUGITIVE I.O.#1257;
WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases I.O.#1238;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases I.O.#1239;
MYRTLE KATON, with aliases I.O.#1241 et al.
Edward George Bremer-VICTIM
KIDNAPING, HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION
OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

With reference to your telegram dated May 17, 1935 in regard to John Russell Moran whom you believed was enroute to St. Louis, Missouri please be advised that an investigation at the St. Louis County State's Attorney's Office discloses that there appears to be no reason for his appearance there in the local criminal case until June 17, 1935 and that office, as well as Deputy Sheriff Newbold who has been cooperating with this office, will advise this office when Moran puts in his appearance.

I interviewed informant [redacted] at the Jefferson Hotel in St. Louis and she advised that she had not seen nor heard from John Moran for quite sometime. It is quite likely that if Moran came to St. Louis that he would contact [redacted] b7c b7d

The Chicago Office telephonically requested an interview with [redacted] in regard to one William Kerin whom they had located in Chicago and who had been identified as Willie Harrison. I ascertained that she had a faint recollection of Willie Harrison mentioning a William Kerin whom she believed was residing at that time at a hotel on the south side of Chicago. However, she requested that she be given a few hours to wrack her memory for a clear recollection of this individual and I shall at that time interview her again for any additional information she may have and transmit same to the Chicago Office.

Very truly yours,

R. E. VETTERLI,
Special Agent in Charge.

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P. O. Box #1156,
Lincoln, Nebraska.

May 24, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

Re: Alvin Karpis, with aliases,
Fugitive, I. O. 1218; et al;
Edward George Bremer, Victim.
Kidnaping; Harboring and Obstruc-
tion of Justice; National Fire-
arms Act.

Attorney Cohen, of Lincoln, Nebraska, who is a friend of
the Sandlovich family and who was recently in St. Paul contacting Mrs.
Gladys Sawyer, called me by long distance today and advised that Al
Sandlovich, the oldest brother of Harry Sawyer, received a letter from
Gladys Sawyer, giving the address General Delivery, St. Paul, Minnesota,
and reading as follows:

"Al: Will you please have an affidavit drawn up and signed
by you that Harry Sawyer is of Jewish parentage and under-
went the rite of circumcision, also your mother's and fa-
ther's names. Have this done as soon as possible and sent
to me. You being the oldest brother, it requires your sig-
nature."

I have no idea what the meaning of this letter is and
Mr. Cohen, on my advice, is advising Al Sandlovich not to answer the
request but to write to Mrs. Sawyer, asking for an explanation why
such an affidavit is desired. Mr. Cohen will inform me if he hears
again from Mrs. Sawyer.

Very truly yours,

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JENNIFER HANLEY,
Special Agent in Charge

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Lexington, Kentucky,
May 23, 1935.

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J. Edgar Hoover, Director,
Division of Investigation,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I have just completed an assignment as special assistant in the Bremer case at St. Paul, Minnesota.

During the five weeks of this trial, I had occasion to come in contact with many members of your Division of Investigation. The young men I met there as special agents had prepared this case in a manner which left nothing to be desired. The credit for the conviction of the criminals who were sentenced in that case must go very largely to the splendid work of the special agents of your department. They had taken care of every detail in the preparation of this case, and to them should go the credit for the winning of the case.

The public is fortunate in having the services of these young men who have in this instance and, I am sure, in all others so loyally devoted their energies to their duties.

Very truly yours,

John Y. Brown

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Mr. John Y. Brown,
Lexington,
Kentucky.

Dear Mr. Brown:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your communication of May 23, 1935 and desire to thank you for your comments relative to the work of the Agents of this Bureau with whom you came in contact in connection with the Bremer kidnaping case.

Permit me to congratulate you also on the splendid manner in which this case was prosecuted. I trust that we may have the opportunity again of collaborating with you in further cases as successfully consummated as this one.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover



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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,
MR. STANLEY.

I thought you might be interested in the attached letter from Mr. John I. Brown of the Department, dated May 23, 1935, relative to his contact with the Special Agents of this Bureau while working on the Bremer kidnaping case at St. Paul, Minnesota.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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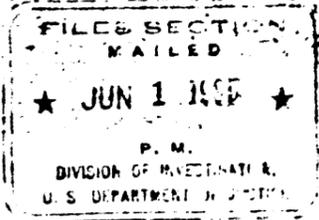
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Respectfully,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure 826632.



JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

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May 24, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

RE: BREMER KIDNAPING CASE

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson	.....
Mr. Baughman	.....
Chief Clerk	.....
Mr. Clegg	.....
Mr. Coffey	.....
Mr. Edwards	.....
Mr. Egan	.....
Mr. Harbo	.....
Mr. Keith	.....
Mr. Lester	.....
Mr. Quinn	.....
Mr. Scheidt	.....
Mr. Schilder	.....
Mr. Smith	.....
Mr. Tamm	.....
Mr. Tracy	.....
Miss Gandy	.....

I called Mr. McMahon's office at 1:20 P.M. Neither Mr. McMahon nor Mr. Gallagher was in. McMahon was not expected in until 3:30 this afternoon and Gallagher was expected some time earlier. I told the young lady who answered the telephone that I desired to see Mr. McMahon or someone representing him in connection with the prospective removal this afternoon of "Doc" Barker to Leavenworth; that the United States Marshal had requested that our Agents accompany as guards; that this had, of course, been refused, first because our Agents are extremely busy, second because it was deemed inadvisable for skilled investigators to act as guards, and further that there would be a divided responsibility which would, of course, be undesirable; that it might be that if the United States Marshal felt he did not have sufficient men he could secure, if he so desired, authority from the Department to hire additional deputies for that purpose.

The young lady said she would convey this message to whoever came into Mr. McMahon's office, and that she expected that one or the other of them would telephone me.

Very truly yours,

H. Nathan.

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U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 515,
Saint Paul, Minnesota

May 25, 1935.

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Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUG.
I.O. 1218. ET AL.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.
KIDNAPING. HARBORING OF FUGITIVES.
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE.
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

This is to confirm my telephone conversation yesterday with Mr. Tamm relative to the departure of ARTHUR "DOC" BARKER from St. Paul at 3:30 P.M., May 24, 1935, for the U. S. Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas.

Chief Deputy U. S. Marshal Steve Picha came to my office yesterday and stated that Deputy U. S. Marshals Bakke and Sandusky, with a civil guard named Kennedy, planned to leave St. Paul with ARTHUR "DOC" BARKER on the Great Western Railroad at 3:30 P.M. for the U. S. Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas. He stated that inasmuch as it would be necessary for the officers and prisoner to travel in a day coach as far as Rochester, Minnesota, he would appreciate the assistance of the Bureau in guarding this prisoner from St. Paul to Rochester. I informed Mr. Picha that it was my understanding that the Bureau did not make a practice in the aiding of transportation of prisoners, but at his request called the Bureau for instructions.

Mr. Tamm informed me that the transportation of prisoners was solely within the province of the Marshal's office and instructed that no action be taken by this office. Mr. Picha was so informed.

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Very truly yours,

H. E. Andersen

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Special Agent in Charge

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May 24, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir: In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1237
WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O. 1238
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239
MERTLE BANTON with aliases, I.O. 1241 et al
Edward George Bremer, Victim - KIDNAPING;
HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE;
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Reference is made to your letter dated May 22, 1935, request-
ing that photographs of WILLIAM J. HARRISON and C. A. WINTERHALTER with
aliases be forwarded to your office; also that your office be furnished
with copies of handwriting specimens of subjects Karpis, Campbell,
Davis, Weaver and Harrison.

In compliance with your request there are transmitted here-
with ten copies of the photograph of William J. Harrison, five copies
of the photograph of C. A. Winterhalter with aliases, and three photo-
static copies of the specimens of handwriting of the above named
subjects.

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS,

Special Agent in Charge.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
Fugitive, I.O. #1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim;
KIDNAPING.

During the week ending May 18, 1935, the following developments have occurred in the above entitled case:

In the robbery at the Edison Appliance Company on May 11, 1935 in Chicago, two guards identified the photographs of Harry Campbell and Volney Davis as having participated in the robbery; however, on May 13, 1935 the Assistant Paymaster, who was forced to accompany the robbers to the door, stated that the photographs of Campbell and Davis did not resemble any of the participants in the robbery. The Pittsburgh Office is checking on a person who wrote a special delivery letter to the Edison Company in Chicago, which letter was postmarked at Charleston, West Virginia. In the letter the writer indicated that she could be of assistance to the company in locating the perpetrators of this robbery. The investigation at Pittsburgh revealed that the writer is mentally deranged.

At St. Paul, Minnesota the jury returned a verdict of guilty as to five of the seven defendants on trial. Those found guilty were Arthur R. (Doc) Barker, Oliver Berg, John Joseph McLaughlin, Sr., James J. Wilson and Harold Alderton. Philip Delaney and William Widler, the money-changers, were acquitted. Life sentences were given to Barker and Berg. The other three have not been sentenced.

At Louisville, Kentucky, Agents from the Indianapolis and Cincinnati Offices have been conducting surveillances of John L. Moran and William Kerin, expecting them to make contacts with members of the Barker Karpis gang. No results have yet been obtained.

Respectfully, *7-576-6133*

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

St. Paul

FILE NO. 7-30

REPORT MADE AT: St. Paul, Minnesota	DATE WHEN MADE: 5-24-35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 5/16-17/35	REPORT MADE BY: S. W. FRANKS
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O.#1218 - FUGITIVE; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O.#1236; VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I.O.#1237 - FUGITIVE; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O.#1232; WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O.#1238; HARRY SAWYER with aliases, I.O.#1240; WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O.#1239; MYRTLE KATON with aliases, I.O.#1241; ET AL. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING - HARBORING FUGITIVES - OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
			
<p>Written statements secured from DR. HENRY H. HALL and ROSINA KAETHER, a nurse, relative to illness of HARRY SAWYER during January 1934.</p>			
<p>DETAILS:</p> <p><u>At St. Paul, Minnesota</u></p> <p>Special Agent in Charge H. E. Andersen of the St. Paul Bureau Office was requested by the Honorable George F. Sullivan, United States Attorney, St. Paul, Minnesota, to have an agent get statements from DR. HENRY H. HALL and the nurse, named named MISS KAETHER, regarding HARRY SAWYER'S illness in January 1934.</p> <p>On May 16, 1935 Special Agent M. E. Curnea obtained a three page written statement from DR. HALL, the contents of which are set out below, and this original statement is being forwarded to the United States Attorney at St. Paul, Minnesota, with his copy of this report:</p>			
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St. Paul, Minnesota
May 16, 1935

"I, Dr. Henry H. Hall, make the following statement to Myron E. Guerna, whom I know is a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice.

"I am a regularly licensed physician and surgeon and am at the present time practicing in St. Paul, with offices at 636 Lowry Bldg.

"I first treated Harry Sawyer on or about August 22nd, 1932. The treatment at this time was for alcoholic intoxication. The last time that I examined him was sometime between February 14th and 16th of 1934. On January 19th, 1934, I was called to his farm where I examined him and found that he was at that time suffering from acute bronchitis in a mild form. When I arrived at his home, he was lying on the day bed listening to the radio.

"Between the dates of Aug. 22, 1932 and February 14th, 1934, I often treated Harry Sawyer for minor ailments, and to the best of my knowledge, was considered as the family physician.

"At no time during my acquaintance with Harry Sawyer have I known him to be suffering from any ailment which would temporarily cause him to be incapacitated to the extent that it would not be possible for him to participate in any normal activity. I have in my possession the records of my treatments given Harry Sawyer by me, which I can use to substantiate the foregoing statements.

"I have read the foregoing three pages of my statement and to the best of my knowledge, all facts contained therein are true.

(Signed) HENRY H. HALL

"WITNESS:

MYRON E. GUERNA, Special Agent,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
232 Old P.O. Bldg., St. Paul, Minnesota."

On May 17, 1935 Special Agent E. M. Franke interviewed ROSENA KAEHER at her apartment, which is located at 457 Marshall Avenue, Apartment 3, St. Paul, Minnesota, and agent obtained from her a four page written statement, the contents of which are set out below, and the original of which is being forwarded to the United States Attorney at St. Paul, Minnesota:

457 Marshall Avenue,
St. Paul, Minnesota,
May 17, 1935,

"I, Rosena Kaether, of 457 Marshall Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota, make the following statement to E. M. Franke, who is known to me to be a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice.

"I have known Dr. Henry Hall, who has an office on the sixth floor of the Lowry Building, St. Paul, Minn., for the past eight years. I am a Private Duty Nurse and now and then Dr. Hall phones me to be a nurse for some of his patients.

"I recall that during the early part of 1934 I was called by Dr. Hall to take care of Francine Sawyer, about five years old, who was in the Childrens Hospital on Pleasant Avenue in St. Paul, Minn., as she had her tonsils removed. As I recall it, I took care of her for three days and on the first day I recall that Mr. & Mrs. Harry Sawyer both came in the afternoon to visit Francine, but I don't recall of Mr. Sawyer coming anymore but Mrs. Sawyer did come. I was on duty there from 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M., and I was relieved by another private nurse whose name is unknown to me now.

"I have just phoned the Childrens Hospital asking for the dates that Francine Sawyer was there and they just advised me that she was there from February 7, 1934 to February 11, 1934.

"A short time after Francine was discharged from the hospital Dr. Hall phoned me and asked if I wanted to make a trip with him, as he was going to see Francine Sawyer. We drove out Rice Street some distance and came to a farm. This is the first time I ever was out here. Upon entering the house I saw Mr. and Mrs. Sawyer and Francine also, and all of them were out in the kitchen as that is where Dr. Hall examined Francine's throat, and I don't recall of seeing any of them laying down while I was there. This trip was made out there during the early part of the evening, the

time I just can't recall, and we stayed there about ten to fifteen minutes, as all Dr. Hall did was to look at her throat and then Francine took me downstairs to see her dog. While down there I saw a young lady who was ironing but was not introduced to her. However, during the Bremer case I again saw this girl on the witness stand and then I met her in the office where they pay the checks and in there we met and said a few words, as I then recognized her as being the girl I met in the basement of Harry Sawyer's home.

"As far as I know of I didn't see Dr. Hall examine Harry Sawyer when we were there at his house as Dr. Hall just went to see Francine. Once again, but I can't recall if it is a week or months later, Dr. Hall and myself drove out there again in the evening but no one was at home. I can't recall the time at all.

"The only two times that I ever saw Mr. Harry Sawyer was the one time at the Childrens Hospital and then at his farm home.

"There is nothing else that I know of about Harry Sawyer except that during the summer of 1934 I took care of Mrs. Gladys Sawyer at the Midway Hospital where she had an operation.

"I have read the foregoing four pages of this statement and it is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

(Signed) ROSENA KANTNER

"WITNESS:

R. M. PRANKE, Special Agent,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
232 Old P. O. Bldg., St. Paul, Minn. "

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CINCINNATI, OHIO** St. Paul FILE NO. **7-30.**

REPORT MADE AT St. Paul, Minnesota	DATE WHEN MADE 5/23/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 4/15 - 5/21/35	REPORT MADE BY R. C. Coulter
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O.1218, FUGITIVE; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O.1236; VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I.O.1237, FUGITIVE; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O.1232; WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O.1238; HARRY SAWYER with aliases;		CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING - HARBORING OF FUGITIVES - OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - NATL. FIREARMS ACT.	
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O.1239; MYRTLE KATON with aliases, I.O.1241; BRUNO PUTAS with aliases; ET AL. - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.			
<p>Synopsis of Facts: Trial commenced at St. Paul, Minnesota, 4/15/35 on indictment charging conspiracy under Act of Congress approved June 22, 1932, Chapter 271, 47 Statutes, 326; 18 U.S.C. 408a, the following defendants being tried: BARKER, WILSON, McLAUGHLIN, FARMER, VIDLER, DELANEY, BERG, ALDERTON, DOYLE, and MURRAY. Subsequent to the beginning of the trial BOLTON entered plea of guilty and sentence was deferred. Government dismissed charges against DOYLE and MURRAY on May 6, 1935. FARMER entered plea of guilty May 13, 1935. VIDLER and DELANEY found not guilty at conclusion of trial May 17, 1935. Jury found BARKER, WILSON, McLAUGHLIN, BERG, ALDERTON, guilty as charged. BARKER and BERG were on the same date sentenced by the court to serve life sentences in institutions to be designated by Attorney General. Sentences as to all others to be disposed of at a later date. BRUNO PUTAS with aliases, discharged from custody 5/6/35. SAWYER presently confined in Ramsey County Jail, default \$100,000 bail bond; refuses to discuss case. Mail covers and various other investigations in district looking toward apprehension of fugitives set out. Confidential informant, name given to Bureau by letter, advises</p>			
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WM. WEAVER purchased a farm in Arkansas between August and October, 1934, and presently residing there; that he has communicated with an Indian prisoner at the Oklahoma State Penitentiary at McAlester. Disposition sheet submitted herewith as to MURRAY, DOYLE, BERG, BARKER, VIDLER and DELANEY. Also Parole Report submitted herewith as to BARKER and BERG.

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REFERENCE:

Reports of Special Agent K. E. McDuire, St. Paul, Minnesota, dated 5/18/35, and Special Agent O. C. Dewey, Omaha, Nebraska, dated March 15, 1935.

DETAILS:

St. Paul, Minn.

Trial in captioned case was started at St. Paul, Minnesota, on April 15, 1935, under the indictment charging conspiracy, returned at St. Paul, Minnesota, Jan. 22, 1935, under act of Congress approved June 22, 1932, Chapter 271, 47 Statutes, 326; 18 U.S.C. 408a, at which time the Government moved for the trial of BARKER, ALLDERTON, FARMER, WILSON, DELANEY, VIDLER, MC LAUGHLIN, DOYLE, and MURRAY. On this date Subject BOLTON entered a plea of guilty and his sentence has been deferred to a later date. The trial was concluded on May 16, 1935, and on May 17, 1935, the jury returned its verdict.

During the trial the Government moved for the dismissal of the conspiracy case as to Subjects DOYLE and MURRAY and they were dismissed on May 6, 1935. FARMER entered a plea of guilty on May 13, 1935, and his sentence has been deferred to a later date. The jury found VIDLER and DELANEY not guilty and they were released from custody on May 17, 1935. The conspiracy indictment returned against them on May 4, 1934, under the same section as previously set out, and the indictment charging the substantive offense returned against them in St. Paul on January 22, 1935, was nolle. The jury found BARKER, BERG, ALLDERTON, MC LAUGHLIN, and WILSON guilty. Immediately thereafter the U. S. Attorney moved for the sentencing of BARKER and BERG and they were sentenced by Judge M. M. Joyce to serve the remainder of their lives in an institution to be designated by the Attorney General. The sentence of BERG was amended to run consecutively with the life sentence he is now serving in the Illinois State Penitentiary at Joliet, Illinois.

By order of the district court, BRUNO PUTAS with aliases, was discharged from custody on May 6, 1935. The conspiracy indictment previously referred to is still standing against PUTAS and will be appropriately disposed of at a later date. However, it is not the intention of the U. S. Attorney to bring this subject to trial in captioned case.

Disposition sheet as to BARKER, BERG, MURRAY, DOYLE, VILLER, and DELANEY is being submitted herewith; also Parole Reports as to BARKER and BERG are submitted herewith.

Malvin C. Passolt, Chief of the Minnesota State Bureau of Criminal Apprehension, advised by telephone at 4:10 P.M. May 17, 1935, that an informant of his, whose name he did not reveal, the man advising that he did not want his name in this matter, had seen KARPIS on LaSalle Avenue about one-half block toward the business district and next to the Maryland Hotel on Friday night, May 10, 1935. This party resides at the Maryland Hotel and knows that KARPIS is not there. With reference to this informant, Mr. Passolt stated that the informant is a man who knows KARPIS without question. PASSOLT stated that he asked this man why he did not follow the party he thought was KARPIS and this man advised that at the time of the meeting they were approaching each other and he, the informant, turned across the street and the reason he did not follow KARPIS was that he did not want to "check out yet". The party thought to be KARPIS was alone at the time but for some reason the informant stated that he thought CAMPBELL was also in town. This party stated he was afraid to report the matter and stated he had waited a week before making the matter known to Mr. Passolt.

In accordance with the foregoing Special Agents M. E. Curran and R. C. Coulter conducted investigation in the vicinity of the Maryland Hotel as well as making all the hangouts in downtown Minneapolis on May 19, 1935. However, no information of value was secured and no person observed who appeared identical to KARPIS.

Prior to the trial previously referred to, a subpoena was issued by the Government for the appearance of JACK PFLEIFFER. However, he apparently secured information regarding same and disappeared. On May 20, 1935, in accordance with previous arrangements, LOUIS BRILL, an attorney, appeared at the St. Paul Bureau Office with PFLEIFFER at which time he stated he knew someone had made inquiry for him at the Radisson Hotel, but he did not have in mind that an effort had been made to serve him with a subpoena; that it was about election time and that he had left then; that he fished some in Northern Minnesota and did not leave the state until May 13, 1935, when he proceeded to Pierre, South Dakota and was married to his girl friend, VI NORDQUIST. The file indicates MR. PFLEIFFER has been living with this lady for several years.

He was very evasive about his exact whereabouts and assured Agent that he had not left the state. He was informed in the event he was indicted for fleeing in interstate commerce to avoid process, all he would have to do would be to prove that he did not leave the state. At that time a day to day subpoena was issued and served on PFLEIFFER by Deputy U. S. Marshall for his appearance from day to day until the November term of court.

As a matter of record, the conversation between PFLEIFFER and this

Agent was heard by Special Agent J. E. Brennan of this office.
With reference to the report of Special Agent O. C. Dewey at Omaha,
March 15, 1935, Special Agent M. V. Kirkland conducted the following investigation at Duluth, Minnesota:

"Inquiry and search at the various country clubs at Duluth, Minnesota and especially at the Woodbine Country Club at Duluth failed to reveal the identity of person known as EMILY LOUISE WOODBINE and a girl known as DOROTHY. These persons were not known at places contacted."

It is believed by Agents Coulter and Brennan that the woman referred to is in fact EMILY LOUISE GORDON whose husband owns and operates the WOODBINE CLUB near Duluth, Minnesota.

During the week of April 21, 1935, one HOLMBERG, who resides in the vicinity of the former residence of HARRY SAWYER, near Smil Lake, reported to this office that he had received rumors that MRS. SAWYER had returned by making inquiry at the store in that vicinity.

Accordingly on the night of April 27, 1935, Special Agents J. E. Rice, M. E. Gurnea, and E. C. Coulter called at this store a short distance east of the farm owned by HARRY SAWYER where ALVIN JUNGBERG was interviewed. He stated that he lives on Smil Lake and at one time did odd jobs around the SAWYER residence; however, he has not seen either SAWYER or his wife for approximately one year; was absolutely positive that they have not returned to that vicinity. He stated that a family by the name of KNOWLES, who reside across the road from SAWYERS have been looking after their property and undoubtedly know if the SAWYERS returned.

Inasmuch as contact was recently made with MR. KNOWLES by Special Agents J. E. Brennan and E. C. Coulter and his cooperation was promised, he was not re-interviewed.

On April 23, 1935, Mr. Edward Bremer telephoned the writer advising that he had learned from his maid that a strange automobile without license plates containing four men had been parked near his home. He stated that his family was considerably concerned over the appearance of this car which seemed to be parked in such a position that the occupants therein could watch his home. He requested an appropriate investigation.

Accordingly, agents from this office proceeded immediately to his home, accompanied by Mr. Bremer, at which time it was found that there was

was no such car parked in the vicinity of his home. Inquiry through the maid at the Bremer home revealed that a driver for the Minnesota Milk Company had informed her of the fact that such a car was parked in the alley in the rear of their home. Accordingly, an appropriate investigation is being conducted through the Minnesota Milk Company.

Mr. Bremer also advised that upon the evening prior to this, two men with a Chrysler Air-Flow, bearing 1935 Kansas plates 8-802, had called at his home and stated that they understood he was selling dogs and inquired concerning same. He requested appropriate investigation relative to this car and accordingly a telegram was forwarded to the Kansas City office requesting information concerning this automobile. Reply was received from the Kansas City Office on April 26, 1935, to the effect that Kansas 1935 license number 8-802 was issued to Kanoter Refining Company, Arkansas City, Kansas for 1934 Chrysler Sedan and that the Kanoter Company was reported reliable and advised that the car in question was presently in possession of their Minnesota salesman C. B. Owens who has an excellent reputation with the company. In view of the foregoing it is apparent there was nothing unusual about the car or occupant.

St. Paul, Minnesota,
April 30, 1935

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent N. E. Gurnea:

Deputy United States Marshal Mr. John J. Kane, Minneapolis, on April 26, 1935, informed the writer that he was living in a flat over a woman who was the estranged wife of one CHARLES FEHLING, who was closely associated with various labor groups in Minneapolis, and who was supposed to have access to various firearms and machine guns; also that one AUSTIN BURTON CARLISLE, residence 3546 Vincent Street, North, telephone, Cherry 2901, who is a moving picture operator at the Bijou Theater, 120 Washington Avenue North, telephone Atlantic 0072, had also informed him that there were at the present time several machine guns in Minneapolis.

No definite information was obtained from either of these people as to the present existence of any machine guns in Minneapolis, and the following information is set out for possible future reference:

The following are the names of the various labor and communistic groups as referred to by Mr. Carlisle:

Teamster Union Local #574; William Brown, President;
M. J. Miller, associated with a union unknown;
Harris, who is the Governor's chauffeur - closely associated;
Roy Wier, State Representative, also associated and gives orders;
Spielman, who is the head of the printing department of the State Capital; also gives orders to this group; and
Two Dunn brothers have served this group in some executive capacity.

The following are the underworld characters belonging to Local Union 219 of the Motion Picture Operators:

Hoover (first name unknown) presently with the Nile Theater.
LeRoy Bradford, business agent;
Charles Fehling;
Cooper, an ex-operator
Nick DePulli;
Bill Madigan, who is the 5th international vice president;

Bob Gretton and Louis Volkmer, at the present time in St. Cloud and Stillwater, Minnesota, respectively for the murder of a man named Miller.

The following narrative surrounding the death of one HOWARD GILFORD illustrates the association of these various men. GILFORD was a previous owner of the Saturday Press, Minneapolis. It was the policy of that paper to expose politicians and political groups. On the day that he was killed, HARRIS, Olson's chauffeur, appeared at police headquarters about 7:00 p.m., which was an hour after the shooting and remained until 12:00 p.m. at night. GILFORD stated before death that he had previously campaigned for Capital Hill and intended to expose all of the leading officials in a radio broadcast. The day before this scheduled broadcast, GILFORD was killed. FEHLING had purchased a shotgun for \$60 or \$65 immediately prior to the killing and sold the same gun for \$10.00 the day following. There was a maroon colored coach, the property of LOUIS VOLKMIER, used in this killing and after a check by the informant, CARLISLE, it was learned that GRETTON, HOOVER, and COOPER had taken that night off in the various theaters where they were employed. GRETTON is the son-in-law of VOLKMIER and COOPER keeps company with VOLKMIER's other daughter. Immediately following the killing, FEHLING took GRETTON to his home and subsequently accompanied him to Chicago where he was registered at an unknown hotel under the name of MITCHELL. There, through TOMMY MALEY, FEHLING obtained a position for GRETTON. Upon GRETTON's return to Minneapolis, he hired Attorney Smilow, who immediately called Melvin C. Passolt, head of the State Bureau of Criminal Apprehension. FEHLING at this time left \$25.00 with Smilow and returned shortly with an additional \$100 for Smilow, to give to Passolt to insure him (FEHLING) against prosecution for harboring a criminal.

GRETTON is supposed to have admitted to CARLISLE that he had dynamited the FALL HEIGHTS and COZY Theaters in Minneapolis. He admitted that he was hired by the "Olson mob" to kill GILFORD and that he has been mixed up in various other sluggings. In making these admissions he also implicated FEHLING, HOOVER, COOPER and a man known as THEOBOLD.

CARLISLE on one or two occasions has contacted GRETTON and VOLKMIER in St. Cloud and Stillwater. GRETTON sent word to CARLISLE that if he were to again interview him at the prison that he would tell the entire story and CARLISLE attempted to interview GRETTON shortly after this at St. Cloud. He was informed by the Warden, who CARLISLE states was appointed by OLSON, that he had received orders that CARLISLE nor any of his associates were at any time to be permitted to interview GRETTON.

GRETTON, FEHLING, COOPER and HOOVER were all at the scene of the killing of LYMAN, Special Deputy Police, during the strike in Minneapolis during July, 1934. Immediately following the day known as "bloody Friday" during the strike, COOPER, FEHLING, GRETTON and HOOVER are supposed to have gone to Fort Snelling where at the intersection of the roads leading to St. Paul and Minneapolis are supposed to have met a freight truck coming from Chicago and removed from the truck several machine guns and two or three cases of ammunition. These cases were supposed to have been labeled "groceries".

MRS. RUTH E. FEHLING advised that on the night these guns were supposed to have come in that FEHLING left their home stating that he was going to Fort Snelling for this purpose but returned several hours later saying that the guns did not arrive. CARLISLE advised that the group on Capital Hill are supposed to have taken up a collection to buy these guns and that a delegate from the Teamsters Union, possibly the Dunn brothers, went to Chicago to effect their purchase.

MRS. RUTH E. FEHLING living at 1519 Park Avenue, Main 6061, gave similar information as that given by CARLISLE and added that MRS. FRANKIE ATWOOD, previously employed as a manicurist at the Majestic Beauty Shop, and who was indirectly the cause of the separation between she (Mrs. Fehling) and her husband, stated that an officer, JULES GUSTAFSON, who Mrs. Atwood has been more or less intimately associated with, stated to her (Mrs. Atwood) that following the Bremer kidnaping, Bremer money was being sold at the court house in Minneapolis at a 20 to 1 ratio; also while Mrs. Atwood was employed at the Artistic Barber Shop operated by two men known as SAM and DAVE, they were supposed to have had a supply of Bremer money and that the reason Mrs. Atwood left this barber shop was because she was in fear of someone being killed over the possession of this money. Mrs. Atwood also advised Mrs. Fehling that the West Hotel in Minneapolis is operated by gangsters and at that time there was also plenty of Bremer money there.

CARLISLE was closely questioned in an effort to ascertain the present location of these guns and it developed that the only information he had was that during the strike a janitress at the Teamsters Union was supposed to have seen a machine gun covered by canvas in the ladies lavatory; also that while eating in a White Castle hamburger place near the Bijou Theater that he overheard a truck driver state that he was going out on Washington Avenue to move the machine guns. He states that M. J. MILLER, who lives at 1112 Broadway, and who is closely associated with the Teamsters Union, the Motion Picture Operators Union and the group on Capital Hill may have these guns in his possession; however, this

was only a supposition on the part of CARLISLE. CARLISLE also stated that J. NEAR, 2212 Howard, Northeast, who operates the place previously owned by GILFORD, may have additional information relative to these men's activities; also that a Mr. Neil, first name and address unknown, and who works for the Film Exchange, is also in a position to have additional information.

CARLISLE and MRS. FEHLING were the only persons interviewed in this matter and were instructed to discreetly inquire about the present location of these machine guns and in the event any tangible information is received to notify this office immediately, which they promised to do.

The following letters of correspondence were received at this office addressed to Belle Born at Mankato, Minnesota:

3/18/35 - 1 letter from Neuenfeldt, Butte, Montana.
3/21/35 - 1 letter from Ethel E. Cheyne, 907 E 81st St. Los Angeles, Calif.
4/1/35 -- 1 letter from Frost and Harty, Mankato, Minn.
4/9/35 -- 1 letter from Mrs. Ethel Cheyne, 907 E 81st St. Los Angeles.
4/10/35 - 1 letter from Mrs. Mae Sporenberg, 516 So. Montana St. Butte, Mont.
4/16/35 - 1 letter - no name - 123 Welch Avenue, Ames, Iowa.
4/18/35 - 1 letter - no name - 124 Martin Avenue, Mankato, Ill.
4/19/35 - 1 letter - no return address - postmarked Ames, Iowa.
4/22/35 - 1 letter from North Star Cooperative Dairy Association, St. Paul, Minnesota.
4/22/35 - 1 letter from Western Union, Mankato, Minn.
4/23/35 - 1 card from "Ethel" 907 E 81st St., Los Angeles, Calif.
4/23/35 - 1 Special Delivery letter from - no name - St. Paul, to Mrs. O. R. Neuenfeldt.
5/1/35 - 1 letter from - no name - 516 So. Montana St., Butte, Mont.
5/3/35 - 1 letter from Morse and Mores, 201 I.O.O.F. Bldg., Mankato, Minn.

It is noted that she apparently receives a considerable amount of correspondence and it is believed by placing appropriate covers on her mail, that her whereabouts can be determined very shortly. It will be noted that copies of this report have not been furnished to all the offices from which Belle Born received correspondence. Owing to the length of the report it is believed that this matter can be more appropriately handled by letter, which will be done in the near future.

On the morning of May 4, 1935, Mr. Tamm of the Bureau advised Special Agent in Charge Andersen, that SAWYER had been taken into custody at Pass Christian, Mississippi on May 3, 1935, and was at that time at New Orleans, Louisiana. Mr. Tamm instructed that certified copy of indictment and warrant for SAWYER be forwarded to New Orleans by Air Mail. Accordingly, on the same date, Assistant U. S. Attorney George Heisey was contacted and he caused to

be prepared the necessary papers on the indictment charging SAWYER with kidnaping under the section of the statute previously referred to in this report, and same were forwarded direct to the Special Agent in Charge at New Orleans on that date in order to expedite the action. The U. S. Attorney advised bail bond had been set by the court in the amount of \$100,000 and in the event SAWYER was able to make same it should be returnable forthwith. SAWYER subsequently arrived at St. Paul, Minnesota, on May 9, 1935 and was immediately taken to the Ramsey County jail. As a precautionary measure in addition to the Deputy Marshall who met the train, Special Agent in Charge Andersen, Special Agents Brennan, Madala, and Coulter met the train and followed the party to the county jail.

Prior to the arrival of SAWYER, GLADYS SAWYER, his wife, called at the St. Paul Bureau Office on April 8, 1935, and advised Special Agent in Charge Andersen, that she was residing at the Marlborough Apartments under the name of GLADYS CLANCY. She stated that she was here for the trial of her husband and would keep in touch with the St. Paul Bureau Office.

She again called at the office on May 10, 1935, for the purpose of seeing her husband at which time she was wearing a very light white coat, and owing to the communication received from the Omaha office indicating she had requested persons in Mississippi to forward her a coat, this agent asked her if she didn't have a warmer coat. She replied that she did have but she was excited when she left Mississippi and had left the coat there. However, she had wired for same to be forwarded to her. A cover was placed on her mail and to date she has received the following communications:

- 1 letter from Mr. W. C. Stephenson, Gulfport, Miss. Route 2. Postmarked Gulfport, Miss. May 7, 1935.
- 1 letter from New Orleans, La. (no name) postmarked May 14, 1935.
- 1 letter from DeDeaux Service, Taxis and Trucks, Pass Christian, Miss., postmarked May 14, 1935.
- 1 parcel, about 3 lbs. from A. W. Burdy, Sidney, Nebraska, received May 17, 1935.

Immediately after SAWYER was placed in Ramsey County Jail during the evening of May 9, 1935, he was interviewed by Special Agents J.E. Brennan and R. C. Coulter of the St. Paul Office from 9:20 P.M. to 10:15 P.M. SAWYER was quite incommunicative but did finally state his name was HARRY SAWYER, that he had it legally changed about two years ago before Judge Haft. He stated after his farm was raided on Saturday during the first part of April, he returned there and remained until the following Monday. He was not definitely asked about his travels and the only statement he made at that time was that he did not return to Minneapolis or St. Paul. When asked about Cleveland, Ohio, he said "You didn't see me there, did you?". When asked about his stay at Pass Christian he stated he had been there five or six months and used the name of "Wright".

Agent Brennan inquired of SAWYER as to where it was that he had met BRYANT BOLTON and he stated that he didn't recall where it was. He was informed that Special Agent Connelly had quoted him as saying that he had met BOLTON in St. Paul, to which SAWYER replied that he had not said that definitely but that he meant that he may have met him in St. Paul or some other place. He was then informed that BOLTON had testified that he, BOLTON, had met SAWYER at ZIEGLER'S PLACE in CHICAGO, to which he replied that "that may be right". He was then informed that BOLTON had testified that he, BOLTON, had met SAWYER at ZIEGLER'S PLACE in CHICAGO during the time BREMER was being held at Bensenville. SAWYER stated that he had not been in Chicago during January or February and everybody knew that.

He admitted knowing HERB FARMER of Joplin, Missouri, and says he may have seen him around St. Paul. In this connection, it is definitely known that in the past FARMER visited SAWYER'S saloon many times and he has been seen in company with FARMER at THE ALAMO, which was formerly operated by BESS GREEN. He admitted knowing VI MATHES and VERNIE MILLER and claims he never saw his own photograph in any Post Office.

On May 10, 1935, while MRS. SAWYER was accompanied to the Ramsey County Jail by Special Agent Coulter, and while she was waiting to see her husband she said the reason she left St. Paul was that MR. COWLEY told her to go as far away from St. Paul as she could, that the Agents would bother her to death. Agent Coulter asked her if it were not a fact that the Agents in the Chicago Office had told her she would not be molested by the Agents of the St. Paul Office as long as she stayed in St. Paul and that she denied that this was true.

MRS. SAWYER further stated that she had lived with her husband in Mississippi since the Sunday before or Sunday after (the Agent not being sure) Thanksgiving 1934. She said she knew she had been followed by Agents since she left New Orleans.

On May 11, 1935, with the permission of the U. S. Attorney, George Sullivan, EUGENE O'SULLIVAN and his partner MR. SOUTHARD, Attorneys 636, Electric Building, 17th and Harney Sts., Omaha, Nebraska, telephone Atlantic 3706, were permitted to visit SAWYER in jail, at which time they were accompanied by JOHN DE COURCY. This agent remained at the south end of the corridor on the third floor, while they were on the north end of the corridor. While Agent made no effort to overhear the conversation, it was impossible not to hear a portion of same. When SAWYER entered the corridor he was addressed by O'SULLIVAN as "Harry" and during the conversation which followed some mention was made of a signed statement and suppression of evidence. O'SULLIVAN told SAWYER not to worry, to which he replied "I ain't worrying". His attorney further advised him not to talk with Federal investigators. SAWYER was heard to state to his attorney that the reason he left here was to find something to do, that he was not making any money around here.

On May 17, 1935, SAWYER was again interviewed at the Ramsey County Jail from 4:10 P.M. to 4:50 P.M. with the exception of approximately 15 minutes, during which time he conferred with JOHN DE COURCY above referred to. At that time I told Sawyer that we were looking for certain fugitives in this case and there was no secret about it, and that I would appreciate any assistance that he might afford. He replied that he didn't know anything about them and couldn't tell me anything. I told him that I did not intend to infer he was a liar, but that I knew he was not telling the truth.

I called his attention to his previous statement about Agents not having seen him in Cleveland, and told him the Government was in a position to prove he was there by at least a dozen reputable citizens of that city, and that he was associated with other members of the mob, and that I was not trying to put his neck in a noose, as admitting that would not put him in a position in which he had not previously been. He still maintained he could tell me nothing, and I told him I would see him again in a month or two, possibly at the end of this month, to which he readily agreed.

At this time SAWYER was in a fairly good frame of mind and was very hesitant about making statements which indicated to the reporting agent that there is a possibility at some future date that he may give some information. During the conversation in order to induce him to talk, mention was made of his farm, his wife, the sentencing of other Subjects, and the name of JACK PFLEIFFER was mentioned.

On the same date ARTHUR BARKER was interviewed after having been sentenced in the morning, and he stated at that time he was born in Aurora, Missouri, and that he will be 36 years old in June. I told BARKER that it was necessary to write a Parole Report and so far there was nothing good that could be said in his behalf and that if he had any information that he wished to impart to the Bureau, that I would be glad to receive it.

He replied that he had nothing to say and if I wanted any information I might see BOLTON. I likewise informed him that we were looking for some fugitives, particularly CAMPBELL, DAVIS, and KARPIS and he undoubtedly had information regarding their location, to which he replied that he knew nothing of their whereabouts and doubted if he could even find them if he were free.

From a confidential source, the name of which has been supplied to the Director by letter dated May 18, 1935, it was determined that he accompanied VOLNEY DAVIS from Kansas City, Missouri to Coffeyville, Kansas, during November, 1934, inasmuch as DAVIS claimed he had business to attend to there. The informant stated he had contacted none of his wife in Coffeyville.

Davis excused himself and upon returning advised he had been to South Coffeyville, Oklahoma where he had met a contact of his, who the informant feels sure is AL SHERWOOD; that DAVIS told him he had learned that WILLIAM WEAVER had purchased a farm in the state of Arkansas a short distance from South Coffeyville and that he was residing there with MYRTLE RAYON; that the farm was probably on a river, at least there was good fishing in the immediate vicinity. He stated DAVIS likewise informed him that he had sent \$300.00 to an individual in the Oklahoma State Penitentiary at McAlester. The informant stated that he could not at that time remember the prisoner's name but that he is an Indian serving a sentence of he believes 25 years for murder, and that the Indian owns considerable oil land in Oklahoma, and that he has a wife and brother who are attempting to keep him in the Penitentiary or at least do nothing to assist him in being paroled, inasmuch as the prisoner's wife and brother are possibly securing more money from the prisoner's property with him in the Penitentiary; that DAVIS informed him WEAVER was willing to put up \$1,000 or had put up \$1,000 which he sent or would send directly to this prisoner in the Penitentiary; that the informant knows from experience that there is a Post Office inside the Penitentiary and that the Postmaster is a Governmental employee and not an inmate of the institution, and that a record is kept of each incoming Money Order.

The informant stated he had no idea as to the name WEAVER is using but in all probability not his own. The informant further advised that before receiving this information from DAVIS that he met an old gambler by the name of GEORGE DUNN in Coffeyville who had asked him if he remembered "Bill" who had worked on the steam lines inside the penitentiary and that he knew it was none other than Bill Weaver, and in conversation with DUNN he stated DUNN informed him likewise that WEAVER had a farm in Arkansas and had invited some of the boys over to fish. He states that DUNN has no regular place of abode and the only thing he knows about him is that b7d

_____ stated that he doubted very much if DUNN is presently in Coffeyville or South Coffeyville and in the event he was he absolutely could not be reached through financial consideration or otherwise insofar as the Government is concerned.

At a later date the informant advised that the first name of the prisoner is "George"; that he was probably sentenced ten years ago from Nowata or Tulsa County Oklahoma; that the Indian is a very large man and by checking the mail he receives, it will be determined that he has received some Money Orders from the State of Arkansas and when these records are located they would undoubtedly reflect the whereabouts of WILLIAM WEAVER as he is quite confident WEAVER is the only one who forwarded the Indian money from the state of Arkansas. The informant further recalled, in fixing the date that DAVIS sent the money to the Indian, that DAVIS said he had approximately 60 days left to get him out before the change in the administration. The informant further advised that AL SHERWOOD works for one WIGHT (not sure of spelling) who is probably WICK CARNES who has a joint in South Coffeyville; that CARNES personally has never

been involved in any trouble. SHERWOOD in all probability has served a sentence. He stated in his opinion SHERWOOD and possibly CARNES will receive mail from WEAVER and if watched long enough WEAVER'S address will undoubtedly be obtained in this way. No mention was made to the informant about mail covers. However, in discussing this matter further at a subsequent date he said it would absolutely be necessary to use every precaution in placing mail covers or making inquiry through the Post Office at South Coffeyville, Oklahoma, as the Post Office over there is "wrong". In any event it was several years ago that he received mail at that place as he received notice that a sheriff was coming down from Kansas and examining his mail. He further stated that South Coffeyville is a very small place and that maybe one reason why the residents are so well informed as to what goes on.

The informant further stated that DAVIS and WEAVER are not on good terms with the rest of the mob and there appeared to be some jealousy among them, but owing to recent happenings that they will all be found together and making WEAVER'S farm their headquarters. He further stated that while he was residing in St. Paul between two and three years ago DAVIS and KARPIS planned to put him on the spot for some reason which he was never able to determine, and that if the Government had not arrested him recently, he was making an independent investigation with a view to locating some of the members of the mob and if he had located them he would probably have saved the Government a lot of trouble.

With reference to DORIS CONNELL he stated she is absolutely in no position to secure information regarding the location of the members of the mob, and knowing her as he does he doubts that she would willingly assist the Government in the event she should secure any information of value.

With further reference to SHERWOOD and CARNES he stated that he did not feel that either of those men could be reached by financial consideration and in the event the wrong thing is done at South Coffeyville, that he personally would have little idea as to where to start looking for any of the members of the mob. He advised that DAVIS informed him that he had visited the farm of his father at infrequent intervals, arriving there late at night and leaving during the early morning hours before daylight. He stated that DAVIS never told him anything about the kidnaping and that he absolutely knows nothing about the details.

With further reference to WEAVER he stated that DAVIS had told him that WEAVER bought a 1934 model, black or all dark colored DeLuxe Chevrolet Sedan with fender wells on either side while at the lake, meaning to the informant while WEAVER was in Ohio. He stated the car was undoubtedly registered in the state of Ohio for the year 1934, but he again did not know under what name the car might have been registered.

Informant further advised that it was useless to send Agent Paul Hanson to Coffeyville or South Coffeyville or any assignment looking toward the apprehension of fugitives who might frequent those places as he apparently has become well known to the hoodlum element and they spot him as soon as he arrives in town.

Reverting back to the Chevrolet Sedan which he alleges WEAVER now owns, he stated that it would be impossible for anyone to register any kind of a car in the state of Arkansas with information only as to the type and motor number. As to the exact location where Weaver is residing he stated he heard Davis discussing this with a friend and heard the name of the town; that the conversation was not plain enough for him to definitely understand the name and inasmuch as he was not supposed to have heard the conversation he could not ask what the name of the town was. He expressed the opinion that Weaver is residing in the vicinity of Siloam Springs, Arkansas. When asked why he believed this he stated he had nothing in particular to base his belief on except for the fact that Siloam Springs is in the Northeast corner in the state of Arkansas and is not very far from South Coffeyville.

In this connection reference has been made to the map of Arkansas contained in the most recent Atlas and it was noted that there apparently are several small rivers in Benton County, Ark., in which county Siloam Springs is located.

When the first information was secured from informant, a letter was addressed to the Oklahoma City Office under date of May 18, 1935, advising that office in substance of the information informant had furnished. There may be, however, a small discrepancy in certain details between the report and letter. However, the report should be considered as correct, inasmuch as the matter was gone over with informant several times.

This informant has indicated the willingness to cooperate with the Bureau with the view to bringing about the apprehension of one or more of these Subjects if and when he is released from custody, and in this connection a letter is being forwarded to the Director under personal and confidential cover explaining all the circumstances.

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Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Will conduct appropriate investigation with a view to locating WILLIAM WEAVER.

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June 5, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases -
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218, et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim;
Kidnaping

Dear Sirs

Reference is made to the parole report prepared by
Special Agent J. E. Brennan, dated at St. Paul, Minnesota May
25, 1935, concerning Arthur R. Barker with aliases.

It is noted on the third page of this report that a
wanted notice is set forth. This wanted notice, however, should
have been omitted and, therefore, the Bureau has prepared cor-
rected copies of Page 3 for submission to the Parole Board.

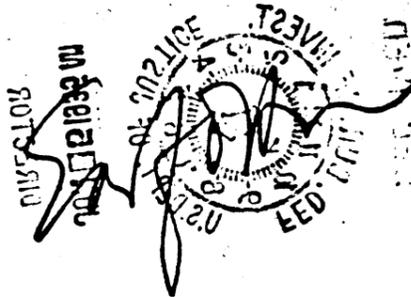
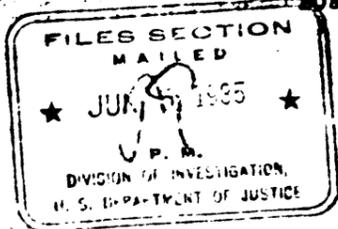
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Very truly yours,

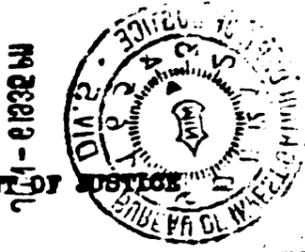
John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Encl. (copies of Page 3 of report of Agt. Brennan,
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE



Form No. 2

This case originated at **CINCINNATI, OHIO** St. Paul File No. **V-30**

Report Made at: St. Paul, Minnesota	Date When Made: 5-25-35	PAROLE REPORT	Report Made by: J. E. Brennan
Name of Convict: ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases		Title of Case: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218, FUGITIVE; ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM. KIDNAPING - HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.	

On or about December 1st, 1933, at St. Paul, Minnesota, ARTHUR R. BARKER conspired with ALVIN KARPIS, FRED BARKER, HARRY CAMPBELL, VOLNEY DAVIS, HARRY SAWYER, WILLIAM WEAVER, and FRED GOETZ to kidnap Edward George Bremer, President of the Commercial State Bank of St. Paul, Minnesota. At about 8:30 A.M. on January 17, 1934, Bremer was kidnaped at the intersection of Lexington and Goodrich Avenues, St. Paul, Minnesota, shortly after he had driven his young daughter to the Summit School. He was transported by automobile from St. Paul, Minnesota, to Bensenville, Illinois, a distance of about four hundred and twenty miles, where he was held until February 7, 1934, at which time he was taken to Rochester, Minnesota, and released after payment of ransom in the amount of \$200,000. On May 4, 1934, ARTHUR R. BARKER was indicted with others by the Federal Grand Jury in St. Paul, Minnesota, on a charge of a conspiracy to kidnap, transport in interstate commerce, and hold for \$200,000 ransom one Edward George Bremer. ARTHUR R. BARKER was arrested by Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation at Chicago, Illinois, on January 8, 1935. On January 22, 1935, the Federal Grand Jury at St. Paul, Minnesota, returned another indictment charging conspiracy against BARKER and others as between December 1st, 1933, and May 1st, 1934, to transport Edward George Bremer from St. Paul, Minnesota, to Bensenville, Illinois, and to hold him for \$200,000 ransom. On this same date, the Federal Grand Jury in St. Paul returned an indictment against BARKER and others charging the substantive offence of kidnaping and transporting Bremer in interstate commerce, and demanding \$200,000 for his release. BARKER was

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brought to trial at St. Paul, Minnesota, on April 15, 1935, on the conspiracy indictment second above mentioned, together with other persons, which resulted in a verdict of Guilty returned as to him, which verdict was recorded on May 17, 1935, and BARKER was thereupon sentenced by United States District Judge M. M. Joyce, to serve the remainder of his natural life in an institution to be designated by the Attorney General.

BARKER was released on a conditional parole from the Oklahoma State Penitentiary, McAlester, Oklahoma, on September 10, 1932. He had been sentenced to that institution on February 10, 1922, to serve the remainder of his natural life, having been convicted on a charge of murder of an officer during a holdup at Tulsa, Oklahoma. He was assisted in the commission of this crime by one VOLNEY DAVIS who likewise on February 5, 1923, was received at the Oklahoma State Penitentiary at McAlester on a life sentence for murder.

This Subject is one of four sons of George E. and Kate Barker, was thirty-six years of age in 1935 and is unmarried; is a native of Missouri. His mother and his brother, Fred, were killed at Oklawaha, Florida, on January 16, 1935, while resisting arrest. His brother, Lloyd Barker, is now serving a twenty-five year sentence in the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, on a mail robbery charge. Another brother, Herman Barker, committed suicide rather than submit to arrest. The files of the Federal Bureau of Investigation indicate that ARTHUR R. BARKER was an associate of VERNE C. MILLER, one of the participants in the Union Station Massacre at Kansas City on June 17, 1933, in which four officers and one convict were killed. He was also an associate of FRANK NASH, the convict killed in this Massacre. He is alleged to have participated in the robbery of the Third Northwestern National Bank in Minneapolis on December 16, 1932, in which two officers and a citizen were killed, as well as bank robberies at Fairbury, Nebraska, and Fort Scott, Kansas. At the time of BARKER's arrest in Chicago, he had in his possession a machine gun, property of the South St. Paul, Minnesota, Police Department, which was taken by the bandits from the Police after two officers had been killed in a payroll robbery committed in South St. Paul in 1933. His previous criminal record as contained in the files of the Federal Bureau of Investigation is as follows:

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Form No. 8

This case originated at CINCINNATI, OHIO

St. Paul File No. 7-30.

Report Made at: St. Paul, Minnesota	Date When Made: 5-25-35	PAROLE REPORT	Report Made by: J. E. Brennan
Name of Convict: OLIVER A. BERG, with aliases.		Title of Case: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218, FUGITIVE; ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM. KIDNAPING - HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.	

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BARKER was in a day or two later and enlisted the interests of DR. MORAN, but as MORAN appeared too enthusiastic, ARTHUR BARKER secured the services of BERG, and HUSSELL GIBSON, above referred to, to watch this DR. MORAN and to guard the money while same was in MORAN's possession. As compensation for this service, MORAN was to pay BERG and GIBSON each two percent of all the money exchanged through MORAN. The money transactions were thereafter conducted in DR. MORAN's room at the Irving Hotel at Chicago, and various quantities of money were exchanged until approximately fifty thousand dollars had been changed to larger denominations. GIBSON and BERG always acted as guards of the ransom money until it was exchanged and the good money delivered to members of the KARPIS-BARKER gang, and BERG received two percent commission for the services performed by him. His association with this gang continued until he was arrested at Chicago, Illinois, on August 18, 1934. On August 30, 1934, he was returned to the Illinois State Penitentiary at Joliet, Illinois, to serve the remainder of the life sentence previously imposed upon him. On May 4, 1934, the Federal Grand Jury at St. Paul, Minnesota, returned an indictment charging conspiracy against BERG and others, to kidnap, transport in interstate commerce and hold for \$200,000 ransom one Edward George Bremer. On January 22, 1935, BERG and others were indicted at St. Paul, Minnesota, charging that between December 1st, 1933 and May 1st, 1934, BERG and others conspired to violate the provisions of the Act of Congress approved June 22, 1932, forbidding the transportation of any person in interstate or foreign commerce, kidnaped or otherwise unlawfully detained, Chapter 871, 47 Statute, 325; 18 USC, 408a, to kidnap the victim, Edward George Bremer and transport him from St. Paul, Minnesota, to Bensenville, Illinois, and there hold him for and demand a ransom of \$200,000. On April 3, 1935, BERG was released from the Illinois State Penitentiary under writ of habeas corpus ad prosequendum, and was brought to trial at St. Paul, Minnesota, on the second indictment above mentioned, on April 15, 1935, which resulted in a verdict of Guilty returned in trial May 17, 1935, as to BERG. He was thereupon sentenced by United States District Judge M. M. Joyce to serve the remainder of his natural life in an institution to be designated by the Attorney General, which sentence will commence at the expiration of the life sentence he was then serving at the Illinois State Penitentiary at Joliet, Illinois.

BERG was fifty-five years of age on April 3, 1935, a citizen of the State of Illinois; divorced. His previous criminal history as contained in the files of the Federal Bureau of Investigation is as follows:

CRIMINAL RECORD

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WANTED: OLIVER BERG, alias OTTO MARCO, as fugitive from
Joliet Pen. (charge robbery); notify PD, Chicago, Ill., per inf.
rec. therefrom 5-17-33. Disappeared while on writ of supersedeas
from SP, Joliet, Ill., per inf. rec. PD, Chicago, Ill., 5-29-33.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
FROM: DIVISION #1 & DIVISION #3

6-3-1935.

TO: Director
 Mr. Nathan
 Mr. Tolson
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 Mr. Quinn
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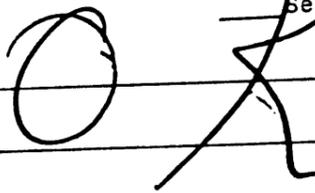
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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

May 23, 1935

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

RE: BREMER KIDNAPING CASE

In accordance with memorandum of even date relative to the report that Alvin Karpis passed through Omaha at about noon by plane for Chicago, in custody of officers, I have had the files searched for any information on one Jake Loque, Purvis having stated that he had heard a statement that a prisoner on said plane was named Jake Loque. There is no record either in the Bureau files, or in the Identification Division, of a Jake Loque.

Very truly yours,



H. Nathan.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

May 23, 1935

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

3:10 P.M.

RE: BREMER KIDNAPING CASE

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In accordance with your instructions, inquiry was made of Hanni at Omaha in connection with the report that Alvin Karpis, in pajamas, heavily manacled, passed through Omaha at about noon by plane for Chicago. Mr. Hanni had received inquiries from the newspapers. It was ascertained that the plane in question was a United Air Lines plane from Oakland; that it did pass through Omaha at noon, and that a stewardess on said plane informed a newspaper man upon its stop in Omaha to the foregoing effect, i.e., that Alvin Karpis, in custody of officers (it is not clear whether they are Government or otherwise) was on said plane en route to Chicago. The same information appears to have been given by the same stewardess to newspaper men who met the plane at Des Moines about an hour afterward. This plane is said to be due in Chicago at 3:30 P.M. In accordance with your instructions I telephoned Purvis, instructing that he send Agents to the airport for the purpose of ascertaining the identity of any individual in custody on said plane. Purvis states that newspaper inquiry of him had been made and that he had heard a statement that a prisoner on said plane was named Jake Loque. Purvis knew nothing of the identity of any Bureau fugitive of this name, nor do I. The files and Identification Division are being searched therefor.

Very truly yours,

H. Nathan
H. Nathan.

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MAY 28 1935

TAMM ONE *d*

Pewaukee Lake, Wis.
May 10, 1935

Dept. of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

I heard last fall one of your Agents had inquired of the Fire Dept. Chief of Pewaukee village about a kidnapper hidden out somewhere around the Lake someone held there had counted 8 steps down in cellar. If you are still interested I believe I can give you the desired information.

Very truly yours,

(8) M. E. Hoffmann
Elmhurst Station T.M.E.R. & L. Co.
#2678
Post O. Box 101
Waukesha, Wis.

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Mr. W. L. Hoffmann,
P. O. Box 101,
Sankata, Wisconsin.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated May 10, 1935, in which you state that a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation had inquired of the Fire Department Chief of Pewaukee Village, Wisconsin, about a hide-out used by kidnapers, in which there were believed to be six steps down into a cellar. You further state that you believe you have information concerning this hide-out.

Please be advised that a search was being made in Wisconsin in an effort to locate the hide-out where Edward George Bremer was held by kidnapers. This hide-out has since been located.

I wish to thank you for your interest in forwarding this information to this Bureau.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc-St. Paul
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FBI

Special Agent in Charge,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with
aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL
with aliases, I.O. 1236; HOLNEY DAVIS
with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1237;
WILLIAM E. EYER with aliases, I.O. 1238;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O.
1239; MYRTLE LATON with aliases, I.O.
1241; et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER,
Victim - KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIRE-
ARMS ACT - CHICAGO FILE NO. 9-82

While Special Agents R. C. Suran, W. C. Ryan and John L. Madala were in St. Paul, Minnesota, for the trial of Arthur R. (Doc) Barker, et al, for the kidnaping of Edward George Bremer, numerous conversations were had between these Agents and John Decourcy, attorney for Doc Barker. During one of these conversations the subject of Dr. Joseph P. Moran arose, whereupon Decourcy stated "You fellows aren't looking for Doc Moran any more, are you?" When Agents replied in the affirmative, Decourcy remarked that Doc Moran is dead and that his body is at the bottom of the Detroit River. The above Agents made numerous efforts to elicit further information from Mr. Decourcy in this regard without avail. However, he did indicate in one instance that Doc Barker was responsible for the death of Dr. Joseph P. Moran. At another time he intimated that the reason Doc Moran was put on the spot was that he knew too much and it was feared that he would talk should he ever be apprehended; also, that the "boys", meaning the Barker-Karpis mob, were very much dissatisfied with the fingerprint and facial operations performed on them by Dr. Moran.

In further reference to this matter, Mr. George A. Heisey, Assistant United States Attorney in St. Paul, Minnesota, who, together with Mr. George F. Sullivan, United States Attorney, handled the prosecution of Arthur R. (Doc) Barker, et al, in the above mentioned trial, advised Agent Madala that he had received information from a very reliable source that Dr. Moran is dead and that his body is at the bottom of the Detroit River. Mr. Heisey would not divulge the source of his information, but merely stated that he is thoroughly convinced that it is true.

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Also, in this connection, it was observed that the St. Paul Daily News published an exclusive copyrighted article on May 8, 1935, to the effect that Dr. Moran was put on the spot by members of the Barker-Karpis crowd. The article related that this information was obtained by them through an informant, name not given. However, it is entirely possible that they obtained this information from John Decourcy.

Your attention is invited to the sworn signed statement of James J. Wilson to Special Agent John L. Madala of this office, dated at Chicago, Illinois, September 25, 1935, contained in the report of Special Agent R. D. Brown, Chicago, Illinois, dated October 1, 1934, in the above entitled case. It will be noted on page 29 of this report that Jimmie Wilson advised that on or about August 1, 1934, while he was at the Casino Club in Toledo, Ohio, Doc Barker informed him that he had been in Detroit, Michigan, and there saw Dr. Joseph P. Moran at a cabaret; that Doc Barker was accompanied by two Italians on this occasion and that when Doc Moran saw them he made the remark "Who are these two 'guins' (Italians) - - It's bad enough to have one side looking for you besides two". At this remark, Doc Barker told Doc Moran that these men could do him more good than harm. According to Doc Barker, Moran also indicated to him at that time that the girl who was with him then had two railroad tickets in her purse, which Doc Barker saw, whereupon Doc Moran made the remark "Don't think I'm going to tell you where I'm going". According to Jimmie Wilson the above meeting of Doc Barker with Doc Moran at this cabaret in Detroit was, according to Doc Barker, purely accidental.

If the information obtained from Mr. Decourcy concerning the death of Doc Moran is correct, it is believed that Doc Moran was killed at the hands of Doc Barker and the two Italians at the above meeting in Detroit. This information is being transmitted to you for what value it may have.

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc-Bureau
St. Paul
Detroit

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

May 25, 1935

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I.O. No. 1218, et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Mr. Hugh Fisher, of the Department, telephoned relative to the above entitled case, advising that he was in receipt of a telegram from Walter L. Barlow, Special Assistant to the Attorney General assigned to prosecute the harboring cases at Miami, Florida. Mr. Barlow advised that the Court had overruled the demurrers filed by the defense attorneys against six harboring indictments and had taken under advisement the demurrers filed in connection with the two indictments charging Joe H. Adams and Henry "Duke" Randall with violation of the National Firearms Act, the demurrers having attacked the indictments on the grounds that the National Firearms Act is unconstitutional.

Mr. Fisher stated that the Department had received the Director's memorandum of May 22, 1935, containing advice that Byron Bolton when interviewed at St. Paul could offer no additional information to sustain the element of notice that the individual harbored by Joe Adams and the other defendants was identical with Alvin Karpis, for whom there was outstanding a Federal warrant of arrest.

Mr. Fisher asked whether any additional information along this line had been obtained by the Special Agents now conducting investigation at Miami, Florida and Habana, Cuba. I advised Mr. Fisher that I understood the Agents had completed their investigation at those points and had recently dictated a report covering their investigations, which has not yet been received at the Bureau. I also advised Mr. Fisher that a copy of this report would be handed to Mr. Barlow at Jacksonville, Florida.

Mr. Fisher stated that in his opinion the Government should endeavor to obtain a continuance until such time as the investigation would disclose evidence that the defendants, in fact, had knowledge of the identity of Karpis.

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Respectfully,

MAY 28 1935

R.F. Newby

MAY 28 1935

KATHEAN JAMES

(no date)

Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

If you want any information in regards to the Bremer case kindly get in touch with me. All the info I can give you will be in regards to your defendant Elser/Farmer.

(8) F. J. Marchol
5655 So. Troy St.
Chicago, Illinois
S Hildebrandt

P.S. Strictly confidential

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May 25, 1935.

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Mr. F. J. Warhol,
5635 South Troy Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your undated post card, addressed to the Department of Justice and received May 22, 1935, wherein you offer to furnish information with respect to Elmer Farmer, one of the individuals in the Bremer kidnaping case.

Please be advised that a copy of your post card has been forwarded to Mr. E. H. Purvis, Special Agent in Charge, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 1900 Bankers' Building, Chicago, Illinois, who will assign an Agent to interview you regarding this matter in the very near future.

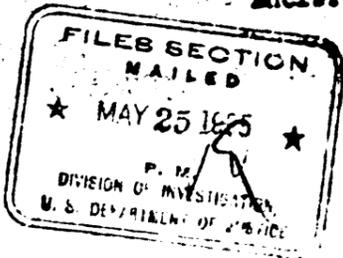
Thanking you for your offer of assistance, I am

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Cincinnati
St. Paul

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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Cincinnati, Ohio**

FILE NO. **7-33**

REPORT MADE AT: San Francisco, Calif.	DATE WHEN MADE: 5/22/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 5/21/35	REPORT MADE BY: V. E. Criss - RM
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; ET AL. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING; HARBORING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"> <p>1934 Illinois License 160451 issued 11/12/34 to O'Brien Motor Sales, 8032 Drexel Ave., Chicago, for 1934 Chevrolet Sedan, Motor No. 4543656, Serial 1 D A07-49267, who sold to the Western Motors, Inc., 6431 S. Western Ave., Chicago, who sold to the Kelley Kar Co., 1225 S. Figueroa St., Los Angeles, Calif., on 11/19/34, who obtained 1934 California license 3 X 730.</p> </div>			
REFERENCE: Summary Report of Special Agent T. D. McDade, Chicago, 4/29/35.			
DETAILS: <p style="text-align: center;">AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA:</p> <p>The National Automobile Theft Bureau, 228 Pine Street, advised by letter that stops had been placed or withdrawn from the files of the California State Motor Vehicle Department as requested by this office upon basis of reference report.</p> <p>They further advised that the Motor Vehicle Department records reflected that on December 18th, 1934, California License 3 X 730 was issued to the Kelley Kar Company, 1225 S. Figueroa Street, Los Angeles, as sole owners for Chevrolet Club Sedan, Motor No. 4543656, Serial 1DA07-49267.</p> <p>Attached to the application for the 1934 license was the engine inspection by J. E. Butler, of the Los Angeles Division of Motor Vehicles, dated December 18th, 1934, verifying the above motor and serial numbers. There was also attached State of Illinois Certificate of Title No. 10-160451 dated November 12th, 1934, in the name of the O'Brien Motor Sales, 8032 Drexel Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, as sole owner of the above car. This is signed, showing sale on October 10th, 1934, to the Western Motors, Inc., 6431 S. Western Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, being Notarized on the same day.</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>Jay C. Newman</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE		7-576-6145 MAY 28 A.M. BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION	
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before Notary Ruth Clyde, and John O'Brien countersigned for the O'Brien Motor Sales. This was also Notarized on November 19th, 1934, before Notary Ruth Clyde, of Cooks County, Illinois, showing sale by the Western Motors, Inc., to the Kelley Kar Company, no address given. The Western Motors, Inc. stamp was countersigned by -- Gunn. 1934 Illinois license was given as 160451.

The Motor Vehicle records further reflect that the Kelley Kar Company on November 15th, 1934, under report of sale T-209314, sold the above Chevrolet Sedan to Woodie Hodge, 804 East 40th Street, Los Angeles, the transfer of record being made on December 31st, 1934, to Woodie Hodge as registered owner and the Kelley Kar Company as legal owner. The car was repossessed on January 24th, 1935, from Woodie Hodge by the Kelley Kar Company, and was sold again on January 31st, 1935, under report of sale D-214876 to Mrs. Jean McCoy, 1232 Temple Street, Los Angeles, who as registered owner obtained 1935 California license 8 D 5369, the Kelley Kar Company remaining the legal owner.

The reference report reflects that the above car was purchased by Arthur Barker, as H. J. Morley, 33¹/₂ Summit Avenue, Toledo, Ohio, on August 3rd, 1934, and bore 1934 Ohio license K74235.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE CHICAGO OFFICE, at Chicago, Ill. will ascertain from whom the O'Brien Motor Sales, 8032 Drexel Avenue, purchased Chevrolet Sedan, Motor No. 4543656, Serial 1DA07-49267, and make any other pertinent investigation.

ALL BUREAU OFFICES who have had stops placed on the above Chevrolet Sedan with State Motor Vehicle Departments will take steps to have same removed.

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KAT:JAM

May 24, 1935

7-576-6146

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,
MR. WILLIAM STANLEY

I have been advised by the Special Agent in Charge of the St. Paul Office of the Bureau that Arthur "Doc" Barker, recently sentenced at St. Paul, Minnesota to a term of life imprisonment for the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, is to be removed to the Leavenworth Penitentiary this afternoon for incarceration in that institution. The brother of Arthur Barker, one Lloyd Barker, is presently serving a 25-year sentence in the Leavenworth Penitentiary, and I believe it is very undesirable to place these two individuals in the same institution. Arthur Barker is a criminal of great craft and cunning, and he is personally acquainted with a number of the inmates of the Leavenworth institution, who, I am informed, are very friendly inclined towards him. I believe that the incarceration of Arthur Barker in Leavenworth Prison is both undesirable and dangerous.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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May 22, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

2:45 P.M.

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Education Penitentiary

While talking with Mr. Coulter at St. Paul this afternoon, concerning the prospective sentence to be given Byron Bolton, to whom the Bureau owes considerable in connection with information furnished in the matter of the Bremer hideout, and from whom the Bureau will expect considerable in connection with prospective testimony to be given him in the cases of four as yet unapprehended defendants, I inquired when Arthur "Doc" Barker was to be taken to Alcatraz or wherever he is to be taken. Coulter stated he believes Barker will be taken to Leavenworth the latter part of the week. It will be noted that it is the apparent intention to take Barker to Leavenworth rather than to Alcatraz.

Very truly yours,



H. Nathan.

Send memo to Stanley re this. I believe the other Barker boy is in Leavenworth. It certainly would be undesirable to place the two in the same place.

Memo Stanley 5-20-35

J. E. N. JUN 1 1935

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Cincinnati, Ohio.**

FILE NO. **7-24**

REPORT MADE AT: Jacksonville, Fla.	DATE WHEN MADE: 5-23-35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 5-1 to 21-35	REPORT MADE BY: S. K. McKEE
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218, FUGITIVE; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236; VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1237;		CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.	
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O. 1238; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. 1239; MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O. 1241; et al EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.			
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:		<p>Signed statements furnished by prospective witnesses in Havana, Cuba, relative exchange of ransom money for large bills by Cassius McDonald in September, 1934. Employees of Hotel Nacional, Havana, in signed statements establish presence of McDonald and Harrison at Hotel in September, 1934. Bank and Hotel records, supporting above statements, obtained. "El Avance" only Havana newspaper carrying Karpis' photo prior his departure. Photo appeared 12-4-34. Ransom money in Havana Banks checked against Bureau list. Search of records of Cuban telephone company located four calls to Varadero Beach, Cuba from Heller, Hotel Parkview. Employees Hotel Parkview unable to supply data of value. McDonald did not establish contacts with any one in Cuba during September, 1934, regarding acquisition gambling concessions. Contacts were made, however, during Spring of 1934, and January, 1935. Search of telegraph company records in Havana, indicate Jimenez on 12-15-34 and 12-18-34 cabled McDonald in Detroit and Cleveland, the latter message being sent to address of Harvard Club. McDonald's contacts with Ambassador Caffery and Consul Cameron were entirely official. No additional data secured.</p>	
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from Karpis' servants at Varadero Beach, Cuba. Letters from Heller to Mrs. Leonora Bermudez state Heller in touch Karpis following departure. Numerous telegrams located at Miami, which Tomas Renedo admits sending and receiving for McDonald, one message being from Art Hebebrand. Joe Adams and Duke Randall furnished additional handwriting specimens. F. P. Malone, Miami Daily News, talked with Adams on telephone 1-16-35, advising him of Oklawaha shooting; connections of Barker and Karpis with Bremer case.

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REFERENCES:

Reports of SAC J. H. Hanson, Jacksonville, Fla. 2-20-35; and 4-23-35; Special Agent R. D. Brown, Jacksonville, Fla., 2-25-35; Special Agent S. K. McKee, Jacksonville, Fla., 3-30-35; Bureau letter dated 4-11-35.

DETAILS:

AT MIAMI, FLORIDA:

This is a joint report of Special Agents W. E. Peters and S. K. McKee.

Upon arrival at Miami, Florida, an interview was had between Agents and Mr. Walter L. Barlow, Special Assistant to the Attorney General, who has been designated to handle the prosecution of the harboring cases at Miami, Florida; and he requested with respect to the investigation to be performed in Havana, Cuba, that signed statements be secured from all persons who had knowledge of the various transactions in connection with the exchange of ransom money for large bills by subject Cassius McDonald; also from persons who could identify McDonald and William J. Harrison as having been together in Havana, Cuba, during September, 1934.

Mr. Barlow also requested that investigation be conducted regarding the contents of the two brief cases found in possession of Cassius McDonald at the time of his arrest in West Palm Beach, Florida.

by Bureau Agents. The purpose of these inquiries being to ascertain if he was in fact in Cuba for the purpose of either renting or purchasing gambling concessions.

Mr. Barlow advised at this time that he anticipated securing new indictments before the Grand Jury which meets in Miami, Florida, on May 27, 1935, stating in this connection that some of the present indictments are fatally defective.

He also advised that there has been considerable delay in copies of Bureau reports reaching him. The reason for the delay being that the reports were forwarded to the Office of the United States Attorney at Miami, Florida, and subsequently remailed to him at Washington, D. C. Mr. Barlow asked that copies of all reports relating to the harboring cases in Miami, Florida, be mailed to him at Washington, D.C. in order that he may receive same as soon as possible.

AT HAVANA, CUBA:

Upon arrival of Agents in Havana, interview was had with Ambassador Jefferson Caffery, and he was informed that Agents would be in the City engaged on official business for possibly two weeks; further that Agents would communicate with him as soon as their business had been concluded and advise of the date of departure.

The following Havana daily newspapers were searched for the period of March 1, 1934 to January 1, 1935, in an attempt to locate a photograph of Alvin Karpis:-

Diario De La Marina	(Spanish)
El Mundo	(Spanish)
El Pais	(Spanish)
Havana Post	(English)

Although numerous photographs of John Dillinger, Baby Face Nelson, Helen Gillis, Former Inspector Cowley and Former Agent Hollis were located, no photograph of Karpis could be found.

At the office of "El Avance", it was ascertained that this paper, published in Spanish, was known as "Informacion" up to and including September 29, 1934, on which date, its publication was discontinued. All of the previous files of "Informacion" have been destroyed and therefore could not be searched. On October 17, 1934, the paper "El Avance" took over the old establishment of "Informacion" and the files of "El Avance" were searched from October 17, 1934, to January 1, 1935.

Under date of December 4, 1934, there appeared in "El Avance" a two column group of photographs, approximately four inches in height, showing the photographs of Alvin Karpis, Arthur Barker, John Hamilton and Thomas Robinson. A literal translation of the Spanish under this group is as follows:-

"Gentlemen of Gangland"

"These four individuals who are on file with the Justice Department of the United States as Public Enemies, and orders have been issued for their arrest wherever they can be found. Their names from left to right, Alvin Karpis, Arthur Baker, John Hamilton and Thomas J. Robinson, Jr."

There was only one copy of the issue of December 4, 1934, in the files and the officials declined to turn this over to Agents. However, Mrs. Leonora Bermudez was found to have a copy of this photo as it appeared in "El Avance".

On the possibility that a wanted notice for Karpis might have been placed on display in the Central Post Office, it was believed advisable to inspect the bulletin board. Several Post Office Department Wanted Notices were on display but there were no Bureau wanted notices displayed.

At the National City Bank, Special Agent S. K. McKee checked the ransom money, which had been located in that institution, against the numbers of the individual bills as they appear in the ransom list which was distributed to Banks. There was a total of \$12,760.00, all of which was in ten dollar bills. An appropriate mark was placed opposite the number of each bill.

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At the Federal Reserve Bank Special Agent McKee, also, checked the numbers of the ransom bills, held in that institution, against the same list; and, different marks were placed opposite the number of each bill. There was a total of \$1,130.00 in five dollar bills and \$260.00 in ten dollar bills.

The list of ransom bills, which was used in checking the bills at The National City Bank and the Federal Reserve Bank in Havana will be made a part of the Jacksonville Office file in this matter. This list is signed by Agent McKee, shows the dates on which the money at the respective Banks was checked, as well as a legend of the check marks used to indicate the two different Banks.

The wrappers which were used by the National City Bank in wrapping the twenty-five five hundred dollar packages of ten dollar bills, which packages were found intact, were secured by Agent McKee and will be made a part of this file in the Jacksonville Office. Five of these wrappers are dated September 6, 1934, bear the initials of Teller Nicholas Rodriguez and Eusebio Dominguez, Vault Custodian. These are the wrappers which were around the five packages of bills received by the Bank on September 6, 1934, for deposit from Mir and Guas, Cuban gold house.

J. F. Dawson, Sub-Manager, National City Bank of New York was interviewed relative to obtaining signed statements from the Bank employees, reciting their connection with the transfer of the ransom money. Mr. Dawson stated that, inasmuch as these statements were being obtained from the witnesses as employees of the Bank and not as private individuals, he could not grant them authority to sign the statements until he had communicated with the head office of the Bank in New York, which he did by cable. In reply, he received a cable from the head office stating that signed statements could not be furnished unless copies of the statements were left with the Bank and unless the request for these statements was made in writing, stating the purpose for which the statement was being obtained. Mr. Dawson was advised that the leaving of copies of statements was contrary to Bureau policy and that Agents had not the authority to deviate from this policy.

A long distance call was made to Special Agent in Charge R. A. Alt, at which time he was advised of the situation. He later advised that he had communicated with Mr. Tamm of the Bureau, and that it would be to the satisfaction of the Bureau to permit the National

City Bank to retain copies of the signed statements. He also advised that Agent McKee was authorized in this instance, to prepare a letter, for his signature, to the Bank setting forth the information desired. Such letter was prepared and a copy of same is in the Jacksonville File.

At a later date, Mr. Dawson, advised that he had received a second cable from his New York Office authorizing him to furnish signed statements without retaining copies. He felt, however, that inasmuch as the previous cable had been received, the instructions contained in this cable should be complied with and, therefore, copies of all signed statements were retained by Mr. Dawson. After these preliminaries had been disposed of, signed statements were obtained from the following employees of the National City Bank, the originals of these statements being retained in the Jacksonville File: - C. F. Elsner, Oliverio Agüero, Nicholas Rodriguez, Eusebio Dominguez, and Luis Garcia:

Havana, Cuba
May 10, 1935

I, C. F. Elsner, desire to make the following voluntary statement to S. K. McKee and W. E. Peters, Special Agents, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Dept. of Justice.

At the present time, I am sub-manager of the Havana, Cuba, branch of the National City Bank of New York, and have held this position for five years. I have been connected with the National City Bank of New York for 21 years.

On September 5, 1934, a Cuban broker known to me as Juan B. Ruiz, telephoned to the bank and asked me if bank would be interested in purchasing \$14,000 in gold coin at the rate of \$1.67½. I was interested in making the purchase, as I knew from my personal knowledge, that the market for gold was firm and that it was being exchanged at the rate of \$1.68½. I informed Ruiz that the bank would make the purchase at the rate of \$1.67½. Ruiz informed me that he would come in later with the seller of the gold, but I did not believe that he would return, knowing that he could secure more for the gold elsewhere.

However, later the same day Ruiz did return, and I observed him at the window of Teller #4, the same being Luis Garcia. I went over to this window.

I was suspicious of the transaction and instructed the teller, in Spanish, to check the gold very carefully. At that time I noticed that it was an American who was the seller of the gold, and that, in addition to Ruiz, this American was accompanied by a man known to me as Rene Bolivar. In order to more closely observe this American, I asked him how he desired payment to be made, whether in large bills or small bills, and he stated that he desired \$1,000.00 bills.

At that time, I noticed that this American had brought only \$11,000.00 in Cuban Gold to the bank, whereas the contract with Ruiz called for \$14,000. I asked Ruiz where the remaining \$3,000.00 was, and he informed me that it was at the Mercantile Nacional, S. A. and that it would be brought to the National City Bank the following day. Believing that the Gold might have been secured with counterfeit money, I telephoned to Mr. Menéndez at the Mercantile Nacional, who informed me that the Gold had been purchased with small American bills, that these American bills had been examined, found to be all right, and they had been accepted for deposit.

As I desired to know more about the American who made the exchange, I got in touch with Juan Ruiz and he came to the bank. He informed me that the American had left for Miami and that this American had informed Ruiz, that he expected to return to Cuba in the near future and would bring with him the \$3,000.00 necessary to complete the contract. Ruiz also informed me that this American, who he had met thru Rene Bolivar, expected to bring more money upon his return to Havana, and that larger deals would take place at that time. Ruiz was unable to give me the name of this American, or any other information concerning him.

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The photograph of a man who, I am told, is Cassius McDonald has been displayed to me, and I am positive that this is the same individual who I observed in the National City Bank, in company with Juan Ruiz, and Rene Bolivar, at the time the \$11,000.00 was exchanged.

I have examined the exchange records of the bank, all of which records being made under my supervision, and are either made by me or my secretary, Oliverio Aguero. I have located the original record covering the purchase on Sept 11, 1934, of \$50,000 in small American bills from the Chase Nat'l Bank. The Chase Nat'l Bank received \$50,000 in large bills in this exchange, and paid a premium of \$15.63 on this transaction, this premium amounting to 1/32 of one percent. A carbon copy of the original record covering this transaction, which record was made out by Aguero, has been turned over to the Agents to whom this statement is being made.

When small bills are purchased by the bank, they remain in the vault until such time as some of the tellers or the custodian of the vault have an opportunity to count and strap them. Depending on whether the bank has a need for small bills, such bills upon purchase, may remain in the vault for a period of from several days to two weeks before they are counted and strapped.

/s/ C. F. Elsner

All of the statements made by me as set forth above have been made in response to oral interrogations of the herein named Agents, and, in response to the written request contained in the letter of Agent S. K. McKee directed to the National City Bank of New York, Havana, on May 10, 1935.

/s/ C. F. Elsner."

Witnesses

W. E. Peters, Special Agent
S. K. McKee, " "
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Dept. of Justice."

Havana, Cuba

May 10, 1935

I, Eusebio Dominguez, make the following statement to W. E. Peters and S. K. McKee, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice.

I have been employed by the National City Bank at Havana, Cuba, for the past twenty-three years; and, for the past nine years have been a sub-accountant in charge of the cash department. I reside at 6th St., 248, in the Vedado section of Havana.

During February 1935 Special Agent S. K. McKee came to the bank and asked me to search the paper monies on hand for \$5.00 and \$10.00 bills issued by the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis, Minn. This search resulted in the location of five packages of such bills, all of which were of \$10.00 denomination. I, also, found about twenty-six such bills, but these bills were scattered among various packages of \$10.00 bills. The five packages of bills which I located were wrapped in National City Bank wrappers and bore the stamped date of Sept. 6, 1934. My initials and the initials of Nicholas Rodriguez appeared on each package indicating the bills had been counted and strapped by Rodriguez on that date; and, recounted by me later. I noticed that the five packages of bills were discolored on one end; and, for this reason, I recalled a package of \$10,000.00 in ten dollar bills which had been in my custody on several occasions during the several preceding months. I made inquiry of other banks with the result that the package of bills was located at the Cuban Treasury.

I obtained the package of bills from the treasury and found they were issued by the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis, Minn. One end of the package was discolored like the five packages I had found in the National City Bank vaults. There were twenty packages of bills in the total bundle, each package containing fifty ten dollar bills. They were strapped with National City Bank wrappers, which bore my initials and the date of Sept. 21, 1934, indicating they had been received at the bank a day or two prior to the stamped date and had been counted by me.

These twenty-five packages of ten dollar bills and the loose ten dollar bills were kept in my possession in the vault until the early part of May 1935 at which time Special Agent McKee examined them and compared the serial numbers with a printed list he had with him. He, also, removed the wrappers in my presence and took possession of the wrappers.

After these bills had been located I had prepared a typed list of the serial numbers appearing on them, which list I have kept in my possession.

All of the statements made by me as set forth above have been made in response to oral interrogations of the herein named Agents, and in response to the written request contained in the letter of Agent S. K. McKee directed to the National City Bank of New York, Havana, on May 10, 1935.

/s/ E. Dominguez

Witnesses:

W. E. Peters, Special Agent,
S. K. McKee " "
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Dept. of Justice."

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"Havana, Cuba
May 10, 1935

I, Luis Garcia, desire to make the following statement to S. K. McKee and W. E. Peters, Special Agents, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Dept. of Justice.

This statement is made by me to the above named Agents with C. F. Elsner, sub-Manager of the National City Bank acting as interpreter.

I am employed as a teller in the Havana, Cuba, branch of the National City Bank, and have been in the employ of this bank for 14 years. In September, 1934, I was Teller #4.

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A photograph of a man has been shown to me and I have been informed that it is a man by the name of Cassius McDonald. I am not positive that I know this man but I feel certain that if I ever see this man in person instead of a photograph, I would be able to state positively whether or not I have ever seen him before.

I recall that sometime ago, I had a gold transaction with a man who somewhat resembles this photograph.

I recall that he was exchanging Cuban Gold for American one thousand dollar bills. I recall very distinctly that while the transaction was going on Mr. Elsner stepped up to my cage and said to me in Spanish, "Count the money very carefully and check the gold very carefully", I checked the money very carefully after this warning and found it to be in order.

I am well acquainted with Juan Ruiz and Rene Bolivar and I know that Ruiz was present at the time this exchange occurred, but I did not see Bolivar. I recall that when I counted out the money, I gave it to Ruiz and Ruiz gave it to the American who accompanied Ruiz.

All of the statements made by me as set forth above have been made in response to oral interrogations of the herein named Agents, and in response to the written request contained in the letter of Agent S. K. McKee directed to the National City Bank of New York, Havana, on May 10, 1935.

/s/ Luis Garcia

Witnesses

W. E. Peters, Special Agent
S. K. McKee, " "
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Dept of Justice."

Havana, Cuba
May 10, 1935.

I, Oliverio Aguero, desire to make the following voluntary statement to S. K. McKee and W. E. Peters, Special Agents, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice.

I am employed at the Havana, Cuba, branch of the National City Bank and have been so employed for eleven years. At the present time, I am secretary to C. F. Elsner, Sub-Manager of the Havana branch.

In the early part of September, 1934, as Secretary to Mr. Elsner, I was informed that some Cuban Gold was to be brought into the bank by Juan Ruiz in exchange for American currency at the rate of \$1.67 $\frac{1}{2}$, and I was instructed by Mr. Elsner to handle the transaction.

Sometime later, Ruiz, with whom I am personally acquainted, came up to the exchange window. He was accompanied by a man who appeared to be an American, and a man who appears to be an Cuban, but this Cuban did not come clear up to the exchange window. Ruiz informed me that he had brought \$11,000 for exchange and I made out the purchase ticket in my own handwriting. I informed him that it would be necessary to insert in the purchase ticket the name of the actual seller of the gold and Ruiz informed me that he didn't know how to translate into Spanish the name of the seller, and instructed me to insert his, Ruiz, name in the contract, which I did.

I have been shown a photograph of a man who, I am informed, is Cassius McDonald, and I desire to state that I believe it to be that of the individual who accompanied Juan Ruiz at the time this money was exchanged, and who Ruiz informed me was an American. I think that I would recognize this man again if I had an opportunity to see him again in person.

All of the statements made by me as set forth above have been made in response to oral interrogations of the herein named Agents, and, in response to the written request contained in the letter of Agent S. K. McKee, directed to the National City Bank of New York, Havana, on May 10, 1935.

/s/ O. Aguero

Witnesses:

W. E. Peters, Special Agent

S. K. McKee

Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Dept of Justice

Havana, Cuba,
May 13, 1935.

I, Nicholas Rodriguez, make this voluntary statement to W. E. Peters and S. K. McKee of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice.

I have been in the employ of the National City Bank in Havana for the past fifteen years. During the month of September 1934, I was working as a receiving teller at window #9.

I have been shown an original deposit ticket dated Sept. 6, 1934, which shows that a deposit of \$5500 in currency was made by the firm Mercantil Nacional S.A. on that date. I received this deposit. I have, also, been shown five wrappers, used in wrapping currency in the bank, and I can state that each of these five wrappers were used by me on Sept. 6, 1934, inwrapping packages of ten dollar bills, fifty bills being contained in each package. The wrappers bear my initials and the stamped date of Sept. 6, 1934.

/s/ N. Rodriguez

All of the statements made by me as set forth above have been made in response to oral interrogations of the herein named Agents, and, in response to the written request contained in the letter of Agent S. K. McKee, directed to the National City Bank of New York, Havana, on May 10, 1935.

/s/ N. Rodriguez.

Witnesses:
W. E. Peters, Special Agent,
S. K. McKee
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Dept. of Justice.

Mr. Dawson also stated that the Federal Reserve Board has a rule to the effect that it cannot exchange one kind of currency for another without the payment of \$1.00 per thousand on the exchange. Inasmuch as the National City Bank is holding approximately \$13,000 in ransom bills, it was felt that it would be the desire of the Bureau to have this money withdrawn from circulation and turned over to the Federal Reserve Board, the same to be forwarded to the Treasury at Washington for mutilation, in order to avoid needless investigative activity which would have been the natural result of the return of this money to circulation. Mr. Dawson was of the opinion that this expense was not one which should properly be borne by the Bank, and inasmuch as the mutilation of the currency was for the convenience of the Bureau, the Bureau should pay the expense of the exchange.

Agent McKee, at the time of conferring with Special Agent in Charge R. A. Alt relative to the securing of the signed statements, also informed Mr. Alt of the situation relative to the removal of this currency from circulation, and asked to be advised as to the Bureau's desires in the matter. Under date of May 10, 1935, SAC Alt advised that the Bureau had authorized the payment of the \$13.00 to the National City Bank. This payment was made, the money was turned over to the Federal Reserve Bank at Havana, and H. G. Frazer, Manager of the Federal Reserve Bank, advised that the money would be forwarded to Washington for mutilation on May 17, 1935.

Louis S. Rosenthal, Vice-President, Chase National Bank, was interviewed relative to the obtaining of signed statements from the bank employees setting forth their connection with the exchange of ransom bills. He stated that, inasmuch as these statements were to be taken as employees of the bank and not from the witnesses as individuals, he would be required to communicate with the head office of the bank in New York City before this authority could be granted, and he also stated that he desired that the request for these statements be made in writing setting forth the purpose for which they were to be used.

Bureau authority having been granted, Agent McKee prepared a letter for his own signature setting forth the request and the purpose for which these statements were being obtained. Mr. Rosenthal later advised that he had received a cable from his New York office authorizing him to permit the employees of the bank to execute signed statements. After being so advised, Agents obtained signed statements from the following employees of the Chase National Bank, which statements are being retained in the Jacksonville File:- Jose Manual Zalacain, Joseph Garrido and Jose Feijoo:

Havana, Cuba.
May 11, 1935.

I, Joseph Garrido, make this voluntary statement to S. K. McKee and W. E. Peters, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice.

I am employed at the Havana Branch of the Chase National Bank as head of the accounting department. I have been in the employ of the bank for eight years.

On Sept. 10, 1934, Mr. Jose Zalacain, head of the exchange department, told me that Rene Bolivar would come to the bank in a short time with \$72,000 in American bills of small denominations. He told me to see that the bills were counted and to pay Bolivar in large bills. There was a discount charged on the transaction.

Shortly thereafter Bolivar came to the bank with a man who appeared to be an American. This man appeared to be about forty-five years of age, five feet ten inches in height, weighed about one hundred seventy pounds, had gray hair, and a florid complexion. This man had a newspaper package and a handbag with him which contained seventy-two packages of mixed five, ten and twenty dollar American bills. Each package was held together with rubber bands.

This money was turned over by me to Jose Feijoo, my secretary, to be counted. While the counting was taking place Bolivar and this man were talking and I heard that the stranger was connected with Col. Sabbath of Chicago, Ill. and had come to Havana to take over the race track. I cannot remember whether Bolivar introduced me to this man, or if I ever heard his name.

After Feijoo told me that he had counted the small bills and found the total to be correct I secured \$72,000 in large bills from the paying teller and delivered them to this man. The discount for exchanging the bills was paid by the stranger. I remember that I gave him an unbroken package of fifty one thousand dollar bills, several loose one thousand dollar bills, and the balance in loose five hundred dollar bills.