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I have been shown a photograph which I am told is that of Cassius McDonald. I recognize it _ that of the American who came to the bank with Rene Bolivar and to whom the $72,000 in large bills were paid. I am positive that I would recognize this man again if I saw him.

At the time I received the small bills from McDonald I did not notice on what bank they were drawn - as I did not have them in my possession but a shor t time. I can only state that they were american bills of five, ten, and twenty dollar denominations:

I have read this statement consisting of three pages and know thatcontents to be the truth.

J. Garrido

Witnessed:

S. K. McKee, Special Agent
W. E. Peters " "
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice."

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"Havana, Cuba,
May 11, 1935.

I, Jose Manuel Zalacain, make this statement to S. K. McKee and W. E. Peters of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice.

I am employed as head of the exchange department at the Havana Branch of the Chase National Bank. I have been in the employ of the bank over eleven years.

On September 10, 1934, Rene Bolivar, whom I have known for several years, and who was working as a broker, came to the bank and told me he had a customer who had $72,000 in small

American bills which he wanted to change for large bills. He asked if the bank would handle the transaction and what discount would be charged. I told him that we could handle the changing of the bills and that thirty cents per hundred would have to be charged. He agreed to this arrangement.

A little later in the day, and as I was going out to lunch, I again met Bolivar and he complained that thirty cents per hundred was too high a figure to pay. I then told him that we would handle the transaction for twenty cents per hundred. I told Joseph Garrido that Bolivar was coming in with the small bills and asked him to see that they were counted and to make payment in large bills.

During my conversations with Bolivar regarding this matter he was alone. When I returned from lunch the deal had been concluded.

On the following day, Sept. 11, 1934, I approved the sale of $50,000 worth of these small bills to the National City Bank. The remaining $22,000 were included in a total sale of $25,000 on the same date to the Banca Commercial. I can produce the original record of the bank to show this transaction.

During a later conversation with Bolivar he told me the man who had exchanged the small bills was in Havana for the purpose of taking over the race track.

/s/ J. M. Zalzcain

Witnessed:

W. E. Peters, Special Agent,
S. K. McKee, " "
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice."

"Havana, Cuba,
May 9, 1935.

I, Jose Feijoo, 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.

I am employed as a stenographer in the Havana branch of the Chase National Bank, and have been employed by this bank for the past 6 years. I sometimes act as teller in the bank.

To the best of my knowledge, it was on Sept. 10, 1934, that Joseph Carrido, Head of the Accounting Department, called me and when I approached him, I noticed that he was talking with Rene Bolivar, who I know by sight, and with a man who appeared to be an American, but with whom I was not acquainted. Mr. Carrido gave me a lafge package of bills and instructed me to count them right away, as Bolivar and this man were waiting for them.

I observed that this large package was made up of a number of smaller packages and that, upon counting them, I learned that these smaller packages were made up of five, ten, and twenty dollar American bills, and that these packages each containing a total of $1,000 in American bills. Each package of $1000 was bound together with a heavy rubber band. I recall that all of the bills in each package were not of the same denomination, but I am unable to recall whether they were all issued by the same bank or by different banks.

After I had counted all of the bills, I informed Mr. Garrido that the package contained $72,000. I saw Mr. Garrido secure an unbroken package of 50 one thousand dollar bills, and some loose thousand and five hundred dollar bills and pay them to the American who was in company with Bolivar. I now also recall that Bolivar and this American were accompanied by an elderly man who appeared to be a Cuban, but with whom I am not acquainted.

I have been shown a photograph of a man who, I am informed, is Cassius McDonald and I desire to state that this photograph looks like the American with whom the $72,000 was exchanged.

I am of the opinion that I would know him if I ever had an opportunity to see him again in person.

/s/ J. Feijoo

Witnesses:
S. K. McKee, Special Agent,
W. E. Peters, " "
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Dept. of Justice."

At the Cuban Gold House, known by the names of Mir and Guas, also Mercantil Nacional, interview was had with Faustino Munoz, who furnished a signed statement, which will be found set out below. Munoz does not speak English and this statement was obtained through interpretation by Rene Bolivar. A copy of the statement in Spanish was furnished Munoz.

It should be stated here that at the time of interview with Mr. C. F. Elsner, Sub-Manager at the National City Bank, he delivered to Agents, for use in this investigation, the original of the deposit slip of Mercantil Nacional, dated Sept. 6, 1934, which covers the deposit on that date of $5500 in currency. This deposit ticket bears the signature of Luis Garcia, whom Munoz stated actually delivered the deposit to the National City Bank. Munoz advised that Garcia is no longer in the employ of the company, and that he did not know where Garcia could be located. Munoz stated, however, that the deposit in question was prepared under his direct supervision. The deposit ticket will be made a part of the Jacksonville Office file.

"Havana, Cuba
May 13, 1935.

I, Faustino Munoz, make this statement to S. K. McKee and W. E. Peters of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice.

I am employed as Cashier at Mercantil Nacional for the past nine years. I have worked for the firm for eleven years.

I have been shown a photograph, which I am told is that of Cassius McDonald, and I recognize it as the picture of a man, who came to the exchange house on Sept. 5, 1934, with Rene Bolivar and Juan Ruiz and purchased around six or seven thousand dollars in gold with American five and ten dollar bills. The bills he had were separated in packages of one thousand dollars each, and each package was held together with rubber bands. The entire transaction consumed about one-half of an hour.

I remember this transaction well as McDonald gave me about $2.80 in gold change which was left and I bought a government lottery tickets with it and won $18,000..

I remember that a portion of the small bills received in the transaction with McDonald were used to purchase gold coins with from various individuals who came into the house. I have examined the bank deposit book of the house, which covers our account with the National City Bank in Havana, and I find that $5,500 in bills was deposited under date of Sept. 6, 1934, the teller who signed for this deposit being named Rodriguez. That portion of the bills which were not used to purchase gold coins with were included in the above deposit.

This statement is made thru interpretation by Rene Bolivar, as I only speak Spanish.

/s/ Faustino Munoz.

Witnessed:

S. K. McKee, Special Agent
W. E. Peters, Special Agent,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice.

R. Bolivar"

A re-interview was had by Agents with Rene Bolivar and Juan P. Ruiz, at which time they both furnished signed statements. As Ruiz does not speak English, the statement from him was obtained through interpretation by Bolivar. These statements are as follows:

"Havana, Cuba,
May 10, 1935.

I, Rene Bolivar, make this voluntary statement to W. E. Peters and S. K. McKee of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice.

I reside at Linea 112, Vedado, a suburb of Havana, Cuba. I was formerly employed as manager of the Hotel Plaza in Havana. For a short time I was associated with one Ortega in the liquor business. During the early fall of 1934, I operated as a broker with Juan P. Ruiz. At the present time I am employed by the Cuban Tourist Commission.

On Sept. 5, 1934, Ruiz and I were approached in the Cafe Europa on Obispo St. by an American who stated he had a quantity of American bills of small denominations with which he wanted to purchase Cuban gold. This man did not say who had referred him to us but merely told us what he wanted. He told us that his name was O'Brien; that he was stopping at the National Hotel; and, that he lived in Detroit, Mich. I carried on the conversation with him as Ruiz does not speak English. This man was about fifty years of age; a little less than six feet in height, weighed around 175 to 180 pounds, had gray hair, a florid complexion, and was well dressed. I have been shown a photograph which I am told is that of Cassius McDonald, and I recognize it as the man who said his name was O'Brien.

Ruiz and I went with McDonald to cuban gold houses known as Mir & Guas and La Dichosa where he bought $11,000 in cuban gold coins. The purchases at these two places were in the amounts of $5,000.00 and $6,000.00, respectively, or vice versa, in cuban gold; and, McDonald paid for the gold in American five and ten dollar bills which he had arranged in packages of one thousand dollars each, each package being held together by heavy rubber bands. The $11,000 in cuban gold cost around $18,000 in American bills as the gold exchange rate at that time was between one dollar sixty and one dollar seventy cents.

While this transaction was taking place McDonald talked about the possibility of him taking over the race track in Havana, and mentioned a connection with Colonel Sabbath, who formerly operated the track. McDonald, also, remarked that the American bills had come from poolroom gambling in the United States, and said he wanted to sell these in Havana to avoid possible questioning. I did not see anything wrong with the transaction, and therefore entered into it.

A short time, that is a few hours, after the gold had been purchased, McDonald approached me again in the Cafe Europa, and asked me to bring Ruiz to a room on the eighth floor of the National Hotel. He gave me the number of the room at the time. We went to his room and he advised that he had decided to return to the United States on the next day, and as he could not take the gold into that country, he wanted to purchase American bills of large denominations with it. The three of us went to the National City Bank on O'Reilly St. where an agreement was made for the sale of $14,000 in cuban gold at a discount. $11,000 of this amount was delivered at the time, this being the gold which had been purchased on the same day. McDonald received American $1000 bills for the gold. There was some discussion at the bank regarding the remaining $3,000.00 in gold on the contract, but this was settled by McDonald saying he would deliver the balance in a few days.

Ruiz and I made a profit of $140 thru the purchase of the gold for McDonald. Before we parted McDonald told me he knew a man in the United States who had a large quantity of American currency which he wanted to exchange for large bills, also a large sum in Liberty bonds, and that he might get in touch with this man in the near future. I do not know whether McDonald ever delivered the remaining $3000 in gold to the National City Bank.

About four or five days later McDonald again contacted Ruiz and me at the Cafe Europa and inquired if $72,000 in small American bills could be exchanged for large bills. When I told him I thought the exchange could be made he gave me the number of a room on the seventh floor of the National Hotel

and asked Ruiz and me to come there. We went to the room, the number of which he had furnished me, and found that McDonald had a suite of rooms. There was another man in this room but McDonald did not introduce Ruiz and me to him. I have been shown a photograph, which I am told is of William J. Harrison, and I believe it to be the picture of the man who was in the room. Harrison had very little to say and appeared just to be hanging around the room. He was short and fat and had light brown hair. I think I would know him if I saw him again. McDonald produced a package wrapped in newspaper which he said contained $72,000 in five, ten and twenty dollar bills, and said he wanted to get large bills for them.

I communicated with a relative of mine named Cano who was assistant treasury of the Cuban Treasury to see whether the exchange could be handled thru the treasury, but he advised that it would be better to take the bills to some bank.

I then went to the Chase National Bank. I went in and inquired if the switch of bills could be handled. I learned that a discount of 1/4 of 1% would be charged on the transaction and communicated this information to McDonald. The exact discount was $144.00. He said the discount was all right. We went into the bank and the money was turned over to a teller to be counted. It was arranged in packages of $1000 each and each package was held together with rubber bands. After the small bills had been counted and found to be in the correct amount, McDonald received an unbroken package of fifty $1000 bills, several loose $1000 bills, and the remainder of the total amount in loose $500 bills. McDonald gave me $200.00 to be divided between Ruiz and myself for our services, and then departed. I have not seen McDonald since that time, and wish to state that I only knew him under the name of O'Brien. So far as I know Harrison did not leave the hotel at the time the $72,000 was exchanged at the Chase National Bank. He, at no time, made a trip any place in my company. I only saw him once.

The two instances which I have related are the only ones in which I have had anything to do with the exchange of small denomination bills for bills of larger denominations.

About a week after the last money was changed, however, Arthur Beale, who is a relative of mine by marriage, approached me and told me that he had heard about me having changed some small bills for ones of larger denominations. Beale advised that he knew a party in New York who had several hundred thousand dollars in small American bills, which he wanted to have changed into large bills and that he would get in touch with the party and have the bills brought to Havana, and let me handle the switching. A few days later I again talked to Beale and he showed me a cablegram from one Vincentico Milian, Jr. of Miami, Fla., the calbe being from New York, which referred to "100,000 cigars" and Beale said that the cigars referred to in the cablegram really meant dollars. Beale on another occasion showed me a cablegram in which advice was requested as to when the cigars would arrive in Havana. Nothing ever materialized from my conversations with Beale, however, as he never turned any money over to me to be switched.

I am willing to travel to Miami, Fla. and testify to the above facts in the United States District Court; also to identify Cassius McDonald as the person who changed the money in Havana. I can, also, say that the picture of William J. Harrison, which has been shown to me, looks like the person who was in McDonald's suite at the National Hotel when the $72,000 in small bills was secured.

I have read this statement, consisting of seven pages and know the contents to be the truth.

/s/ R. Bolivar

Witnessed:

S. K. McKee, Special Agent
W. E. Peters, Special Agent,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice."

Havana, Cuba,
May 10, 1935.

I, Juan P. Ruiz, make this statement voluntarily to S. K. McKee and W. E. Peters of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice.

NOTE: As I do not speak English this statement is made thru Rene Bolivar as interpreter, from Spanish to English.

QUESTION: Please state your name and address.
ANSWER: Juan P. Ruis, 14th St. between 3rd & 5th Sts., Reparto, Almendares, Marianao (Havana).

Q. I show you a photograph of Cassius McDonald, and ask you if you know this man?
A. Yes.

Q. When did you meet him and what were the circumstances?
A. At the Cafe Europa where Bolivar and I were operating as brokers. The time was in September, 1934. He approached me and asked me something in English about gold. As I did not speak English I brought Bolivar to talk to the man. I learned that he wanted to buy about $11,000 in gold and I talked to Mir & Guas, gold brokers, and inquired about buying the gold, I was told the gold could be bought but they only had about $6,000. McDonald had between $18,000 and $20,000 in American bills. I telephoned to La Dichosa and arranged to buy more gold.

Q. What did you do then?
A. The three of us went to this man's room on the 8th floor of the hotel in a taxicab and he got about $20,000 in American five and ten dollar bills. The bills were in packages of $1000 each and were held together with rubber bands.

Q. What hotel did he go to?
A. National.

Q. Did the man tell you his name?
A. Yes - Mr. O'Brien.

Q. Where did you go from the National Hotel?
A. To Mir & Guas, Centro Astruriano Bldg.

Q. What occurred there, if anything?
A. We went to the cashier's window. McDonald purchased either five or six thousand dollars in gold with some of the bills he had. The exchange was between $1.60 and $1.70. I do not remember the exact figure. The gold and bills were counted and we left. Our taxicag had been waiting in front.

Q. What did you do next?
A. We drove to La Dichosa where he bought about $5,000 in gold with the small bills. I am not sure about the amount - it was about the same at both places.

Q. Where did you go from La Dichosa?
A. We went back to the National Hotel and McDonald paid us our commission. It was $140.00.

Q. Did you have any other agreement with McDonald?
A. No.

Q. Then you left the hotel?
A. Yes.

Q. Did you see McDonald again?
A. Yes - around 3:00 o'clock the same afternoon he came to the Cafe Europa in a taxicab and said he wanted to sell the gold as he was going back to the United States the next day and had learned he could not take the gold with him. He had the gold with him in a bag. I either telephoned Mr. Elsner at the National City Bank or went to the bank and arranged to sell the gold. McDonald and Bolivar waited for me at the cafe. The three of us went to the National City Bank and the sales slip was made out. There was some mistake in the amount and McDonald told Mr. Elsner that he would send the difference by me the next day. We went to the cashier's window and Mr. Elsner asked McDonald how he wanted to be paid. McDonald sais he wanted big bills and he received one thousand dollar bills.

Q. Did you leave McDonald then?
A. Yes, he told us good-bye, but said he would return in a few days with more bills to be changed.

Q. Did he tell you where he had gotten the large amount of small bills?
A. He told Bolivar they came from gambling.

Q. Did you see McDonald again? If so, when?
A. About four or five days later, at the same place.

Q. What place do you mean?
A. Cafe Europa.

Q. What, if anything, occurred there?
A. He said he wanted to change some small bills for big bills. He said it was a usual transaction at banks.

Q. How many small bills did he have?
A. Seventy some odd thousand dollars.

Q. Did he have the bills with him at the cafe?
A. We went with him to the National Hotel in a taxicab to get them.

Q. Do you remember the number of his room?
A. No.

Q. Did he have a single room or a suite?
A. He had a suite?

Q. Did you see any other person in the suite besides McDonald?
A. Yes - there was a man sitting on the bed.

Q. Would you know that man if you saw him again?
A. No, I do not think so. He was reading a magazine and left the room right after we came in.

Q. I show you a picture of William J. Harrison and ask you if you have ever seen him?
A. No, I do not think so.

Q. Did you get the money at the hotel?
A. Yes - it was on the bed and he wrapped some in a newspaper and the rest in a leather case. It was in bundles with rubber bands around them.

Q. Where did you go from the hotel?
A. To the Chase National Bank. Bolivar had arranged to get large bills for the small bills.

Q. Did the three of you go to the Chase Bank?
A. Yes.

Q. What kind of bills did McDonald receive for the small bills?
A. Five hundreds and one thousands.

Q. Were all of the bills loose?
A. I do not remember.

Q. Did McDonald have to pay a discount on the transaction?
A. Yes - I don't remember exactly - about 1/4 of 1%.

Q. Did that end the transaction?
A. Yes.

Q. Did you have any more dealings with McDonald?
A. No.

Q. Did McDonald tell you anything about his business?
A. No. Everything was told to Bolivar as I could not understand English and McDonald did not speak Spanish.

/s/ Juan P. Ruiz

Witnessed:

S. K. McKee, Special Agent
W. E. Peters, Special Agent
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice."

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A. Howard,Soler, Supt. of Traffic, Cuban Telephone Co., Havana, was interviewed on May 7, 1935, by Special Agent S. K. McKee for information regarding telephone calls made by subject Heller to subject Karpis under the alias Wagner between Havana and Varadero Beach, Cuba; also, for data as to telephone calls, both incoming and outgoing, between points in the United States and Havana, Cuba, and island points. The period of the search for Havana to Varadero Beach calls was Sept. 15 to Dec. 10, 1934, while the period for the search of international calls was Sept. 1, 1934 to Jan. 31, 1935.

The following long distance calls between Havana and Varadero Beach, Cuba, were located:

9-28-34 Havana to Varadero Beach - Mr. Heller talked from phone #M-6904 (Hotel Parkview) for 4 minutes at cost of $1.65 to Central Office in Varadero Beach. Operator #22-B handled thecall.

10-1-34 Havana to Varadero Beach - Mr. Heller talked from phone #M-6904 (Hotel Parkview) for 3 minutes at cost of $1.55 to Mr. Wagner at Central Office phone. Operator #28-A handled the call.

10-1-34 Havana to Varadero Beach - Mr. Heller talked from phone #M-6904 (Hotel Parkview) for 3 minutes at cost of $1.55 to Mr. Wagner at Central Office phone. Operator #29-A handled the call.

11-18-34 Havana to Varadero Beach - Mrs. Wagner talked from phone #M-6904 (Hotel Parkview) for 3 minutes at cost of $1.55 to Mr. Wagner at central office phone. Operator #28-A handled the call.

The only international call of interest to this investigation was one made on Nov. 30, 1934 at telephone #U-8981 (Hotel National) to Joe Adams on telephone #2-7491, Miami, Fla. The person calling was named Goldberg. The call was for eight minutes at a cost of $22.35. Operator 47-B handled this call. Inquiries were made at the Hotel National regarding Goldberg, as will be reported.

Mr. Soler of the Cuban Telephone Company advised, in response to inquiries, that the above information was furnished on a strictly confidential basis. He stated that the procedure to follow in the event it became

desirable to use these calls as evidence in the United States was to have the American Ambassador in Havana secure an order from the Judge of the proper Cuban Court to the telephone company, describing the above calls, and demanding that the records relating to the calls be produced before the Court. He stated that, as soon as this formality is covered, the Company would be perfectly willing to permit the respective operators to make the necessary trip to the United States. The identities of the operators would be ascertained thru their numbers, which are listed above, as to each call.

Copies of the telephone company records covering the five calls, described above, were obtained and will be made a part of the Jacksonville Office file in this matter.

J. H. Jarvis, Assistant Manager, National Hotel, was interviewed relative to obtaining a signed statement as well as obtaining signed statements from other employees of the Hotel. Mr. Jarvis advised that he could not make a signed statement, nor could he permit the other employees to make signed statements, without the authority of Will Taylor, Manager. Further, that Mr. Taylor was not available and it would be necessary for Agents to return at a later date. Agents returned to the Hotel later, at which time Mr. Jarvis stated that he had talked to Mr. Taylor relative to making signed statements at which time Mr. Taylor informed Jarvis that before he, Taylor, would authorize the signing of statements, it would be necessary for Agents to secure a letter from The American Embassy stating the records desired and the information desired in the signed statements.

Freeman Mathews, First Assistant to Ambassador Caffery, was interviewed at which time a letter of introduction for Agents to Mr. Taylor was obtained which letter contained the information requested by Mr. Taylor. This letter was presented by Agents to Mr. Taylor after which signed statements were obtained from James Ennis, Carlos Brito, James H. Jarvis and Gerald Hernandez, and registration cards #4404 and 4422, showing the registration of McDonald at the National Hotel on Sept. 4, 1934 and Sept. 9, 1934, and registration card #4421, showing the registration of Harrison with McDonald at the National Hotel on Sept. 9, 1934, were secured.

The registration card of William J. Harrison was forwarded to the Bureau by letter dated May 13, 1935, requesting that the signature appearing on this card be compared with the signature of Harrison, as it

appears on Hammond, Indiana, Police Department #1829, fingerprints on file in the Bureau. The registration cards of McDonald will be made a part of this file in the Jacksonville Office.

Under date of May 21, 1935, letter was received from the Bureau, advising through Laboratory Report No. 7-576-5993, dated May 20, 1935, that a comparison had been made of the National Hotel registration card, No. 4421, dated September 9, 1934, bearing the signature of "W. J. Harrison", 4539 Gibson, St. Louis, Mo." 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.

The signed statements obtained from the National Hotel employees, are being retained in the Jacksonville Office file, and they are as follows:

"Havana, Cuba,
May 8, 1935.

I, James Ennis, Nacionale Hotel, desire to make the following signed statement to S. K. McKee and W. E. Peters, Special Agents, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Dept of Justice.

I am employed as room clerk at the above named hotel, and have been so employed since 1933. I reside at 104 "L" Street, Vedado.

On September 6, 1934, I was on duty at 12 o'clock noon. Shortly thereafter, a man who identified himself as Mr. C. McDonald came up to the desk, advised me that he occupied Room 816, and that he desired to check-out. He also advised me that he expected to return to the hotel within a day or two.

On September 9, 1934 at approximately 10:45 A. M., this same individual returned to the hotel and was accompanied by another man. At that time, the man who had previously stopped at the hotel, registered as "C. McDonald & Party, 711 Hammond Bldg., Detroit, Mich." The individual who accompanied Mr. McDonald registered as "W. J. Harrison, 4539 Gibson, St. Louis, Mo." These men were assigned to Rooms 729-30-31.

I observed these men around the lobby on numerous occasions, and on one occasion I saw them arrive at the hotel in a very old delapidated green car. I especially noticed this because I did not think that men occupying a suite, as were McDonald

and Harrison, would be riding in such an old vehicle. I was able to observe this because the windows behind the registration desk directly overlook the drive approaching the entrance to the hotel. I also noticed them on several occasions at which time they were accompanied by Cuban gentlemen with whom I am not acquainted.

The photograph of Cassius McDonald has been displayed to me and I am positive that he is the same individual who registered on Sept. 9, 1934, and who checked out on Sept. 6, 1934. I have been shown the photograph of William J. Harrison and can state that it looks like the W. J. Harrison who accompanied McDonald at the time he registered at the hotel on Sept. 9, 1934. I believe that if I had an opportunity to see him in person, that I would recognize him.

/s/ James Ennis

Witnesses
W. E. Peters, Special Agent,
S. K. McKee , Special Agent,
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice."

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"Havana, Cuba,
May 10, 1935.

I, Carlos Brito, 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.

I am at present employed at the Nacionale Hotel, Havana, Cuba, and have been employed as Clerk at this hotel for five years. I was on duty at the hotel on the evening of Sept. 4, 1934, While I was on duty a man registered in the hotel under the name of "C. McDonald, 711 Hammond Bldg., Detroit, Mich." His registration is shown by Registration Card #4404, which is stamped as having arrived at the hotel at 7:31 P. M. and I am positive that I registered this man in at the hotel because at that time I placed my initials on the registration card and they are now still on this card.

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I have been shown a photograph of a man who, I am informed, is Cassius McDonald, but I am unable to identify it as the man who registered under the name of C. McDonald on Sept. 4, 1934. I believe, however, that if I had an opportunity to see this man in person, I might be able to recognize him.

I have also viewed the photograph of William J. Harrison but am of the opinion that I have never seen him before.

/s/ CEDiaz

Witnesses
W. E. Peters, Special Agent
S. K. McKee, Spedial Agent.
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Dept. of Justice."

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"Havana, Cuba,
May 8, 1935.

I, James H. Jarvis, Nacionale Hotel, make the following voluntary statement to Special Agents S. K. McKee and W. E. Peters, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Dept. of Justice.

I am Assistant Manager of the above named hotel, and have been connected with this hotel since it opened in 1930.

The photographs of Cassius McDonald and Wm. J. Harrison have been displayed to me as previous guests of the hotel, but I am not able to recognize either of these individuals as ever having seen them before. However, if I were ever to see either of these men in person, it is possible that I might recall having seen them previously.

/s/ J. H. Jarvis

Witnesses:
W. E. Peters, Special Agent
S. K. McKee, Special Agent
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice."

"Havana, Cuba,
May 8, 1935.

I, Gerald Hernandez, 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 as bell-man at the National Hotel in Havana since the hotel opened in 1930. I live at Lugareno 3, Havana.

I have been shown photographs of Cassius McDonald and William J. Harrison. I remember McDonald having occupied Room 816 several months ago by himself - and a short time later having registered at the hotel with a man who resembles the photograph of Harrison. The two men occupied Suite 729-30-31 for several days. I am positive as to McDonald and believe I would recognize Harrison if I saw him again. I am positive that there was no other person in the suite with McDonald except the man who registered with him. When the two men came to the hotel they were using an old taxicab and the fact that they were riding in such a car attracted the attention of Mr. Ennis, the clerk on duty, and myself. I showed them to their rooms and believe they had only one bag each. On the first occasion McDonald was at the hotel I carried his baggage down when he checked out.

The man I believe is Harrison, that is the man who was with McDonald, was about five feet six inches tall, had light brown hair, florid complexion, and his stomach protruded over his belt. He wore a light gray suit and a panama hat.

/s/ Gerald Hernandez.

Witnessed:

S. K. McKee, Special Agent
W. E. Peters, Special Agent
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice."

During the course of the investigation at the Cuban Telephone Company, it was learned that on November 30, 1934, one Goldberg made a long distance telephone call from telephone number U 8981 to Joe Adams at the El Comodoro Hotel,Miami, Florida. Further, that this call was placed at 8:40 A. M. and was terminated at 8:48 A. M., the charge on the call being$22.35. In view of the date and the length of the time consumed in this conversation, it was believed advisable to inquire into the identity of Goldberg, the telephone U8981 being the telephone of the National Hotel, where Cassius McDonald and W. W. Harrison had previously stopped.

At the National Hotel, Jose Biscay, Assistant Auditor, was interviewed. According to the National Hotel records, as evidenced by registration card #4793, Mr. and Mrs. Myer Goldberg, Carling Hotel, Jacksonville, Florida, registered at the National Hotel at 10:31 A. M. November 27, 1934, and checked out at 2:06 P. M., November 30, 1934. They were registered in and checked out by room clerk Richard Perkins who had no knowledge of their identity. No forwarding address was left at the time of their checking out. An examination of the Goldberg ledger account was made which failed to disclose any information of value in addition to the above mentioned call. However, the Hotel ticket for this call noted that Goldberg talked on the call from room 719, the Goldbergs being at that time assigned to room 717.

Further examination of the Hotel records disclosed that, as evidenced by registration card number 4792, room number 719, on November 30, 1934, was occupied by one L. I. Tumen, Park Central Hotel, New York City, Tumen having arrived at the hotel at the same time as the Goldbergs and having checked out at the same time as the Goldbergs. The ledger account of L. I. Tumen reflects that on November 27, 1934, two telegrams were sent by him the total charge being $2.70. These telegrams were directed to Mrs. L. I. Tumen, Asbury Park, N.J., and H. Rogers, Trenton, N. J.

The National Hotel records also reflect that Tumen had previously stopped at the Hotel on November 19, 1934, and departed on November 24, 1934, at which time he registered as Judge L. I. Tumen, Park Central Hotel, New York City, as evidenced by registration card #4750. He was registered in and checked out by James Ennis, Room Clerk, who has a hazy recollection of him but was unable to supply any information relative to his history other than to state that he was supposed to be a New York judge.

An examination of the ledger account of Judge L. I. Tumen, covering the above dates, reflects the following telephone calls and telegrams:-

11-22-34 Long distance - Mrs. Goldberg, Carling Hotel
Jacksonville, Fla. talked 4 min.
Telegrams - H. Lanzner, New York City - Night letter
G. Shammer, New York City - " "
P. Sullivan, New York City " "
Myer Goldberg, Statler Hotel,
Boston, Mass. Straight
J. Tumen, Asbury Park, N.J. "
H. Rogers, Trenton, N.J. "

11-23-34 Long distance - Mrs. Goldberg, # Alby 44,
Jacksonville, Fla. 3 minutes.

A letter incorporating the above information was immediately prepared and dispatched air mail to Special Agent in Charge R. A. Alt, requesting that discreet investigation be conducted into the identity of Goldberg and his activities at Jacksonville, Florida. In a subsequent telephone conversation with Special Agent in Charge Alt, he advised that he was very well acquainted with Myer Goldberg, that he was engaged in dog racing being the owner of a kennel, and that, in all probability, the occasion of his telephone call to Joe Adams was to arrange for Goldberg's dogs to run on the track operated by Adams at Miami, Florida. In view of this information, no further efforts were made to secure the telegrams sent by Tumen while in Havana.

An investigation was conducted by Special Agent in Charge R. A. Alt at Jacksonville, Florida, relative to Myer Goldberg, the substance of this investigation being forwarded to Agents by letter under date of May 10, 1935. Inasmuch as the investigation at Jacksonville indicated that Myer Goldberg had no connection with the subject, Joe Adams, other than dog racing, it is not deemed advisable to incorporate herein the entire contents of this letter.

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Subject Nathaniel H. Heller was interviewed at the Hotel Parkview on the night of May 11, 1935, by Agents W. E. Peters and S. K. McKee. He advised that he had just returned to Havana, having been in Miami for the past ten days in connection with some motions concerning his case. There were a considerable number of remarks made by Heller during the course of this interview, which had no connection with this matter. Heller was asked if there was another typewriter in the hotel besides the ones presently in the office and the restaurant, and he replied in the negative. In response to a question, he advised that he could not remember if the typewriter in the office ever had a blue ribbon on it. With respect to the conversation relating to typewriters, he informed of his own volition that he could not use such a machine, and could not recall ever having attempted to use one. He was asked about the letter, postmarked at Havana, Cuba, on December 15, 1934, addressed to R. R. Brown at the El Comodoro Hotel in Miami, and later found in the Karpis house, and he stated that he had not written the letter, or had it written, and knew nothing of it.

Heller was asked what newspapers he reads, and he said he reads the Havana Post, which is published in English; and the Diario de la Marina, which is published in Spanish. He also admitted, in response to questions, that he glances at the headlines of all other Spanish papers published in Havana, and the name of El Avance was mentioned by him in this connection.

Agents asked Heller for a list of the various employees of the hotel for the purpose of interviewing them, and he advised that he would furnish such a list. At this time he remarked that Renaldo Gonzalez, former elevator operator, was no longer in the hotel, he having gone to the United States some time ago. Heller could not furnish his address. He told Agents that Gonzalez, before leaving, had told him about his various conversations with Agents Brown and McKee during the period of the initial investigation of this matter in Havana; and said that Gonzalez had even shown him Agents' address in Chicago, Illinois, which he had written on a piece of paper.

Heller related that on January 29, 1935, he was shown the photograph of Karpis by one of the Econimedes Brothers, who are connected with the hotel. The picture appeared in one of the New York papers of several days previous, and was in connection with Karpis' then recent escape in Atlantic City. He said he and Econimedes recognized the picture as that of the Mr. Wagner, who had been at the hotel; and he decided to telephone the American Consul and advise what he knew of the man. He said he tried to reach Consul General Cameron at the Consulate by telephone, but learned that he was away from the City. He said he did not leave his name

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when the call was made. He also said he intended to telephone to the Consul again, but that he was visited on the next day by Agents Brown and McKee, which did away with the necessity of making the call. Heiler said there was some doubt in his mind when he saw Karpis' picture in the paper that the picture was that of Wagner, the doubt being occasioned by the fact that the picture of a woman had appeared as Karpis' wife, and this picture was not that of the woman whom he, Heller, knew as Mrs. Wagner. He admitted, however, that the picture of Karpis looked enough like Wagner tocause both him and Econimedes to think it was Wagner.

The employees of the Parkview Hotel, as supplied by subject Heller are as follows:

Owners:
N. H. Heller
Peter Econimedes
Constantino Econimedes

Clerks:
Fred Hoelbe
Antonio Sanchez

Bell Boys:
Renaldo Gonzalez - now somewhere in U.S.
Edward Ponce
Pedro Colon
Luis Casdemente - present whereabouts unknown

Floor Men:
Odelo Crespo
Francisco Vellino

Dining Room:
Candido Mosquere
Antonio Torres
Dareo Seoavne

At the time of supplying the list of employees, Heller stated he did not know the present whereabouts of Ronald Gonzalez, but that he had heard that Gonzalez was at present working for his brother in a cigar stand located somewhere on 23rd Street in New York City. He also stated that when Karpis and his alleged wife ate in the hotel, they took their meals in the dining room, except on two or three occasions when they had their meals in their room, at which time they were served by Antonio Torres.

In view of the fact that the Econimedes Brothers are partners of subject Heller, and very friendly with him, they would probably not voluntarily appear in the United States as witnesses in behalf of the

Government, and, in view of Gonzalez having been interviewed prior to his departure for the United States, the interviews with the Parkview Hotel employees were limited to those employees who appeared to be in a position to have obtained information of value.

Jose Antonio Sanchez, Night Clerk, upon interview, stated that he had been employed at the Parkview Hotel since 1933. He was born, and has been raised, in Havana. The photograph of Karpis was displayed to him, at which time he stated that he recalls Karpis as having stopped at the hotel under the name of Wagner. Karpis stopped at the hotel four or five times, sometimes being accompanied by a woman whom he introduced as his wife, and sometimes by himself. During the time that Karpis was at the hotel, Sanchez does not recall him ever having any visitors, nor does he recall him ever having received any telephone calls or telegrams. Sanchez recalls that Wagner spoke very little to anyone, and he appeared to be very common and uneducated. He stated that Wagner generally went to bed early, and he recalls that on one occasion he was quite drunk. Relative to any typewriter about the hotel, he stated that to his knowledge the only typewriters were those from which specimens were obtained, and he has no knowledge of either of these machines ever having a light blue ribbon on it. He stated that he reads Diario de la Mariana, El Pais, El Avance, but he had never seen a photograph of Karpis until one appeared in El Pais following Karpis escape from Atlantic City.

Antonio Torres, waiter, was interviewed, at which time he stated that he had been employed at the hotel for about a year. He recalls that the photograph of Karpis resembles a former guest at the hotel, his recollection being refreshed by the fact that on one occasion Karpis came into the dining room without a coat and, when he was not permitted to take a table, he complained to the management. He recalls that Karpis was accompanied by a woman, but recalls nothing particular in connection with her. He recalls having served Karpis several times in his room, but does not recall anything unusual about either the room or the incident, and stated that he did not observe any firearms or other unusual articles in the room. He stated that he was not given any particular instructions, either by Heller or by any of the other partners, as to any special attention he was to show Karpis.

Fred Hoelbe, Day Clerk at the Parkview Hotel, was interviewed. He stated he had been employed at the hotel as Day Clerk since about April, 1934. When questioned regarding subject Karpis and Dolores Delaney, he advised he knew them as Mr. and Mrs. Wagner, and came in contact with them only when they registered at the hotel during the Fall of 1934. He said that both Karpis and the Delaney girl appeared as any other guests, and that he never had any reason to be suspicious of them. He stated they

had their meals served in their room on several occasions, but the majority of the time they did not take their meals in the hotel. He said that neither Karpis nor the Delaney girl spent much time in the hotel lobby; that when they came into the building they would go to their room and remain there. Hoelbe was asked if there was any typewriter in the hotel equipped with a light blue ribbon, and he replied in the negative. He said the only typewriters in the hotel were the machines located in the office and in the restaurant. With his permission, samples of the typing from both of these machines were secured and transmitted to the Bureau for comparison with the letter addressed to R. R. Brown , El Comodoro Hotel, Miami, Florida, postmarked Habana, Cuba, December 15, 1934, which letter was found in the Karpis home in Miami subsequent to his flight to Atlantic City, New Jersey, in January, 1935.

Hoelbe was also questioned for information as to what newspapers subject Heller is accustomed to read. He stated that Heller reads the Habana Post daily, and some of the Spanish papers from time to time. He said the Habana Post is the only newspaper to which the Hotel subscribes

Hoelbe informed, in response to questions, that he had never seen a photograph of Karpis in a newspaper until after the shooting which occurred at Atlantic City, New Jersey, following Karpis escape from that place.

The original letter addressed to R. R. Brown, Hotel El Comodoro, Miami, Florida, N.E. 1st St., postmarked Habana, Cuba, December 15, 1934, was forwarded to the Bureau under date of May 8, 1935, along with specimens taken from the Underwood typewriters located in the office and restaurant, respectively, of the Hotel Parkview, and carbon copies of two letters secured from the files of the Hotel Parkview, which letters bore dates August 1, 1933, and December 12, 1934, respectively. The Bureau was requested to compare the specimens and carbon copies of letters with the letter addressed to R. R. Brown for the purpose of ascertaining if the original letter and any of the samples were written on the same typewriter. The bureau was also requested to submit the original letter and envelope to treatment for latent fingerprints, despite the lapse of time, and that any latent fingerprints developed be compared with the prints of subject Heller, which are on file with the Bureau.

The Bureau later advised, in Laboratory Report No. 4238, that examination of the original letter addressed to R. R. Brown showed the typewriting was not identical with that appearing on any of the specimens submitted. It was the examiners opinion that the typewriting on

the original letter was that of an L. C. Smith typewriter equipped with Pica type. A subsequent Laboratory Report advised that no latent fingerprints were found on either the original letter or envelope.

Reference is made to Bureau letter under date of April 11, 1935, which instructed that investigation be conducted as to the connection between Cassius McDonald and certain persons in Havana, Cuba, whose names were found in correspondence and on business cards and memoranda in the two leather cases surrendered by McDonald at the time of his arrest in West Palm Beach, Florida. Several of these persons were interviewed and the results will be found set out below.

Mrs. Ethel Artesiano, Zapote 52, Santos Suarez, a suburb of Havana, was interviewed. The name and address of this woman, and the name of one Mario Artesiano, was found on a visiting card among McDonald's effects. Mrs. Artesiano advised that Mario Artesiano is her husband; that for some seventeen years he was employed as Superintendent of Oriental Park Race Track, but that he has not been connected with the track for about four years. She stated he was in the United States at the present time, and she could not state the date of his return.

When questioned regarding Cassius McDonald, Mrs. Artesiano stated that she and her husband met him during the early part of 1934 through a Mr. Welcome, who is connected with the race track. In conversation with McDonald they learned that he was interested in either leasing or purchasing the Oriental Track, and as Artesiano and his wife were acquainted with people in the office of Carlos Manuel Cespedes, they introduced him to these people in order that he might negotiate with them concerning the track. She stated that the negotiations of McDonald covered a period of about one and one-half months during the Spring of 1934, and that during the dealings with him meetings were had with Juan Jimenez, who is prominent in Cuban gambling circles. She stated the name of Gus del Barrio was also mentioned during these negotiations. She said that during the contacts with the Cespedes people that she secured a series of papers which showed the results of operating Oriental Track and the National Casino for the seasons of 1933-1934, and turned them over to McDonald for his use. (These papers were found in McDonald's leather cases at the time of his arrest.).

Mrs. Artesiano said that she went to the American Embassy with McDonald for the purpose of having him furnish bank references and establish credit in order that any agreement as to the race track might be carried through without delay. The Embassy referred them to the

Consulate, where they dealt with Vice-Consul Tewell. She said McDonald began giving excuses when the matter of furnishing references was brought up, and that she and her husband became suspicious of him. She said he at no time furnished bank references.

There were some negotiations regarding options, and McDonald submitted an offer, which was refused. Mrs. Artesiano stated that McDonald was arrested during the course of his negotiations, and that following his arrest the entire matter was dropped. She advised further that during the above negotiations two men, whose names she believes to be Day and Dan Gugenheim, were in Havana with McDonald. They were stopping with their wives at the Lopez-Sierano Apartment. McDonald, who was accompanied by his wife, was living at the Hotel Presidente.

Mrs. Artesiano was asked if any of McDonald's negotiations relative to securing gambling concessions in Havana took place during September, 1934, and she replied in the negative. She stated she did not know anything about McDonald having been in Havana during the Fall of 1934. She advised, however, that McDonald came to Havana again in January, 1935, at which time he had a conversation with her husband regarding the possibility of leasing the Chateau Madrid and the Montmartre Cabaret for gambling purposes. She stated that, as in the Spring of 1934, McDonald was again arrested and all efforts to secure gambling concessions were dropped.

Dr. Carlos Manuel de la Cruz, Linea 62, Vedado, was interviewed by Agent Peters, Cesar Cano acting as interpreter. It is to be noted that, through outside sources, it was learned that Dr. de la Cruz is probably the most powerful politician in Cuba at the present time, and he is reported to be the real power behind Colonel Battista, who is virtually dictator of Cuba.

The photograph of Cassius McDonald was displayed to Dr. de la Cruz, at which time he stated that he has no personal acquaintance with McDonald, although he is familiar with the name. He advised that in the Spring of 1934, McDonald began negotiations, through Juan Jimenez, 6 esquira a 9, Reparto Almendares, Marianao, for the rental or the purchase of Oriental Park, the National Casino, and LaPlaza. These properties were formerly owned by the Cespedes interests, although the National City Bank of New York, Havana, holds a large mortgage on Oriental Park.

Also, at that time Colonel Sabbath, of Chicago, Illinois, had the concession for the operation of Oriental Park for the season of 1933-1934.

McDonald evidently learned of the mortgage held by the National City Bank, inasmuch as Dr. de la Cruz, who was in New York City at the time, received a telegram from the Havana Branch of the National City Bank, in which the bank informed Dr. de la Cruz that McDonald was in Cuba for the purpose of obtaining the concession; that McDonald had informed the bank that his negotiations were being carried on with Dr. de la Cruz; and the bank had informed McDonald that Dr. de la Cruz was the proper official with whom to negotiate for the sale or lease.

Sometime later, Dr. de la Cruz, received a cable from McDonald asking for the best terms and conditions Dr. de la Cruz would make for the rental or for the sale of Oriental Park, the Casino and La Plaza. Dr. de la Cruz did not know McDonald but he did know Juan Jimenez, and knew him to be a gambler, an ex-convict and a person who was not to be trusted. Dr. de la Cruz,therefore, cabled McDonald stating the terms and conditions under which these amusements could be rented or bought. Dr. de la Cruz knew nothing of McDonald's banking connections and, in his cable Dr. de la Cruz informed McDonald that he might have an option on the rental or purchase of these properties, said option to be contingent upon McDonald's establishment of financial backing to the satisfaction of Dr. de la Cruz, and, further, that this financial backing was to be established within ten days of the original cable of Dr. de la Cruz. Dr. de la Cruz' cable was immediately confirmed by letter. Shortly thereafter Dr. de la Cruz received a counter offer from McDonald by cable, which offer was not satisfactory to Dr. de la Cruz, and he advised McDonald that his (Dr. de la Cruz) original proposition stood. He did not hear further from McDonald before the expiration of the ten day period he had stipulated and, consequently, his offer of the option expired.

Dr. de la Cruz stated that after his return to Cuba, he began receiving letters and cables from Colonel Sabbath, in Chicago, to the effect that McDonald was representing that he had a contract with Dr. de la Cruz for the rental of these concessions for the 1934-1935 season. These statements of McDonald to Colonel Sabbath were gross exaggerations, as the only proposition McDonald had at any time was an offer of an option, and Dr. de la Cruz so informed Colonel Sabbath.

Dr. de la Cruz stated that his only contact with McDonald was as previously set forth, and he knew nothing about McDonald having returned to Havana after the Spring of 1934 until, in January, 1935, he read in the daily papers that McDonald had been arrested in Havana.

Jose Vila, who is the owner of the Montmartre Cabaret and of the Sans Souci Restaurant, was interviewed. He informed that he can be reached any night at the Sans Souci Restaurant. He advised that he can never be reached at his home, but that during the day he can be located by leaving a message at the newspaper stand located at Neptuna 2, Havana.

Photographs of various subjects connected with this investigation were displayed to Vila, and the only one he was able to identify was that of Cassius McDonald. He stated McDonald was brought to the Montmartre Cabaret during the late winter of 1933 or the early part of 1934 by one Jimenez, a Chinaman. He stated that Jimenez has been a leading figure in gambling in Cuba for a long period of time, and that he was supposed to have connections with one Guiteras, who was Secretary of Government during the administration of President Grau San Martin. San Martin was in office immediately before President Mandietta, who is now in office. Guiteras was recently killed in Matanzas, Cuba, in connection with a revolutionary movement which he was starting.

Vila advised that during the San Martin administration the Oriental Park Race Track, the National Casino and the Plaza Mariano were confiscated by the Government to be run under Government control, and that Guiteras was supposed to be in charge of these concessions. He advised that he was furnishing this data for the purpose of showing the connections of Jimenez.

Vila stated that when Jimenez brought McDonald to see him he discussed the possibility of renting gambling rooms at both Montmartre and Sans Souci, but nothing came out of this discussion as McDonald decided it was too late in the season to open the rooms. Vila stated the discussion covered the number of roulette tables that McDonald planned to use in each place. He said McDonald came to Montmartre on another occasion, in company with Mario Artesiano and his wife, and talked to him regarding the gambling rooms. He stated that on another occasion he came to see him, in company with some man whom Vila did not know, and looked the rooms over again, but nothing was decided at the time of this call. Vila stated he remembers that McDonald and the second man came to his place of business on this occasion in a car driven by a chauffeur. Vila further stated that the net result of his conversations with McDonald was an understanding that McDonald might come back the next season. He stated, however, that he has not seen McDonald since the Spring of 1934, and that nothing ever came out of his negotiations. Vila was asked

specifically if any of his contacts with McDonald occurred during the Fall of 1934, and he stated that he was positive they had not.

As Jose Vila had advised that Fausto Campucana was the owner and former operator of the Chateau Madrid, Campucana was interviewed by Agent Peters at the Hornado Club, which he now operates. He advised that he resides at the corner of Calcada and 18th Sts., Vedada, Havana. He stated that five years ago he entered into a partnership with one Orlando Moras, and they built and operated the Chateau Madrid. The Club was built on the property of Rafael Carreras, and a mortgage was given to him on the building and the fixtures. Campucana and his partner operated the club very successfully for sixteen or eighteen months. Then a similar restaurant and club,called Sans Souci, was opened, and during the following season Campucana lost $22,000.00. Carrerras was permitted to take over the building and fixtures under the mortgage held by him. Carreras has operated the club spasmodically since that time, but the Chateau Madrid is now closed.

Rafael Carreras was interviewed by Agent Peters at his place of business, Prado 115. He stated that he resides at the Hotel Regina. The photograph of Cassius McDonald was displayed to him, at which time he advised that he is acquainted with McDonald, having met him in January, 1935. He stated that either in the latter part of December 1934 or the early part of January 1935, Juan Jimenez, who Mr. Carreras knows as a gambler, approached Carreras and asked him if the Chateau Madrid was for rent. Carreras informed him that it was and inquired why Jimenez was interested. Jimenez informed Carreras that he, Jimenez, had a wealthy American gambler coming to Havana who desired to find a suitable location to open a gambling casino.

Sometime later Jimenez, accompanied by an American, whom Carreras identified as Cassius McDonald, approached him and stated that they had been out and looked over the Chateau Madrid; that they had agreed that it was an entirely satisfactory location, and asked Carreras how much rent he desired. Carreras asked them what kind of a proposition they had to offer and they stated that they would furnish all of the tables and equipment and would pay him a rental of $40.00 per day, plus one-half of the winnings of the gambling. These terms were entirely satisfactory and Carreras accepted. There was no memorandum or contract made of the agreement, Carrera being informed that McDonald owned a large Casino in Miami, Florida; that he was immediately returning to Miami to make arrangements for the dealers and equipment; that upon his return final negotiations would be made and the necessary papers drawn up. Carreras thought the matter was definitely closed until, a day or two later, he read of McDonald's arrest in Havana. He has neither seen nor heard from

McDonald since that time. Carreras also denied having any knowledge whatsoever of McDonald prior to late December, 1934, or early January, 1935.

Detective Victor M. Garcia, Investigation Section of the National Police, was interviewed. Garcia's name was found among the papers in the possession of Cassius McDonald when he was arrested in West Palm Beach, Fla. by Bureau Agents in February, 1935. Garcia's partner is A. Valdez, and he was present during the interview. Garcia said he came in contact with McDonald at the Hotel Presidente in January, 1935, at which time he was arrested by the Cuban authorities for the possession of a gun, also for an alleged fraud in gambling. Garcia was called upon to act as an interpreter. He remembered McDonald saying he had come to Cuba for the purpose of renting the race track, casino and other amusement resorts from Dr. Carlos M. de la Cruz. He also said he had been in the country about a year prior to his arrest for the same purpose, but had been unsuccessful. Garcia, as well as Valdez, was asked if McDonald had made any statement about being in Cuba during September, 1934, and of having stopped at the National Hotel, but he could not recall any incident to that effect. Garcia said he also talked with Mrs. McDonald, and the story told by her was similar to that of her husband.

Sergeant Oswald Lopez, of Cuban National Police, was interviewed for information concerning the officer named Gonzalez, who, according to employees of the Hotel Presidente, was seen with Cassius McDonald from time to time during January, 1935. Lopez said he did not know any such officer. He informed that he believed Detective Victor Garcia and Detective A. Valdez, who works with Garcia, were the men who went to see him at the Hotel Presidente. Sergeant Lopez made inquiries of Lieutenant Padrone, who is in charge of the Detective Bureau of the National Police, and Lieutenant Padrone said there was no officer named Gonzalez connected with the organization.

Subsequent interviews by Agents with Julio Rosco and Roberto Acosta, Clerks at the Hotel Presidente, revealed that the officer whose name they had previously mentioned as Gonzalez was in all probability Victor Garcia. Both Rosco and Acosta were asked for descriptions of the man whose name they thought was Gonzalez, and the descriptions they furnished fit Garcia perfectly. In view of this situation, no further inquiries were made concerning Gonzalez.

Alphonso Ortega, Jonellar 32, Havana, whose name was mentioned during the investigation as to the switch of small bills for large bills in Havana during the Fall of 1934, was produced for interview by Rene

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Bolivar. He was interviewed by Agent McKee. Bolivar had informed prior to the interview that Ortega had never had anything to do with the switching of any money, so far as he knew. He stated Ortega operates as an independent broker, without maintaining any office, and uses the Cafe Europo on Obispo St. as a meeting place. He stated, further, that he knows it to be a fact that Ortega engages in the business of securing gold coins from local banks and illegally taking it to Kingston, Jamaica, where he disposes of it at a small profit because of the difference in exchange rates in the two countries.

Ortega, when questioned, stated he has been engaged in business as an independent broker for about one year. He said his business consists mainly of handling sales of securities, gold and small bills between local banks. He was asked for data as to his knowledge of large quantities of small American bills having been exchanged in Havana for American bills of large denominations, but he claimed to have no knowledge of any such transactions.

Following the interview with Ortega, Bolivar stated that Ortega must have known of the exchange of bills which he, Bolivar, and Ruiz effected for McDonald - as Ortega and Ruiz are very close to each other. It should be stated here that Bolivar has been of considerable service to the investigating Agents, both in the way of an interpreter and in locating people for interview. He has stated his willingness to furnish testimony in this matter, but has requested that the part he played in the switching of the ransom money be treated as confidentially as the circumstances permit. He particularly asked that the matter of the money changing not be used as a basis for the questioning of Ortega and Beale. Inasmuch as there has been nothing definite to indicate that Ortega participated in any of the exchanges, Bolivar's wishes have been respected.

George Harris and wife, upon interview, reiterated considerable information contained in previous report. They stated that while Karpis was at the Parkview Hotel, he spent considerable time at the bar of George Harris, drinking and shaking dice with the various customers. After Karpis moved to Varadero Beach, he made numerous trips back to Havana, for the purpose of purchasing groceries and other household articles, and to attend the movies. On numerous occasions, Karpis invited Harris and his wife to come to Varadero Beach for the week-end. These invitations were consistently declined, for no particular reason, until the latter part of October, 1934, to the best of Harris' recollection. Harris states that he believes it was the latter part of October because it was about six weeks prior to the departure of Karpis.

On this occasion Karpis drove into Havana in his Ford V-8 coach, picked up Mr. and Mrs. Harris and returned to Varadero Beach, where the woman known to George Harris as Mrs. Wagner was waiting. Harris stated that on the trip he noticed that Karpis was an unusually fine automobile driver as he had little difficulty weaving in and out of traffic, and in the acceleration and deceleration of the car to avoid accidents.

Mr. and Mrs. Harris remained with Karpis Friday, Saturday and Sunday, returning to Havana sometime Monday. Harris states that there was nothing whatsoever about the trip that was unusual, and most of the time he was in Varadero he and Karpis went fishing. He states that he saw no guns about the house, and left under the impression that Mr. and Mrs. Wagner were a very respectable married couple. He further stated that the only persons he observed at the Wagner house were a Cuban girl and a Japanese boy.

Augustin Cacho Negrete, taxicab driver who drove for Cassius McDonald while he was in Havana during the forepart of 1934, and again in January, 1935, was re-interviewed. Reference is made to the prior interview with Negrete as set out in the report of Special Agent R. D. Brown, Jacksonville, Florida, February 25, 1935. This interview took place after the interview with Mrs. Ethel Artesiano.

Negrete still insisted that he had no knowledge regarding McDonald having been at the National Hotel in September, 1934. He admitted, however, that he had seen him in company with Jimenez, and had driven him and his wife to the home of Mario Artesiano, which was located in the Marianao Section of Havana at that time. Likewise, he drove Mrs. McDonald, Mrs. Artesiano and another lady to the bathing beach in Marianao on several occasions. He denied, however, that he had ever driven McDonald and a party to the Jimenez home.

It is the belief of the reporting Agents that Negrete is telling the substantial truth. Investigation has indicated that none of the persons with whom McDonald associated on both prior and later trips to Havana had knowledge of his presence in Havana at the time the ransom money was switched.

Dr. Conrad Wittkop, Avenue de la Republica 51, Havana, Cuba, was interviewed by Agent McKee in connection with the prior conversation had with him as recorded in the report of Agent McKee dated at Jacksonville, Florida, March 30, 1935. Dr. Wittkop said he had not been able to secure any information of value, relative to Karpis having been in Havana, from

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the cab driver, Charlie Feindler. He said Feindler is the type of person who receives information relative to undesirable persons being in the city, and asking him direct questions would be without avail. Wittkop said he had seen Feindler since Agent's prior conversation, but that Feindler had not volunteered any information concerning either Karpis or any one else. Dr. Wittkop has the address and telephone number of the Jacksonville Bureau Office, and he promised to transmit any data of value which he might receive as to Karpis.

In accordance with the undeveloped lead contained in the report of Special Agent in Charge J. H. Hanson, Jacksonville, Florida, dated April 23, 1935, contact was had with officials of the Western Union Telegraph Company, the Cuba Trans-Atlantic Radio Corporation and the Commercial Cable Company, of Cuba, and arrangements were made to have the files of these companies searched for the period of September 1, 1934, through January, 1935, for the fourteen names which are listed on Page 16 of the above report. These searches resulted in the location of two messages which have not already been set out in previous reports. Both of these messages were transmitted via Western Union Telegraph Company and are apparently from Juan Jimenez to Cassius McDonald at Detroit, Michigan, and Cleveland, Ohio, respectively. Attention is invited to the fact that the address in the Cleveland message is apparently that of the Harvard Club, which is operated by Art. Hebebrand. These messages are set out verbatim as follows:

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LC Mac
711 Hammond Building
Detroit (Mich)

Clubs fail our business yes

Juan."

"1934 DEC 18 PM 6 13 17 wds $1.28

LC McDonald
3011 Harvard Ave. Cleveland (O)

Means Clubs business failed do not ship equipment
other business OK

Juan"

The various messages which were furnished by the three telegraph companies in Havana will be made a part of the Jacksonville Office file in this matter.

During conversation [redacted] b7c

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[redacted] it was learned that he had in his possession some old copies of telegrams both sent and received by Cassius McDonald. These wires were dated during the forepart of 1934, and would not have come within the period of the search made by the several telegraph companies during the present investigation [redacted] furnished copies of these wires, two of them under date of March 7, 1934, were addressed to Senators Hamilton Lewis and James Cousins, respectively, Washington, D. C., advising that he was detained by the authorities in Havana and requesting that his United States Citizenship be confirmed. Three additional messages which may be of interest in this investigation are as follows:

"1934 JAN 25

CDA266 CHICAGO ILL 25 25
NLT C MCDONALD
BLANCO VIRTUDES TWENTY HALF ALTOS HAVANA.

IMPOSSIBLE TO COME MONEY CONDITIONS MAKE IT IMPOSSIBLE
GILFOYLE AT BEACH MAKE ARRANGEMENTS WITH HIM
SHORTALL"

"1934 JAN 31

CDA5 NEWARK NJ 27 31
NLT C MCDONALD
VIRTUDES 201/2 ALTOS HAVANA

HAVE NO BIG SIX READY STOP OTHER GOODS READY STOP
MUST HAVE EXPENSE MONEY STOP I HAVE MEN READY
JERRY"

"1934 FEB 1

CDA237 IRVINGTON NJ 17 1/448P
C MCDONALD
VIRTUDES 201/2 ALTOS HAVANA

CANT LEAVE UNTIL MONDAY MUST HAVE MONEY OR CANT MAKE IT "
(Unsigned)

Under date of May 10, 1935, copies of these telegrams were transmitted to the Philadelphia and Chicago Offices along with a letter requesting that appropriate investigation be made to determine the identity of the senders of these messages.

Also among the papers found in the brief cases of Cassius McDonald was a note written on an unidentified hotel telephone message

blank as follows:

"Jose M. Rodriguez A. 3343
wants you to call him."

Inquiry at Havana from various sources disclosed that Jose Rodriguez is an Immigration Inspector for the Cuban Government. He also operates a Cuban-American employment agency with offices at Consulado 142, 1st floor, Apartment 1.

Robert Acosta, Clerk at the Presidente Hotel, who had been assisting Agents from time to time in the above investigation, was interrogated and stated that Rodriguez bears a very bad reputation, and that he is reported to be very strongly connected with the present Cuban Government. He is reported to be an unscrupulous individual, who would be open to any kind of a proposition the result of which would be to secure money for Mr. Rodriguez. Mr. Acosta stated that he had observed Rodriguez in company with McDonald one night at dinner at the Presidente Hotel, following the release of McDonald from jail in March, 1934. Mr. Acosta accidentally met Rodriguez the following day and entered into conversation with him relative to his association with McDonald. Rodriguez informed Acosta that he had been acquainted with McDonald for a considerable length of time, and that he had been responsible for the release of McDonald from jail.

An attempt was made to interview Mr. Rodriguez, or secure an appointment with him, at which time Agents learned that two days previously he had departed on an Immigration Inspection tour which would take him to Matanzas Cardonas and to Santiago de Cuba, and that he would not return to Havana for a period of ten days or two weeks. His secretary advised that she did not know where to reach him during this period as he was not in the habit of communicating with his office when he made these tours of inspection. In view of the indefiniteness of the return of Rodriguez, it was not believed advisable to remain in Havana pending his return, and the advisability of interviewing him when next an Agent is in Havana is being left to the discretion of the Bureau.

Numerous appointments were made by Agents with Juan Jimenez and Arturo Beale, all of which were broken by these individuals. However, on May 18, 1935, these individuals appeared together at the Presidente Hotel, Agents not previously being aware that they were acquainted.

At the Presidente Hotel Juan Jimenez was interviewed by Agents, Arturo Beale acting as interpreter. He stated that he is a Cuban subject and was born at Santa Clara, Cuba. At the present time he resides on 7th Street, between 8th and 10th Streets, in La Sierra, a suburb of Havana,

where his telephone number is FO 2393. The photograph of Cassius McDonald was displayed to Jimenez, at which time he immediately identified it.

According to Jimenez, he first became acquainted with McDonald about three years ago, having been introduced to him by a man by the name of Ronedo, whose first name he has forgotten. This meeting took place at the Presidente Hotel. He saw McDonald several times thereafter and, in the Spring of 1934, he and McDonald had a conference with Jose Vila relative to operating the gambling at the Montmartre Restaurant, which is operated by Vila. No terms or conditions were agreed upon and nothing ever came of the conference, Jimenez being unable to recall for what reason.

At the same time, McDonald, through Jimenez, began negotiations for the rental or purchase of Oriental Park, the National Casino and La Playa. All of these negotiations were carried on through Dr. Carlos Manuel de la Cruz, as Dr. de la Cruz represented the Cespedes interests and the Cespedes interests, in fact, owned these amusements, although at this time these amusements were supposed to be owned and operated by the Government. Contrary to the statement of Dr. de la Cruz, Jimenez states that Dr. de la Cruz did personally meet and confer with McDonald, Jimenez and Mario Artesiano being also present at the time. He further stated that McDonald never had either a contract or an option for the rental or the purchase of these amusements and that at no time did he have anything amounting to more than an offer of an option. Jimenez claims that Dr. de la Cruz did not act in good faith in the matter and that, after this offer of an option was given to McDonald, Dr. de la Cruz permitted Colonel Sabbath to intervene and rent the track. With the rental of the track by Colonel Sabbath, all further negotiations between McDonald and Dr. de la Cruz terminated. All of the above took place in the Spring of 1934.

Jimenez stated that he next saw McDonald in the Fall of 1934, either in September or October. At that time McDonald had a suite of rooms in the National Hotel in Havana, and was accompanied by another American. Jimenez was accompanied by Beale at the time. The photograph of William Harrison was displayed to Jimenez and Beale, at which time both individuals stated that this photograph does not resemble the individual they met in McDonald's room at that time. The description of the individual in McDonald's room, however, as supplied by Jimenez, corresponds to some extent to the description of Harrison. Jimenez stated that his visit to McDonald's room was more or less in the nature of a social call, and that McDonald talked of the gambling concessions he was supposed to be operating at West Palm Beach, Fla. and Detroit, Mich.

McDonald did not inform Jimenez that he had been in Havana a few days prior to that time, nor did he inform Jimenez of the nature of his visit.

Jimenez stated that the next time he saw McDonald was in late December or early January, 1935. McDonald was interested in renting and operating Chateau Madrid as a gambling concession, and this episode was terminated with the arrest of McDonald. Jimenez' version of this attempt to rent Chateau Madrid corresponds with the version supplied by Carreras, the owner. According to Jimenez, it is his opinion that some individual, influential in the Cuban Government, was constantly putting the authorities on McDonald'because this individual was afraid that McDonald was going to interfere with the Cuban gambling concessions. Jimenez stated that he would not mention the name of this individual because he, Jimenez, had no positive information to substantiate his opinion.

The telegram signed "Juan" addressed to L. C. Mac, 711 Hammond Building,Detroit, and dated Havana, Cuba, December 18, 1934, was displayed to Jimenez, at which time he stated that he had no recollection of ever having sent such a telegram, and he denied having sent it. The telegram dated Havana, Cuba, December 18, 1934, signed "Juan" and addressed to L. C. McDonald, 3011 Harvard Ave., Cleveland, Ohio, was displayed to Jimenez, at which time he denied ever having sent such a telegram, stating that he had sent telegrams to McDonald but had always addressed them to Detroit, Michigan, and that he had always abbreviated the word building as "Bldg.". He denied any knowledge of the street address "Maloja 86" as it appears on the telegram of December 15th.

Arturo Beale was interviewed by Agents, at which time he stated that he resided at Dominguez 6, suburb of Cerro, Havana, where his telephone number is A 5249. He stated that he was born in Santiago de Cuba, of British parents, and is a naturalized Cuban. He stated that he had been connected with the Nationale de Cuba Bank for seventeen years, after which he formed his own bank, The Espanol-Americana Bank, which is now defunct. Further, whenever necessary, he acts as interpreter for Jimenez.

With reference to the telegram which he received from Milan, he stated that at the time this telegram was sent, Milan was in New York promoting the Motamba Oil Company. Milian thought that it was a good proposition and he telegraphed Beale to ascertain if he, Beale, would be interested in any of the stock. The word "Cigars" was used for the word "Shares". Beale wired Milian that he would take 100,000 cigars, meaning 100,000 shares of the petroleum stock. However, the stock was never bought. Beale denied any knowledge whatsoever of any information to the effect that Five, Ten and Twenty Dollar U.S. bills were being brought to Havana and exchanged for large bills. He also denied ever having a conversation with anyone in

the Europa Restaurant, or elsewhere, as to the switching of small bills for large. He stated that the last time he had seen or heard from Milian was about one month ago, and that Milian can generally be located at the McAllister Hotel in Miami, Florida. He denied having seen or heard from Milian during the past week or ten days, although he admitted he had heard that Milian had been in Havana during that time and that Milian had been registered at the Plaza Hotel in Havana.

Agent Peters conducted investigation at Maloja 86, which was found to be a Cuban hand laundry. The proprietress of this laundry was interviewed, through an interpreter, at which time she stated that no person by the name of "Juan" lived there at the present time, nor did she know of any person by that name having previously lived there. She advised that until about January 1, 1935, this location was occupied by a Chinese laundry, and it was her opinion that "Juan" might possibly have been connected with that laundry. She was unable to advise who operated the Chinese laundry, or where Agent could secure any information relative thereto.

At the Western Union Telegraph Company, George W. Carey was interviewed relative to these messages. He advised that he was unable to supply any information in addition to that appearing in the messages, and he was unable to supply any information which might be of assistance in ascertaining the identity of the individual who signed the message as "Juan" and gave Maloja 86 as his address. Further reference to this address will be found in the details of the interview with Tomas Renedo set forth hereinafter.

Ambassador Jefferson Caffery was interviewed by Agents at the Embassy on May 14, 1935, for information regarding his contacts with Cassius McDonald. He said he recalled the name quite clearly, but could not remember the man. A photograph of McDonald was shown him, to refresh his memory. Mr. Caffery seemed to remember McDonald having come to see him at the National Hotel shortly after he, Caffery, assumed his post in Havana. He said he could not remember the subject matter of the conversation, or anything relative to the incident, except that McDonald did call on him. Caffery stated that records of visitors to the Embassy were not commenced until fairly recently. He caused a search to be made of these records, but with negative results. Ambassador Caffery asked Mr. Matthews, First Assistant, for data as to visits by McDonald; and he informed that he believed McDonald, and possibly his wife, had been to the Embassy on two occasions. It was the recollection of Mr. Matthews that the nature of McDonald's visits was such that he was referred to the Consul General on both occasions.

Examination of Ambassador Caffery's files by Mr. Matthews disclosed a letter written to the Ambassador by McDonald from the Dade County Jail in Miami, Florida, under date of February 28, 1935. In this letter McDonald referred to the reasons for his imprisonment, the purpose of his former visits to Cuba, and to a conversation with Mr. Caffery relative to a plot on his, Caffery's, life. After reading this letter, Mr. Caffery recalled the visit from McDonald, but could not fix the date of the call. It was noted that McDonald advised the Ambassador that his visits to Cuba had been in connection with the leasing of various amusement places. At no place in this letter did McDonald refer to his trips to Havana during September, 1934. Mr. Caffery informed that he received the impression at the time of McDonald's visit that the man was merely attempting to ingratiate himself with him. He stated that any visits from McDonald had been essentially official. The Ambassador's reply to McDonald's letter of February 28, 1935, was simply a formal acknowledgment of receipt.

Ambassador Caffery was asked to explain what procedure would be necessary in securing documentary evidence for use in the United States Court at Miami, Florida, in the event the companies in possession of such evidence would not voluntarily produce same in Miami. He informed that the proper procedure was for the Attorney General to request the Secretary of State to have him, Ambassador Caffery, make a request of the proper Cuban Court to issue an order against the particular company in question to produce the necessary records in the Cuban Court. He said the records would, of course, have to be sufficiently described so that they might be located. He advised that as soon as the records were produced in Cuban Court, that the Company having possession of them would then be in a position to permit the proper employee to produce the records in Court in Miami without embarrassment to the Company.

Interview was had with Consul General C. R. Cameron at the Consulate on May 14, 1935, for information concerning his contacts with Cassius McDonald. Mr. Cameron advised that the only contacts he ever had with McDonald were during the time he was under arrest by the Cuban authorities in January, 1935. He said that during his several conversations with McDonald at that time, McDonald advised of his efforts to lease the Race Track, the Casino and the Hippodrome during the Spring of 1934. He also told him of having been arrested by the Cuban authorities in the Spring of 1934, stating in this connection that he felt his arrest was brought about by persons powerful in politics who were opposed to him obtaining control of the gambling concessions.

Mr. Cameron stated that McDonald told him the purpose of his trip to Havana in January, 1935, was to look over the Chateau Madrid and

Montmartre Cabaret as to the possibilities of running them for gambling purposes. Mr. Cameron was asked if McDonald made mention of the fact that he came to Havana on several occasions during September, 1934, and stopped at the National Hotel, and he said he was positive McDonald did not say anything about any such trips. According to Mr. Cameron, McDonald stayed at the Hotel Presidente both during the Spring of 1934 and in January, 1935.

Mr. Cameron stated further that he believed Mrs. McDonald called to see him several times while her husband was in jail in January, 1935. He emphasized the fact that although he and McDonald resided in the same hotel, namely: Hotel Presidente, all of his contacts with the McDonalds were of an official nature. Mr. Cameron informed that he took office in Havana during May, 1934, and that McDonald's difficulties in 1934 occurred during the time his predecessor, Consul General Dumont, was in office.

In connection with statement made by subject Heller to the effect that he had telephoned the Consulate on January 29, 1935, for the purpose of furnishing information relative to Karpis having been in Cuba, Mr. Cameron was asked for data as to his whereabouts on January 29, 1935. Mr. Cameron referred to his expense account records and stated that the only occasion during January, 1935, when he was away from Havana was on January 31, 1935, on which date he made a trip to Matanzas, Cuba. With respect to such a telephone call as Heller claimed to have made having been received at his office, Mr. Cameron questioned Maria Xiques, Telephone Operator, in the presence of Agents. This girl informed that she was positive Heller had not called the Consulate and inquired for Mr. Cameron. Mr. Cameron asked her how she could be positive that no such call had been received if Heller had left no name or stated who he was. Miss Xiques stated that she is well acquainted with Heller and would know his voice in a minute, and for that reason was positive that no such call had been made by him.

At the time of the interview with Consul General Cameron, Vice-Consul Edgar came into the office and informed that during the time subject Heller was under arrest subject Heller informed that several days prior to his arrest he learned of Karpis' identity, and that he considered the advisability of communicating with the Consul, and then decided that he did not desire to become involved in the matter and, therefore, took no steps to report his knowledge concerning subject Karpis.

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AT VARADERO BEACH, CUBA:

Mrs. Leonora Caldwell Bermudez, Proprietress of the Playa Azul Inn, was interviewed, at which time the following signed statement was obtained:

"Varadero Beach, Cuba,
May 16, 1935.

I, Mrs. Leonora Caldwell Bermudez, make this statement to S. K. McKee and W. E. Peters of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice.

I have lived at Varadero Beach, Cuba since May 28, 1934, with my husband. We are operating the Playa Azul Inn at the beach at the present time. The hotel has been in operation since about December 1, 1934.

During the latter part of September, 1934, a man and woman who furnished their names as Mr. & Mrs. E. N. Wagner came to the Inn in a large hired car. Their chauffeur, and later they, told me that Mr. Heller of the Parkview Hotel in Havana had sent them to me telling them that I would assist them in locating a house in which to live. My husband and I have known Mr. Heller for several years and generally stay at the Parkview Hotel when we are in Havana. Believing that Mr. & Mrs. Wagner were friends of Mr. Heller I showed them many houses on the beach which were for rent with the result that they decided to rent the home of Mr. Pedro Alcebo, who is a resident of Cardenas, Cuba. They spent their first week at a rooming house to which I referred them. Mr. Alcebo's house is located two houses away from our inn. I acted as Agent for Mr. Alcebo in the transaction and on the next day he came to the beach and collected $350. for the rental of his house on a furnished basis for the period of Oct. 1, 1934 to Feb. 15, 1935. When the house was rented, the Wagners were driving a new Ford Sedan.

I have been shown photographs of Alvin Karpis and Dolores Delaney and I can positively identify them as Mr. & Mrs. Wagner.

During the time the Wagners lived at the beach the only visitors they had were a Mrs. Ryan and a Mr. & Mrs. George Harris. Mrs. Ryan visited the Wagners for three days, while the Harris people remained for about two days. None of these people came back to the beach again.

Wagner one day informed me that Mrs. Ryan was interested in renting a house for herself and her two sons. The house in which she was interested is located about ten miles from Varadero Beach on an isolated section of the seacoast. No rental actually took place, however, All of these visitors spent most of their time fishing with Wagner during their visit. I believe all of these people came to the beach during the month of October, but they were not here at the same time.

Wagner appeared to be uneducated and was uncouth in his manners. Mrs. Wagner, whose given name was Dolores conducted herself as a perfect lady at all times. I remember Wagner telling me that he could not write, but on a later occasion, he left a note for me requesting some small favor.

Wagner had a boat which he rented from Mr. Alcebo. He obtained an outboard motor for use on the boat and informed me that Mr. Heller had purchased the motor for him. He, also, said that Mr. Heller bought towels and linens for use at the house.

The Wagners had three employees in their house, all of whomm were secured by me at their request. Manual DuPont was a handyman, who spent most of his time fishing with Wagner. There was a Korean named Juan who cooked for them; and a girl named Ramona who did their washing and other house work. Ramona had been working for me and I let the Wagners have her. She works for me at the present time. Juan lives in Cardenas, while Manual DuPont is a resident of the Beach. The Wagners became dissatisfied with Juan on two occasions and secured new cooks thru Mr. Heller. These cooks remained only a very short period, however, and Wagner took Juan back both times.

Wagner made frequent trips to Havana in his car, Mrs. Wagner going with him on several of the trips. They were away several days on one occasion. I believe Mrs. Wagner made a trip to Miami for several days. Wagner used to bring groceries from Havana with him. He bought some groceries in Cardenas, however, and he would get me to write notes for him in Spanish so he would have no difficulty in purchasing supplies.

Wagner once talked of renting the inn, which is divided into rooms and apartments. He wanted to bring some racing people to the beach. During this conversation he suggested that I move to a small house nearby.

The Wagners left the beach very suddenly. I never knew the reason for their sudden departure. Neither of them came to the cottage to say good-bye. I imagined the reason for their leaving was some newspaper publicity in Havana. I remember seeing either an article or picture of him in one of the Havana papers. They left during the first three or four days of December.

About a week before they left my husband brought home a copy of the Official Detective Magazine. It was the issue of Dec. 1, 1934. We noticed a photograph of Alvin Karpis in this magazine and finally decided Wagner was Karpis. My husband and I were not sufficiently positive of Wagner's identity to notify the authorities, however, very shortly after they left I wrote the American Vice-Consul at Matanzas. The reply I received from him came about two weeks later and, as the Wagner's had gone, I let the matter drop.

On the day they left my husband and I were in Havana. I had written a letter to a friend in Jackson, Mich. asking her to get a good description of Karpis, as the description of him in Official Detective Magazine did not fit him very well. I gave this letter to the clerk at the Parkview Hotel to mail, along with other letters, and the person to whom it was addressed advised me later that she did not receive the letter.

Shortly after the Wagners left Mr. Heller came to the beach in Wagner's Ford car and took away the outboard motor, a radio, two suitcases - telling me Mrs. Wagner had advised him to do this. Heller wrote later and asked me to return the house keys to the owner, also to ship some linens to him in Havana. While Mr. Heller was at the beach I told him that his friends were very rude as they had left without saying good-bye. He turned very red in the face. I asked him if he knew their address and he replied that Wagner had only told him he was "Number One in the U.S.A."

After the Wagners left Mr. Bermudez and I inspected their house and found they had burned all papers, but had left a quantity of magazines. There was a prescription from Johnson's Drug Store in Havana, a business card, and some miscellaneous writings by Mrs. Wagner, which did not mean anything.

When Mr. Heller was at the beach in Wagner's car he talked of the possibility of bringing his wife and children to the beach to occupy the Wagner house for a while, but he later wrote saying that his wife and children could not make the trip.

I have turned over to Agents two letters received from Mr. Heller relative to the Wagners, the letters being dated Dec. 18 and 29, 1934, respectively.

/s/ Leonora Caldwell de Bermudez.

Witnesses:

S. K. McKee, Special Agent.
W. E. Peters, Special Agent.
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice."

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At the time of this interview Mrs. Bermudez turned over to Agents the December 1, 1934, issue of Official Detective Stories, on Page 23 of which appears the Photographs of Alvin Karpis, Thomas H. Robinson, Jr., John Hamilton and Lester M. Gilles.

She also turned over to Agents a clipping from "El Avance", dated December 4, 1934, displaying the photographs of Alvin Karpis, Doc Barker, John Hamilton and Thomas H. Robinson, Jr.

She also turned over a photograph of Alvin Karpis clipped from some Spanish newspaper, and the same bearing no date, however, the reverse side of this clipping carries a date line of February 6.

Of particular interest in this connection Mrs. Bermudez turned over to Agents a letter written on the stationery of the Hotel Parkview, Havana, Cuba, dated December 29, 1934. It is believed that this letter is of such importance that it is being quoted in full:

"Havana, Cuba,
December 29th. 1034.

Mrs. Julio Bermudez;
Varadero.
Cardenas, Cuba.

Dear Mrs. Bermudez:

I have your letter of recent date regarding that rumor about the Wagners, I have not heard anything since they left here, onlu a Christmas card which arrived yesterday. I have been expecting to hear from them, therefor delayed writing to Dupont and also to Dr. Acelvo. However, I wrote them both yesterday a letter advising that I would communicate with them as soon as I heard from Mr. Wagner. You know, that he ask me to make a claim for a refund of rental from Dr. Alcebo. I wrote to Mr. Wagner and told him that that was out of question. Dr. Alcebo is making a claim for Elec. Light for $23.34. I am waiting for an answer, also for him to send me the money. There were bath towels and other things left there, as I do not know exactly how many they were, we had best forget about it.

I received the spreads, but I thought, that you might have kept them as you said in your letter, however, if you need any, I will be glad to have the El Encanto send you some. The prices for the seventyone are $1.95 and eightyone $2.25.

With kindest personal regards and wishing you and Mr. Bermudez a happy New Year.

Very truly yours,
/s/ N. H. Heller, Manager
Hotel Parkview

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Her baby was due about the 15of Jan. "

Relative to her correspondence with the American Consul at Matanzas, Cuba, Mrs. Bermudez explained that her acquaintance with Dorsey Gassaway Fisher was personal and that at the time she addressed a letter to him relative to Karpis being there, she marked this letter personal, and therefore, the letter was not opened at the Consul in Matanzas, but was forwarded to Mr. Fisher, who at that time was in Washington, D. C. She also advised/in her letter to Mr. Fisher she did not inform him the reason for her communicating with him, but requested him to visit them at the beach over the next week end on a matter of utmost importance.

Mrs. Bermudez turned over to Agents the personal reply she received from Vice-Consul Fisher dated at Washington, D.C., December 19, 1934, and also the official reply she received from William B. Murray, Vice-Consul at Matanzas, Cuba, dated December 19, 1934. The letter from Mr. Murray was written in response to a second letter of Mrs. Bermudez, dated December 16, 1934, to the Vice-Consul at Matanzas, Cuba, in which Mrs. Bermudez inquired if her previous letter had been received, she not having received any acknowledgment of the same. Vice-Consul Murray informs Mrs. Bermudez that inasmuch as her letter was marked "Personal" it was forwarded to Mr. Fisher at Washington, D. C.

The above mentioned Exhibits are being made a part of the Jacksonville Office file.

Juan Lee Park was interviewed, Mrs. Bermudez acting as interpreter as Juan Lee Park speaks no English. He advised that at the present time he resides at Velazgne 128, Cardenas, Cuba. He stated that he has been acquainted with the Bermudez family for approximately twenty years having formerly worked for them many years at Central Mersedes Plantation, where Mr. Bermudez was in charge of a sugar mill. When Mr. and Mrs. Bermudez opened the Playa Azul Inn, Park came to Varadero Beach with them.

The photographs of various members of the Barker-Karpis gang were displayed to Park, at which time he identified the photograph of Alvin Karpis and Dolores Delaney, as Mr. and Mrs. Wagner, and identified the photograph of Ma Barker as a woman who had visited the Wagners. He advised that while living at Varadero Beach, Dolores Delaney had dark red hair.

Park explained that he had considerable difficulty with the Wagners as they were dissatisfied with his cooking and they fired him on two occasions but he was re-hired the following day. He stated that he went to work for Karpis the day Karpis rented the house at Varadero Beach, and with the above mentioned interruptions continued to work for him until Karpis and Dolores Delaney left Varadero.

He advised that the only visitors at the Karpis house were Ma Barker, whose photograph he has identified, and Mr. and Mrs. George Harris, with whom he is personally acquainted. He stated that Ma Barker stayed two nights, to the best of his recollection, and that on the day Karpis drove her to Havana, he returned with Mr. and Mrs. George Harris, who also remained two days.

Park was particularly interrogated as to any toilet sets which Karpis had, and he stated that he had seen Karpis in possession of one toilet set but had never seen it open. He is unable to advise whether Karpis carried this toilet set with him on his trips to Havana.

Park at no time sawany guns around the Karpis house, nor did he see anything about the place which would arouse his suspicion. Park explained that although he speaks no English he understands a small amount and that being confined only to instructions relating to any work to be performed. He does not know how Karpis addressed Dolores or how Dolores addressed Karpis. He does not understand sufficient English to be able to understand any of the conversations which took place among the individuals at the Karpis house.

The relationship between Karpis and Dolores appeared to be entirely amiable with one exception, to-wit: one occasion when Karpis went out and began drinking and at which time he did not return home for dinner, nor did he return home until late that night.

Park was particularly closely interrogated as to any unusual activity about the Karpis house immediately prior to Karpis' sudden departure. He stated that on that day Karpis had left early in the morning, stating that he was going to Havana, and would be back the following day. He stated that he was going to Havana for the purpose of securing groceries and other necessities for the house. Dolores and the servants did not expect him to return that night and consequently everybody went to bed. It was about midnight when Karpis returned, and

in response to his knocks Juan let him in the house. He noticed that Karpis did not have any groceries or other packages with him. Karpis immediately retired and Park did not hear any conversation which he had with Dolores. They arose at about 6:00 o'clock the following morning and instructed Juan and Ramona Saurez, the other servant in the house to have everything packed as they were leaving at 9:00 o'clock. While Park was preparing breakfast Dolores came into the kitchen and burned numerous papers and letters. Park stated that this had also happened on one or two previous occasions. Karpis informed the servants that he was going to take a ten day trip to Santiago de Cuba. Karpis and Dolores left about 9:00 o'clock as planned.

Ramona and Juan remained in the house, expecting Karpis and Dolores to return until about ten days later Heller came to the cottage and informed them that the Wagners had sailed. Heller at that time secured the remainder of the clothes which Karpis had not taken with him and also secured one dog, which Karpis had left behind.

Park also stated that Karpis had a peculiar platinum ring which had a sapphire setting. This was corroborated by Mrs. Bermudez. The ring was described as more or less of a plain band platinum ring with the sapphire setting slightly raised and held in prongs. Park also stated Mrs. Barker wore a ring of the same design, but that her ring had a diamond instead of a sapphire.

Ramona Saurez was interviewed, Mrs. Bermudez acting as interpreter as this witness speaks no English. She stated that she resides at the Central Tinguaro, but that at the present time she is employed at the Playa Azul Inn. The photographs of the members of the Barker-Karpis gang were displayed to Ramona, at which time she identified the photographs of Alvin Karpis, Dolores Delaney and Ma Barker. She stated that Dolores Delaney had red hair at the time she lived at Varadero Beach, and that the photograph of Ma Barker was a very poor resemblance of her. She stated that her position with Karpis had been secured upon a recommendation of Mrs. Bermudez, and that she had gone to work for Karpis three or four days after Karpis had rented the house at Varadero. She knows Karpis under the name of Wagner. She did not know Ma Barker's name, nor did she know what relation she was supposed to be to either Karpis and Dolores. She advised that she did not know any of the conversations which took place between the Wagners and any of their visitors, or among themselves, as all of the conversations were in English and she understands and speaks only Spanish.

- She stated that Mrs. Barker remained at the Karpis residence either two or three days and advised that she was very fond of Mrs. Barker, explaining that Mrs. Barker had been very generous with her tips. She further stated that on the day that Karpis drove Mrs. Barker to Havana, he returned with Mr. and Mrs. Harris. While Mrs. Barker was at the Karpis residence she spent almost her entire time fishing. Ma Barker, Mr. and Mrs. Harris were the only visitors at the Karpis residence.

Relative to any unusual occurrences prior to the departure of Karpis she stated that Karpis had gone to Havana early one morning and was expected to return the next day. Ramona retired early that evening and sometime during the night, she did not know when, Karpis returned. The servants were awakened at 6:00 o'clock the following morning, and instructed to pack immediately as Mr. and Mrs. Wagner expected to depart at 9:00 o'clock. The clothes were packed and Karpis and Dolores left in their Ford Sedan at approximately 9:00 o'clock, advising the servants that they expected to return in about ten days. Ramona stated that the only thing suspicious she observed about the house was that on several occasions Dolores Delaney burned papers, letters and postal cards in the kitchen stove.

She was interrogated relative to Karpis' possession of any toilet sets and advised that she had only seen one toilet set, and that this toilet kit had been observed open by her, but it did not contain any guns;further that she had not seen any guns about the premises.

AT HAVANA, CUBA:

Prior to the departure of Agents from Cuba, Agent Peters attempted to communicate with Ambassador Caffery, and learned that he was absent from the City and would not return until the following day. Agent Peters then communicated with Consul General C. R. Cameron, and advised him of the anticipated departure of Agents from Cuba, and requested him to communicate this information to Ambassador Caffery.

AT MIAMI, FLORIDA:

In connection with a statement made by subject Joseph H. Adams to Agents Hanson and McKee that a newspaper reporter had called him over the telephone around noon on the day of the shooting at Oklawaha, Florida, interview was had with Managing Editor Hollums of the Miami Herald in an effort to locate the newspaper reporter in question.

Mr. Hollums stated that he would endeavor to locate the newspaper reporter and requested that he be contacted later.

At a later time communication was had with Mr. Hollums by telephone and he stated that so far as he was able to learn, no reporter from his paper had talked with Adams. He advised, however, that he had learned that Ted Gill, AssociatedPress reporter had talked with Adams on the morning of January 16, 1935, shortly after Associated Press reports bearing account of the shooting started coming in over the wires.

Ted Gill, Associated Press reporter, News Tower, Miami, Florida, was interviewed and he referred to the wire reports of January 16, 1935, for the purpose of refreshing his memory. He advised that he did have a conversation with Joe Adams around 12:30 P. M., January 16, 1935, and at that time Adams informed that T. C. Blackburn, his mother and G. E. Summers, had stopped at the El Comodoro Hotel, during the Fall of 1934; further that he had rented the Carson Bradford home at Oklawaha, Florida to T. C. Blackburn.

Mr. Gill said that he was positive that the identification of the Blackburns as the Barkers was not known at the time of his conversation with Adams and that neither their names, nor the name of Karpis was mentioned. He said the only thing that stuck in his mind as a result of his talk with Adams was that Adams had told him that Blackburn's mother was a "nice old lady" and that he had sent flowers to her room.

Hal I. Leyshon, Managing Editor of the Miami Daily News, was interviewed and it was ascertained through him that Francis P. Malone was the newspaper man who talked with Adams by telephone while the shooting was going on at Oklawaha, Florida.

Francis P. Malone, 502 Madeira, Coral Gables, Florida, was interviewed, informing that on the morning of January 16, 1935, Associated Press reports were received regarding the shooting, then going on between Federal Agents at Oklawaha, Florida, and persons in the Carson Bradford home at that place, known to the residents of Oklawaha by the name of Blackburn. He said he communicated by telephone with Carson Bradford and was told that he (Bradford) did not know the Blackburns; that the house had been rented to them by Joe Adams, and Malone would have to talk with Adams for information concerning them. Malone said he reached Adams by telephone at the El Comodoro Hotel and advised him of the shooting and requested information concerning the identity of the occupants of the house.

According to Malone, Adams stated that he was surprised to hear the news, but Malone said that Adams did not seem surprised. At the time of this conversation Adams informed that T. C. Blackburn, his mother and a second man, named Summers, had stopped at the Hotel during the Fall of 1934, and that Blackburn wanted to rent a house and that he, Adams, had rented the Bradford house to him. Malone requested data concerning the dates these people had been guests at the El C omodor Hotel and Adams promised to call back and furnish this information.

Malone said that after a reasonable length of time had elapsed, during which he had not heard from Adams, he again reached Adams by phone at the El Comodoro Hotel. According to Malone between this conversation and the first conversation information had been received that the Blackburns were in fact Fred and Kate Barker; further that there had been information to the effect that Karpis was also in the house at Oklawaha. Malone said he informed Adams of these facts, also advising him that these people were under indictment at St. Paul, Minn.for the Bremer kidnaping. At this time Adams informed that he knew nothing about Karpis. He told Malone that Kate Barker seemed like a nice old woman and that he had sent flowers to her room.

Malone was positive that he told Adams at the time of the second conversation that the Blackburns were in fact the Barkers, that the name of Karpis was brought up, at which time Adams said he did not know him and that all of these people were under indictment in St. Paul, Minn. for the Bremer kidnaping.

Reference is made to a letter from the Jacksonville Office to the Bureau, dated 4-23-35; to Bureau Laboratory Report 7-576-5621, dated 4-27-35; and to Bureau Laboratory Report 7-576-5695, dated 5-1-35, all of which relate to handwriting specimens of Joe Adams and Duke Randall, and comparison of these specimens with photostatic copies of application for title on the Ford Coupe and Buick Coupe, which were the property of subject Karpis as Charles M. Bronson and Leroy Morrison, respectively.

As requested in Laboratory Report dated May 1st, 1935, additional specimens of the handwriting of both Adams and Randall, such writing being the names Charles M. Bronson, Leroy Morrison, Henry Randall and D uke Randall, were secured from these subjects, and are being transmitted to the Bureau by letter for use in additional laboratory examinations.

Examination of original messages by the Postal Telegraph Company and Western Union Telegraph Company in Miami, Florida, resulted in the location of the following messages, which have not as yet been incorporated in the investigative reports. It will be noted that a large number of these messages, all of which were sent and received by Western Union, are written in Spanish. Translation of the Spanish will be set out along with the original wording of the messages. Said telegrams are as follows:

"4:41 PM September 1,1934

JIMENEZ
7 ENTRE 8 Y 10 REPARTO LA SIERRA
HAVANA (CUBA)

ESPEREME VIA AERRA MANANA CONTERTAME SI ME ARPERAR A LA (CONTESTAME) DIRECION DE NEME (NENE) (ESPERAN)
MACK."

Translation:

Await arriving by air tomorrow. Please answer if I am expected at Nene's address.

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"12:31 AM Sept. 3, 1934

(RECEIVED AT MIAMI, FLO.)

VA1 10 Cable Havana 3/1204a

L. C. RENEDO
74 NW 20 St., Miami (Flo)

DI AMIGO ESPERE CARTA
JUAN"

Translation:

Tell friend to await letter.

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"8:11 PM Sept 3, 1934

JIMINES
Fentre 8 Y 10 Reparto Sierra
Marianao (Cuba)

ESPERA BARCO MAMANA
NENE"

Translation:

Await boat tomorrow.

WILL CALL

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(RECEIVED AT MIAMI,FLO) "1934 Sep 5 PM 5:35

VAA33 13 CABLE HABANA 5 528P

J ADAMS
ELCOMODORO HOTEL MIAMI FLO

TELL WILL CONTRACTS SIGNED RETURN THURSDAY
CHAS."

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(RECEIVED AT MIAMI,FLO) "1934 SEP 8 PM 10:28

CA177 39 NL - SH CHICAGO ILL 8

JOS H ADAMS
ELCOMODORO HOTEL MIAMI FLA

WILL BE LEAVING FOR MIAMI NEXT WEEK WITH KERKINS HE HAS BEEN VERY SICK WITH THE FEVER TELL WILLIE H I WILL SEE HIM THEN HOPE ALL YOU FOLKS ARE IN THE BEST OF HEALTH KINDEST REGARDS TO ALL
D MCFARLAN "

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"12:55 PM Sept 8, 1934

JIMINEZ
Fentre 8 vio Reparto Sierra
Marianao Cuba

ESPERALE MANANA
NENE "

Translation:
Await for me tomorrow.

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(RECEIVED AT MIAMI,FLO) "1934 SEP 10 PM 8:54

VAA22 19 CABLE - HAVANA 10 847P

JOE H ADAMS
ELCOMODORO HOTEL MIAMI (FLO)

HAVING A GOOD TIME WILL SEE YOU TOMORROW WISH YOU WERE HERE
GEO"

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(Received at Miami,Flo) "9:58 AM SEPT 12,1934

VAA5 11 Cable Havana 12 926A

LC NENE RENEDO
74 NW 20St Miami, Flo

ESPERO HELIO
MEDINA"

Translation:
Am awaiting Helio.

Note:
Tomas Renedo has advised that the person referred to as Helio is his brother, and that this message is not concerned with McDonald in any way.

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"11:13 PM NOV 21,1934

T C BLACKBURN
CARSON BRADFORD HOME
OCKLAWAHA, FLA

I HAVE BEEN SICK STOP PAPERS WILL START TODAY SORRY OF DELAY STOP MAILING PLATES TODAY STOP THANKS FOR FISH DID ENJOY THEM SO MUCH STOP REGARDS TO ALL
JOE ADAMS "

(Prepaid - .40)

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WF 264 W. Flagler
1:17 PM Dec 6, 1934.

T. C. BLACKBURN
c/o Carson Bradford Home
Ocklawaha, Fla.

PHONE ME
JOE"
(ElComodoro Hotel)

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"CX 129 SE 1 Avenue
2:33 PM Dec 18, 1934

FRANK BARBER
OCKLAWAHA, FLA

YOUR LETTER SELL ORANGES HOWEVER LEAVE ENOUGH FOR BLACKBURNS USE

CARSON BRADFORD

(Pd.
Chg. Biscayne Kennel Club.)

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(Received at Miami,Flo) "5:38 PM Dec 19, 1934

MPB1409 Collect KG Tampa Flo 19 532 P
TOMAS RENEDO
74 Northwest 20th St. Miami Flo

TIENES DEL 13 8250
JOSE "

Translation:
Have you from 13 8250

Note:
Tomas Renedo has advised that this is a personal message of his own. The message refers to the placing of a $82.50 bet on the combination of numbers 1 and 3 in a numbers game at Tampa,Fla. The sender of this message is a cousin of Renedo's.

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"2:03 PM Dec 26, 1934

JIMINEZ
7 ENTRE 8 Vio Marianao
Reparto La Sierra Havana (Cuba)

ARE YOU COMING HERE SHALL I COME THERE ANSWER BY WESTERN UNION NEANA AT ONCE
MACK "

(Will Call
C. Macdaniels)

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"11:07 PM Dec 26, 1934

FREDRECO
Care Shackleford, Havana (Cuba)

SENT JUAN TWO WIRES NO REPLY IS HE COMING HERE OR DOES HE WISH ME THERE ANSWER NEANAS
MACK"

(Will Call
Macdaniels)

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(Received at Miami,Fla) "11:09 AM Dec. 27, 1934
VAA9 11 Cable Havana 27 11:04 A
RENEDO, 74 NW 20 Miami Flo

DIGA AMIGO VENGA MANANA AEROPLANO
JIMINEZ"

Translation: Tell friend to come tomorrow by plane.

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"11:27 PM DEC 27, 1934

JIMINEZ
7 Entre 8 Vio Reparto La Sierra
Habana, Cuba

EL LUNE YEGO AESA EN EL BAPAR FLORIDA YEBA ROQUES ESPERAME
NENE "

Translation: I arrive Monday on the boat Florida
Tell Roque be there.

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(Received at Miami, Flo) "8:01 PM Dec 31, 1934
VAA91 25 Cable - Havana 31
NLT MRS E. G. McDONAHY
Everglades Hotel, Miami (Flo)

HAPPY NEW YEAR COME TO SAME PLACE AS LAST YEAR TELL STELLA
& COMPANY WIRE WHEN LEAVING
MAC "

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(Received at Miami, Flo "9:01 PM Dec 31, 1934

CB715 19 NM GTG - Los Angeles Calif 31

C MacDonald
74 Northwest 20 St Miami Flo

GOT WORD TO PASS ON FLORIDA ON ACCOUNT OF CONDITIONS
WISHING YOU AND MRS MACDONALD A HAPPY NEW YEAR
A. HEBEBRAND "

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(Received at Miami, Flo) "4:34 AM Jan 1, 1935

OC 122 39 NL - ATLANTA GA 31
JOE H. ADAMS
PENTHOUSE FLORIDA NAT BANK BLDG MIAMI FLO

HAD TOUGH BREAKS ALL THE WAY THROUGH BUT MADE IT OK MET HARRY
AND EVERYTHING IS FINE LEAVING ON 6 OCLOCK PLANE WILL ARRIVE
1205 IN MIAMI WILL MEET YOU IN HOTEL WHEN I GET IN
DUKE"

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"5:44 PM Jan 7 1935

(Received at Miami, Flo)

EV 31 15 Cable via Ev - Habana 7 520P

MRS E G McDONALD
HOTEL EVERGLADES OR STEAMER FLORIDA, MIAMI, FLO

NEED YOU COME ON

MACK"

All of the copies of messages furnished by the Western Union and Postal Telegraph Companies will be made a part of the Jacksonville Office file.

In response to the request of Agents, Tomas Renedo, 74 N.W. 20th Street, Miami, Florida, appeared at the Alcazar Hotel where he was interviewed. He advised that Tomas is the Spanish spelling of Thomas and that Tomas Renedo is his correct name. He advised that "Nene" is a Cuban word meaning baby and that Nene has been his nickname for many years.

The photographs of all of the known members of the Barker-Karpis gang were displayed to him at which time he stated that he is personally acquainted with Cassius McDonald, having known him since 1930, and that the photograph of William J. Harrison is familiar to him but he is unable to state in what connection. He disclaimed any knowledge of any of the other members of the gang.

Renedo stated that he went to work for Juan Jimenez in Havana, Cuba, in 1924, at which time Jimenez was operating a gmabling establishment in that City, and Renedo was employed by him to operate the roulette table. Renedo continued to work for Jimenez off and on until Renedo came to the United States in, to the best of his recollection, 1930.

Renedo states that he first met McDonald in Havana, Cuba, in 1930. This introduction to McDonald was made by Jimenez. This statement is in conflict with the statement of Jimenez to the effect that McDonald was introduced to him by Renedo.

Renedo came to the United States in 1930 and took up his residence in Miami, Florida. To the best of his recollection he had seen McDonald eight or ten times in Havana, prior to Renedo's coming to the United States. Sometime in December, 1934, McDonald came to the home of Renedo in Miami. Renedo positively states that he is unable to determine how McDonald secured his address in Miami, unless McDonald in some manner communicated with his, Renedo's, brother, a Dr. Renedo, who is also located in Miami.

The various telegrams set out above were displayed to Renedo, at which time he acknowledged that the telegram dated September 1, 1934, was written by him at the request of McDonald, and that its translation as it appears above, is correct.

He also admits receiving the telegram dated September 3, 1934, for McDonald, and states that the friend referred to in the telegram is McDonald.

The second telegram dated September 3, 1934, was written by Renedo at the request of McDonald. The telegram dated September 8, 1934, was written by Renedo at the request of McDonald.

The telegrams dated September 12, and December 19, 1934, have been previously referred to.

The first telegram dated December 26, 1934, was written by Renedo at Miami, Florida, at the request of McDonald. Renedo disclaims any knowledge of the second telegram dated December 26, 1934.

The telegram signed A. Hebebrand, was admitted by Renedo to have been received at his home and held for McDonald until his arrival from Cuba.

When the discrepancy as to the dates of these telegrams and the date upon which Renedo says that McDonald contacted him in Miami, was shown to Renedo, Renedo advised that his recollection of the incident was hazy, and that it was very possible that it was in September, 1934, instead of December that McDonald located him in Miami.

He advised that McDonald probably came to him because McDonald knew that he was a trusted friend of Jimenez and would be a safe person through whom to carry on communications with Jimenez.

Renedo claims that he has no knowledge of Jose Roderiquez or Mario Artesiano in Havana, and also claims that he has not seen McDonald since McDonald came from Cuba on his last trip. He states that the only reason why he did these favors for McDonald, is that McDonald informed him that he was negotiating for concessions in Cuba; that he anticipated operating gambling resorts there, and Renedo anticipated securing a position with McDonald when these concessions were opened.

Renedo states that when McDonald returned from Cuba in the Spring of 1935, he informed Renedo of his arrest in Havana. Since that time Renedo claims that the only communication he has received for McDonald, was one letter, which letter he turned over to an Attorney in Miami, Florida by the name of Ed White. He admitted, however, having received several letters from Jimenez.

Although Renedo recalls having seen Harrison at some time, he denies that Harrison was ever at his house in company with McDonald and that the only person with McDonald at the time he called at the Renedo residence was a woman presumed to be Mrs. McDonald. McDonald at that time was driving a large new Packard car.

Renedo admitted being acquainted with Vincentico Milian, Jr. states that he saw him in Miami in the middle of March, 1935, but does not know where he is or where he can be located at the present time.

He admitted that he is acquainted with Arturo Beale, but claims that he is not acquainted with Rene Bolivar, and also that he does not know Joe Adams, or T. R. Knight.

Relative to the address of Maloja 86, as it appeared on the telegram from Havana, Cuba to McDonald, Renedo stated that Jimenez formerly owned the property at this address, and, for all that Renedo knows, the property may still be owned by Jimenez. He also advised that Jimenez owns property at either Colon 30, or Colon 32 in Havana. Renedo stated that in his opinion, if a telegram were sent from Havana, Cuba, signed Juan Maloja 86, this telegram would have been sent by Juan Jimenez.

With reference to Rogelio Gomez, Renedo stated that he informed McDonald that Gomez was a very close friend of Mendietta, now President of Cuba, and that he believed it would be to McDonald's benefit to contact Gomez, who could probably be of assistance to McDonald in securing the concessions McDonald desired.

The name and address of Regelio Gomez was among the various papers in the zipper case surrendered by McDonald at the time of his arrest in West Palm Beach, Florida, by Bureau Agents.

On instructions from the Bureau photostatic copies were secured of all of the papers contained in the two zipper cases, surrendered by McDonald to Special Agent in Charge, J. H. Hanson, following the arrest of McDonald by Bureau Agents at West Palm Beach, in February, 1935.

The various papers will be described in a memorandum, which will be made a part of the Jacksonville file in this matter. They are not being described in this report for the sake of brevity.

As it had been reported by Auturo Beale that when Vincentico Milian was in Miami, Florida, he stopped at the McAllister Hotel, Agents interviewed E. B. Brasewell, Clerk at this Hotel, who advised Agent that he is not acquainted with Milian. He permitted Agentto inspect the registration cards for all guests whose name began with the initial "M", which examination failed to reflect any registration cards for Vincentico Milian from January 1, 1934, to the present.

As it had been reported by Rene Bolivar that Milian stopped at the Cortez Hotel when he was in Miami, Florida, Agent interviewed Lee Smith, Clerk, who advised that Vincentico Milian was registered at that Hotel from December 16, 1934, to December 24, 1934; that he was again registered at the Hotel from December 30, 1934 to February 14, 1936; further that at the time of his departure he left a forwarding address of 280 21st Street, Vedado, Havana, Cuba.

As there appears to be some ambiguity as to the accurate dates upon which Bryon Bolton stopped at the Dorn Hotel, 129 S. W. South River Drive, Miami, Florida, Agent interviewed John Dorn, owner and Manager, who advised that Bryon Bolton had registered at that Hotel on December 24, 1934, as Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Adams and family, at which time they occupied rooms 202, 209 and 217. He stated that Bolton was accompanied by his wife, two children and another grown man.

Mr. Dorn advised that he has no present recollection of Bolton, or the other grown individual, but he is acquainted with Mrs. Bolton. He referred Agent to C. A. Tardif, Clerk.

Mr. Tardif identified the photograph of William J. Harrison, and advised that he accompanied Bryon Bolton and his wife, at the time they stopped at the Dorn Hotel. He stated that Bolton and his wife appeared to be very refined persons and that he could not understand their association with an individual of Harrison's appearance and apparent breeding. Mr. Tardif stated that he concluded that Bolton and his wife must have been persons of some means and that Harrison was their chauffeur. At the time Harrison was at the Hotel he occupied room 209, but did not register.

Bolton and Harrison remained at the Hotel until January 1, 1935, when they departed, and Mrs. Bolton continued at the Hotel until January 10, 1935, when she also departed taking with her the two children.

The photographs of other members of the Barker-Karpis gang were displayed to both Mr. Tardif and Mr. Dorn, who stated that they were unable to identify any of these individuals, and stated that they had no recollection of their guests having any visitors. They further advised that no record is kept of any long distance calls or telegrams sent or received at the Dorn Hotel, this Hotel being in the nature of an Apartment Hotel.

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Under date of April 29, 1935, in response to letter dated April 19, 1935, from the Jacksonville Office to the Bureau, relative to the name of an expert competent to testify as to the type of gun the Browning Automatic Rifle may be classed, the Bureau advised that Mr. D. J. Parsons, Firearms Identification Expert of the Technical Laboratory, is acquainted with this particular type of Rifle, and is also acquainted with the wording of the National Firearms Act.

Under date of May 6, 1935, the Bureau advised by letter that a search had been made of the magazines maintained in the Bureau Library, which search disclosed that the December, 1934 issue of American Detective Cases, there appears on Page 63, the photograph of Arthur R. Barker, with aliases, and in the October, 1934 issue of the Real Detective Magazine, there appears on Page 40, a photograph of Alvin Karpis with aliases.

The letter further advised that the Readers Digest Guide for Periodical Literature, was checked for references pertaining to crime and criminals, which appear likely to carry photographs of Karpis or the Barkers, without result.

Any additional information desired for use in the prosecution of the harboring cases at Miami, Florida, will be requested in letter form.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box 314,
Birmingham, Ala.
May 25, 1935

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JSK:K

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 BRELER - Victim
Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent J. S. Kavanaugh, Birmingham, Ala., dated May 20, 1935, which report erroneously designates St. Paul, Minn. as the office of origin.

This is to advise you that the report in the file at this office is being corrected to show Cincinnati, Ohio as the office of origin and copies of this letter are being forwarded to interested offices with the request that they correct the reports in their files.

Very truly yours,

R. B. Nathan

R. B. NATHAN
Special Agent in Charge

CC-St. Paul
Cincinnati
Chicago

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MAY 29 1935

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

HN:CSH

May 24, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

RE: BREMER KIDNAPING CASE

1:15 P.M.

Mr. MacFarland called from Cleveland saying they expect to locate Willie Harrison tonight and he wanted to know what to do. I told him to take Harrison into custody unless they have reason to believe that other members of the Bremer gang will contact him.

I told MacFarland to contact Connelley. I also got in touch with Connelley and he is arranging to leave for Cleveland by plane in order to be there before any action is taken and take charge of whatever is done.

Very truly yours,

H. Nathan.

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

Be certain we have memo ready. O.K. E. C.N.

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PERSONAL

May 20, 1935.

Mr. A. A. Schechter,
News Editor,
National Broadcasting Company, Inc.,
R. C. A. Building,
30 Rockefeller Plaza,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Schechter:

I want you to know how much I appreciated your calling me by telephone last Friday and letting me know of the broadcast that evening of Lowell Thomas on the Barker Case. I listened in with great interest, and would appreciate your conveying to Lowell Thomas my thanks and appreciation of the very kind things he said concerning the work of the Bureau on this case. His broadcast was both interesting and educational.

With expressions of my best regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson 1 copy
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

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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MAY 27 1935
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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DIRECTOR

BREKID [redacted] STATED THAT VOLNEY DAVIS CALLED AT HER HOME YESTERDAY AFTERNOON AT ONE OCLOCK. SHE WAS AWAY AND HER MOTHER GAVE HIM THE TELEPHONE NUMBER AGAIN. HE INDICATED HE MIGHT CALL. THE PLANT WHICH WAS PREVIOUSLY MAINTAINED [redacted] IS BEING RE-ESTABLISHED NOW AND THREE AGENTS WILL COVER FROM THIS POINT IN AN EFFORT TO APPREHEND DAVIS WHEN HE CALLS

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Mr. Nathan
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Mr. Baughman
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May 27, 1935.

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

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
I. O. #12180 et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of former Special Agent in Charge William Larson, Detroit, Michigan, dated September 28, 1934, pages 2 - 5 inclusive.

It will be noted that a Mr. and Mrs. Willgrube, Grand Forest Beach, Ohio, located near Sandusky and Huron, Ohio, rented a cottage to William Weaver and Myrtle Eaton, as Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Orhood, during the latter part of June, 1934; that about two weeks later Harry Campbell and Wynona Burdette, as Mr. and Mrs. George Swanson, also rented a cottage from them; that William Weaver lived with Harry and Wynona; that Doc Barker lived at times with Myrtle and William Weaver. Myrtle Eaton and William Weaver, driving a new Chevrolet Coupe, departed before their rental period had expired, about the middle of August, 1934, saying that they were going to attend the World's Fair at Chicago, but failed to return.

Mrs. Willgrube informed former Special Agent in Charge William Larson at that time that she cleaned the cottage occupied by Myrtle Eaton and William Weaver and found nothing with the exception of a bill of sale made out to J. A. Orhood for a Chevrolet Coupe, serial #1-DA03-13359, purchased at Des Moines, Iowa, on March 23, 1934; also, a letter to Orhood from some realty concern in the Province of Ontario, Canada, answering an inquiry made by Orhood concerning a summer place located somewhere in Ontario.

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Believing that the aforementioned letter would be of some assistance in locating subject Weaver, Special Agent R. D. Brown again interviewed Mrs. Willgrube on May 23, 1935. On this occasion she advised that she had not looked further for the letter in question, but was certain that she had saved it. She agreed to again look for same and stated that she would be glad to turn it over to Agents of this Bureau. On this occasion she was again interviewed carefully relative to her recollection as to the subject matter of this letter, and she stated that she believed the letter indicated that Weaver, as Orhood, had corresponded on more than one occasion with reference to the realestate sought; that the letter described the place as having approximately 300 acres of land; was situated on a small lake with considerable lake frontage; that it contained a large 14-room brick house, modern conveniences, with two kitchens; that the house had wood stoves. She stated that she believes the letter indicated the place was located approximately one and one-half miles from a small Ontario town, and about forty miles from a main highway. She recalled that the letter indicated that Weaver had answered an advertisement in the Cleveland Press with reference to this property, and that the letter in question referred to this advertisement. She stated that she recalls that the letter brought facts to the attention of Weaver concerning splendid hunting and fishing opportunities.

Mrs. Willgrube stated that Mr. and Mrs. Orhood (Weaver) had apparently intended to take this letter with them, as she found the same prominently located on the top of a bookcase near the door, indicating possibly that it had been placed there conspicuously, so that Weaver or the Eaton woman would be sure to put it in their pocket before vacating the cottage.

With reference to William Harrison, Mrs. Willgrube readily identified his photograph and stated that Harrison was living in the cottage shared by Harry Campbell and Wynona Burdette with a woman about thirty to thirty-two years of age, weight about 125-130 pounds, rather heavy build, light brown hair, who spoke with a noticeably Scottish accent. She stated that she understood this woman to be Harrison's sister and further understood that this woman was from Cleveland, Ohio. She was unable to furnish any other information concerning this woman and could not recall either her first or last name.

Mrs. Willgrube was again interviewed on May 25, 1935, at which time she informed that she had been unable to locate the letter in question. However, on this occasion she volunteered the information that Myrtle Eaton had once informed her that she and

Mr. Orhood (Weaver) spent a part of the summer of 1933 on a beach located near Grand Forest Beach, its location being considerably nearer to Cleveland than is Grand Forest Beach. Mrs. Willgrube furnished Agent Brown with a list of the various persons operating summer cottages for a distance of ten miles east of Grand Forest Beach.

After several inquiries Agent Brown ascertained from C. S. Calvert, Rural Route #2, located approximately four miles east of Huron, Ohio, that he had rented a cottage for two and one-half weeks in July, 1933 to a Mr. and Mrs. Orhood. Photographs of Myrtle Eaton and William Weaver were shown to him and he immediately identified them as the Mr. and Mrs. Orhood who occupied one of his cottages during July, 1933. He advised that he was unable to recall much concerning these people, with the exception that they were driving a 1932 model, four-cylinder Ford Coupe, bearing Illinois license plates. He advised that they were very quiet and had no callers whatsoever while occupying this cottage. He stated that his wife might be able to recall some of the conversations she had had with Mrs. Orhood (Myrtle Eaton), however, Mrs. Calvert was not at home on the date of this inquiry. She will be interviewed at a later date.

Mr. Calvert advised that the Orhoods had a little girl about eight or ten years old with them, and he thought her to be the daughter of Orhood. He advised that to the best of his recollection the Orhoods were apparently known to Postmaster Jenkins of Huron, Ohio and suggested that Agent Brown interview Postmaster Jenkins, as the Orhoods received their mail General Delivery, Huron, Ohio.

During a later interview with Mrs. Willgrube she advised that the parties who rented her cottages during the summer of 1934 received their mail at Vermillion, Ohio, and bases her belief on the fact that magazines found in the cottages after their departure showed this to be their address.

Due to Mrs. Willgrube's failre to locate the letter received by Weaver as Mr. J. A. Orhood relative to the property he was interested in in Ontario, Canada, an examination was made of the Cleveland Press newspapers for the months of June and July, 1934, and it was found that on June 29, 1934 an advertisement appeared in the Cleveland Press reading as follows:

"FOR SALE--VALUABLE HOMESTEAD AND SUMMER RESORT, $5000. Containing approximately 325 acres. Situate on Eagle Lake, in Hastings county, about 80 miles north of Belleville,

Ontario. Most attractive fishing and in the midst of deer and partridge hunting territory. Fine bathing beach. Property reported to contain good deposit of granite and other minerals. (Mineral rights reserved). Fifty good building lots, or better, fronting on lake. Ten-roomed dwelling house, large barn and sundry other outbuildings (including two small houses). For further particulars apply to Post Office Box "G", Marmora, Ontario, Canada."

Inquiry at the Want Ad Department of the Cleveland Press disclosed the information that this advertisement was placed in the Cleveland Press at the direction of the Dominion Bank of Marmora, Ontario, Canada; that it had run from June 29 to July 5, 1934, inclusive, at a cost of $43.20 to the Dominion Bank.

The information appearing in this advertisement corresponds with the information contained in the letter in question, according to the best recollection of Mrs. Willgrube. It was further ascertained that no other advertisements were inserted in the Cleveland Press during June and July, 1934, advertising Canadian property for sale, and this advertisement is unquestionably the one referred to by Mrs. Willgrube.

Postmaster Jenkins of Huron, Ohio has not yet been interviewed as he is presently on his vacation. He will be interviewed at an early date, for whatever information he may have relative to William Weaver, whom he presumably knew as Orhood.

The possibility that William Weaver and Myrtle Eaton are residing somewhere in a foreign country is very strong, due to the fact that Weaver, as Orhood, purchased a Chevrolet Coupe from the Ed O'Dea Chevrolet Company, Des Moines, Iowa on March 23, 1934. This car bears motor #4135550 and serial #1-DA03-13359. This car has never been registered in the United States for the year 1935. All offices on two different occasions have been requested to check all motor vehicle registration bureaus for the registration of this car, and all have reported that same has not been registered in this country. It will be further noted from the various reports of the various field offices in this case, that no direct information has been received relative to the whereabouts of Weaver and Myrtle Eaton since their residence at Grand Forest Beach in June and July, 1934. Various informants have advised that Weaver is residing "on a farm somewhere".

The information that the Bureau has thus far been able to collect concerning Weaver's personality indicates that he is very quiet and prefers to live in rural communities. It will be noted that he was born and raised in a rural community in Arkansas. Reports from the various field offices covering the activities and apprehension of various other members of this gang have failed to show that William Weaver has been associating with any members of the gang since the summer of 1934. It is not known whether Myrtle Eaton is still living with him, but there is a strong possibility that she is. Reports from the Omaha Bureau office, however, have failed to definitely show that she has recently visited Des Moines, Iowa, her home town, which was her practice before the summer of 1934.

Copies of this letter are being furnished the Buffalo, Chicago, Cincinnati, and St. Paul offices for their information at this time.

It is believed investigation should be conducted at the Dominion Bank, Marmora, Ontario, Canada, to determine if the property in question has been sold, and if so, the identity of the purchaser. It also appears possible that even though Weaver, as J. A. Orhood, may not have purchased this property, he may have made recent inquiry concerning it, as he was undoubtedly very much interested in the same. It also appears that investigation should be conducted to determine whether the Chevrolet Coupe mentioned above has been registered in the Province of Ontario, Canada for the year 1935.

This information is being furnished in order that the Bureau may decide as to whether or not it appears advisable to have an Agent who is thoroughly familiar with this case cover the above outlined investigation, or whether same should be handled as a routine matter.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MAC FARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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cc - Cincinnati
Chicago
St. Paul
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May 31, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

The Bureau is in receipt of your communication of May 27, 1935, in connection with the case entitled ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I. O. 1218, et al, EDWARD GEORGE BREWER, Victim, KIDNAPING.

The Bureau notes the apparent desirability of conducting investigation at Harmore, Ontario, Canada. It is believed this investigation should be conducted by an Agent of the Cleveland Office. The Agent assigned should be an experienced Agent, inasmuch as investigations in foreign countries involve contacts which must be diplomatically handled. It is suggested that prior to making inquiry, the Agent should consult with the nearest United States Consul so that he may be properly informed as to the fact that inquiries are being made in Ontario. b7d

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Of course, steps should be taken to see that all possible secrecy is maintained.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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May 23, 1935
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Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218, ET AL;
EDWARD GEORGE BRENNER, Victim;
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sirs

Reference is made to your letter of May 18, 1955 in which it is stated an informant had furnished the St. Paul Office information to the effect that Volney Davis is supposed to have sent some person at the McAlester Penitentiary $300.00 by Money Order.

Please be advised that Special Agent R. B. Graham, Jr., of this office, has conducted investigation at McAlester, and quoted herein is a memorandum prepared by him in this respects

"Reference is made to the letter from the St. Paul Bureau office dated May 18, 1955. On May 22, with the help of Postmaster A. R. Garrett of the Oklahoma State Penitentiary at McAlester, I made a thorough check of all money orders received through this postoffice but none for any large amounts could be found nor did any one man receive money orders in the month of November, 1954 totalling $300.00. The above check covered the period from October 15, 1954 to December 15, 1954 inclusive.

"With the assistance of L. E. Murrey, Chief Clerk of the Penitentiary, and J. R. Banks, who has charge of the prison accounts an exhaustive search was made of all prisoners' accounts for the period of October 15, 1954 to December 15, 1954, but no Indian prisoner received any money, either by cash, check or money order from South Coffeyville,

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Oklahoma or from Coffeyville, Kansas. One Sam Coker, #14083, an Indian, received a Cashiers' Check from Chelsea, Oklahoma on November 2, 1954, for the sum of $200.00. This man is serving a term of thirty years for bank robbery and is supposed to have some valuable oil property. He has never received any other large amounts nor has he ever received any money from Arkansas.

By inquiry among prison officials it was learned that two Indians have paid sums of money to obtain paroles and leaves of absence. Both of these Indians are wealthy; however, neither of them has ever received any money by means of money orders nor have they received any money from South Coffeyville, Oklahoma, Coffeyville, Kansas, or from Arkansas. They are Frank Ware, #20405, who was sentenced to life imprisonment for murder May 5, 1929. He is twenty-eight years of age. The other Indian is Daniel Luther Harvey, #25408, who was sentenced to fifteen years imprisonment for rape February 5, 1932. He is thirty-one years of age. Both of these men have been paroled and received leaves of absence at various times, all of which have been revoked and according to prison officials they paid money for such releases. Daniel Luther Harvey is blind and was recently transferred to the State Insane Hospital at Vinita, Oklahoma, although it is well known that he is not insane. This transfer was made upon the Governor's order.

Having been advised that before the first of the prisoners were allowed to receive mail through the post office at McAlester, Oklahoma, I contacted Postmaster Hiram Impson of McAlester and with his assistance checked the money orders cashed through this post office for the period of October 15, to December 15, 1954, but was unable to find any for an amount over $100.00. There were two which had been issued in South Coffeyville, Oklahoma, but the parties to whom they were payable were responsible local citizens and well known to Postmaster Impson. None from Coffeyville, Kansas could be found nor were there any for large amounts, nor were an unusual number made payable to the same person.

Very truly yours,

DWIGHT BRAMLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc Chicago,
Cincinnati,
Bureau

P. O. Box 314
Birmingham, Ala.
May 26, 1935

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Special Agent in Charge,
St. Louis, Mo.

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

Dear Sir:

With reference to the letter from the Chicago Bureau Office to the Cincinnati Office dated May 23, 1935, in the above entitled case, there are being transmitted herewith two typewritten mail covers of mail addressed to 55 No. Lawrence St., Mobile, Ala.

One mail cover is addressed to Mrs. Mary Ford, 55 N. Lawrence St., Mobile, Ala. and shows a return address of Kobush & Cornwell, Home Furnishers, Inc., Grand Blvd. and Florissant Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

The other mail cover is addressed to John R. Morgan & Catherine Clyatt, 55 N. Lawrence St., Mobile, Ala. and shows a return address of Metropolitan Life Ins. Co., 36 N. Grand Avd., Second Floor, St. Louis, Mo.

Very truly yours,

R. B. NATHAN
Special Agent in Charge

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Room 1103
370 Lexington Avenue
New York, N. Y.

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May 27, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minn.

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

Dear Sir:

Confirming our telephone conversation of May 26, 1935, you are advised that on that date Mr. Stanley Hubbard called at the New York Office and stated that he is Manager of Radio Station KSTP in St. Paul; that he is stopping at the Roosevelt Hotel in New York City for several days on business.

Mr. Hubbard advised that he is a close personal friend and business associate of Mr. Lytton J. Shields, prominent and wealthy resident of St. Paul, and head of the National Battery Company and other interests; that he, Hubbard, and Shields are also very friendly with Victim Bremer in the above captioned case; that several months ago Special Agent Oscar Hall of the St. Paul Office informed Mr. Shields that information had been received from underworld sources from the Chicago Office of the Bureau that Shields had, at one time, been suggested by Harry Sawyer as a kidnap victim; that this information was furnished by the Bureau to Shields in order that he might take such steps as he might deem advisable to protect himself against such a contingency; that Mr. Shields has been very much concerned for his own and his family's safety, and extremely nervous during the past several months; that last November, in order to get away from St. Paul, he took his family on a trip around the world; that Shields and his family were arriving at Hoboken, New Jersey, on the SS Statendam from Europe that afternoon, Sunday, May 26th; that he, Hubbard, was planning to meet them; that he knows from Shields' past attitude and in view of the recent Weyerhaeuser kidnaping that Shields will be very much alarmed and concerned about his own safety. Mr. Hubbard suggested that Agents from this office arrange to meet the Shields family when the boat docked in order to reassure Mr. Shields and protect him from any possible attempted kidnaping.

Mr. Hubbard was in possession of no definite infor-

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mation of any kind indicating the possibility of such a crime being committed. I informed him that in the absence of such information the Bureau could not comply with his suggestion or undertake to furnish the Shields family with a bodyguard during their stay in New York. However, at Mr. Hubbard's request, I deemed it advisable to communicate with you by telephone for the purpose of ascertaining whether any further information concerning this matter had been received since the above mentioned information was furnished to Mr. Shields some time ago.

Following our conversation, I informed Mr. Hubbard that there had been no further developments whatever relative to Shields. He seemed considerably reassured and stated that he would communicate this information to Mr. Shields when he landed that afternoon and he knew that it would be a comfort to him and alleviate his apprehensions.

Mr. Hubbard appears to be a nervous, high strung individual, somewhat of the "promoter" type, and he appears to be sincerely concerned about the possibility of Shields being kidnaped, and states that Mr. Shields himself is likewise very much concerned.

Very truly yours,

R. WHITLEY
Special Agent in Charge

cc: Bureau
cc: Mr. E. J. Connelley

P. O. Box 1583

Butte, Montana, May 23, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Portland, Oregon.

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 BRENNER, Victim - KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

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DIRECTOR
MAY 28 1936

Dear Sir:

Reference is had to telegram from the Portland Office under date of May 22, 1936, advising that when Special Agent K. D. Deaderick was recently in Halfway, Oregon, he discussed with Chief of Police O. H. Deaderick the Fugitives involved in this case, and particularly Fugitive Harry Campbell.

This is in confirmation of telegram from the Butte Office to the Portland Office of May 22, 1936, advising that the Fugitive, who is known to be an expert pool player, was discussed by Special Agent Deaderick with Chief of Police at Halfway, Oregon.

Very truly yours,

D. H. DICKASON
Special Agent in Charge.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
1900 Bankers Building,
Chicago, Illinois

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5:10 P.M.

May 25, 1935

Mr. R.A.Alt
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U.S.Department of Justice
412 U.S.Court House and
Post Office Building
Jacksonville, Florida

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Post Office Box 812
Chicago Illinois

May 25, 1935.

Hon. Ernest J. Kruetgen
Postmaster
New Post Office Building
Chicago, Illinois.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
Fugitive, I.O.1218; et al
Edward George Bremer, Victim
KIDNAPING; HAR. & OB. OF JUSTICE
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT

Dear Sir:

It will be appreciated if you will place a cover on the mail addressed to William R. Kerin, in care of James Nolan, Post Office Box 872, Chicago, Illinois, for a period of 30 days, forwarding all tracings to this office. In submitting tracings, please refer to our file No. 7-82.

Please accept my thanks for your cooperation in this matter.

Very truly yours,

M.H.PURVIS
Special Agent in Charge

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Room 1403,
370 Lexington Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

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May 25, 1935

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Special Agent in Charge,
Salt Lake City, Utah.

RE: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS
ROY JOHN FRISCH - VICTIM
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent T. H. Tracy, submitted in the above case under date of May 24, 1935.

From the review of the file which has been made by this office as reflected in the report referred to, you will note that it is not clear to this office just when Weisman and Delmore came to the vicinity of Reno and where they took up and continued their residence. The New York City office does not know whether the place they had at Brockway, California, is identical with the Cal-Neva Lodge. It does not know whether Jack Dempsey's place, which evidently they lived in, is identical with either of the above named places.

It is requested that your office make every effort to find out just when Weisman appeared on the scene around Reno, and prepare something of a chronology showing the places where he resided since he took up residence thereat. In this connection, it is noted that a telephone call was made from Brockway, California on July 1, 1933. This would be about two weeks after the Kansas City massacre.

It is also suggested that Robert E. Burnes, now evidently at San Francisco, a brother of Taaffe, be interviewed concerning the rental of Dempsey's house to Weisman. The San Francisco office will please note this request.

Very truly yours,

R. WHITLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc- Bureau
cc- San Francisco

Post Office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida

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May 24, 1935

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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Special Agent in Charge,
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases--I. C. #1218--
FUGITIVE; ET AL
EDWARD GEORGE BREIER, Victim
KIDNAPING, ETC.

With reference to your telegram of this date requesting a photograph of Joseph H. Adams and information as to whether or not he has been out of Florida since last February, please be advised that this office has no very definite information concerning the travel of this individual. In a recent conversation with Special Agent S. K. McKee at Miami, Florida, Adams stated that he had not long since made a trip to Cleveland, Ohio. The place visited in Cleveland or purpose of the trip was not mentioned and Agent McKee did not attach any importance to the statement; in fact, it was merely a voluntary statement made in connection with a general interview.

Deputy Marshal F. E. Edwards, who is stationed at Miami, Florida, has informed both Agent McKee and Agent B. F. Fitzsimons, Resident Agent at that point, that on April 28, 1935, while en route from Atlanta to Miami, he saw Joseph H. Adams and his father-in-law, Bob Knight, in the Union Terminal at Jacksonville, Florida; that both of these men were endeavoring to secure Pullman reservations on the train to Miami, and he observed that they gave the appearance of having been on some sort of a trip, although nothing was said to that effect. He also observed that Adams had the appearance of having been on a drunk and Knight appeared to be suffering in a similar manner or from the use of some narcotic.

I am enclosing herewith a newspaper photograph of Adams, which is the only photograph available at the Jacksonville office. It should be returned when it has served its purpose.

Very truly yours,

ENCLOSURE
AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY
cc Bureau, Cincinnati,
St. Paul

R. A. Alt,
Special Agent in Charge

POST OFFICE BOX 812
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

May 24, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218
DR. JOSEPH P. MORIN with aliases, I.O. 1232
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236
WOLNY 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 OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF
JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARM'S ACT.

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WYNONA BURDETT advised Special Agents R. C. Suran and John L. Madala while at Chicago, Illinois en route from St. Paul, Minnesota to the Federal Detention Farm at Milan, Michigan that during the time she was incarcerated in the county jail at Jacksonville, Florida she made numerous requests of Mr. Alt for her clothing which was recovered at the Carson Bradford residence at Oklawaha, Florida at the time Kate and Fred Barker were killed; that Mr. Alt or some other Agent informed her that she would be unable to obtain the clothing, giving no explanation in this connection.

Please be advised that Wynona Burdett has rendered the Bureau valuable assistance in the prosecution of Arthur Barker et al in the trial just completed at St. Paul and has expressed willingness to testify for the Government in any future criminal proceedings against any of the remaining members of the Barker-Karpis mob. In view of Miss Burdett's attitude in this regard it is considered advisable that every effort be made to assist her in recovering her property left in the above mentioned house at Oklawaha, Florida.

Kindly advise this office of the present status and location of Wynona Burdett's clothes, forwarding a copy of your letter to the Detroit office so that Miss Burdett may be duly informed at the penitentiary at Milan concerning this matter.

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge.

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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: VINITA STACEY with aliases
KIDNAPING - HARBORING JESS DOYLE

Reference is made to letter from this office of May 8, 1935, addressed to the Bureau in connection with the above entitled case. Relative thereto the Bureau is advised that Special Agent J. J. Waters, of this office, at Alderson, West Virginia, on May 16, 1935, interviewed Frances Taylor and procured from her the following statement, as is indicated in the report of the above Agent in the Bremer case, dated May 24, 1935:

May 16, 1935.

I, Frances Taylor, hereby make the following voluntary statement in connection with the shooting which occurred February 5, 1935, on the corner of Gillham Plaza and 34th St., Kansas City, Mo.

I left my apartment which was at 3411 Gillham St. that day at about 4:30 in the afternoon. On reaching the curb on the corner of Gillham Plaza and 34th St. I heard someone calling to me from behind. On turning around I saw Doris O'Connor, who I also know as Vinita Stacey and Doris Stuchlick. She was wearing a brown fur coat and brown hat. As she approached me she was mumbling something which I could not understand. I took two steps toward her and she immediately pulled a gun, which she held in her right hand and began firing at me. She shot me three times in the stomach, and once in the right hand which I had placed over my heart. The bullet which struck me in the right hand ricocheted, struck me in the mouth and broke one of my teeth. After firing five or six shots at me she proceeded east on 34th St. In the meantime a man came by and I asked him to call an ambulance. He was unknown to me.

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"I have been shown a photo bearing number 22790 by Mrs. Velma Patterson, Record Clerk, Federal Institution, Alderson, W. Va., which I identify as Doris O'Connor, alias Doris Stuchlick, alias Vinita Stacey, the woman who shot me. In the event she is prosecuted at Kansas City I am willing to testify in accordance with the above.

(Signed) Frances Taylor

Velma Patterson (Witness)
Record Clerk, Fed. Ind. Institution for Women
Alderson, West Virginia."

Relative to the above statement, the Bureau is advised that when Frances Taylor was interviewed by local police officers they obtained from her what purported to be a dying statement in which she declined to identify Doris O'Connor and stated she did not know the identity of her assailant.

In connection with this matter, the Bureau's attention is invited to the fact that Doris O'Connor, alias Vinita Stacey, the former paramour of Jess Doyle, showed indications of cooperating with this office, stating positively to Special Agent Bryce that she would "turn in" Volney Davis. Agent Bryce advises that he is of the opinion that Doris O'Connor will keep her promise in this regard. Should it become known that the Bureau was assisting in obtaining information which might be of assistance to the State authorities in prosecuting Doris O'Connor, such action would in all probability militate against the apparently friendly relations now existing. On the other hand, there is a strong possibility that Doris O'Connor would not cooperate with this office, but would purposely convey the impression that she is doing so. Frances Taylor, at Alderson, West Virginia, indicated a willingness to Agent Waters to return and testify against Doris O'Connor in State Court where a complaint has been filed against her charging her with the felonious assault in attempting to kill Frances Taylor. Assistant County Prosecutor Gilwee, of Jackson County, requested that Frances Taylor be interviewed. Undoubtedly the Prosecutor's office will want a copy of the statement obtained from Frances Taylor and any other information developed by Agent Waters at Alderson which may be of assistance in prosecuting Doris O'Connor in State Court.

In addition to the information furnished relative to the assault upon her by Doris O'Connor, Frances Taylor also furnished considerable information relative to Mrs. G. M. Chase with aliases, and Irish O'Malley with aliases; also Blackie Doyle,

"Spike" Lane and others wanted in the Bremer case, the Luer kidnaping case, and suspects in several bank robberies under investigation by the Kansas City Office. She furnished information concerning her connections with them and it is believed at a later date she should be again interviewed for additional information.

Doris O'Connor is the sister of Edna Murray, and has been the associate of Jess Doyle and hoodlums of similar ilk for the past several years and is of a very unsavory reputation. It is reasonable to assume that Volney Davis has contacted her since his escape and her release, although there is no positive indication that such may be the case. In other words, the undersigned is not certain whether she is fully cooperating with this office.

In view of the foregoing it will be appreciated if the Bureau will advise whether it be feasible to give the statement obtained from Frances Taylor to the County Prosecutor's office here, and any other information which may be helpful to that office in prosecuting Doris O'Connor should the Prosecutor decide to indict her.

For the Bureau's information, the hearing in State Court has been continued until June 18, 1935, and I anticipate that Assistant Prosecutor Gilwee will make inquiries concerning the interview at Alderson within the very near future. Consequently, it will be appreciated if the Bureau will advise me in connection with the above at its earliest opportunity.

Very truly yours,

E. E. CONROY
Special Agent in Charge

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cc - St. Paul
Cincinnati
St. Louis
Pittsburgh

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June 10, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Re: VIRITA STACEY, with aliases;
HARBORING JESS DOYLE.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated May 25, 1935, relative to a contemplated request to be made of you by the Assistant County Prosecutor of Jackson County, Missouri, for information obtained by Special Agents of the Bureau from Frances Taylor, which information is to be used in connection with a prosecution of Virita Stacey on charges of felonious assault.

The Bureau has been under the impression that your office has been endeavoring to enlist the services of Virita Stacey, better known to the Bureau as Doris O'Conner, as a confidential informant, and in view of those efforts, the Bureau cannot understand how the local authorities at Kansas City, Missouri learned that Special Agents had obtained information which could be introduced in local courts against her.

With reference to the penultimate paragraph of your letter, please be advised that the Bureau does not deem it feasible to voluntarily furnish to the local authorities the statement obtained from Frances Taylor. However, should the local prosecutor be aware of the existence of such a statement and specifically request that it be furnished to him, such request should be referred to the Bureau in order to obtain the necessary Departmental authority relative to the appearance of an Agent in connection with a state prosecution.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
MAY 29 1935
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Post Office Box 2118
Detroit, Michigan
May 27, 1935

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Special Agent in Charge
San Francisco, California

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218 -
FUGITIVE, et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BRUNER - VICTIM
Kidnaping - Harboring of Fugitives -
Obstruction of Justice - National Firearms Act

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your telegram under date of April 27, 1935, in which you requested registration and identity of the owner of Oldsmobile automobile, 1935 Michigan license 9555, motor number 147318, and to telegram from this office to you under date of April 29, 1935, wherein it was ascertained that the owner of the above mentioned automobile was Ben Ross, Royal Palms Hotel, Detroit.

On 5/17/35 Inspector Hoffman of the Special Investigation Squad of the Detroit Police Department telephoned this office and advised that under date the police had arrested Vincent Buenrostro, Detroit PD #49669; John Garcia, Detroit PD #49670; Fernando Gregori, Detroit PD #45861; and James Manos alias James Munoz, Detroit PD #49671; that these men were fingerprinted and photographed at the time of their arrest under the above police numbers and fingerprints transmitted to the Bureau; that they were holding these men for investigation; that at the time of their arrest there were found in their possession numerous articles of clothing from which the labels had been removed, and that they were suspected of being shop lifters.

Inspector Hoffman further advised that on April 22, 1935, a telegram from the Chief of Police at Los Angeles, California, informed him that the Los Angeles Police Department had in custody Buenrostro, Garcia and one Ben Ross, in possession of the aforementioned Oldsmobile automobile, and inquired of Inspector Hoffman as to whether or not these men were wanted by the Detroit Police Department.

Inasmuch as this office had made inquiry as to any criminal record of Ben Ross, Inspector Hoffman desired to know whether this office wanted to question these men relative to their association with Ben Ross.

Inspector Hoffman further advised that a show-up of the four men failed to establish them as shop lifters in the city of Detroit, inasmuch as department store detectives were unable to identify them. On 5/25/35 Inspector Hoffman advised this office that the four men were released on a writ of habeas corpus, but that in the event this office wished to question them they could be located again.

Inasmuch as the name of Ben Ross has never appeared in the files of the instant case and because of the fact that this office has not been advised of any possible connection of Ross with the instant case, no interview was conducted with the four men arrested except that Special Agent A. A. Muzzey ascertained from Buenrostro that he was acquainted with Ben Ross.

The above information is being presented to you for whatever value it may have, and this office will interview the above mentioned four men if same is deemed advisable by you in connection with the instant matter. It is kindly requested that in the event such interview is desired, more specific information be submitted to this office of any possible connection Ross has with instant case.

Very truly yours,

D. L. Nicholson
Special Agent in Charge

AAM:vas
cc Bureau
Los Angeles
Cincinnati
St. Paul

Post Office Box 515,
Saint Paul, Minnesota

May 27, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
New York, New York.

Dear Sir:

This will confirm our telephone conversation of May 26, 1935, regarding the report received by the agents in Chicago sometime ago that L. J. SHIELDS, president of the National Battery Company, St. Paul, Minnesota, was scheduled to be kidnaped shortly after the kidnaping of Mr. Bremer.

As you were advised yesterday, Special Agent S. W. Hardy of this office informed me that a short time after the Bremer kidnaping, agents in Chicago obtained information from some of the acquaintances of the Barker-Karpis gang that L. J. Shields was being considered as a prospective kidnap victim. Agent Hardy further informed me that this information, at the request of the Bureau, was made known to Mr. Shields. Agent Hardy stated that there were no further developments and that there was no indication that anyone known to the Bureau has recently mentioned Mr. Shields as a probable victim of kidnaping.

Very truly yours,

H. E. ANDERSEN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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U. S. Department of Justice
Post Office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida.

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May 25, 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, I.O.
1218 - FUGITIVE; et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
KIDNAPING, etc.

Please be advised that on the morning of May 24, 1935, Mr. Walter L. Barlow, Special Assistant to the Attorney General, who is in Miami, Florida, in the interest of the prosecution of subjects in that district, advised Special Agent B. F. Fitzsimons that complete reports submitted by Agents of the Bureau in this matter, particularly involving the Florida subjects, had been reviewed by Assistant Attorneys General, Joseph B. Keenan and William Stanley, who had expressed the opinion to the Bureau that evidence obtained to date was not sufficient upon which to proceed under the indictments returned by the Federal Grand Jury at Jacksonville, Florida, on February 7, 1935.

Mr. Barlow mentioned particularly the activities of Subject Cassius McDonald at Havana, Cuba, advising that the evidence against him was not sufficient, because it did not conclusively show that the money handled by McDonald in Havana, was changed during any time when fugitive Karpis was in Florida, and further that any act was performed in the United States by McDonald, or that McDonald had knowledge of the identity of Karpis.

With respect to the indictments involving Subjects Adams, Heller and Randall, Mr. Barlow stated that it had been suggested by the Department, that evidence was insufficient to show knowledge, on the part of these persons, of the identity of Karpis; and Mr. Barlow further stated that it was the opinion of the Department that those cases should not proceed to trial during the Spring Term of Federal Court at Miami, but rather should be continued to the October Term in order that more definite and positive evidence may be obtained.

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This information is being forwarded to the Bureau since the Jacksonville Office has not previously been advised of the Department's opinion in this matter.

Please be advised that on May 24, 1935, United States District Judge Halsted L. Ritter, Miami, Florida, issued an order reducing the bond of Henry (Duke) Randall to $2,000.00, after motion filed by his attorneys for reduction of the bond.

Randall had not made bond by 5:00 o'clock on the evening of May 24, 1935, and it became necessary for Special Agent Fitzsimons to proceed to Jacksonville, Florida, that evening on other official matters. Immediately upon his return to Miami an attempt will be made to ascertain whether Randall made the reduced bond, and, if so, the date bond was made.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt

R. A. ALT, R.B.D.
Special Agent in Charge.

cc - Cincinnati
St. Paul

Jax #7-24

Post Office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida.

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May 25, 1935.

AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY:

Mr. J. M. Keith,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
370 Lexington Avenue, Room 1603,
New York City, N.Y.

Dear Sir:- RE: NOEL C. SCAFFA, et al
NATIONAL STOLEN PROPERTY ACT.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent in Charge J. M. Keith, New York City, dated May 21st, 1935, in the above entitled matter, on Page 108 of which, it will be noted that Joe Conderman, Chief Deputy, Criminal Department of the Sheriff's Office, Miami, Florida, had mentioned one Dave Levine as being a possible fence for jewelry in and around Miami, Florida.

Please be advised that on May 24, 1935, one J. B. Somers, Alhambra Hotel, Miami, Florida, advised Special Agent B. F. Fitzsimons that he is acquainted with Dave Levine, who formerly operated Vonnie's Restaurant in Miami, but is now engaged in the operation of the Southern Cafeteria at Miami, Florida. Mr. Somers stated that Levine is crooked; that he operates the Southern Cafeteria merely as a blind for the pursuit of his illegal traffic in stolen jewelry.

Somers claims to have personally observed Levine in possession of several trays of diamonds and other jewelry which he keeps in his safe at the Cafeteria. Somers stated that the Southern Cafeteria is actually operated by Joe and Vonnie Levine, nephews of Dave, and they are said to be honest individuals.

Somers claims that Levine has a criminal record, having been convicted in the United States District Court at Pittsburgh, Pa., but he could not offer information of value concerning that conviction. He stated, however, that Levine is well known in Pittsburgh, where he formerly lived for several years, and is reputed to be a "big time gangster".

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Somers stated that Levine is interested in the political situation at Miami, Florida, and is particularly friendly to Fred Pine, the County Solicitor; that during Pine's campaign for Office Levine contributed approximately $8,000.00 to Pine's interests.

He further stated that Levine's present wife assists him in the disposition of stolen jewelry, in that she makes several trips yearly between Miami and points in California; that on these several trips Mrs. Levine carries stolen jewels of great value, which have been brought to Levine from various part of the country for disposal.

Somers admitted that he is not friendly with Levine, principally because of Levine's crooked activities, and he further stated that during the season the Southern Cafeteria is frequented almost exclusively by racketeers, gamblers and other underworld characters.

Somers was questioned as to whether he had any information to indicate that Noel C. Scaffa or other suspects in this matter, had contacted Levine or had been observed to frequent the Southern Cafeteria, but Mr. Somers had no information of value in that respect.

This information is being forwarded to you since it is possible you may desire to have Levine's history and activities verified at Pittsburgh, Pa., and one copy of this report is being forwarded to the Pittsburgh Office for information and assistance in the event you desire investigation at that place.

It has been noted from your report above mentioned that the records of the Dade County Identification Bureau, Miami, Florida, did not indicate a record of arrest for Levine, and that developments at Miami did not definitely connect Levine with the instant case. It is likewise noted that request was made of the Bureau under date of May 2nd, 1935 for Levine's possible criminal record.

In confirmation of the telephone conversation between you and Special Agent B. F. Fitzsimons at Miami, Florida, on May 24, 1935, please be advised that no further information is available at this time relative to the disbarment proceedings instituted as to Fred Pine, County Solicitor; his Assistant, Jack Kehoe, and Bennie Cohen, Attorney for defendants Cali and Montone. However, the matter will be given attention, and you will be advised of such further action as may be taken by the local Bar Association in that respect.

Very truly yours,

R. A. ALT,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc - Bureau ✓
New York
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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Cincinnati, Ohio

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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: Investigation discloses that reported suspicious characters renting cottage at Seacliffe, California, not subjects Karpis, Campbell or Davis.

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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent W. J. Birthright, San Francisco, 5/18/35.

DETAILS: AT SANTA CRUZ, CALIFORNIA:

On 4/17/35, Mr. W. T. Rice, Assistant Manager of the Bank of America, at Santa Cruz, California, called this office over long distance telephone and stated that he had some information about suspicious characters who were renting a cottage at Seacliffe, several miles out of Santa Cruz, and that these men were probably being sought by our Department for bank robberies or other crimes.

Mr. Rice was contacted by Agent on 4/18/35, at which time he stated that he got the above information from one Dan Owens, 258 Pacific Avenue. When Mr. Owens was subsequently interviewed by Agent, he stated that he had in turn got all his information from Mr. D. A. Beauregard, 70 Morrisey Avenue. Accordingly, Mr. Beauregard was interviewed, and he stated that he had heard rumors to the effect that there are several men renting a cottage at Seacliffe who do not mix with the rest of the people or neighbors on the beach and that they stay up late every night and sleep late the following day, and that there is a light burning in their cottage all night. Mr. Beauregard also stated that he had never seen any of the occupants of the cottage, but that he is of the opinion that they might be members of the Karpis gang, as he had seen in the newspapers several weeks ago that Karpis was supposed to have been headed toward Watsonville, Calif. He further stated that Seacliffe used to be quite a notorious place in the

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Prohibition days, and that it would therefore be unwise to contact any of the neighbors.

Mr. Van Kaathoven, Postmaster and manager of the Aptos Grocery Store, Aptos, California, stated to Agent that three men--Mr. C. A. Rogers, Mr. McBarratt and Mr. G. S. Gilbert--were introduced to him by a Mrs. O'Shaughnessy for the purpose of establishing credit, as he has known Mrs. O'Shaughnessy for a number of years, and that the above men were renting her cottage at Seacliffe. He further stated that the above men had been there for about three weeks and had been in his store several times, buying groceries, but that he has never seen them accompanied by any women, nor was he able to describe the make of car they were driving. Photographs of Karpis, Campbell and Davis were shown to Mr. Van Kaathoven, along with photographs of subject in the Santa Cruz bank robbery case, San Francisco Bureau Office file 91-9, with negative results.

Accompanied by Joe Barnes, Officer of the Santa Cruz Police Department, Agent drove by the cottage rented by the above three men, and the following license numbers were obtained from the cars parked in front of said cottage at that time: Ford Roadster, 1935 California license 4 D 1904; and Auburn Sedan, 1935 California license 6 L 6944. A check over long distance telephone with the California State Motor Vehicle Division, at Sacramento, California, revealed that Auburn Sedan 6 L 6944 was registered to W. McBarrett, Modesto, California, Box 436--first sold in 1932 to H. S. France, 1920 G Street, Modesto, California; transferred to W. McBarrett on June 7th, 1934, who is still the sole owner. It was learned that Ford Roadster 4 D 1904 was registered to D. G. Rye, General Delivery, Watsonville, California, with legal owner as the Mechanic Bank, Richmond, California--first sold in 1930 to Ed. Avilla, 148 Estabrook, San Leandro, California.

Agent and Joe Barnes also trailed the driver of the Ford Roadster from Seacliffe to Soquel, where he bought a bottle of ginger ale, but he did not resemble any of the subjects in instant case.

AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA:

Mrs. F. J. O'Shaughnessy, 1370 California Street, who is the owner of the cottage rented to the above individuals, stated that about three weeks ago she rented her cottage at Seacliffe to Rogers and McBarrett, and that another man by the name of Gilbert had rented a cottage from Mrs. Farnsworth. She also stated that she introduced the men at the general store in Aptos to establish credit for them, as they had told her at the time they rented the cottage they would possibly stay six months; that they were from Phoenix, Arizona, and were on a vacation. She further stated that she went with the three men, who had girls with them and said they were their wives, to the Deer Park Tavern where they spent an evening dancing and drinking, but that the men remained sober at all times and were very congenial and gentlemanly.

Mrs. O'Shaughnessy further stated that they told her they did not want to become acquainted with the neighbors, but wanted to be left to themselves; that she has watched them from Mrs. Farnsworth's house and noticed they had lights burning all night and apparently did a lot of drinking or gambling. Photographs were also shown Mrs. O'Shaughnessy, and she stated that the man going under the name of McBarrett resembled the photograph of Alvin Karpis. On the following day Mrs. O'Shaughnessy was again interviewed by Agent V. E. Criss and this Agent, and she again stated that she was positive that McBarrett resembled Karpis, but that the profile of Karpis did not resemble that of McBarrett.

Arrangements were made for Mrs. O'Shaughnessy to make a trip to Santa Cruz for the purpose of identifying any of the subjects in instant case, the necessary photographs being furnished her. Mrs. O'Shaughnessy returned the following day, and informed that the above parties did not resemble the subjects in this case.

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EAT:TAM

May 24, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Apropos of the publicity emanating from the transportation of a prisoner by United Air Lines on May 23, 1935, who was reported to be identical with Alvin Karpis, I believe the publicity in this case emphasizes the non-desirability of utilizing commercial airplanes for the transportation of persons in custody and of the potential leaks in all use of airplane transportation. You will recall that information concerning the transportation of Volney Davis was received by newspapers in Chicago shortly after the plane departed from the Kansas City Airport, and although the Kansas City and Chicago offices checked into this matter thoroughly, the airplane company representatives denied that they were responsible for this publicity. I believe in view of the developments in the similar case on May 23 that the airplane transportation companies are probably the source of the newspapers' information.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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CHICAGO--UNITED AIRLINES RECEIVED A RADIO MESSAGE FROM THE P
OT OF ITS SHIP DUE IN CHICAGO AT 3:50 P.M. (CST) FROM BOISE, IDAHO,
T ALVIN KARPIS WAS A PRISONER OF TWO FEDERAL AGENTS ABOARD.

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TAMM ONE

Dear Sir:

Re: 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.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.

This is to advise that subject Duke Randall, on May 25, 1935, furnished bond in the sum of $2,000.00, and was released from jail in connection with the charges pending against him in Federal Court at Miami, Florida, on that date. Agent Fitzsimons, resident agent at Miami, Florida, was informed by the Clerk of the Court that the bond was put up in cash by Joseph Adams, another subject in this case, and that said money was advanced by Adams with the assistance of L. G. Knight.

Agent Fitzsimons was also advised this date by Mr. Barlow, Special Assistant to the Attorney General handling this case, that he, Barlow, on May 26, 1935, wired the Department at Washington, suggesting or recommending that consideration be given to deferring these cases until the October term of court at Miami, Florida. This data is supplied for the Bureau's information.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt R.B.D.
R. A. Alt
Special Agent in Charge.

Jax #7-24

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

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May 28, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Alvin Karpis, et al

Mr. Nathan .....
Mr. Tolson .....
Mr. Baughman ..
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Mr. Quinn .....
Mr. Scheidt .....
Mr. Schilder .....
Mr. Smith .....
Mr. Tamm .....
Mr. Tracy .....
Miss Gandy .....

Mr. Joseph McCabe, Secretary to Senator Murray of Montana, called me by telephone and requested to be advised the date of Volney Davis' escape in Illinois. I told Mr. McCabe I would check the file to ascertain this date, and unless you indicate that you desire otherwise, I will inform Mr. McCabe of the date of this escape.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

OK.
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REPORT MADE AT	DATE WHEN MADE	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE	REPORT MADE BY
Birmingham, Ala.	5-27-35	5-21-35	W. M. SIRENE

TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases-FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.

CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Fanny Lee Noland, Montgomery, Ala., advises she has received no letters from George Lawrence Harper through the "Get Acquainted Correspondence Club". Inquiry at Automobile and License Bureau, Montgomery, Alabama, discloses "Stop" orders have been removed on all cars, the location of which is no longer desired. Stop orders placed on cars mentioned in report of reference.

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REFERENCE: Report of Sp. Agt. R. G. Reed, Birmingham, Ala. 5-4-35.

DETAILS: AT MONTGOMERY, ALA.

Fanny Lee Noland, 319 Dexter Avenue, advised agent that she joined the "Get Acquainted Correspondence Club" located at Denver, Colorado, about a year ago. She stated that she had received about four letters through the correspondence club, but that she had not received any letter from a person using the name of George Lawrence Harper. Miss Noland was furnished the address of the Birmingham, office and will immediately notify this office in the event she receives any letters from a George Lawrence Harper.

Agent ascertained through inquiry at the office of the Automobile and Tax License Division, State Tax Commission, that the stop orders had been removed on all the automobiles listed in the summary report of Special Agent T. M. McDade, dated at Chicago, Ill. on 4-29-35. As requested in the report of reference, stop orders were placed on the following automobiles: Chevrolet Sedan, motor #4543656, serial #1DAC7-49267, 1934 Ohio license No. E-74235; Packard Club Sedan, motor No. 189533, serial No. 476,273A, body No. 146,857; and Pontiac Sedan, 1933 model, motor No. 935,155, serial No. 815227.

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ATTORNEY-AT-LAW

WEST PLAINS, MISSOURI

SUITE 1, 2, 3 AND 4
WEST PLAINS BANK BUILDING

TELEPHONES
OFFICE 396 RESIDENCE 846

May 26th, 1935.

J. Edgar Hoover
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Fred Barker and his gang were friends of Asa Pendleton who is now serving sentence in the Missouri Penitentiary on a charge of burglary. It is my imformation that this gang formerly had a hideout with the Mother and Sister of Pendleton, who at time lived in Oklahoma City. I understand that they now reside in San Barbara, California. I understand that Pendleton has a brother employed in a bank in that city and he is of good reputation. My imformation is that the Sister was a close friend of the old gang although they claimed not to know Karpis.

I represent Mrs. Kelly, Wife of the Sheriff who was murdered here by Barker and Karpis and am enterested in assisting you in every way in apprehending this man.

The above imformation was given me about two years ago and was received by me in communication between Attorney and client. By reason of such fact I shall very much appreciate your treating the source of this imformation in the same manner.

Very truly yours,

H. D. Green

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Courtesy acknowledgment

CRIMINAL RECORD

As ARTHUR BARKER, #841, PD, Tulsa, Oklahoma, arr. 7-4-18, charge, Lar. of U.S. property (auto), Escaped from County Jail, Tulsa, Okla.

As DOC BARKER, #1740, PD, Joplin, Mo., arr. 2-19-20, charge, jail breaking; ret. to Tulsa, Oklahoma.

As CLAUD DALE, #822, PD, Muskogee, Oklahoma, arr. 1-15-21, charge, attempted bank burglary; to Wagoner County, Oklahoma.

As BOB BARKER, #11059, SP, McAlester, Oklahoma, arr., 1-30-21, charge, safe keeping for bank robbery.

As DOCK BARKER, #11906, SP, McAlester, Oklahoma, arr., 2-10-22, charge, murder; life; paroled September 19, 1932.

WANTED: As ARTHUR BARKER, conspiracy to deliver Federal Prisoner, suspicion. Notify Bureau Office, Kansas City, Missouri.

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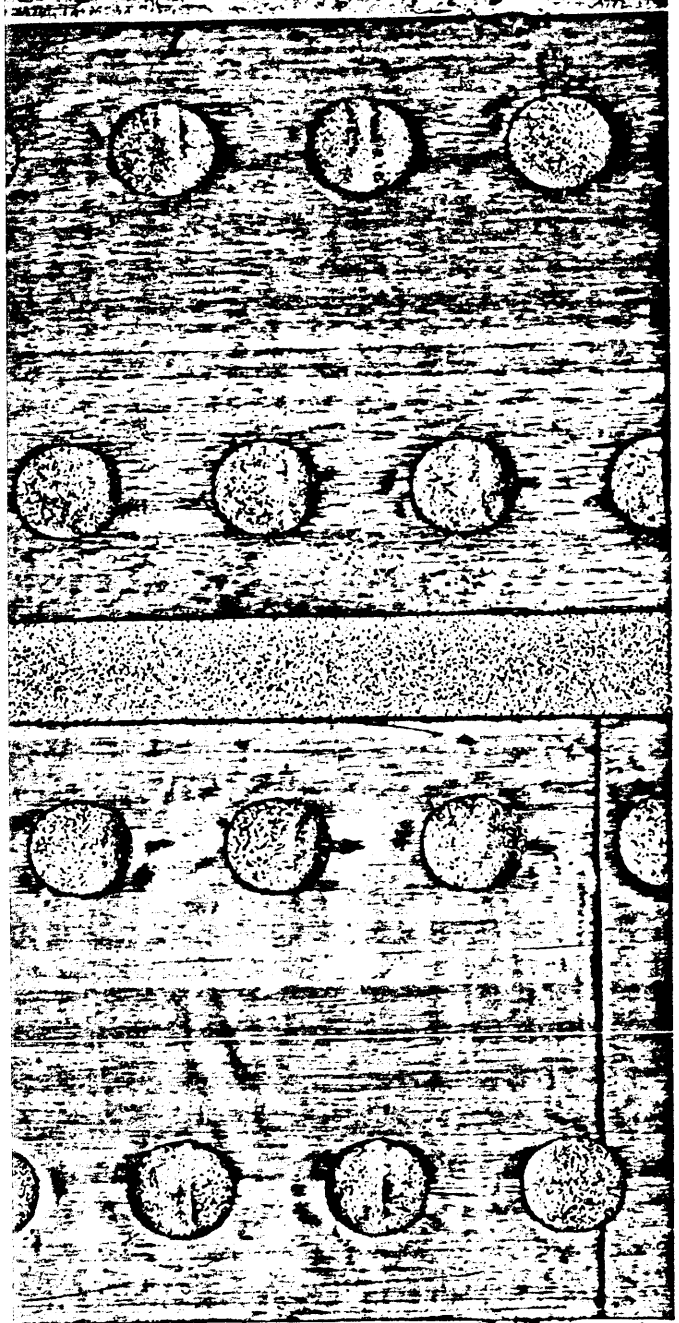

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This should go in file with Parole Report on Arthur R. Barker prepared by J.E. Brennan 7-57k-6136-
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Supervisor.

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Mr. Henry D. Green,
Attorney at Law,
West Plains Bank Building,
West Plains, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated May 26, 1935, wherein you advise of the association between Fred Barker and his gang with Asa Pendleton, who is now serving sentence in the Missouri State Penitentiary on a charge of burglary.

The information relative to other contacts of this gang has been noted, and your interest in forwarding this information to the Bureau is appreciated.

Thanking you for your cooperation, I am

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Cincinnati, Ohio.

REPORT MADE AT:	DATE WHEN MADE:	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE:	REPORT MADE BY:
Nashville, Tennessee.	5-25-35	5-8,9,14,15,16-35	M. F. MORTON

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, I.O. 1237, FUGITIVE; 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; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NAT'L. FIREARMS ACT.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, VICTIM.

Investigation at Memphis golf links produces no information regarding Harrison. Report that woman wanted for kidnaping is hiding at Graham Apartments, Memphis, Tennessee, checked and found untrue. Arrangements made with Memphis Golf Profession and caretakers of golf links to be on watchout for Harrison; Greyhound race track located in immediate vicinity of Memphis, Tennessee being covered. Memphis police assisting in watchout for appearance of members of Barker-Karpis gang in Memphis. No information indicating their presence in Memphis, ascertained. - Stop placed with Tennessee Automobile Department for Dr. Moran's Pontiac Sedan.

REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, Chicago, Illinois, April 12, 1935. Letters from Chicago Division Office, dated April 24, 1935 and May 13, 1935.

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In view of the fact that William J. Harrison, I. O. 1239 is a golf fan and one time golf professional, the following investigation was made among the following golf links and persons interested in that game at Memphis, Tennessee:

Mr. Dolf Clark, manager of the A. G. Spalding & Sons Agency, at Memphis, Tennessee, advised that he was acquainted with all golf professionals in that city and after observing identification order 1239, he stated that he had not seen anyone resembling Harrison in Memphis at any time. He assured agent that he would be on the lookout for Harrison and explained that he makes it his business to keep in touch with persons in Memphis who are particularly interested in that game.

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The same results were obtained through investigation at the listed places:

Riverside Park
Patrolman Roy Wade
J. J. McNamare-Caretaker

Pine Hills Golf Course
B. A. Cox, Manager

Chickasaw Club
W. N. Brown, Golf Professional and Greenkeeper

Colonial Club
C. F. Brown, Asst. Golf Professional and Green Keeper

Overton Park
G. N. Dickerson, Caretaker

Galloway Golf Course
A. C. Creel, Asst. Professional

Alecia Golf Course
Trezevant Collier

Memphis Country Club
W. C. Sherwood, Golf Professional

Ridgeway Golf Course
Arnold J. Brown, Golf Professional

This includes all golf courses in Memphis, and the persons above named are in a position to notice the players daily. Every person interviewed was informed how to get in touch with the Nashville Bureau office, and an agent at Memphis and the Memphis Police Department in the event they saw Harrison or received any pertinent information. Each person assured agent of their willingness to cooperate.

Inspector W. T. Griffin, Memphis Police Department, handed agent a letter he received through the mail and signed by A.D. Martin. This letter in effect, states that the Graham Apartments, 1042 Madison Avenue, is a haven for criminals wanted by authorities; that one of the employees is an ex-convict whose daughter operated, at one time, a disreputable place on Monroe Avenue. The letter further states that a woman implicated in a Chicago kidnaping and wanted badly by Federal authorities has been and still may be a guest at the apartments.

Inspector Griffin advised that the author of the letter is unknown to him and he has attached no importance to it as he knows the management of these apartments to be law-abiding and cooperative with the police.

This apartment building, consisting of about 30 apartments, is located on one of the main streets of Memphis, and is in a district that is considered respectable and in which the better class of hospitals and clinics are located. The apartment may be rated as second-class, however.

Inasmuch as agent had been advised by Inspector Griffin and Detective Sergeant W. J. Raney, that Mr. Derwood Dawson, Manager, was thoroughly reliable, agent questioned him candidly concerning the reports of conditions in his apartment. Mr. Dawson, at the beginning of the interview, stated that he knew that the report came from Mrs. C. J. Eddington, a former resident. He explained that while Mrs. Eddington's husband is Credit Manager of the Chisca Hotel and is considered reliable, she is not the type of person that he desired to have in his apartment because she was continually on drunken sprees, her conduct was disorderly and she attempted to have illicit associations with men in her apartment. For these reasons he ordered her to move out of the apartment. Obviously, this angered Mrs. Eddington, Dawson explained, and she attempted to retaliate by writing letters to the Memphis Police Department making complaints about conditions in his apartment which, in truth, did not exist. Mr. Dawson, advised that he discussed this matter with Commissioner of Police, Clifford Davis and from him obtained several letters that had been sent in by Mrs. Eddington. Mr. Dawson exhibited to agent a specimen of Mrs. Eddington's typewriter, which compared favorably with the typing of the letter submitted by Inspector Griffin.

All identification orders and pictures issued in connection with subjects of this case were exhibited to Mr. Dawson and his housekeeper, Mrs. Dora Edisson, and each stated that they had not had any person in the apartment resembling the persons of the identification orders and pictures.

Mr. Dawson advised that all women employed at his apartment have been known by him for some time and he knows that none of them have a criminal record. However, he advised that his housekeeper, Mrs. Edisson, has a daughter who has acquired the reputation of a woman of easy virtue; but this girl is not employed by him and does not live at the apartment.

Mr. and Mrs. Edington were interviewed at their apartment at 904 Madison Avenue, and Mrs. Edington readily admitted writing the letter handed to agent by Inspector Griffin. It was very difficult to question this woman as to her information, although it was explained to her by agent that

no grudge was held against her for writing the letter; that her information would be kept confidential, and her cooperation would be appreciated. Nevertheless, she was very irritable and the only information she could furnish was concerning her feeling towards Mr. Dawson for putting her out of his apartment. She could not furnish any definite information concerning or the basis of her opinion, that conditions referred to in her letter existed in the Graham apartment. All identification orders and pictures of subjects in this case were displayed to her and she advised that she had not seen any one of them. Judging from her conduct at the time of this interview, her appearance, and her grudge against the Graham apartments, it is felt that any information she might give would be unreliable. She had the appearance and manner of an ordinary streetwalker.

During the course of questioning, Mr. Dawson, it was mentioned by him that he had at one time in his employ a Mrs. J. R. Hayes, and he dismissed her about two months previous to this interview. Mrs. Hayes was located at her apartments at 904 Madison Avenue, and questioned closely concerning conditions in the Graham apartments. She stated that every thing in the apartment was orderly and she knew nothing of any criminals being hid there, nor of any circumstances arousing her suspicion. She, too, was exhibited pictures and identification orders of subjects of this case, but she advised that she had seen none.

On May 18, 1935, a new Greyhound race track was opened up directly across the Mississippi River from Memphis on the Arkansas side. This is the only race track that is operating in this vicinity and is being attended by large crowds, among which are persons recently coming into this vicinity. Detective Sergeant W. J. Raney, Memphis Police Department, advised agent that he has been employed by the management of the track to act as special officer. His particular duties are to keep out undesirables, and prevent riots and holdups. Sergeant Raney has rendered the Bureau splendid cooperation in past investigations, and he offered to maintain a watchout for members of the Barker-Karpis gang appearing at these races. To assist in this he has been furnished with sufficient identification orders, pictures of subjects of this investigation.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent Louis DeNette:

Agent interviewed Police Inspector W. T. Griffin, Police Captain Clegg D. Richards, and Police Inspector E. A. Parker, each of whom advised they had been on the lookout for members of the Barker-Karpis gang wanted by the Bureau. Captain Richards stated that his men had been requested

to check pool halls and alleged gambling establishments, where it was presumed members of the gang might assemble; and Inspector Griffin stated a general surveillance has been maintained and would continue to be maintained over the frequenters of houses of ill fame. All the officers stated they had undercover informants through whom they believed they would learn if any of this gang came to Memphis, or appeared anywhere in this section, and they stated they would immediately arrest these persons if found. Agent was placed on other duties before completing the investigation.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent J. H. Kenney:

At the Automobile Department for the State of Tennessee, located at 319-7th Avenue, North, Nashville, Tennessee, a stop was placed on the Pontiac Sedan owned by Dr. Moran, giving the correct motor #935155 and serial #815227. The Automobile Department advised they would immediately notify the Nashville Bureau Office in the event this car was registered in Tennessee. It is noted, however, that no check as to 1935 registrations will be available until about July 1 as classification by motor number will not be completed until that time.

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Post Office Box 812,
Chicago, Illinois,

May 27, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
New Orleans, La. BREKID.

Dear Sir,

On Sunday, May 26, 1935, an envelope containing the following telegram was received from your Office:

"BREKID STOP ADVISE WHETHER JOSEPH H ADAMS HAS LEFT FLORIDA ANY TIME SINCE FEBRUARY LAST STOP FORWARD PHOTO AIRMAIL"

The envelope was in bad condition and opened and it is thought possible that other communications might have been enclosed.

It is suggested that you check your records to determine if any articles were lost from this envelope.

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

EAT:CDW

Federal Bureau of Investigation

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

May 28, 1935.

Time - 11:55 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Volney Davis.

Mr. Joseph McCabe of the office of Senator Murray of Montana, telephoned and wanted to know the date upon which Volney Davis escaped from the Agents of this Bureau in Illinois. I told him that I would check the file on this matter and advise him later.

Time - 12:40 P.M.

I telephoned Mr. McCabe about the above matter and informed him that the date of this escape was February 7, 1935.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

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Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
P. O. Box 515
St. Paul, Minnesota

May 29, 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.

Mr. Jack Hession, previously referred to in correspondence with the Bureau as the Deputy Sheriff detailed to guard ARTHUR R. BARKER while being held in the county jail in St.Paul, and who handled outgoing and incoming letters between BARKER and MILDRED KUHLMAN, was interviewed by Special Agent John E. Brennan after BARKER was taken to Leavenworth.

Hession stated that while in conversation with BARKER in the county jail and as BARKER became more confident of Hession as the notes were delivered by Hession, BARKER suggested to Hession that Hession bring some saw blades into the cell block with him and assist BARKER in effecting his escape from the jail; that Hession would necessarily have to go with BARKER, and mentioned that he, BARKER, had a connection in Detroit, some person engaged in slot machine and gambling activities in Detroit and South America, who had a sister-in-law who had a house in Canada near Detroit where they could hide out; that BARKER spoke of this house as being a two-story dwelling with a bar in the basement; that it was apparently a summer home but was not being used at this time by the owner, and indicated that he had been there before. At no time did BARKER mention any names of any persons or towns, but indicated that the house referred to had a garage and boathouse, or landing, and was near some sort of an island or on an island. BARKER further informed him that he was endeavoring through his attorney to obtain some funds from some persons who owed him money but was not meeting with much success in this regard.

Hession stated that he received a telephone call from Chicago from MILDRED KUHLMAN on the afternoon of May 22, 1935 wherein she stated that DeCourcy, BARKER'S attorney, had left her at the Palmer House without funds. In this connection there is attached a letter sent to her by BARKER. Hession stated that further communication between BARKER and this woman while BARKER is in Leavenworth will be through BARKER'S father.

Very truly yours,
H. E. Andersen
H. E. ANDERSEN
Special Agent in Charge

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Say Dearest. What in the hell is wrong with you I Believe you Blou your top. I finely got to see the lauyer. he says he lost you that the last he heard of you that you call hin up and said you were coming up on train. that is last he heard of you Hun. it a hell of a time to Be getting drunk when I really need you. I told him to check your stuff of of the hotel. and I would have some one to pick it up and send it to you.

Dear I would send you the money for you to come up here But I have Been seu up so Bad since I have Been here that I have not Been able to make any contact so I guess that that what I sent hin doun there to get some money But he says that he dident get it I dont Knou why if you see that party about those checks I was telling you to get and send to Dad. You Stay Sober and do like I tell you for a feu days will you please you have pat to get you in touch with Lowie and have hin to get ahole of E. T. for you they will renenber who you are and tell E. I want what was left there for I need it you can show hin this letter and he will Knou it OK then if you do this right away you catch the next plane out as soon as you cantact hin for you will have some money then. Nou Dear do this at once for I need it well you can write me if you dont do no good. tell pat hello and to have one on me ha ha tell E. I need that and need it Bad lowie will get you in touch with hin so By By

Yours as ever

Shorty

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Nashville, Tenn.	5-29-35	5-24-35	Wm. T. Morton

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CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING; HARBORING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Mrs. Clara Timlick, 889 Poplar Avenue, Memphis, Tenn., and others of her family give information of having seen strange person, apparently a man impersonating a woman, at a soft drink stand near Athens, Ala. Upon examining a picture of Karpis, they state there is a likeness between him and the person described.

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DETAILS: AT MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE

Detective Sergeant Morris Soloman, Memphis Police Department, advised that Mrs. Clara Timlick, 889 Poplar Avenue, a friend of his, told him of a trip taken through Alabama, on which trip she stopped at a soft drink stand, or "Pig" stand, near Athens, Alabama. While at the stand they were served by a strange character who appeared to be a man impersonating a woman. Sergeant Soloman, thinking that this might possibly be Thomas H. Robinson, Jr., subject of O.I. 1233, displayed his picture to her. Mrs. Timlick advised that the picture did not resemble the person she saw. Sergeant Soloman displayed to her an album of fugitives wanted by police, with the names being omitted from the pictures, and she picked out the picture of Alvin Karpis.

Accompanied by Sergeant Soloman, agent interviewed Mrs. Timlick at her residence, when she furnished the following information:

On May 13, 1935, she and Mr. Ray Jordan, 677 Poplar Street, her mother, Mrs. A. Wright, 424 North Lawrence Street, Montgomery, Alabama, Miss Mae Jordan, 677 Poplar Avenue, and her daughter, Dorothy Timlick, were on their way to Montgomery, Alabama, when they stopped at a soft drink stand named Legion Inn,

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located on the Nashville-Birmingham highway, a few miles from Athens, Alabama, in the direction of Nashville, Tennessee. They ordered a Coco-Cola and while waiting for the drink, which seemed to take such an unusually long time, they observed that the place did not really appear to be doing business. There were no cars around and no other person was in attendance except the woman who waited on them.

This "woman" aroused their attention, due to the fact that she had a very masculine walk and general demeanor. It was very evident that sheneeded a shave; her whiskers seemed like those of a man. She had noticeable side-burns and her legs were muscular and appeared to have been shaved. The thing that attracted Mrs. Timlick's attention was the fact that this "woman's" breasts appeared to be misplaced and seemed unreal. Mrs. Timlick's party complained that the service they were getting was very bad; to this remark the "woman" replied, "we just took over this joint and ain't got started yet". It was noted that she spoke with a masculine voice and had a northern brogue. This person peered at them closely, even as they drove off.

The same information was obtained from the other members of Mrs. Timlick's party, excepting her mother who was then in Montgomery, Alabama. The general description of this woman obtained from this source is:

Age	29-30 years
Height	5'4"-10"
Weight	130-40 lbs.
Eyes	Grey (piercing)
Hair	Brown(closely bobbed and parted in middle)
Face	Something like an impression or mole operation scar at corner of mouth which caused that corner to sag.

They were again exhibited pictures of various fugitives with the names not appearing, and Mrs. Timlick immediately picked out the picture of Alvin Karpis. The others were unable to select this picture, but, after having it pointed out to them, stated that it did resemble the person they saw. At no time during this interview was the identity of the person they selected revealed to them.

Mrs. Timlick advised that it was their original intention to not make any mention of this event, but the matter weighed upon her mind so much that she felt forced to call it to the attention of Sergeant Soloman, whom she knows personally.

UNDEVELOPED LEAD:

THE BIRMINGHAM OFFICE, at Athens, Alabama, will conduct suitable investigation at the soft drink stand mentioned in this report.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Cincinnati, Ohio — St. Louis — FILE NO. 7-45

REPORT MADE AT:	DATE WHEN MADE:	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE:	REPORT MADE BY:
St. Louis, Mo.	5-28-35	5-20,21-35	W. J. WOLFE

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 HARRISON with aliases I.O.#1239; WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases I.O.#1238; 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:

Records Automobile Department, Secretary of State, Springfield, Ill. show sale of Pontiac Sedan, motor #935155, by Fred McKown, Warsaw, Ind. to Southern Motor Sales Inc, Chicago, Ill. who in turn sold same to G. M. S. Auto Finance Co., Chicago, and last recorded title being in name of Larry O'Rourke Auto Finance Co., Chicago, Ill. under date of 3-23-34.

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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent Nelson Perry, Indianapolis, Ind. dated 5-15-35.
Letter from Chicago Office dated 5-13-35.

DETAILS: AT SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS

DETAILS: Assisted by Mr. Don Butler, Superintendent in charge of filing, Automobile Department, Secretary of State's Office, agent ascertained that under date of March 13,1934 certificate of title #T038834 was issued to the Southern Motor Sales Inc., 2323 South Michigan Ave., Chicago, Ill. for Pontiac 1933 Sedan #935155, same having been purchased from Fred McKown, Warsaw, Indiana by bill of sale on March 9, 1934. On March 14, 1934 title in this car was assigned to the G. M. S. Finance Company, 4635 Washington Blvd., Chicago, Illinois and reassigned on March 15, 1934 to Larry O'Rourke Auto Finance Co. 945 Washington, Chicago, Illinois this being the last trace of ownership contained in the files.

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Photostat copies of applications for registration, as well as photostat copy of Illinois certificate of title were furnished by Mr. Butler, and the same are being forwarded to the Chicago office with its copies of this report for whatever assistance they may be in conducting investigations in this matter.

Mr. Butler advised that in the event the party having possession of the car attempted to obtain license for it in a state requiring title, his office would necessarily be informed, however if that other state did not require title, there would be no way of checking the automobile. He advised that it was a common practice to follow this procedure in Iowa as that state does not require evidence of title.

Relative to the stamp "Title Surrendered Feb. 13, 1935" appearing on the face of the Certificate of Title, Mr. Butler explained that it was common practice among automobile dealers to retain this title until they were ready to dispose of the particular car, at which time they would surrender the title.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

CHICAGO OFFICE, in Chicago, Illinois will conduct the necessary investigations as may be suggested in the above report.

PENDING.

WILLIAM STANLEY
THE ASSISTANT TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

Department of Justice
Washington

May 27, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. HOOVER

Thank you for your memorandum of May 24th in reference to Arthur Barker.

I have talked to Mr. Bates about the matter, and he is planning to send him to Alcatraz at an appropriate time.

William Stanley
The Assistant to the Attorney General.

Mr. Nathan ✓
Mr. Tolson .....
Mr. Berganmen .....
Chief Clerk .....
Mr. Clegg .....
Mr. Coffey .....
Mr. Edwards .....
Mr. Ferguson .....
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San Antonio, Texas.	May 27, 1935	4/22,23,30/35 5/20/35	T. H. Sisk

TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O.1218.
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O.1232.
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O.1236.
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O.1237,et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.

CHARACTER OF CASE:
KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Unable to locate LaSalle and Oldsmobile sedans bearing Oregon and New Mexico license plates at Houston or Galveston, Texas.

RUC.

REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent G. H. Franklin, El Paso, Texas, dated April 18, 1935.

DETAILS:

Arrangements were made with Captain of Detectives A. C. Thornton to furnish full details to all detectives on three successive days to the Houston Police lineup, at which time Captain Thornton furnished the detectives with descriptions of the cars and persons mentioned in the reference report. Also Captain Thornton detailed Detectives Scearce and Stoneham to check tourist camps but no trace of cars or persons was obtained. Similar arrangements were made with the record room of the Houston Police to broadcast descriptions of the persons and cars. In addition Agent furnished these descriptions to various uniformed officers and motorcycle men, also to all deputies in the United States Marshal's office, Houston, Texas, without any trace of these persons being found todate.

On April 30, 1935, Deputy United States Marshal Nunn, stationed in Galveston, Texas, furnished descriptions in question to the police and sheriff's office there, and same were broadcast without results.

On May 20, 1935, while Agent was in Galveston, Texas, all tourist camps in that city were visited without locating these persons. The Chief of Police and Chief of Detectives stated they were confident they had not been in Galveston, Texas, else they would have been spotted within a day or two after arrival.

REFERRED UPON COMPLETION.

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WILLIAM STANLEY
THE ASSISTANT TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

Department of Justice
Washington

May 25, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. HOOVER

Thank you so much for your memorandum in re Bremer Kidnaping.

This was a grand job done in grand style.

William Stanley
The Assistant to the Attorney General.

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Bauchman
Chief Clerk
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
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May 28, 1935

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Miss Gandy	

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

11:30 A.M.

RE: BREMER KIDNAPING CASE

Special Agent in Charge Andersen called from St. Paul and said that Charles Tierney of the St. Paul detective force wants to interview Byron Bolton and desires our permission to do this. I told Andersen that Tierney should be referred to the office of the United States Attorney; that it probably would be better for him to wait until United States Attorney Sullivan returns to St. Paul, but that it is the business of the United States Attorney and the United States Marshal to decide. I told Andersen, though, that we should stipulate very forcefully that if Tierney is permitted to interview Bolton one of our Agents should be present at the interview. Tierney, Andersen says, wants to interview Bolton in connection with the possible complicity in the Bremer kidnaping of Detective Brown of the St. Paul Police Force. I do not think Bolton will tell Tierney anything, even if he knows anything.

Very truly yours,

H. Nathan.

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Jacksonville, Florida, May 27, 1935.

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St. Louis, Mo.	5-28-35	5-18-35	H. G. MAYNOR HGM:F

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; MYRTLE EATON, with aliases I.O.#1241 et al.

CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: EDWARD GEORGE BREMER-VICTIM

Subject William J. Harrison was employed for a short time as a golf professional at Benton, Ill. during 1924 according to Dr. C. N. Stilley and Don Brown. Both of above parties recall Harrison having been so employed but state he has not been in that community to their knowledge since that time. No one at Herrin, Ill. recalls Harrison being employed as a golf professional at that place and do not believe he was so employed there as there has never been a golf course at Herrin, Ill. Dr. Stilley of Benton, Ill. advised that Harrison was only employed as a Golf professional at Benton, Ill. for a period of about four weeks and that he does not know where he roomed or boarded during that time.

P.

REFERENCE: Letter from the Chicago Office dated 4-11-35.

DETAILS:

DETAILS: AT BENTON, ILLINOIS

Reference letter gave information that prior to the time that subject Harrison went to Chicago in 1925 he was employed as a golf professional at Herrin, and Benton, Illinois and requested that appropriate investigation be made at these places to verify the above information and to ascertain any additional information which might be helpful in locating Harrison.

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: H E Dethlefsen SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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Agent was advised that Dr. C. N. Stilley, a dentist, was the oldest golf fan at Benton, Illinois and was instrumental in the organization of the golf and country club and that if Harrison was ever employed as a golf professional at Benton, Illinois, Dr. Stilley would be aware of same.

Accordingly, Dr. C. N. Stilley was interviewed who stated that he has always been a golf fan and was one of the first citizens of Benton, Illinois to become interested in the laying out of a golf and country club at that point; that in the year 1924 as he recalls, when the golf course at Benton, Illinois was first opened for practice, subject William J. Harrison was employed for about four weeks as a golf professional that it is his impression Harrison was sent from St. Louis, Missouri and that he only remained at Benton, Illinois for about four weeks and that to his certain knowledge, has not been at Benton since that time as a golf professional; that he does not know where Harrison roomed or boarded during this period but presumes it would be at the Hudson Hotel which was the only hotel in Benton at that time of any consequence. Dr. Stilley referred agent to Amos Woods and Don Brown, both merchants and to Dr. W. A. McKee, as being other members of the golf club who might recall having seen Harrison during the above period. However, he stated that he doubted if Harrison was ever employed as a golf professional at Herrin, Illinois due to the fact that that city has never supported a golf course, and that any person at Herrin, Illinois who might be a member of a golf club, would probably belong to the one at Marion, Illinois or Benton, Illinois, which are the two closest golf courses to that city.

Mr. Don Brown, merchant, being interviewed stated after being shown the photograph of Harrison, that he has a slight recollection that Harrison was employed as a golf professional at Benton, Illinois for a few weeks during the time that the Benton Golf Course was first opened; that Dr. Stilley would be the party who was in a position to remember Harrison better than anyone else because Stilley was, at that time, the active head of the Benton Golf Club; that he could give no information other than that above furnished but is sure that Harrison has not been around Benton, Illinois since that time.

Mr. Amos Woods, merchant and Dr. W. A. McKee, a dentist, being interviewed stated that they were old time members of the Benton Golf Club and are still active in that sport but that they were not members during 1924 and 1925 and therefore do not recall having seen Harrison at any time.

Attorney R. E. Smith being interviewed stated that he has been a member of the Benton Golf Club since 1926 and has heard Dr.

Stilley state that at the time said club was organized in 1923 or 1924 that a golf professional from St. Louis, Missouri was employed for three or four weeks and came to Benton, Illinois and gave lessons to those desiring to avail themselves of that kind of instruction but that he never heard the name of the party giving said instruction and cannot recall having seen Harrison at anytime, after viewing his photograph.

AT HERRIN, ILLINOIS

Agent was informed by Chief of Police Robert F. Nichols that D. W. Miller, Superintendent of the Illinois Central Railroad Company was an enthusiastic golfer, being a member of the Marion Golf and Country Club, and that if Harrison was employed as a golf professional at any time in the past, Mr. Miller would, in all probability, remember him.

Mr. D. W. Miller, upon interview, stated that there has never been a golf course at Herrin, Illinois but that a few men who are interested in golf at Herrin, Illinois are members of the Marion Golf and Country Club which is only about seven miles from Herrin, Illinois. Mr. Miller stated that he does not recall a golf professional being employed at Marion, Illinois at any time and after being shown the photograph of Harrison, stated that he had never seen anyone resembling the photograph of Harrison.

PENDING.

P. O. Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida.

RBD:MR

May 29, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Dear Sir:

In Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O.1218
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1353
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1237
WILLIAM HAYES with aliases, I.O. 1238
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239
MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O. 1241 et al
Edward George Brener, Victim - KIDNAPING;
HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF
JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

DNF

Your letter of the 24th instant concerning the request made by Wynona Burdett to be assisted in obtaining possession of her clothing, which was left by her at the Carson Bradford residence at Oklawaha, Florida, has been received and noted.

The clothes in question undoubtedly are a part of those inspected by agent of this Bureau at the time of the raid at the aforementioned place. We have a comprehensive list in the Jacksonville file of all the clothing found in the residence. There is, however, nothing on this list which would indicate those articles of clothing that belong to Miss Burdett. For your further information it may be stated that all such clothing is in the custody of Mr. L. E. Futch, County Judge for Marion County at Ocala, Florida. It may be also further noted that Judge Futch is administrating the Estate of the Barkers. Under the circumstances, it would appear that Miss Burdett could supply to the Judge a list giving the description of her clothing and he would, no doubt, be glad to forward same to her or to such place as she may direct.

The writer has no first-hand information of any request made by Miss Burdett of Special Agent in Charge Alt, for her clothing. If the above suggested course does not prove a satisfactory

Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

5/29/33.

manner of securing Miss Burdett's clothing, the Jacksonville Office will be glad to render any assistance that the Bureau may direct in the matter.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt
Special Agent in Charge.

cc Bureau ✓
Cincinnati
Detroit
St. Paul
Jax 87-24

Post Office Box 515,
Saint Paul, Minnesota

May 28, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218, ET AL;
EDWARD GEORGE BRUNER, Victim.
KIDNAPING. OBSTRUCTION OF
JUSTICE. HARBORING OF FUGITIVES.
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent C. W. Doherty, dated at Buffalo, New York, May 24, 1935, in the above entitled case.

In view of the fact that the Bureau office at Cincinnati is now office of origin, a copy of Agent Doherty's report, together with the enclosures mentioned therein are being transmitted to your office.

Very truly yours,

H. E. ANDERSEN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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1616 Federal Reserve Bank Building
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Special Agent in Charge
Little Rock, Arkansas

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. HARRIDON with aliases, I.O. 1239
HARRY SAWYER with aliases, I.O. 1240
MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O. 1231, et al
Edward George Bremer - Victim
KIDNAPING
HARBORING
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT

In connection with the above entitled case there is transmitted herewith, in the interest of economy and expediency, one copy of the report of Special Agent A. A. Muzzey, dated May 13, 1935, at Detroit, Michigan, containing an undeveloped lead for this office to interview Richard Galatas, recently convicted as an outgrowth of the investigation of the Kansas City massacre.

Galatas at the present time is at Hot Springs, Arkansas, and it is requested that your office give attention to the lead above referred to. One copy of Agent Muzzey's report is retained for the file of this office.

Very truly yours,

E. K. CONROY,
Special Agent in Charge.

JJ:LB

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Post Office Box 514,
Birmingham, Ala.
May 26, 1935

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Special Agent in Charge,
Jacksonville, Fla.

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

Dear Sir:

With reference to the report of Special Agent E. J. Connelley, Cincinnati, dated May 14, 1935, and the report of Special Agent J. S. Kavanaugh, Birmingham, dated May 20, 1935, copy of which is enclosed, there is being transmitted herewith a mail cover addressed to Mr. Guy L. Clyatt, 55 No. Lawrence St., Mobile, Ala., without any return address but bearing the postmark of LaCrosse, Fla., May 17, 1935.

It is requested that appropriate discreet inquiry be made at LaCrosse, Fla. to ascertain the identity of the sender.

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, etc.

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

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith are letters written by Wynonn Burdette to Miss C. R. Jones, Box 111, Turley, Oklahoma, Wynona Burdette's sister, and to Mr. Art Burdette, 135 East 8th Street, Erie, Pennsylvania, her brother.

These letters have been scrutinized by this office and have 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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Chicago, Illinois
May 29, 1935.

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Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box #709
Portland, Oregon

May 25, 1935

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

Re: Harry Sawyer, with aliases,
I. O. #1240, A.O. #338.

Dear Sir:

It is requested that the Portland office be furnished with twenty additional copies of the above mentioned Apprehension Order.

Very truly yours,

C. C. Spears
Special Agent in Charge

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Special Agent in Charge,
Portland, Oregon.

Re: HARRY SAWYER, with aliases,
I.O. #1240, A.O. #338

Dear Sirs

In compliance with the request contained in your letter of May 25, 1935, there are being forwarded under separate cover, twenty-five additional copies of the above mentioned apprehension order.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.	6/3/35	5/7-8 & 15 to 31/35	R. C. SURAN RCS:MG

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CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Synopsis of Facts: William Kerin presently residing at Shoreham Hotel, Chicago, Illinois, and investigation has failed to reveal he is contacting fugitives in this case. Information obtained that William and Lawrence Finerty, Calumet City, Illinois, were harboring subject Harrison. This angle checked through informant at Calumet City. Paul Croak, Calumet City, Illinois, denies he has seen Harrison for one year. Volney Davis called in person [redacted], Chicago, Illinois, 5/24/35, but has not returned as of 5/31/35. Helen Conliff advises Harrison in Havana, Cuba, in March and April of this year. F. M. Day, Jr., Chicago, Illinois, denies knowing contacts of fugitives in Toledo and Cleveland, Ohio. J. J. Nolte presently residing in Sterling, Illinois, not identified as being a subject of this case. E. V. Schulte observed in California is connected with Schulte Optical Company, Chicago, Illinois; reported recently been on vacation in Mexico.

DETAILS:

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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, Chicago, Ill., dated May 18, 1935; report of Special Agent O. C. Dewey, Omaha, dated 3/16/35; report of Special Agent in Charge J. H. Hanson, Jacksonville, dated 3/28/35; report of Special Agent J. E. Thornton, Cincinnati, dated 3/21/35.

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: M. H. Suran SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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This report covers activities of the various Agents who have conducted investigation concerning this case, the names of the investigating Agents being set forth hereinafter in the details of this report.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, Chicago, Illinois, dated May 18, 1935, wherein the investigation as conducted by Special Agent W. C. Ryan concerning the address of 4187-89 South Halsted Street, Chicago, Illinois, is set forth on pages 20 and 21 thereof. As is noted in that report, the letter carrier, John C. Bonesh, 2619 South Wells Street, Chicago, Illinois, who is employed at the Stockyards Post Office sub-station, Chicago, Illinois, had delivered a letter addressed to John R. Moran to the gambling establishment located above 4187-89 South Halsted Street. On May 15th Special Agents W. C. Ryan and R. C. Suran interviewed Mr. Bonesh. Mr. Bonesh advised that on the afternoon of May 14, 1935, he obtained the letter which had been received at the Stockyards Post Office sub-station addressed to J. R. Moran, 4165 South Halsted Street, Chicago, and proceeded to the gambling establishment located above 4187-89 South Halsted Street, and there inquired of an individual as to a man named Moran. He was advised that Moran was sitting in the gambling room. The individual then indicated a man to him, which person stated that he was Moran and had been expecting a letter. Mr. Bonesh also furnished the description of this person, as he had previously furnished it to Mr. Newman, foreman of the Stockyards Post Office sub-station, and in addition stated that this man was slightly stooped.

Subsequent interviews were had with Assistant Superintendent Albert Priest and Superintendent C. P. M. Thomsen of the Stockyards Post Office sub-station, who advised that the gambling establishment above referred to was a "bookie" joint operated by one Tommy Touite, who had connections with the World Wide News Service, a service which operates the broadcasts of horse race results and over which there has been considerable publicity recently in Chicago, it being alleged that several prominent gamblers in Chicago had been assassinated by other gangsters relative to arguments growing out of the operation of the World Wide News Service. Mr. Thomsen advised that Mr. Davis who operates the hardware store on the lower floor at 4187 South Halsted Street, had been in business in the Stockyards neighborhood for many years; that the hardware store has been a family affair, handed down from father to son; that Davis had been in business at his present location for about two years and owns the building wherein the hardware store is located together with the Horn Palace, a tavern, the upstairs being occupied by the Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Live Stock Handlers Union and a gambling establishment. Mr. Thomsen stated that it has been his past experience with investigations conducted by the Post Office Inspectors in the neighborhood that it would be highly inadvisable to make any open inquiries whatsoever concerning the individuals occupying or frequenting the gambling establishment. He stated that although Mr. Davis is considered a reliable businessman, he would not advise an interview with him inasmuch as he owns the building in which the gambling establishment is located and is known to frequent the place to place bets on horse races.

Agents also interviewed mail carriers A. I. Brown and Mr. Kelly, who deliver mail to the addresses in question. Mr. Bonesh is a substitute employee at the Post Office, but frequently delivers mail to the addresses in question in the afternoons, while either Mr. Brown or Mr. Kelly makes the deliveries in the forenoon. Photographs of Willie Harrison and John Russell Moran were furnished to each of the three carriers above mentioned and they were instructed by Mr. Thomsen to study these photographs and to be on a close lookout for the individuals in question. These carriers promised to give this matter careful consideration at the time mail deliveries are made.

Mr. Bonesh further advised that after he had delivered the letter to J. R. Moran at the gambling establishment he, Bonesh, made a mail delivery to the Stockyards Inn, located directly across the street from the address 4187-89 South Halsted Street, at which place he observed the individual who had accepted the letter.

On May 18, 1935, the Indianapolis office advised the Chicago office by telephone that William Kerin was leaving Indianapolis, Indiana, and proceeding to Chicago, Illinois, being followed by Special Agents Dill, Wynn, Buchanan and Kline, who were using two cars. At about noon on this date Special Agent Wynn communicated with the Chicago Bureau office from Lebanon, Indiana, advising that Kerin had been trailed to that point and it appeared that he would proceed to Chicago on Highway #41.

Special Agents M. J. Cassidy, M. Chaffetz, Lish Whitson and R. C. Suran, in two Bureau cars, proceeded to Munster, Indiana, which is South of Hammond, Indiana, on Highway #41, where the Special Agents were met. The Agents from the Indianapolis office then dropped behind trailing Kerin in a Graham Paige coupe bearing Florida license No. D 5088, the Agents from the Chicago office and William Kerin was trailed to Chicago, Illinois.

Kerin, upon arriving in the loop at Chicago, drove directly to the Quincy Garage located across the street, on Quincy Street, from the Great Northern Hotel. After parking his car in the garage, Special Agents Whitson and Buchanan observed him go into the Great Northern office building at 20 West Jackson Boulevard, which, it will be noted in the report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, is the address at which previous investigation was conducted by Special Agents Chaffetz and Sullivan concerning a telegram which had been forwarded by Kerin to that place addressed to Frank Walsh.

It will be noted that at the time Kerin left Louisville, Kentucky he left a forwarding address, c/o J. Nolan, Box 872, Chicago, Illinois. It will be further noted that in the investigation conducted by Special Agents Chaffetz and Sullivan it was learned that James Nolan operates a high class bookmaking establishment in room 707 at 20 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois. Special Agent Whitson, in an attempt to determine definitely that Kerin entered room 707, proceeded to that floor in the building. However, Agent Whitson found the door to room 707 closed and he was unable to observe any of the occupants therein.

Special Agents Cassidy and Chaffetz remained in the vicinity of the Quincy Garage in order to maintain surveillance in the event Kerin appeared for his automobile. Special Agents Suran and Whitson continued to maintain a surveillance at 20 West Jackson Boulevard, and at approximately 5:00 P.M. on that date the individual who had been pointed out as Kerin, who had been driving the Graham Paige car, left 20 West Jackson Boulevard and proceeded to the Horn Palace, a tavern located at 325 Plymouth Court, Chicago, Illinois. It will be noted that this tavern bears the same name as the one located at 4189 South Halsted Street. However, a definite connection between the two is not known at this time.

Special Agent Chaffetz then left his position at the Quincy Garage and proceeded to the Horn Palace and upon entering the place he observed Kerin at the bar drinking. Agent Chaffetz observed no individuals therein answering the description of any of the fugitive subjects in this case. Kerin left the Horn Palace at approximately 6:00 P.M. and walked to the Quincy Garage where he obtained his car. He was followed by Agents Chaffetz, Whitson, Cassidy and Suran, in two cars, to the Shoreham Hotel at 3318 Sheridan Road. Kerin was seen to drive in the driveway at this hotel and unload his bags.

At about 7:00 P.M. Agents Whitson and Chaffetz were temporarily relieved by Special Agent John L. Madala. Special Agents Cassidy and Suran, in one car, parked about half a block away from the entrance of the hotel on Sheridan Road, observed an individual leave the Shoreham Hotel by foot. It was believed at the time that it was William Kerin and these two Agents then drew up in front of the hotel and followed this individual until it was definitely established that it was not Kerin.

During the absence of these Agents, Agent Madala observed William Kerin leave the hotel, driving his car. Agent Madala then took up the surveillance of Kerin and followed him down Sheridan Road to Belmont Avenue, where Kerin turned from the road and proceeded down a street closed to traffic. Agent Madala considered it inadvisable to follow him

down this closed street, as it would then become obvious to Kerin that he was being trailed.

Special Agents Cassidy and Suran then proceeded to 20 West Jackson Boulevard, in an effort to pick up the trail again of William Kerin, but he could not be observed in the vicinity of that address. Investigation was likewise conducted at the Horn Palace, 325 Plymouth Court, the Rienzi Hotel, the Rienzi Recreation Parlor, the Stockyards Inn and the address of 4187-89 South Halsted Street, but Kerin could not be located. At 2:00 A.M. onMay 19, 1935, Special Agent Madala observed that Kerin had returned to the Shoreham Hotel, still in possession of the Graham Paige coupe, which is registered in the State of Florida under the name of J. R. Moran.

It appearing that Kerin was living at the Shoreham Hotel, and pursuant to instructions received from Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley telephonically by Special Agent in Charge M. H. Purvis that it was not desirable to maintain a constant surveillance on Kerin, it being only necessary to determine his permanent address in Chicago at which place an investigation should be conducted and an intermittent surveillance maintained, Special Agent Suran, on Sunday, May 19, 1935, proceeded to the Shoreham Hotel and observed the Graham Paige coupe which was in the possession of Kerin parked in the parking lot at the rear of the Shoreham Hotel at 11:00 A.M., 4:00 P.M. and 9:00 P.M.

Information was furnished the Chicago office by the Agents who trailed Kerin from Louisville, Kentucky, and as will be noted in the report of Special Agent N. B. Klein, Indianapolis, dated 5/22/35, to the effect that Moran disappeared on the night of May 13, 1935, with Oldsmobile coach from Louisville, Kentucky. These Agents also advised that the description of Moran as was furnished by mail carrier Bonesh coincided with the description of John Russell Moran, who had been under surveillance at Louisville, Kentucky. In view of the above there is no doubt that it was Moran who accepted the letter on May 14, 1935, at the gambling establishment on South Halsted Street.

Special Agent Suran communicated with Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley at Cincinnati by telephone and advised him of the status of the investigation to date and Agent Suran suggested that someone be placed in the Stockyards Inn, under cover, in order that a surveillance could be maintained at that place, as well as at the gambling establishment across the street, to ascertain if Moran could again be located at that place or if Willie Harrison was frequenting that vicinity.

On the afternoon of May 20, 1935, Special Agent Val C. Zimmer assigned Special Agent M. J. Cassidy to maintain this surveillance and

on that date Agent Cassidy checked in at the Stockyards Inn, being registered there in room 282 under the name of Mike Ryan. The report of Agent Cassidy's activities will be incorporated hereinafter.

Special Agent R. C. Suran, in an effort to determine whether the management of the Shoreham Hotel, 3318 Sheridan Road, was reliable, interviewed Mr. R. L. Vanderslice, Secretary, North Shore Hotel Association, 520 North Michigan Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois. Mr. Vanderslice is favorably known to the Chicago office. Mr. Vanderslice advised that in the past the Shoreham Hotel had a very unfavorable reputation in that it was known to be the headquarters of what was known as "The Tim Murphy gang", who had strong political connections, and efforts by the other hotel operators in the vicinity to remove this gang from the neighborhood were unsuccessful due, as previously stated, to the gang's strong political connections. However, more than two years ago Tim Murphy was slain in typical gangland fashion in the vicinity of the hotel. Mr. Vanderslice stated that thereafter, to his information, no gambling games were operated in the hotel. He furnished the further information that the hotel is now in receivership and is leased by the Chicago Title and Trust Company to Solomon Harrison, an attorney, who has had the same since April 1, 1934. Mr. Vanderslice stated that he knows nothing about the reputation of Solomon Harrison, but understands that the Shoreham Hotel at the present time is not very particular as to the guests received there and that numerous gamblers and other individuals of the gangster type reside there at the present time. Mr. Vanderslice stated that he had found Captain James Sammis of the Lincoln Park Police to be very reliable and suggested that Captain Sammis might be able to furnish information concerning this building.

Captain Sammis was interviewed by Special Agent R. C. Suran and he advised Agent Suran that the building occupied by the Shoreham Hotel is under the jurisdiction of the Chicago City police, but that his officers have jurisdiction to the building line, the principal jurisdiction of the Lincoln Park Police being the boulevard, or Sheridan Road, and Lake Shore Drive and the intervening park. Captain Sammis stated that it was his information that at one time gambling operations were had in the Shoreham Hotel, but that he knows nothing of the present reputation of the building. He stated, however, that he had a reliable officer who patrolled the boulevard in the vicinity of the building by the name of V. Nelson, who possibly could furnish information of value.

On May 18, 19 and 20 it was observed that the Lincoln Park officers who patrolled the vicinity of the Shoreham Hotel frequently entered that building and for the most part remained constantly in the near vicinity of it. Agent ascertained that one of these officers who

had been seen frequenting the building was officer Nelson, but it was determined that these officers frequented the drug store located inside the building.

Officer Nelson was interviewed by Agent Suran and he advised that the Shoreham Hotel is now under the active management of Mrs. Solomon Harrison, the wife of Solomon Harrison, the attorney. Officer Nelson stated that he personally considered the management as unreliable. He stated, however, that there have been no gambling games in operation at the hotel since the Harrisons took over the building. He furnished the further information that the hotel tenants are ninety percent Jewish families, but others of poor reputation were permitted to live there. Officer Nelson was shown photographs of John Russell Moran and Willie Harrison and he advised that he had not observed anyone answering their descriptions in the vicinity of the hotel. He advised that he was acquainted with the bellhop in the hotel and he was confident that this individual would not reveal that an investigation is being conducted in connection with the hotel if he were properly approached. Officer Nelson stated that he would get in touch with this individual and report to Agent the following day.

On the morning of May 21, 1935, Special Agents Madala and Suran maintained a surveillance at the Shoreham Hotel and Kerin was observed leaving that place in his car at approximately 3:00 P.M. He proceeded down Sheridan Road and visited the Lincoln Park golf course, but remained there only a short while, after which he left and proceeded toward the east. Agents considered it advisable to discontinue the surveillance at that point and returned to the Shoreham Hotel, at which place officer Nelson was again contacted. Officer Nelson advised Agent Suran that he had not contacted the bellhop previously referred to because he had determined that one Irving Kushner, U. S. Narcotic Inspector, resided in the hotel and the assistant manager of the place was a good friend of Kushner's. Officer Nelson stated that he believed that the proper contact could be made with the assistant manager through Kushner, and it would not be necessary to contact the bellhop in the building.

Irving Kushner, U. S. Narcotic Inspector, was interviewed by Agent Suran on May 22, 1935, and he advised that he had resided at the Shoreham Hotel since February, 1935; that the hotel was occupied principally by Jewish families and in so far as he had been able to observe nothingirregular occurred at the hotel. Mr. Kushner stated that his wife is very friendly with Mrs. Solomon Harrison, the manager; that Mrs. Harrison is prominent in Jewish activities in the city of Chicago and he considered her to be a woman of good character. He stated, however, that he would not approach Mrs. Harrison because she was inclined to be excitable and talkative, and that while she would not deliberately aid a criminal, she might, through indiscretion, reveal that investigation was being conducted.

Mr. Kushner stated that Mr. C. Scott, assistant manager of the hotel was a young man who had formerly been connected with the Statler Hotel System and that he believed Mr. Scott could be relied upon to aid in the investigation in any way possible. Mr. Kushner proceeded to the Shoreham Hotel with Agent Suran and introduced the latter to Mr. Scott. Mr. Kushner advised Mr. Scott that he would consider it a personal favor if Mr. Scott would aid in any possible way in any investigation which would be conducted in connection with the tenants of the hotel. Mr. Scott stated that he would cooperate in every way possible. He was then shown the photographs of John Russell Moran and Willie Harrison. Mr. Scott immediately indicated the photograph of Harrison as an individual known to him and he stated that he could "put the finger" on him at any time he desired. He was advised that the apprehension of this individual was immediately desired. Mr. Scott was not furnished with the name of Kerin and after observing the photograph of Harrison he immediately left his office and returned with a notation of a license number, which he stated was the license number of the car driven by the individual who was identical with the likeness of Willie Harrison. He furnished this license number as being FLORIDA D 5088, which, it will be noted, is the license number appearing on the car driven by Kerin. Mr. Scott stated that the car was then parked in the parking space of the Shoreham Hotel, and that Mr. Kerin was then in his apartment.

Mr. Scott then checked his records and determined 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. He stated that he had considerable conversation from time to time with Kerin and was very friendly with him; that Kerin, when he first appeared at the hotel on January 27, 1935, had stated that he had just come in from Florida. Mr. Scott further advised that Kerin had issued instructions that he did not care to receive any telephone calls through the hotel switchboard, because he was separated from his wife and did not want his wife to locate him. Mr. Scott stated that he had observed from time to time in Mr. Kerin's room various pieces of gambling paraphernalia. He advised that Kerin, to his knowledge, has had no visitors in his apartment subsequent to May 18, 1935, and that the only individual whom he knew of who had visited with Kerin prior to April 26, 1935, was an individual he definitely identified as John Russell Moran. He stated that this individual lived with Kerin for about one week prior to April 26, 1935; that he, Scott, upon discovery of this fact, was contemplating talking to Kerin and charging him a double rate for his room, but that Kerin and Moran checked out on April 26, 1935. In this connection, however, Mr. Scott stated that he did not know the name of the individual who had occupied the room with Kerin, but that he was positive, after viewing the photograph of Moran, that Moran was the person he had reference to.

Mr. Scott furnished a list of the telephone calls which had been made by Kerin since his return to the hotel on May 18, 1935, which are as follows:

May 18, 1935, at 7:01 P.M. called Longbeach 8400, which is the apartment house located at 5050 Sheridan Road.

May 19, 1935, at 5:24 P.M., Kerin again called this number.

May 20, 1935, at 1:10 P.M. called Bittersweet 4600, which is the Wellington Arms Hotel.

May 21, 1935, at 2:00 P.M. called Diversey 6565, which is the Commonwealth Hand Laundry and Valet Shop, located at 511 West Diversey Parkway, Chicago.

The registration card for William Kerin was secured for Agents Suran and Chaffetz by Mr. Scott, and an examination of the signature thereon appeared to be dissimilar to the signatures in possession of the Chicago Bureau office of William J. Harrison. A photostatic copy of this signature is attached to the copies of this report for the Bureau and the Cincinnati office.

Mr. Scott stated that he would permit Agents to use his personal apartment in the building for observation purposes, the same being apartment 210. Kerin occupies apartment 314 at the hotel, and both rooms 210 and 314 overlook the parking space of the Shoreham Hotel, where, at the time of Agent's investigation, Kerin's car was parked. In this connection, Mr. Scott stated that Kerin always insisted on having a room overlooking the parking space, stating that he desired to be in a position to watch his car at all times.

Agents Chaffetz and Suran took up a surveillance of Kerin's car from room 210 and at approximately 5:00 P.M. Kerin was observed leaving the hotel and proceeding to his car, at which time the best opportunity to date was afforded Agents to view Kerin's facial characteristics. Both Agents Chaffetz and Suran observed that there was a marked similarity in the physical description of Kerin and Willie Harrison, but both were of the opinion that Kerin was not identical with Harrison. However, Mr. Scott remains firm in his belief that they are identical. Mr. Scott was questioned further as to the activities of Kerin and he was unable to furnish any additional information with the exception that on one occasion about two years ago Kerin stayed at the Shoreham Hotel for one or two nights, but that he did not come in close contact with him at thattime.

After Kerin left his apartment, Agents Suran and Chaffetz were given permission by Mr. Scott to enter Kerin's apartment. It was observed that his bags had not been unpacked, merely opened and lying about the room. On one of these bags was noted the initials "W.R.K." which appeared to have been on the bag for quite some time. Agent Chaffetz made an examination of the open bags and found nothing therein which would indicate any connection of Kerin with any subject of this case or anything which appeared to be of value in this investigation.

These Agents then removed two waterglasses and an alarm clock from Kerin's room and the same were examined by Agent Chaffetz for latent fingerprints. Several latents were found by Agent Chaffetz who lifted same and compared them with the fingerprints of William J. Harrison, none of which was identical. These latents were subsequently forwarded to the Bureau for comparison with the fingerprints of other subjects in this case and all individuals on file in the Identification Unit under the name of William Kerin, in an effort to locate a criminal record for this individual.

Special Agent Madala had previously attempted to locate a record of William Kerin at the Chicago Police Department, at which place he found an arrest record for William Kerin, 2756 Pine Grove Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, under date of 5/6/33, on a charge of non support of wife. A description of Kerin is given as: Age, 36; height, 5' 8"; build, medium; complexion, light; eyes, brown; hair, brown; weight, 170 pounds. It will be noted that this description corresponds closely with the description of William Kerin at the Shoreham Hotel and is some corroboration of Kerin's story that he did not want his wife to get in touch with him as he is separated from her. There were no fingerprints or photographs on record of William Kerin, who had been arrested by the Chicago Police Department.

On May 22, 1935, Mr. Thomsen, Superintendent of the Stockyards Post Office sub-station, communicated with the Chicago Bureau office by telephone and advised that a letter with a meter postage, two cents first class, had been received at the postal station, bearing the return address of 110 South Dearborn Street, Chicago, addressed to John R. Morgan, 4165 South Halsted Street, Chicago. He stated that the carrier, upon observing the similarity of names, John R. Morgan and John R. Moran, and the address 4165 South Halsted Street, endeavored to deliver this letter to the gambling establishment above 4187-89 South Halsted Street, and that upon making inquiries at that place he was advised that Moran had gone back to St. Louis.

Interview was had with Mr. Kelly, the mail carrier, and he related the same information as given above, advising that he did not ask

for Morgan in the gambling establishment, but asked for John R. Moran and the individual of whom he inquired promptly replied that Moran had returned to St. Louis, and inasmuch as this individual indicated no hesitancy in advising of this fact, he was of the opinion that this person was telling the truth. Moran left no forwarding address.

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The St. Louis office was advised by telephone of the above facts and was requested to contact [redacted] to ascertain if Moran had been in touch with her, and also obtain from [redacted] any information she may have concerning William Kerin.

[redacted] Efforts were made on May 22 and 23, 1935, to locate informant in order that he might be placed in a position to observe the individual registered at the Shoreham Hotel under the name of W. R. Kerin, so that it might be definitely established if this was the individual known to [redacted] as Kerin and to eliminate the possibility that he was subject Harrison, as a possibility existed that Willie Harrison might be staying in Kerin's apartment. Efforts to locate [redacted] through the usual channels were unsuccessful and it was therefore decided to get in touch with Clara Gibson and request her assistance in identifying the individual in question.

Clara Gibson was located on May 23, 1935, and she expressed her willingness to cooperate. However, she was not advised as to the name of the individual whom she was to view. Agents Suran and Madala advised her that there was an individual whom they wished her to observe in order to see whether she knew him. Clara Gibson was taken to the vicinity of the Shoreham Hotel and an interview was had with Mr. Scott about 2:00 P.M. on May 23, 1935. Mr. Scott advised that Kerin had left the hotel at approximately 1:00 P.M. on that date and it was later learned that Kerin did not return to the hotel until 5:00 A.M. on Friday, May 24, 1935. Clara Gibson was again contacted on the latter date, but efforts to place her in a position to view Kerin were unsuccessful.

[redacted] was located on the night of May 24, 1935, and agreed to call on Kerin at the Shoreham Hotel and determine definitely the latter's identity.

Agents Suran and Madala in maintaining a surveillance of the Shoreham Hotel on May 25, 1935, observed that Kerin left the hotel at about 11:00 A.M. and proceeded to the Horn Palace, 325 Plymouth Court, Chicago, Illinois, at which place he remained for only a few minutes and then proceeded to the address of 20 West Jackson Boulevard. He had not left this place at 2:00 P.M. on that date and Agent Suran observed his car parked where he had left it at 11:00 A.M. from time to time until 11:00 P.M. on May 25, 1935.

Mr. C. Scott advised that after Kerin left the hotel on May 23, 1935, he called back to the hotel and inquired as to whether any messages had been left for him. Mr. Scott further advised on this date that Sam Eisenstein at one time operated a laundry establishment on Diversey Parkway and now probably operates the Commonwealth Hand Laundry and Valet Shop located at 511 West Diversey Parkway, to which place Kerin placed a telephone call on May 21, 1935. Scott stated that Kerin had left him $5.00 to give to this individual for laundry; that at this time Eisenstein advised him, Scott, that he had been taking care of the laundry for Kerin for the past few years and that he was still doing laundry "for the few of the gang that are left". At this time Mr. Scott further advised that he had come across a telephone call which had been received for Kerin on May 15, 1935, which was prior to the time Kerin returned from Louisville, Kentucky. He stated that for some reason this message had not been given to Kerin. The message requested that Kerin call Max L. Ray, Triangle 8400. It was determined that this telephone number is listed to James E. McElroy, 8005 South Paulina Street, in connection with which reference is made to report of R. H. Klett, dated Jacksonville, Florida, May 18, 1935, wherein it is stated that John R. Moran can probably be located through Danny McFarland's sister, Mrs. McElroy, 8005 South Paulina Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Subsequent to the return of Kerin to Chicago Agent Suran from time to time has visited the vicinity of 8005 South Paulina Street, in an effort to observe, if possible, the Oldsmobile car bearing Florida license No. D 9350, but at no time was this car seen in that vicinity.

Mr. Scott now states that he has a recollection that at one time he saw Kerin in the gambling place known as the Michigan Ohio Club, which is operated by Johnny O'Connors, a local ward politician; that this gambling establishment is located across the street from the St. Clair Hotel on Ohio Street. Mr. Scott furnished the further information that about 11:00 P.M. on May 24, 1935, an individual about six feet in height and weighing in the neighborhood of two hundred pounds, called in person at the hotel and inquired as to whether Bill Kerin was in; that this individual appeared to be gruff in his manner and was impatient at the service he received at the hotel. Mr. Scott stated that this individual, upon receiving information that Kerin was not in the hotel, immediately left the building and that he, Scott, proceeded to the front of the hotel and observed him entering a car which was believed to be a Graham Paige sedan bearing a Florida license No. D 12712. By telegraphic inquiry of the Jacksonville Bureau office, it was learned that this license number was issued to William T. Seymour, 229 Northeast First Street, Miami, Florida, for a Graham sedan engine No. 1016340.

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On Monday, May 27, 1935, informant [redacted] called at the Chicago Bureau office and advised that he had called at the Shoreham Hotel on May 26, 1935, and visited the W. R. Kerin registered there. He stated that this individual was not Willie Harrison, but was the Bill Kerin who was known to him and about whom he had previously furnished information to the Chicago Bureau office. [redacted] further stated that about 3:00 A.M. on the morning of May 27, 1935, he had seen Bill Kerin leave the Homewood Apartments located across the street from the Rienzi Hotel and that he saw Kerin make a meet with an individual whom he believes was William Harrison. He stated that at this time Kerin was driving the Graham Paige bearing Florida license No. 5088. [redacted] was asked why he did not communicate with this office upon seeing Harrison, and he stated that he had been unsuccessful in the past in communicating with the Chicago office after 1:00 A.M. This is not true inasmuch as a clerk is on duty all night long at the Chicago Bureau office and this is the second occasion upon which [redacted] has claimed he saw Harrison and was unable to get in touch with the Chicago office after the midnight hour. For this reason not much reliability is placed in [redacted] information that he did in fact see Willie Harrison.

On May 29, 1935, Mr. C. Scott advised that he had talked to William Kerin, at which time Kerin advised him that he planned on leaving the Shoreham Hotel on June 1, 1935. Mr. Scott stated to Agent that Kerin in renting his room by the week, if he paid no more money, would be entitled to remain at the hotel the night of May 31, 1935. Mr. Scott further advised that he would make an effort to obtain a forwarding address for Kerin at the time of the latter's departure. It is contemplated that Agents of the Chicago office will cover the Shoreham Hotel on June 1, 1935, in an effort to definitely determine where Kerin goes after leaving said hotel.

Under date of May 16, 1935, a letter dated May 14, 1935, was received by Special Agent in Charge M. H. Purvis from Mr. A. R. Kennedy, 618 East 8th Avenue, apartment 5, Gary, Indiana, which letter advised that Mr. Kennedy on the night of May 13, 1935, had received the information that William J. Harrison was being harbored by William and Lawrence Finerty of Calumet City, Illinois. It will be remembered that William Finerty is presently under indictment for harboring Homer Van Meter at Calumet City, Illinois.

Special Agent R. C. Suran interviewed Mr. Kennedy on May 17, 1935, at which time Mr. Kennedy stated that he, at the present time, is a deputy sheriff commissioned in Lake County, Indiana; that his informant was an individual who had recently held a political office in Lake County, Illinois, and was acquainted with subject William Harrison. Mr. Kennedy advised that he was in company with this informant, whose name he did not care to reveal, in a tavern at Gary, Indiana, and a discussion of the Bremer kidnaping case arose, at which time this informant stated that Harrison was

being harbored or was in communication with William and Lawrence Finerty of Calumet City, Illinois. Mr. Kennedy stated that he would keep in touch with his informant in an effort to obtain more definite information concerning the matter and if any was secured he would promptly notify the Chicago Bureau office.

Special Agent Suran interviewed "Pop" Schneider, Savoy Hotel, Hammond, Indiana, who has been frequently contacted in connection with thismatter, and who is believed to be entirely reliable in so far as the apprehension of William Harrison is concerned. "Pop" Schneider stated that William Harrison was acquainted with William and Lawrence Finerty at Calumet City, Illinois, and that he likewise knew these individuals. He stated that he was confident that Harrison was not being harbored by them; that he had no indication that Harrison had been in Calumet City, and that he, Schneider, is confident that should Harrison appear he will know of this fact.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent in Charge J. H. Hanson, Jacksonville, Florida, dated April 23, 1935, wherein it is noted that information was obtained from Billie Sandlin of Miami, Florida, that one Dorothy Johnson, Boulevard Hotel, Gary, Indiana, was an acquaintance of William Harrison. Dorothy Johnson was located at the above hotel and interviewed by Special Agent R. C. Suran. She stated that she was acquainted with Billie and Vonna Sandlin and was at one time employed at Johnnie Nickels place at Calumet City, Illinois. She, however, denied that she knew Willie Harrison. She was shown a photograph of this individual, which she stated she could not recognize as being a likeness of anyone she had seen. This woman is no doubt not telling the truth in this matter, but she continued to insist that Harrison was unknown to her. It was remembered that Vonna Sandlin, sister of Billie Sandlin is presently residing at 424 Washington Avenue, Gary, Indiana, but she to date has not been interviewed. On several visits to the hotel by Agent Suran she was found to be absent. However Vonna Sandlin will be interviewed at the earliest possible date.

In a memorandum submitted by Special Agent V. I. Parry, Kansas City, Missouri, dated April 22, 1935, a copy of which was furnished the Chicago office, mention is made of one Paul Croak, who operates the State Cigar Store at Hammond, Indiana. It further states that Croak is well known in Calumet City and that he has good connections there and might be of assistance in locating Willie Harrison.

Agent Suran interviewed Paul Croak at the State Cigar Store, 140 State Street, Hammond, Indiana. Croak is engaged in a bookmaking business at this address. He advised Agent Suran that Willie Harrison is well known to him and that he, Croak, frequented the saloon formerly operated by Willie Harrison in Calumet City, but that he has not seen Harrison for more than a

year. He stated that the last information he had was that Willie Harrison intended to go to Hot Springs, Arkansas. Croak stated that he would be willing to cooperate in this matter and he will be interviewed from time to time in an effort to develop him into a reliable informant.

The following section of this report concerns investigation conducted by Special Agent M. J. Cassidy at the Horn Palace Tavern, 4189 South Halsted Street, and other places in that immediate vicinity.

It will be noted that Agent Cassidy engaged room 282 at the Stockyard Inn, which is directly across the street from the Horn Palace Tavern, on the afternoon of May 20, 1935. Room 282 is located directly opposite the above address and afforded Agent Cassidy an opportunity to observe the activity of patrons of the saloon and the persons who frequented the Union headquarters and the gambling establishment, both of which are located upstairs of the building occupied by the Horn Palace tavern. This surveillance was continued from the hours of about 1:00 P. M. until 12:00 midnight from May 20 until May 24, 1935, the surveillance being discontinued on the latter date at about 6:00 P.M., for the reason that it was believed that John Russell Moran was no longer in the vicinity, it appearing that he had probably gone to St. Louis, Missouri.

During the entire course of the surveillance maintained by Agent Cassidy neither the Graham Paige coupe bearing Florida license No. D 5088 nor the gray Oldsmobile coach bearing Florida license No. D 9350 was seen in the vicinity of the Stockyard Inn, the Horn Palace tavern, or the Dakota Hotel, which is now located at 741 Root Street, the latter address being located near Halsted Street on Root. However, there was observed a maroon colored 1932 Chevrolet coach bearing Florida license No. 219-912. This car was parked for a short period of time in front of the Horn Palace tavern and thereafter was observed to have been driven to the saloon located at 4127 South Halsted, where it remained for several hours. Information concerning the above listed license number was forwarded to the Chicago office by the Jacksonville office and was to the effect that that license was issued to William J. Brodericke, 322 Northeast 36th Street, Miami, Florida, for Chevrolet coach motor No. 3272003, title No. 985021.

Following receipt of the foregoing information, Agent Cassidy again observed the above described car bearing Florida license No. 219912 parked in front of the saloon at 4127 South Halsted Street, and in order to obtain a better view of the individual who was seen operating the automobile on the previous occasion, Agent Cassidy went into the saloon and noted that there were three or four individuals drinking at the bar and one of these individuals was overheard to make a remark in which the name Brodericke was used, the remark apparently being directed to the bartender, who it appears is the Brodericke to whom the Florida license is issued. Neither the bartender nor any of the patrons in any way resembled the subjects in this case or John Russell Moran who is indicated as being friendly with certain subjects.

During the course of the investigation set out Agent Cassidy was driving a 1932 Ford coupe, which is a confiscated car in possession of the Chicago Bureau office, and on successive nights this automobile was parked in garages located in the vicinity of the Horn Palace Tavern, one being the Drovers Garage, 4156 Emerald Avenue, and the other a public garage located at 4138 South Halsted Street. It was observed that neither the Graham Paige coupe with Florida license No. D 5088, nor the Oldsmobile coach bearing Florida license No. D 9350 was stored in either of these garages.

It should be noted that during the period of this observation Agent Cassidy mingled with the other guests at the Stockyard Inn and the bar operated in connection with the Inn, and also mingled with the patrons of the Horn Palace Tavern, but that no one of the appearance of John Russell Moran, William J. Harrison, or any of the known members of the Karpis-Barker gang was seen in the vicinity under surveillance. No opportunity presented itself to allow Agent to gain entrance to the gambling room located above the Horn Palace Tavern. However, in view of the fact that it is necessary to proceed through the Horn Palace Tavern in order to enter this room, it was possible for Agent Cassidy to observe all persons frequenting this establishment during the period of surveillance and no one resembling any of the above individuals was seen.

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In response to a telephone call made by confidential informant [redacted] to the Chicago Bureau office on the morning of May 25, 1935, Special Agent M. Chaffetz, at her request, went to her home to determine what information she had to furnish.

[redacted] informed Agent Chaffetz that "Everett" (Volney Davis is known to her under the name of Everett) had called at her house at 1:00 o'clock on the afternoon of May 24, 1935, but she, at this time, was not at home being on duty at the hospital. However, her mother talked to Davis at this time and he stated that he had lost [redacted] telephone number and at his request [redacted] gave the telephone number to him. He indicated that he might get in touch with [redacted] also stated that although she did not question her mother in detail as she did not want to arouse any suspicion, she did determine that Davis was not wearing a topcoat and upon leaving the house had walked North, making it appear as if he did not come to the house in a car, although it may have been parked around the corner. [redacted] further stated that her mother had seen Davis once before and indicated that this was the same party.

Agent Chaffetz informed [redacted] that arrangements would be made to have Agents planted again at [redacted] and upon this arrangement being made Agent would call her to inform her concerning this.

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All of this information was furnished to Special Agent in Charge M. H. Purvis and arrangements were made for Special Agents J. L. Madala, M. J. Cassidy and Lish Whitson to immediately proceed to [redacted] Agent Suran telephonically communicated with [redacted] at that address to inform her that the Agents would be out at her home and she stated that the rooms were still available and that she would be glad to have them back again. Agent Chaffetz thereupon telephonically communicated with [redacted] and informed her that Agents would be located at [redacted] approximately one-half hour, this call being placed by Agent Chaffetz at 12:15 P.M. Agent Chaffetz informed [redacted] at this time that the arrangement which had existed previously when this plant was being maintained would be in effect again and that she should communicate with Agents at [redacted] as previously arranged, the telephone number there being [redacted]

As of May 31, 1935, Davis has not again communicated with [redacted] Two Agents are stationed at [redacted] and will remain there for a reasonable period of time, awaiting further communication from [redacted]

At the Town Club, Alton Hotel, Cermak Road, Cicero, Illinois, Special Agent D. P. Sullivan ascertained that Joe Kirby was the Master of Ceremonies. Special Agent Sullivan entered into casual conversation with Kirby on several occasions while he was keeping this place under surveillance for the possible apprehension of Harrison and Kirby, an old time vaudeville trouper, appeared to be the man who might be able to provide valuable information regarding persons who frequented Cicero, Illinois, and especially persons who might be responsible for willfully hiding out Harrison at the Hy-Ho Club.

Later investigation developed that Kirby was no longer employed at the Town Club, but was presently employed at the Sixteen Club, 123 North Crawford Avenue. On May 10, 1935, Special Agents R. H. Hicks and D. P. Sullivan called at the Town Club and interviewed Kirby. It is to be noted that Agent Hicks formerly was in the theatrical business and during a casual conversation had with Kirby he had stated that he was acquainted with Agent Hicks. Kirby, upon interview, stated that he has been master of ceremonies and entertainer at night clubs in Chicago for several years. He was questioned as to the identity of the persons operating the Hy-Ho Club, and he advised that he did not know who was operating it at the present time; that the Town Club, which is reported to be still owned by Al and Ralph Capone, is presently operated by a man named Harry Kersh; that Kersh is reported to be a legitimate business man, but because of his connections with the lessee of the premises from the Capone syndicate, Kirby stated that he did not believe Kersh would provide any information regarding the possible connections of Harrison and other members of the Karpis-Barker gang at Cicero, Illinois. Kirby was shown photographs of all members of the Karpis-Barker gang, which he stated he failed to recognize. From the conversation had with Kirby it appeared that he was reluctant to provide any information that he might have.

Kirby's wife was likewise shown photographs of the Karpis-Barker gang, which she failed to recognize, she being employed at the Sixteen Club as a piano player. She confidentially advised, out of the hearing of her husband, that Frank Furlett, a piano player who formerly played in an orchestra at the Hy-Ho Club and is well acquainted in Cicero, might be able to provide information regarding persons who might be connected with Harrison or other members of the Karpis-Barker gang at Cicero. She stated that Furlett undoubtedly was a member of the Musicians Union and that his address could be obtained through this union.

While Agent John L. Madala was in St.Paul, Minnesota as a witness in the trial of Arthur "Doc" Barker et al, for the kidnaping of Edward G.Bremer, he became acquainted with one HELEN CONLIFF, niece of Elmer Farmer. Miss Conliff it was learned is a stepdaughter of Jim Farmer, brother of Elmer Farmer, who at the pfesent time operates Elmer's Tavern at Bensenville, Illinois.

Miss Conliff indicated that she could be of assistance in locating subject William J. Harrison and other fugitive members of the gang if Agent Madala would contact her after his return to Chicago, Ill.

On May 21, 1934, Miss Conliff called the Chicago Bureau office and talked with Agent Madala. At that time she suggested that Agent Madalameet her at the corner of Madison St. and Kedzie Avenue, Chicago, at 4 P.M. Agent Madala appeared at this intersection at the designated time but Miss Conliff did not put in an appearance. On the same evening Miss Conliff again called Agent Madala and advised that she had missed her train but that she would be in Chicago Friday May 24, 1935, and that she could be reached by calling telephone Republic 10440. On the latter date Agent Madala talked with Miss Conliff by calling the above mentioned phone number, and it was arranged that Agent Madala should pick her up at 7004 Artesian Street, Chicago at 8 P.M.

Agent Madala accordingly met Miss Conliff, at which time she advised that she has definite information that William J. Harrison was in Havana, Cuba in March and April of this year; that he is working on a golf course in Cuba as a golf professional. She would not furnish any other information in this regard except to state that she met Harrison in front of the Green House Cafe in Bensenville, Illinois on one occasion during the time Edward Bremer was being held captive at Bensenville; that on this occasion Harrison had just emerged from the above mentioned restaurant when she and Elmer Farmer drove by; that Elmer stopped his automobile and talked with Harrison, after which he introduced Harrison to Miss Conliff; that she talked with Willie Harrison for about five minutes during which time he stated that he had just returned from Arizona. According to Miss Conliff he also talked about other things which are irrelevant to this case. At that time Miss Conliff described Harrison as having reddish brown hair and stated that he constantly wears octagon shaped glasses.

Miss Conliff further stated that Edward G. Bremer could have identified Doc. Barker and Fred Goetz as two of his kidnapers, but that he was afraid to do so, inasmuch as he had previously negotiated with them in the buying of stolen bonds from them through a third party in St.Paul whom Miss Conliff believes to be Harry Sawyer. She also stated that she

has definite information that while Bremer was held at Allderson's home in Bensenville, Doc Barker sold $75,000.00 worth of stolen bonds to him with the promise that Bremer turn the currency over to the third party in St. Paul upon his release. She does not know whether the proceeds of these bonds were ultimately given to Doc Barker. She also stated that the reason the Barker-Karpis gang kidnaped Bremer was because he had double-crossed them on his deal and that the kidnaping was merely retaliation for his action in this regard. Miss Conliff also stated that she had very definite information that Byron Bolton alias Monty Carter wrote a letter for the attention of the syndicate in Chicago, requesting that the syndicate secure an attorney for him to represent him in the trial just completed; that this note was delivered to a man named ROCKY, who operates a tavern in Cicero, Illinois on Ogden Avenue, and who is a member of the syndicate; that Rocky after reading Bolton's note immediately called Mike Marino, who is also a member of the syndicate, and who resides in Maywood, Illinois, and asked his advice concerning Bolton's request; that Mike Marino told him not to have anything to do with Bolton as he is a "squeeler" Miss Conliff further stated that Rocky took the matter up with the syndicate a few weeks later and the syndicate refused to help Bolton in any way; that this information was subsequently furnished to Mrs. Bolton and Miss Conliff believes that in view of the fact that the syndicate refused to help Bolton in any manner, he thought best to enter a plea of guilty and testify in behalf of the Government, thinking that his action in this respect would gain him leniency.

Miss Conliff further stated that at the time Mrs. Bolton delivered the note to Rocky at Cicero, she asked Rocky if he knew where Willie Harrison could be located; that Mrs. Bolton was told by Rocky that he did not know, and he asked why she inquired concerning him; that Mrs. Bolton stated that her husband believed that Harrison would help him in obtaining an attorney as they were always very friendly. Miss Conliff further stated that this man Rocky is the member of the syndicate who hides out fugitives from justice for the syndicate; that she has definite information that he has heretofore provided a place of refuge for Harrison and she is certain that if anyone knows where Harrison is at the present time, Rocky would know. She also indicated that Rocky may know the present whereabouts of Alvin Karpis, Volney Davis and other members of the gang who are still at large; that she will talk with Mike Marino within the next few days and get him to contact Rocky in an effort to ascertain the present whereabouts of Willie Harrison and other members of the gang. She stated that in the event Marino fails to obtain this information from Rocky she will secure the exact location of Rocky's place in Cicero, Illinois, and also his last name, and furnish same to Agent Madala.

Miss Conliff further stated that if Karpis or others put in an appearance at Elmer's Tavern in Bensenville she will surely learn of this because Jim Farmer usually gets very excited when such type of person comes there, after which he will come home and tell them all about it. She stated that should she receive any information in this connection she will immediately advise Agent Madala.

Miss Conliff also advised Agent Madala that prior to Elmer Farmer's arrest he owned forty-eight slot machines which he had in operation in Dupage County, Illinois; that he was paying as protection for the maintenance of these machines in the county one hundred dollars a week to the States Attorney's office, one hundred dollars a week to former Sheriff John Hesterman, and fifty dollars a week to four Deputies Sheriff, two of whom were Smoky Lang and Jim Venner. She could not recall the names of the other two deputies who were receiving this money. Agent Madala questioned her as to whether she believed that Elmer Farmer paid any money to Arthur Bennets, who is presently the Sheriff of Dupage County, and who was formerly Chief Deputy Sheriff under John Hesterman. She advised that to her knowledge no money was paid to Bennets. It might be stated that John Hesterman is now Chief Deputy under Arthur Bennets and that Smoky Lang and Jim Venner above mentioned are still connected with the Sheriff's office in Dupage County.

Agent Madala will keep in constant touch with Miss Conliff for any information that she may have in her possession concerning the activities and present whereabouts of the Barker-Karpis gang."

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent J. E. Thornton, Cincinnati, Ohio, dated March 21, 1935, wherein are listed certain telephone calls emanating from the Harvard Club to the Deshler-Wallick Hotel, Columbus, Ohio. It is noted in the report that F. M. Day, Jr., 164 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois, was the possible recipient of one of these calls. It is also noted in this report that F. M. Day, Jr., called Sheldrake 4356, Chicago, Illinois.

Special Agent C. R. LaFrance determined that Mr. Day is an adjuster for the firm of Marsh & McLennan, insurance brokers, room 1060, 164 West Jackson Blvd., Chicago, Illinois, telephone Wabash 0640. Agent LaFrance learned that Mr. Day was out of the city at the time he was conducting his investigation. However, he was subsequently interviewed by Special Agent D. P. Sullivan, the results of which interview is set forth hereinafter in a memorandum submitted by Agent Sullivan.

On March 29, 1935, Special Agent G. A. Callahan interviewed Norman A. Nickel with reference to the file entitled "UNKNOWN SUBJECTS, ESSEX COACH, motor No. 60893 - NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT", with Indianapolis as the office of origin. During the course of the interview Nickel stated that the before mentioned Essex coach was stolen from him on February 7, 1935, at Blue Island, Illinois. He had previously been interviewed and shown photographs, and tentatively identified the photograph of Volney Davis as being similar in appearance to one of the four men who had stolen the above mentioned car from him at the point of guns.

On May 7, 1935, Mr. Nickel, upon being again interviewed by Agent Callahan and Special Agent D. P. Sullivan, who is the reporting Agent, was shown pictures of various members of the Karpis-Barker gang and he selected the photograph of Volney Davis, stating that he could not definitely identify Davis as being one of the men who stole his Essex coach, inasmuch as it was dark at the time of the theft, but that they were slender in appearance and he noted that one of the men's face was shaped somewhat similar to Volney Davis' face. He stated that this man was approximately thirty years of age, adding that all of the men appeared to be about that age. It is to be here noted that three of the suspects who are believed to have stolen Mr. Nickel's car are in custody and they range from 21 to 25 years of age. Mr. Nickel was asked the writer's and two other Agent's ages, who happened to be in the office, and he approximated all three agent's ages to be 37 and 38 years, while all three are 29 or under. When Mr. Nickel stated that the men who robbed him are approximately 30 years of age, he undoubtedly referred to men who were probably under 22 or 23 years of age. There is no other information indicating that Volney Davis was one of the four men who stole Nickel's car, three of whom are already in custody.

On May 8, 1935, Special Agent D. P. Sullivan interviewed Mr. F. M. Day, Jr., at 164 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois, care of Marsh & McLennan, insurance brokers. Mr. Day stated that he was the Ohio representative for the firm of Marsh & McLennan, which firm has offices all over the United States, and that he is the manager of the Cleveland office. He stated that during the first part of January, 1935, he was at the Deshler Wallick Hotel, Columbus, Ohio; that during the course of his business he meets a great number of men whose names he does not remember; that his business consists primarily of the examination of factories and industrial plants to ascertain the valuation for insurance pruposes. He was questioned as to whether he was acquainted with James "Shimmy" Patton, Bert and Ted Angus, Nig Cousins and Joe Roscoe, the Harvard and Casino Clubs, or persons and places located at Cleveland and Toledo, Ohio, but he denied that he knew of any such persons or places. Mr. Day appeared to be a substantial business man, holding a representative and important position with his firm. He could not recall any telephone calls received by him at the Deshler Wallick Hotel from Cleveland during the time he was in Columbus the past January. Mr. Day was questioned as to whether he knew anybody else

in Columbus by the name of Day, but he stated that he did not know any other person by that name.

With reference to Bureau letter dated April 12, 1935, advising that Mrs. Edward A. Crompton alias Jean Delaney, sister of Dolores Delaney, was released from the Federal Industrial Institution for Women at Alderson, West Virginia, on March 21, 1935, on parole, United States Probation Officer McGrath, on April 5, 1935, telephoned Special Agent in Charge D. M. Ladd and advised that Jean Delaney was presently residing at 6045 Kimbark Avenue. McGrath stated that he had received information to the effect that she had been out to the home of John Karpavicz, father of Alvin Karpis, since her return to Chicago.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent D. P. Sullivan:

Henry Robinson, carrier delivering mail to 6045 Kimbark Avenue, was interviewed and shown photographs of all members of the Karpis-Barker gang, which he failed to recognize, including the photograph of Jean Delaney. He stated that he knew no one residing at 6045 Kimbark Avenue by the name of Delaney. By discreet inquiry, Agent ascertained that the manager at 6049 South Kimbark Avenue was an old lady who is highly respectable, by the name of Mrs. McFarland.

Mrs. McFarland, 6049 South Kimbark Avenue, was interviewed and shown the photograph of Jean Delaney, which she failed to recognize. She was likewise shown photographs of the various members of the Karpis-Barker gang, which she failed to recognize. She stated that 6045 South Kimbark was occupied by a large rooming house that is owned and operated by Mr. Joechle. She stated that Joechle ran a very orderly house and appeared to be a respectable person who would cooperate should he be approached openly.

James Raknik, Janitor for Mrs. McFarland, was likewise interviewed and shown photographs of members of the Karpis-Barker gang, which he failed to recognize. He likewise could not identify the photograph of Jean Delaney.

At 6045 South Kimbark Avenue, Mrs. Joechle and her grown son were interviewed and questioned as to whether Jean Delaney was residing at this address. They denied knowing anysuch person and when shown photograph of Jean Delaney stated that they had never seen anyone of that likeness before. They stated that there was a Robert Delaney living at this address, but that he was living alone and they knew of no visitors he might have.

Probation officer McGrath was thereupon interviewed and he stated that he felt certain Jean Delaney was residing at 6045 South Kimbark Avenue; that he had called on the telephone on several occasions and had delivered a message to someone for her; that he understood that Jean was

residing at the above address with Edna Webster, a girl friend, but that, because she had little money, he understood that she was staying with the Webster woman without the knowledge of the landlady, although the landlady generally answered the telephone when he called for Jean Delaney. He thought it possible that Jean Delaney had informed the landlady not to advise anyone that she was living at this address. McGrath further stated that Jean Delaney was still keeping company with Ralph Conroyd, 4844 North Ridgeway Avenue, and expected to marry him and that Conroyd was a likeable and dependable young man. He stated that the Delaney girl had been conferring with Father Curry of the National Council of Catholic Women in an effort to obtain a position.

Father Curry, National Council of Catholic Women, 31 East Congress Street, Chicago, Illinois, was interviewed. Father Curry stated that he had talked to Jean Delaney several times and had been making efforts to obtain a position for her. He confidentially informed Agent that he had been able to have an application for employment for Jean Delaney placed on file at the Commonwealth Edison Company, where she hoped to obtain employment as a clerk. He further advised that Jean Delaney was presently employed at a restaurant, name and address unknown, on the near North side, adding that he felt certain that Mr. McGrath, probation officer, could provide information as to the correct address of this restaurant.

He stated that Jean Delaney had told him that she intended to "turn over a new leaf" and that she sounded convincing. He said that she had visited the Karpavicz family because she was interested in the baby whose parents are her sister Dolores and Alvin Karpis. Father Curry stated he had advised Jean Delaney to stay away from the Karpavicz family for her own good.

It was not deemed advisable to question probation officer McGrath as to the business address of Jean Delaney, inasmuch as it was thought that any inquiry for definite information made of McGrath might become public knowledge.

At about 1:45 A.M. on May 29, 1935, Mr. Buck Kempster, Prophetstown, Illinois, a former Illinois State policeman, communicated by long distance telephone with Special Agent in Charge M. H. Purvis, at which time he stated that a party by the name of J. Nolte was at that time residing at the Colonial Inn, Sterling, Illinois, and that this party had been acting in a very suspicious manner and every action of his indicated that he was very "hot". Kempster furnished the information that this individual very seldom left his room and that when he did so he wore dark colored glasses. Mr. Kempster furnished the further information that this individual had received visitors from Chicago and Marshalltown, Iowa, and that on the date of the call at the Chicago office there were two men and one woman with him; that Nolte receives financial assistance from Chicago apparently about three times

a week, and that he received a letter on May 28, 1935, from room 92, thought to be the Crayton Hotel, Chicago, Illinois. It was believed that this individual might possibly be connected with the instant investigation, inasmuch as information was obtained that Volney Davis was in Chicago on May 24, 1935, and it was considered advisable to immediately check this information.

Accordingly, on May 29, 1935, Special Agents Lish Whitson and R. C. Suran interviewed Mr. Kempster at Sterling, Illinois, and he furnished the information which he had previously related to Mr. Purvis. Mr. Kempster advised that the management of the Colonial Inn at Sterling, Illinois, was reliable and that they were good friends of his and would cooperate in this matter.

Mr. Kempster then introduced Agents Whitson and Suran to Mr. F. D. Briggs, the proprietor of the Colonial Inn, and his son, James Briggs. These individuals advised that Nolte registered in at the hotel on May 4, 1935, and had resided continuously since that date; that in addition he keeps rented an extra room to accommodate any visitors who might visit him. They advised that he has had several male visitors. Mr. F. D. Briggs stated that he, Briggs, has poor eyesight and could furnish no descriptions of any of the visitors of Nolte with the exception of one individual whom he described as being about 65 years of age, six feet in height, weighing between 180 and 190 pounds, with a ruddy complexion. He was shown the photographs of the various individuals connected with this case, and he stated that the photograph of Charles J. Fitzgerald could be that of the individual above described, but that he could not make a positive identification. He stated that he did not note whether this individual limped or not.

At the time of this interview Agents were advised that Nolte was then in his room with an individual who had on previous occasions registered at the hotel under the name of W. E. Winter, Cleveland, Ohio. Messrs. Briggs further advised that there wasalso a woman with these two men. Agents Whitson and Suran observed these persons leave the hotel and they were followed to a restaurant in Sterling, Illinois, where they were closely observed by the Agents. It was determined that the men did not answer the descriptions of any individuals wanted in this case.

Nolte was observed to be about 50 years of age, height 5' 10", weight about 175 pounds, hair dark with gray and partially bald. The individual known as W. E. Winter appeared to be about 24 years of age, five feet six inches in height, weight about 120 pounds, with dark hair parted on the side. The woman appeared to be about five feet eight inches in height, about 30 years ofage, weight 120 pounds, hair dark, slender build, having a large mouth.

After it was determined that these individuals were dining in the restaurant, Agents Whitson and Suran returned to the Colonial Inn and entered the room occupied by J. Nolte, at which time Agents were accompanied by the proprietor of the hotel. It was noted that the laundry mark on the clothes in this room was "J.H.H."; also, in one of the bags in this room were found several letters addressed to Miss Dorothy Omart, 19 East Bellevue, Chicago, Illinois, and bore the return address Box 117, Breda, Iowa. Another letter bore the return address "M. Jones, D. A. Box 117, Breda, Iowa". Mr. Briggs furnished the further information that Nolte received two long distance telephone calls since he has registered there from Marshalltown, Iowa; that these calls were made to the telephone number at the Colonial Inn, No. 416; that he had made outgoing telephone calls from the telephone booth in the hotel, telephone No. 1388. Some stationery of the Croydon Hotel, Chicago, was found in one of the bags in this room and apparently this is the hotel from which he had received the letter from room 92 on May 28, 1935. The letters in this room were not read by Agents, inasmuch as Mr. Briggs did not desire that Agents remain in the room long enough for that purpose.

On May 28, 1935, the Chicago office received a telegram from the San Francisco office advising that three men driving a grey LaSalle roadster with Illinois license plates No. 359-793 were observed at Auburn California, on May 27, 1935, headed East; that one of these individuals resembled subject Davis; that one man approximately fifty years of age, was the driver of the car, gave the name of Edward V. Schulte, address 1 North State Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Special Agent in Charge M. H. Purvis determined that Illinois license 359-793 was issued to the National Portrait Company by E. V. Schulte, 17 North State Street, Chicago, Illinois, for Auburn car, factory No. 810 engine No. GC 2045; that E. V. Schulte resided at 3000 North Sheridan Road Chicago, telephone Lakewood 2470, and operated the Schulte Optical Company at 17 North State Street, telephone Dearborn 2700.

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Special Agent M. Chaffetz called the numbers Lakewood 2470 and Dearborn 2700, under pretext, and was informed that Mr. Schulte was out of the city; that he had gone to Mexico for a vacation and did not expect to return for a month. It appears that the only possibility is that Schulte may have picked up Davis, although in view of the identification of Davis at the home of [redacted] on May 24, 1935, it does not appear reasonable that he would be in California on the 27th. However, it would be possible and Schulte will be interviewed concerning this matter upon his arrival in Chicago. The San Francisco office was advised by wire of the above information.

Prior to the apprehension of subject Sawyer, the Omaha Bureau office requested information concerning Frank Nitto and Sam Cusick. Special Agent C. B. Winstead submitted a memorandum in connection with this matter, which is set forth hereinafter, and photographs of Frank Nitto are attached to the copies of this report for the Omaha Bureau office for possible use in future investigations, although Sawyer is now in custody.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent C. B. Winstead.

Inquiry of Mr. John Kelly of the Investigative Department of the State's Attorney's Office at Chicago, Illinois, developed that there is nothing contained in their file indicating that Frank Nitto, alias Nitti, has any connection with or engaged in any activities around Omaha, Nebraska and Creston, Iowa. Kelly did not know Sam Cusick or Cusack.

A search of the files of the Chicago Bureau Office discloses that during 1930 an investigation was conducted for the purpose of locating Frank Nitto, who was then a fugitive under indictment in the Federal Court at Chicago, Illinois, wherein he was charged with income tax evasion. A photograph of Nitto was located in this file and copies thereof are herewith submitted to the Omaha Bureau Office.

In this file, which is No.5-6, FRANK RALPH NITTO, alias Frank Nitti, alias Frank Novelli, the Chicago Bureau Office sets out Nitto's description as follows:

Age	41 years
Height	5'4¾"
Weight	145 lbs.
Build	medium
Hair	black
Eyes	dark
Complexion	dark
Clean shaven	
Occupation	liquor dealer
Race	white
Nationality	Italian
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Under date of February 9, 1934, the Bureau furnished the Chicago Office with the following criminal record of Frank Nitto:

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In Chicago Bureau office file no. 7-81, entitled AUGUST GUS KAHN, with aliases, et al; HARRY D. WOLF, Victim, there appears a letter from the Bureau dated June 16, 1931, setting out the known criminal record of one Sam Guzik, whose fingerprints were furnished June 15, 1931, by the United States Marshal at Chicago, Illinois, which discloses that Sam Guzik was arrested September 26, 1930, for violation of Sections 1265 and 1266, Title 26, Internal Revenue, and as Sam Guzik, #39045, received at U. S. Penitentiary, Leavenworth, June 6, 1931, from Chicago, Illinois, violation of Income Tax Law, sentence one year and one day.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent M. Chaffetz on May 4, 1935, at Chicago, Illinois.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent O. C. Dewey, Omaha, dated 3/15/35, in which a lead is set out for the Chicago Bureau office to locate Harry Burch, who is supposed to be a connection of Harry Sawyer. Agent called Mr. J. H. Harrington, Superintendent, Uptown Post Office Sub-station, and requested him to make a check with all his carriers who cover Magnolia Avenue in order to determine whether this party is presently residing on that street and if so at what particular number. Mr. Harrington stated he would contact his carriers for this purpose, but informed Agent that he personally knew about the party concerning whom Agent was inquiring. He stated that Harry Burch is quite a well known hoodlum in Chicago and that this party had a reputation for going to the front for a large number of hoodlums and gangsters after their apprehension. At this time Mr. Harrington stated that this party was residing at 5829 Magnolia Avenue, but he was not sure that this was his present address. Mr. Harrington made a check with the carrier that covers this particular section of Magnolia Avenue and it was determined that Harry Burch was presently residing at 5908 Magnolia Avenue with a party named Quinlan. This was the extent of the information furnished by Mr. Harrington.

No further investigation is being conducted concerning this party as it will be noted that the information furnished this office was to the effect that Burch was a contact of Harry Sawyer, who has been taken into custody. However, should it be deemed advisable at a later date to investigate this party on the belief that he may be a contact for other members of this gang, a thorough investigation will be conducted.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE JACKSONVILLE BUREAU OFFICE is requested to refer to the information furnished by Helen Conliff concerning the possibility of William Harrison's being in Havana, Cuba. It is suggested that such investigation as is possible be made to determine if Harrison is frequenting the golf courses at that place.

THE OMAHA BUREAU OFFICE is requested to conduct appropriate investigation at Breda, Iowa, in compliance with the letter from the Chicago office under date of June 1, 1935. If it appears likely that any person communicating with Miss Dorothy Omart, Chicago, Illinois, return address, 117 Breda, Iowa, is in any way connected with this case, it is requested that investigation be conducted at Marshalltown, Iowa, in an effort to trace two telephone calls made to Sterling, Illinois, to J. Nolte, telephone No. 416.

THE CHICAGO BUREAU OFFICE, at Gary, Indiana, will interview Vonna Sandlin, 424 Washington Avenue, and solicit her assistance in locating William Harrison.

Paul Croak, 140 State Street, Hammond, Indiana, should be interviewed from time to time in an effort to develop him into a reliable informant in connection with Willie Harrison.

This office will also conduct appropriate investigation at 19 East Bellevue, apparently the address of Miss Dorothy Omart, in an effort to determine whether any of her associates have a connection with this case.

This office will determine when Mr. E. V. Schulte returns to Chicago, Illinois, and interview him in connection with the identification of Volney Davis being with him in Auburn, California, on May 27, 1935. If Mr. Schulte can identify the photograph of Davis, the exact route that Mr. Schulte took should be determined in order that it can be ascertained at what point the individual identified as Davis and Mr. Schulte parted.

PENDING

REN:TD
7-576 — 6241

June 24, 1935

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 report of Special Agent R. G. Suran, dated at Chicago, June 3, 1935, in the above entitled case, reflecting on page twenty-six the results of an investigation conducted at Sterling, Illinois.

Your attention is directed to Bureau letter addressed to the Detroit Office under date of September 15, 1934, in connection with the case entitled VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases, (deceased), Conspiracy to Deliver a Federal Prisoner, a copy of which letter was furnished your office, together with copies of the criminal record and a photograph of one Charles Carroll, alias Charles E. Winterhalter. Copies of this same photograph are transmitted herewith and to each of the offices indicated below, with the suggestion that the photograph be exhibited to persons at Sterling, Illinois, with a view to possibly identifying it as resembling the individual who registered at the Colonial Inn as E.E. Winter, Cleveland, Ohio.

On page twenty-one of the report of Special Agent Suran, reflecting the results of an interview had by Special Agent J. L. Madala with informant Helen Conliff, it is noted that she makes reference to an individual named "Rocky", who operates a tavern in Cicero, Illinois and who is a member of the Syndicate. It is possible that this individual is identical with Rocco DeGrazia, copies of whose photograph are transmitted herewith and to each of the offices indicated below. It is suggested that this photograph be exhibited to Mrs. Byron Bolton and Helen Conliff, with a view to identifying the individual referred to as "Rocky".

Very truly yours,

Enclosure No. 307774

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc-Cincinnati
St. Paul

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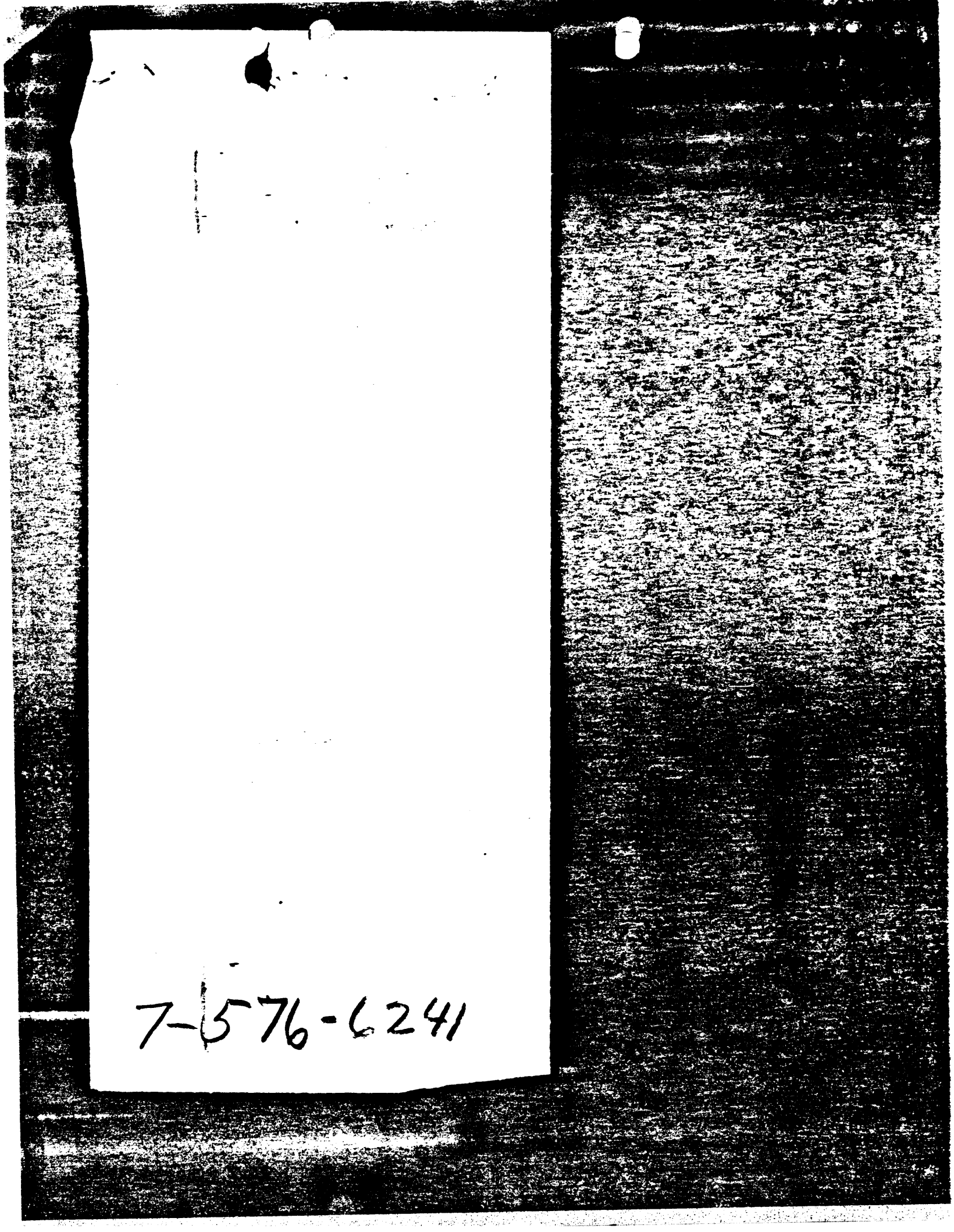
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Rocco De Grazia

Charles Carroll

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Laboratory Report

Case: Brekid

Number: 7-576-6241

Specimens: Photostatic copy of a hotel registration card, Number 7667, signed W. R. Kerin.

Examination requested by: Mr. Newby. Answer to Chicago. CC St. Paul & Cincinnati.

Date received: 6-21-35

EXAMINATION REQUESTED: Handwriting

RESULT OF EXAMINATION: 6/25 Examination by: Appel

SPECIMEN SUBMITTED WITH INVESTIGATIVE REPORT BEARING BUREAU FILE NUMBER 7-576-6241.

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WJ Harron

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June 3, 1935.

(Time 11:47)

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. NATHAN

Re: Bremer Kidnaping Case.

In a telephonic conversation with Mr. Schechter of the National Broadcasting Company at New York City I advised him Volney Davis who is in custody in St. Paul, just pleaded guilty to the Bremer kidnaping and will be sentenced on Saturday.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Mr. Nathan .....
Mr. Tolson .....
Mr. Baughman .....
Chief Clerk .....
Mr. Clegg .....
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June 3, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. ROBERT H. GATES

I am attaching hereto, for your information, a copy of a memorandum relative to the arrest of Volney Davis by Agents of this Bureau at Chicago on last Saturday afternoon.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Inclosure #667456

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By messenger 9:55 a.m.

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For approval. To be dated on date of release.

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MEMORANDUM

On January 17, 1934 Edward George Bremer, President of the Commercial State Bank, St. Paul, Minnesota, was kidnaped immediately after he had driven his daughter to the Summit School in St. Paul and was taken to a hide-out at Bensenville, Illinois. A ransom of $200,000 was demanded and, upon payment, Bremer was released on February 7, 1934 near Rochester, Minnesota.

Volney Davis and Arthur R. Barker were among those indicted for this crime on January 22, 1935. Arthur R. Barker has since been found guilty and sentenced to a term of life imprisonment. Davis and Barker had been previously convicted of the murder of Thomas J. Sherrill of Tulsa, Oklahoma, on August 26, 1921. They both received life sentences in the Oklahoma State Penitentiary. Barker was peroled from that institution on September 10, 1932 and Davis was granted a leave of absence on November 3, 1932 which was subsequently extended to July 1, 1934. Failing to report on the latter date, the leave of absence was cancelled and Davis became a fugitive from that penitentiary.

Nation-wide search for Volney Davis culminated on February 6, 1935 with his arrest by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, at Kansas City, Missouri. While being removed by airplane to Chicago, Illinois, he escaped after a forced landing had been made by the plane near Yorkville, Illinois.

Volney Davis was again apprehended by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation at Chicago, Illinois, June 1, 1935. The complete criminal record of Volney Davis is as follows:

According to the records of the Identification Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Davis was first arrested on February 5, 1919 by the Police Department, Tulsa, Oklahoma, #1025, on charges of grand larceny. He was turned over to the authorities of Tulsa County, Oklahoma for prosecution; was tried, convicted and sentenced to serve three years and one year, the sentences to run concurrently. Pursuant to these sentences, Davis was received at the State Penitentiary, McAlester, Oklahoma on September 28, 1919 and was assigned #9849. On February 3, 1923 Davis was again received at the McAlester, Oklahoma Institution as Volney Davis, #12808, to serve a life sentence having been convicted with Arthur R. Barker of the crime of murder as above related. On January 8, 1925 Davis escaped from the penitentiary. He was apprehended on January 21, 1925 by the Police Department of Kansas City, Missouri as Roy Green, #13404 and returned to the penitentiary. On November 3, 1932 he was granted a leave of absence which was cancelled.

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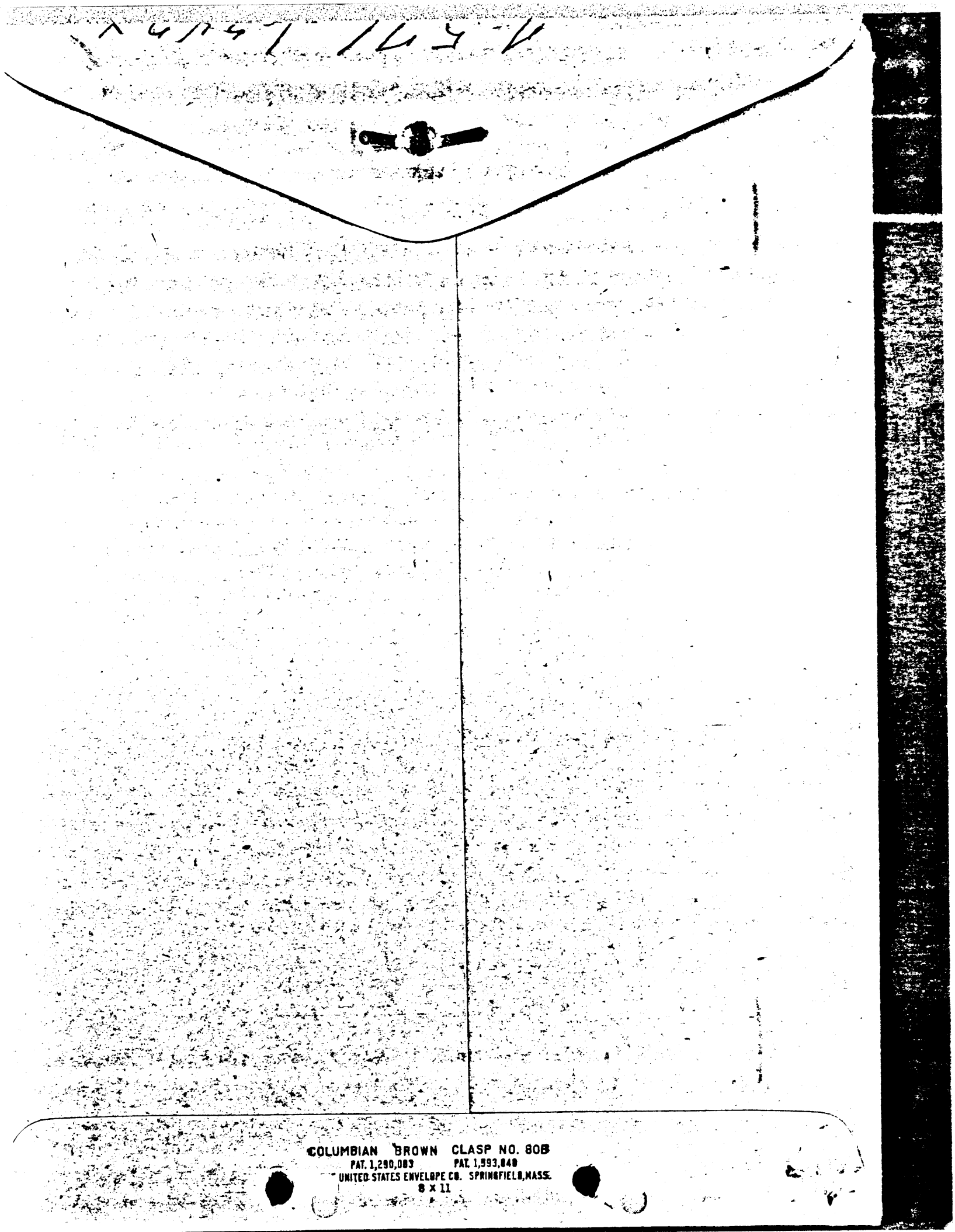

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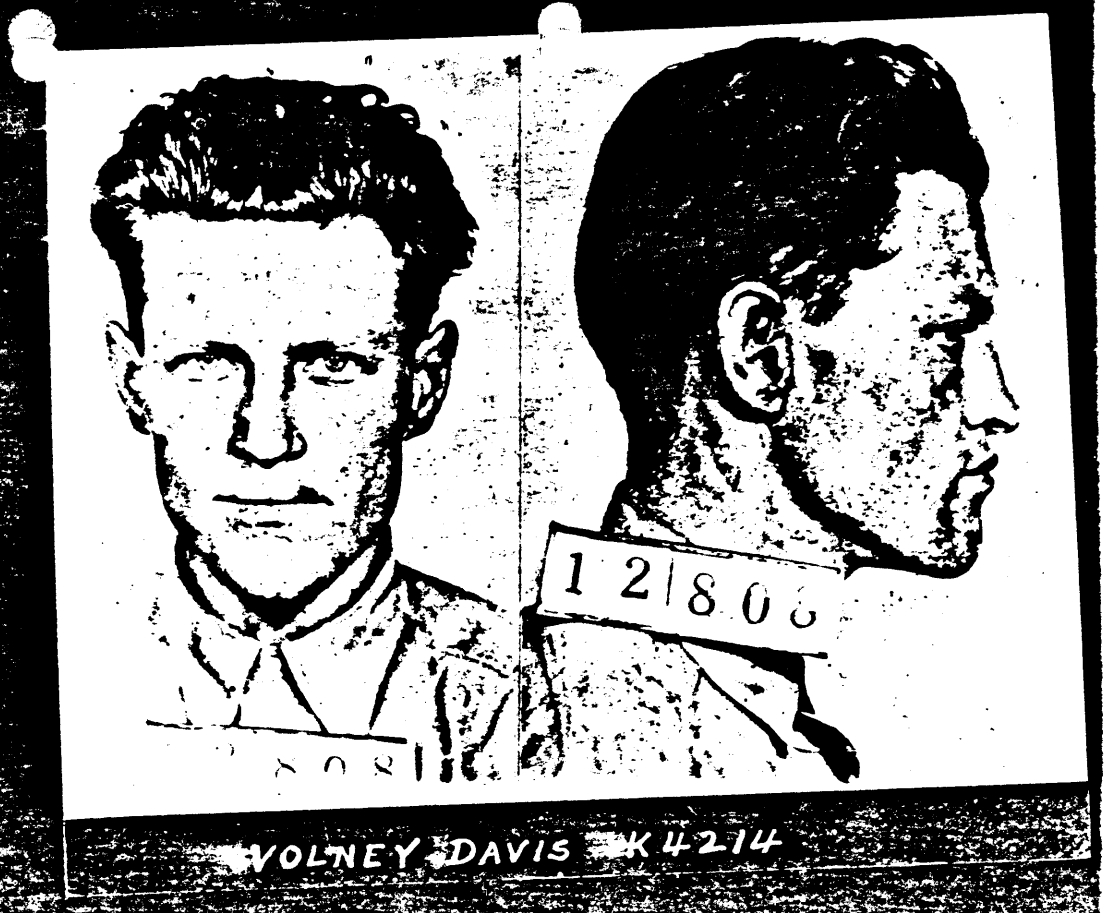
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VOLNEY DAVIS K4214

IDENTIFICATION ORDER NO. 1237
January 28, 1935.

DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
WASHINGTON, D. C.

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WANTED

VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases: "CURLEY" DAVIS, "COTTON" DAVIS, E. V. DAVIS, J. N. LOCKWOOD, S. E. LOCKWOOD, C. E. MOORE, JIMMIE, CURLEY MOORE, EVERETT DAVIS, CURLEY HANSEN, CURLEY HANSON, J. E. HANSEN, ROY GREEN.

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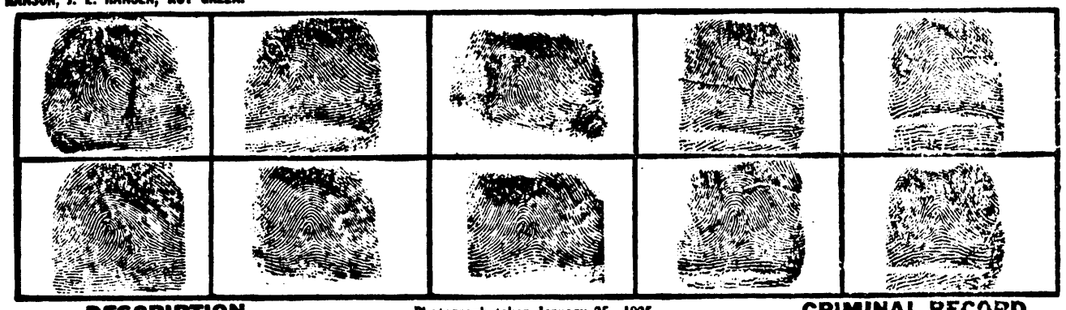

Photograph taken January 25, 1925.

DESCRIPTION

Age, 33 years; Born, Jan. 29, 1902 at Tahlequah, Okla.; Height, 5 feet, 8¾ inches; Weight, 123 pounds; Build, slender; Hair, light chestnut; Eyes, blue; Complexion, fair; Scar, vertical cut scar ½ inch above eyebrow.

Volney Davis

RELATIVES:

Mr. and Mrs. Rodney E. Davis, parents, Route #2, Neosho, Missouri.
Mrs. John (Mildred) Harness, sister, Route #2, Neosho, Missouri.
Mrs. John G. (Bertha) Williams, sister, 436 East Oklahoma Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma.
Mrs. Glenn (Ruby) Lamberson, sister, 1019½ South Rockford Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma.
Mrs. Luther B. (Irene) Hoffman, sister, 416 East Oklahoma Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma.
Mrs. Charles (Beulah) Porter, sister, Oklahoma State Hospital for the Insane, Vinita, Oklahoma.

CRIMINAL RECORD

As Volney Davis, #1025, arrested Police Department, Tulsa, Okla., Feb. 5, 1919; charge, grand larceny; turned over to Tulsa County.
As Volney Davis, alias V. E. Davis, #9849, received State Penitentiary, McAlester, Okla., Sept. 28, 1919, from Tulsa County; crime, grand larceny; sentence, three years.
As Volney Davis, #12808, received State Penitentiary, McAlester, Okla., Feb. 3, 1923, from Tulsa, Okla.; crime, murder; sentence. life; escaped Jan. 8, 1925.
As Roy Green alias Volney Davis, #13404, arrested Police Department, Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 21, 1925; charge, investigation - fugitive; returned.
As Volney Davis, #12808, returned State Penitentiary, McAlester, Okla., Jan. 25, 1925; Nov. 3, 1932 granted leave of absence to July 1, 1933; leave of absence extended to July 1, 1934; leave cancelled, now a fugitive.

Volney Davis is wanted for the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer at St. Paul, Minnesota, on January 17, 1934. An indictment was returned by the Federal Grand Jury at St. Paul, Minnesota on January 22, 1935, charging Davis and others with the kidnaping.

Law enforcement agencies kindly transmit any additional information or criminal record to the nearest office of the Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice.

If apprehended, please notify the Director, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Washington, D. C., or the Special Agent in Charge of the office of the Division of Investigation listed on the back hereof which is nearest your city.

Issued by: JOHN EDGAR HOOVER, DIRECTOR

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RECORDED

June 8, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Birmingham, Ala.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, W.L.-FUGITIVE, I.C. #1218,
et al -EDWARD GEORGE BREMER-VICTIM.
KIDNAPING.

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:

[redacted], Esther May Rago

Copy to:
Bue Offs, Cincinnati, Ohio
Bue Offs, St. Louis, Mo.
Bue Offs, Los Angeles, Calif.
Bue Offs, St. Paul, Minn.
Bue Offs, Chicago, Ills.

Very truly yours,

Director.

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Postoffice Box 314,
Birmingham, Alabama,
June 4, 1935.

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AJL:T

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

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, W.A.-FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218,
et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER- VICTIM.
KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

There is enclosed herewith a personal identification card with the fingerprints of Esther May Page, with aliases: Lucretia Cordoz, Lucretia Cardoz, Mrs. Robert James Burnns.

This person, while being questioned about her movements about the United States since her unannounced departure from her home at 1063 West Macon Street, Decatur, Illinois, indicated that she had been traveling at the direction of Annette Davidson and Oram George Johnson, the former purporting to be a private detective and the latter a St. Louis, Mo. attorney.

Several bills of $100 denomination were seen in Johnson's possession, and he always had an abundance of money, as did Robert James Burnns, Page's purported husband.

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While in St. Louis Davidson pointed out to Page a person named "Lefty" Lewis, who was about 5' 5" in height, weighed approximately 140 pounds, and walked with a distinct limp in the right leg. Page recognizes the likeness of subject HARRY CAMPBELL, I.O. 1236, to Lefty Lewis, whom she saw on or about March 8, 1935, near the Postoffice in St. Louis.

It is requested that the Cincinnati, Chicago, St. Paul, Los Angeles, St. Louis and Birmingham offices be notified if Page is known to be an associate of underworld characters, or if she has a criminal record.

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Very truly yours,

R. B. Nathan

R. B. NATHAN,
Special Agent in Charge

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
JUN 6 1935 P.M.

(Encl. 1)
cc- Cincinnati, St. Louis, Los Angeles, St. Paul.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

RNP:aws

June 8, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

In compliance with the request of Mr. Newby, I have caused a search of the files of the Identification Division to be made for a possible record of Esther May Page, a copy of whose fingerprints accompanied Mr. Newby's request. Please be advised that a search of these fingerprints against the files of the Identification Division fails to disclose any record. As suggested in the letter from the Birmingham Bureau Office the Bureau Offices at Cincinnati, Chicago, Saint Paul, Los Angeles, Saint Louis and Birmingham have been notified the result of this search.

This fingerprint card is being entered in the criminal files of this Division.

Respectfully,

L. C. Schilder.

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June 4, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Sirs

There are forwarded herewith and to each of the offices indicated below, copies of a letter dated May 26, 1935 addressed to the Bureau by Mr. Henry D. Green, Attorney at Law, West Plains Bank Building, West Plains, Missouri, setting forth information relative to the association of Fred Barker and his gang with one Asa Pendleton, who is now serving sentence in the Missouri State Penitentiary on a charge of burglary. Mr. Green also sets forth in his letter information concerning relatives of Pendleton.

In this connection it is recalled that a confidential informant of the St. Paul Office has furnished information to the effect that William Weaver maintains a hideout somewhere in Arkansas, and that members of the gang are possibly in hiding on this farm. The informant also indicated that funds were being supplied to a prisoner believed to be incarcerated in the Oklahoma State Penitentiary. Investigation already conducted in the Oklahoma State Penitentiary has been without results so far as establishing the identity of a prisoner receiving funds from some source in Arkansas. It is possible that the prisoner referred to by the informant is Pendleton, who is confined in the Missouri State Penitentiary, inasmuch as Fred Barker, Alvin Karpis and William Weaver were together at the time Sheriff Charles R. Kelly of West Plains, Missouri was killed by these individuals.

You should conduct a discreet investigation at the Missouri State Penitentiary with a view to ascertaining whether Pendleton is receiving correspondence from some point in Arkansas, which will serve as a lead to the whereabouts of the farm reported to be owned by Weaver. It is also suggested that further contact be had with Attorney Henry D. Green for the purpose of developing any additional information which he may have bearing on this matter.

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Very truly yours,

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cc-St. Louis
St. Paul
Chicago
Cincinnati
Little Rock
Oklahoma City
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John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
JUN 5 1935 P.M.
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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July 16, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. No. 1218; ET AL;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Under date of June 4, 1935, the Bureau addressed a communication to your office, with which there were transmitted copies of a letter dated May 26, 1935, addressed to the Bureau by Mr. Henry B. Green, Attorney at Law, West Plains Bank Building, West Plains, Missouri, setting forth information relative to the association of Fred Barker and his gang with one Asa Pendleton, who is now serving a sentence in the Missouri State Penitentiary on a charge of burglary. The Bureau instructed that a discreet investigation be made at the Missouri State Penitentiary, with a view to ascertaining whether Pendleton is receiving correspondence from some point in Arkansas, which will serve as a lead to the whereabouts of the farm reported to be owned by Weaver.

The Bureau desires that this matter be given immediate and preferred attention.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc-Cincinnati
St. Paul
Chicago
St. Louis
Little Rock
Oklahoma City
Los Angeles

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

June 3, 1935.

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Miss Gandy .....

Time - 2:55 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Alvin Karpis.

Mr. Peterson telephoned me from the Milwaukee Office and advised that Mr. Brandon of the Associated Press in Milwaukee had just telephoned the Milwaukee Office stating that they had an unconfirmed report from St. Paul to the effect that Alvin Karpis had been apprehended in Madison, Wisconsin.

Mr. Peterson said that since there was a possibility that the Bureau Agents could have made such an arrest without his being advised of it, he wanted to communicate with the Bureau before making any inquiries at Madison.

I told Mr. Peterson that the Bureau has received no such report. I instructed him to check on this matter at Madison at once, and to advise the Bureau in the premises.

Time - 3:20 P.M.

Mr. Peterson called back relative to the above matter, and advised that through the United States Marshal at Madison, who is very reliable, he learned from the Chief of Police at Madison that this is merely a rumor which has been persistent in Madison all day; that it appears to be the outgrowth of the fact that the airplane bearing Volney Davis to St. Paul was grounded there en route.

However, Mr. Peterson is sending an Agent to Madison at once to see if this rumor can be traced; that if anything develops, he will immediately advise the Bureau.

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Respectfully,

7-576-6245

FEDERAL BUREAU OF

JUN 6 1935

E. A. TAMM.

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

NATHAN ONE

JUN 6 1935

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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

May 31, 1935.

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Miss Gandy

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON.

Mr. Suydam telephoned on this date and inquired as to whether any reward was outstanding by the Bureau for the apprehension of Karpis and Volney Davis.

He was informed that there had been no Federal reward offered to date relative to the apprehension of these individuals.

Respectfully,

T. D. Quinn.

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BREKID INTERVIEW VOLNEY DAVIS AND OBTAIN DESCRIPION OF PATSY, WOMAN WITH WHOM HE STAYED IN MADISON WISCONSIN AT SOLS-LIBERTY CARNIVAL AND FURNISH SAME TO THE ST LOUIS OFFICE.

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Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice

POST OFFICE BOX 812,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

June 4, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St.,
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, 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 - CHICAGO FILE NO. 7-82

Volney Davis has recently furnished Agents of the Chicago Bureau office with additional descriptive data as to Alvin Karpis, and this information is being furnished to all field offices as of possible assistance in identifying Karpis.

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Davis has advised that when he last saw Alvin Karpis he had large scars extending downward below his ears, which scars were the result of an attempted facial operation on Karpis by Dr. Joseph P. Moran. He stated that the scars on the face of Karpis were much more visible than those on the face of Doc Barker. It is known that the scars on Doc Barker are still prominent and it is believed that those on the face of Karpis will still be an aid in identifying him. Volney Davis further stated that the ears of Alvin Karpis originally were without lobes, and that a portion of the flesh was cut on the lower part of the ear, forming lobes. He stated that no doubt scars will show underneath the lobes. Volney Davis had the same operation performed on him and the scars on his ears are still visible. Davis further advised that Alvin Karpis is left-handed and does everything lefthanded with the exception of writing, of which he is not sure. He furnished the further information that an attempt was made by Dr. Moran to lift one of the eyebrows of Alvin Karpis and in doing so he cut the flesh on the hairline of Karpis' head, and that as a result of this cut a scar is now visible under the hairline. Davis does not recall over which eyebrow this scar appears. Davis stated that during the time the cuts on Karpis' face were healing there was a slight change in his facial appearance, but since the threads were removed no visible change in his facial appearance could be noticed with the exception of the scars which resulted therefrom. He also stated that Karpis has

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a very distinct stoop in his shoulders.

In connection with Willie Harrison, Davis stated that Harrison has reddish brown hair with considerable gray in it. It will be noted in the description appearing on Identification Order No. 1239 that Harrison's hair is given as light brown. Davis stated that Willie Harrison has a very ruddy complexion and that the photograph appearing on the Identification Order for Harrison is a good likeness of him with the exception that Harrison was seldom seen without a smile; that he was at all times very jovial; that Harrison wears octagon shaped glasses and is known to be a heavy user of intoxicating liquors. Identical information concerning William Harrison has also been furnished by Clara Gibson.

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge.

RCS:MG

cc-All Field Offices

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

From: Chief Clerk's Office Room 5232

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FROM: DIVISION #1 & DIVISION #3

6-6- 1935.

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Has St Louis and Cincinnati been equipped with teletype?

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Supervisor.

Room 1403
370 Lexington Avenue
New York, N. Y.

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June 5, 1935.

AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

Special Agent in Charge,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
1900 Bankers' Building,
Chicago, Ill.

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to my telephone conversation of June 4, 1935, with you concerning long distance telephone call made by Gilbert Kaplan from telephone Dearborn 6229, Chicago, to George Brown, a possible contact for the Karpis gang, at telephone number Circle 7-2700, New York City.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent F. J. Kilmartin and me last night, and information set forth was obtained from Mr. Albert F. Miller, Manager; John S. Kloss, Assistant Manager; and E. J. Bellem, Clerk, of the Warwick Hotel. The Warwick has a good reputation and is a rather expensive hotel. It is not a commercial hotel but is more the residential type place. Previous contacts have indicated that the officials and employees are entirely reliable and cooperative.

It was ascertained that George Brown has been stopping at the Warwick since last September or October. He is usually accompanied by Nick Dean who, on one occasion, also registered as Deoni, and William Bioff. One of the group usually registers for the entire party and they merely give Chicago as their address.

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Brown, accompanied by either or both of the above named parties, has been stopping at the Warwick for once or twice a month since last fall. He usually stays about a week, although on occasions he has stayed as long as ten days or two weeks. It is believed that he arrives in New York by plane inasmuch as he and his party usually get in late in the afternoon, and most of the good trains from Chicago arrive in New York City in the morning.

The management has been rather curious concerning these parties inasmuch as they are seldom seen and practically nothing is known of their activities, local contacts or associates. The management states they have tried to secure credit cards from these parties

for the purpose of ascertaining their addresses, references and business connections; that they have declined to furnish the information for a credit card, and always pay their bills promptly in cash. They seem to have a large amount of money and are free spenders; they are never accompanied or seen associating with women. They never receive any mail but receive and make a great many long distance telephone calls. They also send and receive a few telegrams. The only outgoing messages of this nature which the management has noticed or can recall is one addressed by Brown, supposedly to his wife, at some address which is believed to be Oak Park, Illinois.

Assistant Manager Kloss stated that some time ago, due to his curiosity concerning these parties, he went through their apartment while they were out. He stated that there was absolutely nothing in their baggage which might help to identify them. There were no letters, envelopes, scraps of paper, bills, etc., and, according to Mr. Kloss, even identifying marks such as labels had been removed from their clothing and from medicine bottles in the room. Mr. Kloss stated that the only marks of any kind which he found which might help to identify the parties in question were the laundry marks on their shirts.

Brown registered at the Warwick Hotel Sunday, June 2, 1935, with a party who the management does not recall having seen with him before. This party registered for both himself and Brown, using the name Harland Holmden, of Chicago, and they were assigned to Suite 23K.

Desk Clerk Belleau, who seemed to have more information concerning these parties than any of the other members of the management staff, furnished the following description of Brown:

Height:	5' 7" or 8"
Weight:	170 pounds
Build:	Stocky
Complexion:	Dark
Hair:	Dark
Eyes:	Unknown
Age:	40 to 45
Peculiarities:	Dresses conservatively; wears dark clothe Although dresses nicely and acts in a quiet, orderly manner, is a rather tough-looking individual.

SAC Chicago
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June 5, 1935.

The description of Dean or Deemi, furnished by the clerk, was almost identical with the description of Brown, with the exception that he stated Dean appears to be an Italian.

Clerk Belleau furnished the following information on Holmden:

Height:	5' 9"
Weight:	160
Build:	Slender
Complexion:	Fair
Hair:	Light
Age:	42

Wears small blond mustache; rather a sporty dresser.

Photographs of the various members of the Karpis mob were exhibited to the hotel employees and they were unable to identify any of them.

Mr. Miller, the Manager of the hotel, stated at the time he was interviewed last evening, that all of the records of prior registrations of Brown and his associates, their telephone calls, etc., were locked up in the auditor's office and would not be available until this morning. Arrangements will be made to secure any information from the hotel records which might be useful. Arrangements will also be made to have the hotel management keep representatives of this office fully advised concerning current telephone calls, telegrams, etc.

On the occasion of my investigation at the hotel last evening, it was impossible to examine the effects of Brown and Holmden in their room since they remained in their room during the evening. At the earliest possible moment an examination of their baggage and effects will be made, in their absence, and if deemed advisable, latent fingerprints will be developed from various articles in the room.

An effort is also being made to work out an arrangement whereby an Agent can listen in on any telephone conversations received by or emanating from the room, and, if possible, a dictaphone will be planted in the room.

Arrangements are also being made whereby the hotel management will point out Brown and his associate in order that they might be tailed, for the purpose of ascertaining where they go and who their contacts are.

Very truly yours,

R. WHITLEY
Special Agent in Ch...

cc: Bureau
cc: Mr. E.J. Connelley, Cincinnati
cc: St. Paul (3)

Room 1403
570 Lexington Avenue
New York City

June 5, 1935.

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AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

Special Agent in Charge,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
5745 U. S. Dep't of Justice Building,
Washington, D. C.

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

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Dear Sir:

This is to confirm telephonic conversation between Mr. Ladd of your office and Mr. Hanson of this office today, at which time Mr. Ladd was advised that an inquiry had been made by the New York office concerning one George Brown, who is stopping at the Warwick Hotel, New York City, and who, in a telephonic conversation on June 4, 1935, with Gilbert Kaplan of Chicago, had mentioned the name of Karpis.

For your information, there is attached hereto a copy of a memorandum prepared for the New York file by myself, recording the telephonic conversation with Special Agent in Charge Purvis of the Chicago office on June 4, 1935; also, a copy of the letter directed from this office to the Chicago office concerning the inquiry that had been made by me last night at the Warwick Hotel. With reference to my memorandum for the file, it might be mentioned that the telephone number mentioned in the second paragraph of the memorandum, namely, Circle 7-2700, is the Warwick Hotel, 65 West 54th Street, New York City. The telephone number mentioned in the penultimate paragraph of this memorandum, namely, Pennsylvania 6-0943, is the number of the International Theatrical Stage Employees and Moving Picture Operators Union, 1450 Broadway, New York City.

As Mr. Ladd was advised telephonically by Mr. Hanson, Special Agents George J. Starr and F. J. Kilmartin of the New York office were at the Warwick Hotel today, endeavoring to make arrangements to cover Brown at that Hotel, but it was learned that Brown was checking out at that time for the Hamilton Hotel in Washington, D.C., he having left this address in order that some clothing could be forwarded to him. In view of Brown's leaving for Washington, Mr. Ladd was telephonically advised of that fact, being further informed that inquiry at the Warwick Hotel today resulted in learning that Brown is possibly 6' tall, instead of 5'7" or 5'8" as is mentioned in my letter to the Chicago office of

Wash. field. 6-5-35

June 5, 1935.

Special Agents Starr and Kilmartin proceeded to the Airport at Newark, N. J. in an effort to determine if Brown was leaving for Washington by airplane, and as Mr. Hanson advised Mr. Ladd, you will be immediately notified if the mode of Brown's transportation is determined, in order that you may be governed accordingly.

Very truly yours,

R. Whitley,
Special Agent in Charge.

Encls. 2
cc:Bureau (encl)
E.J.Connelley (Cincinnati) (encl.)
Chicago (encl)
St. Paul (encl)

COPY FOR YOUR INFORMATION

New York, N. Y.

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7-120

June 4, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE

Re: ALVIE KARPIS with aliases, et al
10,/1218
RICHARD GEORGE BERGER - Victim
Kidnaping

The following information was furnished by SAC Purvis of Chicago by telephone at 5:15 P. M. today:

At 1:30 P. M. a long distance call was made from pay station DEARBORN 6229 to CIRCLE 7-2700, New York City. A party by the name of Gilbert Kaplan was calling a man by the name of George Brown in New York City. The conversation between Kaplan and Brown was mostly in code, in the English language. They seemed to be well acquainted with each other and each understood what the other was saying, although they both used the code. During the conversation, the name Karpis was mentioned, although the person overhearing the conversation could not tell what the connection was. The conversation seemed to indicate the party in Chicago wanted to know what to do about disposing of a "hot" car.

The telephone number in Chicago is listed to the Ogden Grill, 192 North Clarke St. Gilbert Kaplan is the lessee appearing on the records of the telephone company. Gilbert Kaplan runs the Ogden Grill at this address.

In April, 1934, William J. Graham of Reno, Nevada, who is one of the underworld characters in Reno, while passing through Chicago, telephoned to Kaplan. In this connection, reference should be made to report of Agent A. Rosen, New York City, dated April 4, 1934. The telephone call made by Graham while he was in Chicago indicated that they visited the Ogden Grill while they were in Chicago on April 15, 1934.

On January 17, 1935, Tom Malloy, who is now deceased and who was a known contact of the Karpis-Barker gang, called George Brown at New York City at Pennsylvania 0213. On March 5, 1935, a telephone call was made from the Moving Picture Operators' Union, of which Malloy was the head, to George Brown at Circle 7-2700, New York City.

Frank Foster called the same number in New York City from Miami on January 14, 1934. Foster's connection will be noted from the report of Agent E. P. Fitzsimmons, Jacksonville, dated April 4, 1935.

E. WHITLEY
SAC

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

MESSAGE TO BE TRANSMITTED BY TELETYPEWRITER.

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TO SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE AT CHICAGO

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501 Healey Building,
Atlanta, Georgia,
June 4, 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.

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; WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I.O. 1238; WILLIAM J. HARRYSON, 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 confirmation of my telephonic conversation with Mr. E. A. Tamm of the Bureau on June 3, 1935, this is to advise you that Western Union Telegraph Company advised me that when their Agent at Valdosta, Georgia opened the Valdosta Office of the Western Union Company at 6 A. M. on the morning of June 3rd, he found an ink written note under the door which carried the following message with the request that it be sent collect: "To ALVIN KARPIS care WESTERN UNION Sacramento Calif four five eight twelve sundown ELIZABETH MONTGOMERY/SNOWBALL freight train (Sgd) DON".

In accordance with the suggestion of Mr. Tamm, I immediately advised the San Francisco Bureau Office of this information with the request that it arrange to give the matter immediate attention at Sacramento.

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Special Agent C. A. Whitten is conducting an investigation at Valdosta and will submit a report at an early date.

Very truly yours,

W. A. RORER,
Special Agent in Charge.

CC Chicago
St. Paul
Cincinnati
San Francisco

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Mr. Quinn.....
Mr. Scheidt ...
Mr. Schilder..
Mr. Smith.....
Mr. Tamm ....
Mr. Tracy .....
Miss Gandy...

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DIRECTOR

BREKID. FORD COUPE BEARING CHANGED MOTOR NUMBER 1643348 RECOVERED FROM VOLNEY DAVIS IDENTIFIED [redacted] AS HAVING MOTOR NUMBER 1618818, 1618818, STOLEN FROM DIXON FRIEDMAN, INC, 124 SOUTH WASHING STREET PEORIA ILLINOIS MARCH 26, 1935. UNLESS OTHERWISE ADVISED BY 4-00 PM TOMORROW CAR WILL BE RELEASED TO THE WESTERN ADJUSTMENT AND INSPECTION COMPANY, REPRESENTATIVES OF SPRINGFIELD FIRE MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY FOR RETURN TO OWNER

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June 3,1935.

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

MEMORANDUM

Re: Story of activities of the Barker-Karpis gang.

Mr. Suydam telephoned and stated Mr. George of the A. P. Feature Service wants to write a sort of a summary of the activities of the Barker-Karpis gang; he advised that his data was rather fragmentary and wondered if I could help Mr. George.

I told Mr. Suydam I could give Mr. George a list of those convicted and those for whom we are still looking and if he would come to the office I would be glad to help him.

J. E. H.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Sharpsburg, Md.

June 4, 1935.

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

My dear Mr. Hoover:

I desire to thank you for copy recently received of Uniform Crime Reports which I have read with considerable interest.

I also want to take this opportunity to congratulate you and your Department upon the arrest of Volney Davis.

The great work your Department is doing in crime eradication is certainly showing wonderful results.

With kind personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Jno Kyd Beckenbaugh,
Superintendent,

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June 12, 1935.

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Mr. John E. Beckenbaugh,
Superintendent,
Antietam National Battlefield Site,
Sharpsburg, Maryland.

Dear Mr. Beckenbaugh:

Your letter of June 4, 1935, commending the work of this Bureau in connection with the arrest of Volney Davis, was very gratifying and I want to express my appreciation for your kindness in writing me.

I was glad to learn that this Bureau's publication "Uniform Crime Reports" proved to be of interest to you.

With best wishes and kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CINCINNATI, OHIO. FILE NO. 7-22 T.

REPORT MADE AT	DATE WHEN MADE	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE	REPORT MADE BY
Birmingham, Ala.	6-4-35	5/28-29-30-31 & 6/1-2-3/35	M. W. MEEKINS

TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218-FUGITIVE et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.

CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

30 day mail cover placed on all mail and telegrams to 55 N. Lawrence St., Mobile, Ala. Owner of Legion Park Inn, Athens, Ala. not identified as Alvin Karpis. Mail cover 55 N. Lawrence, Mobile shows mail from Birmingham, Ala., Clinton, S. C. and Union, S. C. Victim in WSTA case states she saw Harry Campbell in St. Louis 3-8-35 under name of "Lefty Lewis". She indicated Oram G. Johnson, et al, are kidnapers operating in Chicago, Ill. and Los Angeles, Cal. Dr. William Moran, Chicago, Ill. was contacted by Annette Davidson, suspect, on 3-3-35. Stop order removed on Chevrolet Sedan, motor No. 4543656.

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REFERENCE: Report of Sp. Agt. J. S. Kavanaugh, Birmingham, Ala. 5-20-35;
Letter from Chicago to Cincinnati office 5-23-35;
Report of Sp. Agt. Wm. T. Norton, Nashville, Tenn. 5-29-35;
Report of Sp. Agt. V. E. Criss, San Francisco, Cal. 5-22-35.

DETAILS:

Through W. D. Wojohn, Assistant Superintendent of Mails, Mobile, Alabama, arrangements were made to place a 30-day mail cover on all mails, including registered, special delivery, etc., received for delivery at 55 North Lawrence Street, Mobile, Alabama, the same to be forwarded to the Birmingham office as received, suitable addresses for that purpose being left with Mr. Wojohn.

Through D. C. Harris, Manager, Western Union, and E. R.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: B. B. Nathan — SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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Auter, Manager of the Postal Telegraph Companies, Mobile, Ala. arrangements were made to cover the receipt of all messages for delivery to 55 North Lawrence St., Mobile, Alabama, until further advised. In this connection, it appears that Catherine Clyatt, mother of John Russell Moran, 55 North Lawrence Street, [redacted] sent by Western Union money order service, [redacted] the ransom notes in the instant matter has been forwarded to [redacted]. In both agreed to check possible further money order [redacted] of the above arrangements, the appropriate address of the Birmingham office was left with the managers in question.

AT MOBILE, ALA.

Mail tracings on the cover at 55 North Lawrence Street, are as follows:

1. From sister "Gladys" a postcard postmarked Birmingham, Ala. 5-29-35, 9 P.M. to Mr. C. [redacted] Clyatt, 55 N. Lawrence St., Mobile, Ala.

2. Letter, without return address, postmarked Union, S.C. 5-28-35, 2 P.M. addressed to Mrs. W. A. Gregory, 55 N. Lawrence St., Mobile, Ala.

3. Letter with return address [redacted] postmarked [redacted] S.C. 5-21-35 addressed to Mrs. W. A. [redacted]ory, 55 [redacted] Lawrence, Mobile, Ala.

4. Letter with [redacted]ble postmark dated 5-27-35 addressed to Mrs. [redacted] Clyatt, 55 N. Lawrence St., Mobile, Ala., and bearing no return address.

For the information of the Charlotte, N. C. office, one John Russell Moran, who is a St. Louis gangster, presently under $20,000.00 bond in connection with the murder of a witness in the Kelly kidnaping case, is a known contact of Willie Harrison and has recently visited Harrison's girl friend in Chicago. Moran has been under surveillance by Bureau agents and recently sent a telegram to Catherine Clyatt, 55 N. Lawrence Street, Mobile, Ala., requesting that she wire him some money. Subsequent investigation at Mobile, Ala developed that Catherine Clyatt is the mother of John Russell Moran, and that she was known at one time to have operated a house of prostitution in Mobile. There are living with Catherine Clyatt at the present time three other women all about middle age and none have been identified as being friends of members of the Karpis gang. Investigation conducted as to the identity of senders of mail to that address should be discreet.

The 1934 edition of the Birmingham, Alabama City Directory lists a David and Bertha Clyatt residing at 3119 7th Avenue, and while the sender of the card postmarked Birmingham, Ala. signed the card "Gladys", it is

Catherine Clyatt, and that Gladys was visiting there.

A letter was addressed to the Auto and License Department of the State Tax Commission, Montgomery, Ala. on May 29, 1935, advising that the stop order previously placed on Chevrolet Sedan, motor No. 4543656, serial 1DAC7-49267, be removed, inasmuch as the car had been located.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents F. T. McIntyre, Jr., P. C. Dunne and J. S. Kavanaugh, in accordance with the lead set out in the Nashville report of reference:

AT ATHENS, ALA.

About one-quarter mile north of Athens, Ala. on the Nashville Highway, the Legion Park Inn was located. It was observed by agents that the place was an ordinary combination sandwich shop and gasoline filling station; that it was well kept, neat in appearance, and had been recently painted. Special Agents P. C. Dunne and F. T. McIntyre, Jr., entered the place for the purpose of purchasing a soft drink and candy. While in there they engaged the woman proprietor, who was previously identified as being Karpis, in conversation. She stated that they had been open about three weeks and were having some trouble in getting their place cleaned properly, but that they were enjoying a good business. This woman bore absolutely no resemblance to Alvin Karpis. Her description is as follows:

Age:	33
Height:	5' 5"
Weight:	140 Lbs.
Build:	Heavy
Eyes:	Brown
Complexion:	Dark
Hair:	Dark brown bobbed and combed straight.
Voice:	Slightly masculine.

Other employees and "hangers-on" around the place were observed by agents but none bore any resemblance to any fugitive wanted by the Bureau.

The following information was procured by Special Agent A. J. Lemaire, while questioning Miss Esther May Page, with aliases: Lucretia Cordoz, Lucretia Cardoz, Mrs. Robert J. Burnns, concerning a possible violation of the White Slave Traffic Act. Page stated that while she was walking near the Postoffice in St. Louis, Mo., on or about March 9, 1935, accompanied by one Annette Davidson who purported to be a private detective of that city, a person was pointed out to Page by Davidson named "Lefty Lewis". Page described Lewis as being about 5' 5" in height and weighing approximately 140 pounds. He walked with a distinct limp in his right foot and generally answered the description of subject Harry Campbell. The picture of the subject was shown her and she

stated that Harry Campbell's picture was a very good likeness of Lefty Lewis, who, according to Davidson, was a person who could not be trusted.

Page further stated that Oram George Johnson, who represented himself to be an attorney of St. Louis, Mo., was closely associated with Davidson in his relations to the White Slave Traffic Act violations mentioned above, and that on several occasions she noticed that he had large sums of money on his person. On one occasion in Los Angeles, California, he attempted to cash a $100 bill at a ticket window in that city. He is believed to own an airplane having twin motors, painted black and white with the stripes running diagonally across the fusilage. Page stated that Johnson also operated a LaSalle Cabriolet with six wheels, and the car was painted a maroon color. This car might have been an Auburn, because it was described by Page as having exhaust pipes projecting out of the sides of the hood.

While in Los Angeles Page stated that Johnson procured some cash at a bank which she believed to be a branch of the State of California Bank located on the corner in the 1700 block either at 48th or 49th Street. She further stated that said branch bank adjoins a curio shop and that there is another bank across the street with a ladies' dress shop on the diagonal corner from the said branch bank. Page believed he cashed a check or might have procured the money from a safety deposit vault box. This occurred during the period March 13-23, 1935.

The following are descriptions of Johnson and Davidson as furnished by Miss Page:

Name:	ANNETTE DAVIDSON
Age:	27-30
Height:	5' 6"
Weight:	130-135 Lbs.
Build:	Medium
Hair:	Blond
Eyes:	Blue
Complexion:	Light - porous
Teeth:	Good
Scars:	Scar on left eyelid
Teeth:	Left upper eye tooth gold capped
Criminal Record:	None known
Last address:	General Delivery, Los Angeles, Cal., and 525 West 20th St.

Name:	Oram George Johnson
Age:	35
Height:	6'
Weight:	160-165 Lbs.
Build:	Slender
Hair:	Brown, turning grey at temples- thin in front.
Eyes:	Blue.

Glasses	Pinch nose type
Complexion	Light
Scars	1" scar recently healed under left eye near cheek bone
Peculiarities	Slightly hunch-backed. Left foot believed to be injured for he walks by throwing toes on this foot outward at nearly a right angle to line of travel.
Criminal record	none known
Last address	General delivery at Los Angeles, Cal. and St. Louis, Mo.

Upon reinterview Page stated that she had thought of a few additional facts which may be helpful in the investigation in instant case. While at Chicago, Illinois on March 3, 1935, she stated that Davidson called a person whom Davidson addressed as Dr. William Moran for an appointment for a treatment, the nature of which she did not know. Davidson told Page that this doctor lived on the North Side of Chicago and had been her family physician for some time. A photograph of subject Joseph P. Moran was displayed to Page but she claimed to have never seen anyone resembling the photo. She never met said Dr. Moran.

Page further stated that she believes that Johnson resides in Des Plaines, Ill. on the southern outskirts thereof, in a large two-story house painted white, which is a gang hideout. No better description or address of the house could be procured.

She also stated that Johnson and Davidson would most likely be found either in Chicago, Des Plaines or Decatur, Illinois. No definite address other than that of E. L. Campbell, 817 West Macon Street, Decatur, Illinois could be procured from her. She believes that Lefty Lewis was at the above address on or about March 2, 1935, and she had reason to believe that E. L. Campbell and Lewis are brothers. No reason could be obtained from Page to substantiate her belief.

Page also informed Agent Lemaire that she is convicned that Robert James Burnns is somehow connected with Johnson and Davidson, all of whom she believes to be kidnapers or extortionists. She is visibly distracted about something which agent believes she is withholding, and she left Birmingham for her home at Decatur, Illinois for the avowed purpose of proceeding to Chicago and vicinity to procure additional information which will be valuable to the Bureau, and for the further purpose of clearing her name in instant case. She plans to contact the Chicago office, where she will report her whereabouts in that city.

While in Los Angeles on the day Johnson pointed out the [illegible] he purported to own, Page stated Johnson and Davidson questioned her concerning her experience as a nurse. She was asked if she knew how to care for children and sick persons. She replied in the affirmative. The reason for these questions

was not disclosed, so Page stated, but she is now of the opinion that Johnson intended for her to attend to kidnapped victims. She believes this for the stated reason that Johnson indicated he would be in the state of Washington until June 1, 1935 on some business, the nature of which she did not know. She surmises that he was referring to the George Weyerhaeuser kidnaping. In the statement of Page taken from her on May 29, 1935, it is significant to note that she informed agent that Johnson intended for her proposed work (contacting prospective white slave victims in Mexico City) to have been completed on or before June 1, 1935.

The airport where Johnson landed, as described by Page, is a small landing field approximately 15 miles from Los Angeles. She stated that they traveled over a paved road to within a short distance of the field. She claims to have perceived a Goodyear Blimp moored at a municipal airport on or about March 21, 1935, which she believes to be situated near the private landing field in a westerly direction from Los Angeles.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

BIRMINGHAM OFFICE at Mobile, Ala. will report the results of the mail cover placed on 55 North Lawrence Street; will keep in touch with D. C. Harris, Manager, Western Union Telegraph Company, and E. R. Auter, Manager, Postal Telegraph Company, for possible information of value.

At Birmingham, Ala. will make a discreet investigation as to the identity and reputation of Charles and Bertha Clyatt, who live at 3119 7th Avenue North.

CHICAGO OFFICE at Des Plaines, Ill., will discreetly determine whether Johnson, Davidson and Burnns are known to the police of that city. It should also be ascertained whether there is a Dr. William Moran living in this city.

At Chicago, Ill., a discreet inquiry should be made among confidential informants, and a search of the police records should be made to determine whether Lefty Lewis, Oram G. Johnson, Annette Davidson, Robert J. Burnns and Dr. William Moran are known in that city.

ST. LOUIS OFFICE at St. Louis, Mo. will make a discreet investigation at the Police Department and through confidential informants to determine the true identity of Lefty Lewis, Oram George Johnson and Annette Davidson. If either of the latter named persons are located it is desired that they be questioned concerning Lefty Lewis if he is identified as Harry Campbell. It should be borne in mind that these two persons are prospective subjects in the white slave case, with Birmingham the office of origin.

It should be discreetly determined whether there is an airport answering the description of the landing field mentioned by Page, and also whether

Johnson or Burnns is known to the officials or attendants of said field.

At Decatur, Illinois, a discreet investigation should be made to learn whether Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Campbell, 817 West Macon Street are related to or acquainted with "Lefty" Lewis, Johnson or Burnns. At the home of Page, at 1063, West Macon Street, a discreet investigation should be made by interviewing Ruth Page, the mother of Esther Page, who has disapproved of her daughter's actions and relations with Burnns and E. L. Campbell. Dr. Magill, the Page family physician, should be contacted to learn from him a history of Esther Page and Burnns and their families. Dr. Magill, according to Esther Page, is a confidential advisor to her mother relating to suitors of Mrs. Page's daughters.

LOS ANGELES OFFICE, at Los Angeles, Cal., will discreetly determine the identity of Oram George Johnson at the branch of the State of California Bank located in the 1700 Block on 48th or 49th street; at the Police Department, and the Rosslyn Hotel where Johnson is believed to have stayed during March 13 to 25, 1935.

CHARLOTTE OFFICE, at Union S.C., will make a discreet investigation as to the sender of the letter to Mrs. W. A. Gregory, 55 North Lawrence Street, Mobile, Ala.

At Clinton, S.C., Postoffice Box239, will make discreet inquiry [redacted] letter to Mrs. W. A. Gregory, 55 North Lawrence Street, Mobile, Ala.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
Post Office Box 2118
Detroit, Michigan
June 4, 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 - FUGITIVE,
I.O. 1218, et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM
Kidnaping - Harboring and Obstruction
of Justice - National Firearms Act

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to telephone communication between Mr. R. E. Newby of the Bureau and Acting Special Agent in Charge J. D. Cunningham of the Detroit office on 6/1/35, and to letter emanating from the Chicago office to the Detroit office under date of May 31, 1935, concerning the unidentified body recovered from the Detroit River which it is thought might possibly be that of Dr. Joseph P. Moran.

On 6/3/35 Special Agent A. A. Muzzey interviewed Dr. Paul A. Klebba, coroner's physician, relative to the teeth of the unidentified body. Dr. Klebba advised, after an examination, that there are present in the mouth of the body a total number of nine teeth, seven in the upper jaw and two in the lower jaw. On the right side of the upper jaw the teeth present were the first and second molars, the right canine and the adjacent incisor. On the left side of the upper jaw there were present the second molar, left canine and left incisor. In the lower jaw there were present the second incisor on the right side and the right lower canine. He further stated that none of these teeth had any fillings or crowns, nor was he able to detect any cavities. He further stated that there was only a slight calculus deposit on these teeth. Dr. Klebba stated that it is not the practice to prepare a dental chart inasmuch as the information as set out above is just as informative.

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On 6/4/35 Dr. Klebba was again interviewed by Special Agent A. A. Muzzey relative to fractures of the body. Dr. Klebba stated that it would be almost impossible to determine from the body any fractures of the bones if same were sustained more than three years ago. He further stated that an X-ray examination would not be as good in revealing any fractures of the bones as would a post mortem of the body.

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Dr. Klebba stated that he would very gladly perform a post mortem for the purpose of ascertaining if fractures of the bones were present. However, he stated that before performing this post mortem, he would necessarily have to possess the following information so that he would specifically have something to look for in the post mortem: The date and the nature of the accident involving the fractures of the ribs in the left chest and the fractures of the three fingers on the right hand; a complete medical examination at that time stating how extensive the injuries were. Relative to the bullet wounds, Dr. Klebba stated that he would like to have in his possession the following information: The date of the bullet wounds and the approximate position of same, that is, whether the bullet wounds were in the upper or lower parts of the leg; also, whether the bullets went through the body or were removed from the body.

Dr. Klebba further confidentially advised that he had disarticulated the index and large fingers from the left hand of the body and had transmitted same to Lieutenant Stevens of the scientific laboratory of the Detroit Police Department, and that Lieutenant Stevens had advised him that he was unable to bring out any fingerprint impressions from these digits. However, Dr. Klebba is of the opinion that fingerprints could be brought out in the Scientific Laboratory of the Bureau because of its wonderful facilities and its capable personnel. He frankly stated that Lieutenant Stevens was not a capable person.

Dr. Klebba will gladly disarticulate the remaining fingers and will transmit same to the Scientific Laboratory of the Bureau, providing he is advised as to in what preservative the Laboratory would like them shipped. He further stated that he would gladly perform a post mortem on the body when he was in receipt of the information requested by him, and will also disarticulate any other portion of the body requested of him and transmit same to the Scientific Laboratory.

Detective George Branton of the Homicide Squad, Detroit Police Department, stated that his department has almost given up hope of identifying the body and that no further investigation is being conducted by the Homicide Squad relative to it.

Very truly yours,

D. L. Nicholson

D. L. Nicholson
Special Agent in Charge

AAM:vss
cc Chicago
Cincinnati
St. Paul

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June 15, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Detroit, Michigan.

Re: Alvin Karpis, with aliases -
Fugitive, I.C. #1218, Et Al.
Edward George Bremer - Victim
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated June 4, 1935, advising of an interview had by Special Agent A. A. Hussey with Dr. Paul A. Klebba, coroner's physician, relative to the possible identification of the body which was recovered from the Detroit River.

The Bureau desires that every effort should be made to identify this body and, to that end, you are requested to arrange with Dr. Klebba to forward to the Bureau the remaining fingers of the body preserved in 40% formaldehyde.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc Chicago
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Washington, D.C.

Gentlemen;---

I would like to have a folder showing the picture of one Alvin Karpis, and his description.

I am a traveling salesman, covering the most of the northern part of the State of Arkansas, and the western end of my territory is in the Ozark Mountains, and on part of my territory, some of the bad men have hid out for some time, and the thought came to me that Karpis might have slipped through the lines, and hiding here.

I am a trusted employe of the J.I.Case Co., an Internationaly known Corporation, and my superior officer is Mr. C.C.Lampman, if you wish to write about me, before sending this folder--his address is St.Louis, Mo., % J.I.Case Co., 4260 Forrest Park Blvd.

In case I should happen to find this man, tell me to whom I should report, as I do not believe it best to report to these Sheriff's or Police, for the time being at least.

Yours very truly,

L. N. FRAZIER,
c/o NOBLE HOTEL,
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June 11, 1935

Mr. L. N. Frazier,
c/o Noble Hotel,
Jonesboro, Arkansas.

Dear Sir:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated June 3, 1935, requesting to be furnished with a photograph and description of Alvin Karpis to assist you in identifying this individual should he be found during your travels.

A copy of your letter has been forwarded to Mr. R. L. Shivers, Special Agent in Charge, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 500 Rector Building, Little Rock, Arkansas, who will assign an Agent to interview you concerning this matter, and to furnish you with the data requested.

Your offer to assist this Bureau in the location of Karpis is greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Telephone Your Telegrams to Postal Telegraph

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION # 4481
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Report

June 3, 1935.

Number: 7-576-6120

Case: Alvin Karpis with aliases -
Fugitive, I. O. #1218, et al.;
Edward G. Bremer - Victim;
Kidnaping

Specimens: A - 2 pages of sample handwriting of Joe Adams.

B - 8 small slips of yellow paper with blue lines containing the sample handwriting of Henry Randall.

Examination requested by: Jacksonville Bureau Office.

Date received: May 28, 1935.

Examination requested: Handwriting.

Result of examination: Examination by: Appel

There are differences between the writings of Adams and Randall and the questioned writings of the signature of Leroy Morrison on the certificates of Charles M. Bronson and of Duke Randall which prevent an identification of either of these individuals. They could have written certain of the signatures, but evidence to prove this is lacking and in some instances the writing habits appear to be contrary.

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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 28, 1935.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure: #589037.

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BREKID VON VOLNEY DAVIS ADMITS IN SIGNED STATEMENT CONSTANT ASSOCIATION WITH DOC BARKER FRED BARKER HARRY CAMPBELL, WILLIAM WEAVER, ALVIN KARPIS, SINCE HIS LEAVE OF ABSENCE WAS GRANTED FROM OKLAHOMA STATE PEN. NOVEMBER 3, 1932, UNTIL AUGUST 1934, WHEN HE SEPARATED FROM THE GANG AT SANDUSKY OHIO-ALSO ADMITS ASSOCIATING WITH HARRY SAWYER AND WILLIE HARRISON AND STATES BECAME ACQUAINTED WITH RUSSELL GIBSON, JIMMIE WILSON, OLLIE BERG AND DOCTOR JOSEPH MORAN IN CHICAGO IN SPRING 1934. ADMITS HE WAS LIVING AT 180 LEXINGTON AVENUE ST PAUL ON DATE OF BREMER KIDNAPING BUT STATES HE LEFT THERE JANUARY 18 OR 19, 1934, AT THE INSTANCE OF FRED BARKER AND FRED GOETZ WHO TOLD HIM THE TOWN WOULD BE TURNED UP SIDE DOWN ON ACCOUNT OF THE KIDNAPING WHICH HE KNEW WAS THE BREMER KIDNAPING-THAT AFFTER LEAVING ST PAUL HE CAME TO CHICAGO BY GREYHOUND

BUS AND WENT TO THE APARTMENT AT 6212 UNIVERSITY AVENUE WEHERE EDNA MURRAY PAUL HARMON AND WYNONA BURDETT WERE LIVING AND AT WHICH PLACE HARRY CAMPBELL, BILL WEAVER, FRED BARKER AND WILLIE HARRISON VISITED DURING THE THREE WEEKS HE LIVED THERE WITH THE WOMEN. ON JANUARY 18 OR 19 DAVIS CALIMS GOETZ OBTAINED HIS, DAVIS, FORD COUPE IN ST PAUL AND DROVE EDNA MURRAY TO CHICAGO-THAT HE DID NOT SEE HIS FORD COUPE AGAIN UNTIL LATE IN FEBRUARY WHEN HE OBTAINED IT FROM GOETZ AT BERWYN ILLINOIS-THAT HE WAS ADVISED BY FRED BARKER TO GET RID OF THE CAR BECAUSE THERE WAS A LOT OF HEAT ON IT-THAT HE TURNED SAME OVER TO WILLIE HARRISON WHO DISPOSED OF IT FOR HIM AT CALUMET CITY ILLINOIS. STATES HE AND EDNA MURRAY MOVED TO AURORA ILLINOIS IN FEBRUARY 1934-THAT WEAVER AND MYRTLE EATON ALSO MOVED TO AURORA ABOUT THIS TIME-THAT AFTER THE DEATH OF GOETZ HE ACCOMPANIED KATE BARKER AND IRENE DORSEY FROM AURORA TO WILMINGTON ILLINOIS AT REQUEST OF KATE BARKER FOR PURPOSE OF SECURING SOME STUFF WHICH BELONGED TO THE BARKER BOYS AND WHICH HAD BEEN

IN THE POSSESSION OF GETZ AT WILMINGTON-THAT AFTER THEIR ARRIVAL AT WILMINGTON HE AND UNCLE SI IRENE DORSEYS UNCLE REMOVED FROM A CONCRRTE BOX BURIED IN UNCLE SIS GARAGE ABOUT A 3 GALLON LARD CAN AND A BOX 14 INCHES SQUARE TIED WITH HEAVY CORD-THAT HE, KATE BARKER AND IRENE DORSEY RETURNED TO WILMINGTON AND KATE BARKER AND IRENE DORSEY LEFT WITH THE PACKAGES. HE DENIES KNOWING CONTENTS OF THESE PACKAGES. PRIOR TO HIS MOVING TO AURORA DAVIS STATES FRED BARKER GAVE HIM $200 IN SMALL DENOMINATIONS PROBABLY FIVES TENS AND TWENTIES-THAT DURING THE TIME HE LIVED IN AURORA FRED BARKER GAVE HIM ON ONE OCCASION $1500 IN THREE $500 BILLS- THAT IN AUGUST 1934 FRED BARKER GAVE HIM $3000 AND ENOUGH MONEY TO BUY A FORD CAR WHICH HE STATES WOULD MAKE A TOTAL OF ABOUT $5000 WHICH HE RECEIVED FROM TIME TO TIME FROM FRED BARKER. HE STATES THAT FRED TOLD HIM THIS MONEY WAS FOR USE OF HIS CAR MEANING THE FORD COUPE AND HIS TAKING CARE OF THE WOMEN. CLAIMS FRED DID NOT TELL HIM THIS WAS BREKID RANSOM MONEY BUT THAT HE FIGURED IT WAS. ALSO ADMITS SEEING JIMMIE WILSON, OLLIE BERG AND RUSSELL GIBSON AT WEAVERS APARTMENT IN AURORA-ALSO ADMITS VISITING HOME OF OLLIE BERG IN CHICAGO AND SEEING FRED BARKER AND ALVIN KARPIS IN UPSTAIRS ROOM WITH FINGERS BANDAGED-THAT KARPIS ALSO HAD HIS FACE BANDAGED-THAT HE KNEW DOCTOR MORAN HAD MADE AN ATTEMPT TO CHANGE THEIR PRINTS AND HAD OPERATED ON KARPIS FACE-THAT BY ARRANGEMENT MADE WITH DOCTOR MORAN BY HIM,DAVIS,AND DOC BARKER,-DOCTOR MORAN WENT TO TOLEDO HXXX OHIO AND AT HOUSE IN WHICH HARRY CAMPBELL WAS LIVING WITH WYNONA BURDETT OPERATED ON FACES AND FINGERS OF HARRY CAMPBELL AND DOC BARKER AND HIMSELF.

ORRALLY STATES HAS NOT SEEN HARRY CAMPBELL, BILL WEAVER, ALVIN KARPIS AND FRED BARKER SINCE AUGUST 1934. FURNISHES INFORMATION THAT KARPIS THE LAST TIME HE SAW HIM HAD PROMINENT SCARS ON HIS FACE EXTENDING BELOW EARS AS RESULT OF OPERATION-THAT KARPIS IS LEFTHANDED EXCEPT WHEN WRITING-THAT DOCTOR MORAN OPERATED ON KARPIS EARS FOR PURPOSE OF MAKING PROMINENT LOBES-THAT KARPIS HAS A SCAR ON ONE SIDE OF HIS HEAD IN THE HAIR WHICH WAS CAUSED BY EFFORT TO RAISE EYEBROWS. STATES HARRY CAMPBELL LIVED AT CASPER WYOMING AND OPERATED BUS LINE THERE IN ABOUT 1923 AND SERVED TWO YEARS FOR BURGLARY IN WYOMONG STATE PEN. BETWEEN 1923 AND 1928. STATES HE RECEIVED INFORMATION FROM DOC BARKER ABOUT OCTOBER OR NOVEMBER 1934 THAT CHARLES FITZGERALD HAD DIED IN HOSPITAL IN CALIF. JUST PRIOR TO TIME OF CONVERSATION WITH BARKER-THAT THIS HOSPITAL WAS LOCATED NEAR SAN FRANCISCO AND WAS PROBABLY AT VALLEJO-THAT FITZGERALD APPEARED TO BE OVER 70 YEARS OLD, WAS BALDHEADED, WORE BRACE ON HIS LEFT LEG AND A BUILT-UP SHOE ON LEFT FOOT TO EXTENT OF ABOUT 4 INCHES. STATES THAT DURING SUMMER OF 1933 FRED BARKER, DOC BARKER AND ALVIN KARPIS SPLIT SOME MONEY AT HIS COTTAGE IN LONG LAKE ILLINOIS WHICH HE PRESUMED WAS HAMM KIDNAPING MONEY-THAT THESE MEN ADVISED HIM THAT AFTER MAKING AN EVEN SPLIT THERE WAS $750 EXTRA WHICH AMOUNT FRED BARKER GAVE HIM. FURTHER STATES IMMEDIATELY AFTER KANSAS CITY MASSACRE VERN MILLER CAME TO HIS HOME AT 219 2ND AVENUE MAYWOOD ILLINOIS PRESUMABLE SENT THERE BY DOC STACEY AS STACEY WAS ONLY ONE WHO KNEW WHERE HE LIVED-THAT T MILLER TOLD HIM AN ATTEMPT HAD BEEN MADE TO DELIVER FRANK NASH FRO M OFFICERS AT KANSAS CITY AND THAT HE HAD SECURED HELP OF A GOOD MAN AND ADMITTED THIS MAN WAS PRETTY BOY FLOYD. DAVIS STATES NAME OF ADAM RICHETTI WAS NOT MENTIONED-THAT HE BELIEVES THE CHEVROLET USED IN

THE MASSACRE WAS DISPOSED OF BY MILLER THROUGH THE ROSE GARAGE AT LAGRANGE ILLINOIS-THAT HE BELIEVES THE CAR WAS TORN UP AND SOLD PIECE BY PIECE. STATES AFTER ESCAPE FROM AGENTS AT YORKVILLE HE LIVED AT PALM APARTMENTS ~~ROCHKXXX~~ ROCKFORD ILLINOIS FOR APPROXIMATELY 10 DAYS-THAT HE ALSO VISITED HIS MOTHER AT NEOSHO MISSOURI IN APRIL BUT THAT SHE WOULD NOT PERMIT HIM TO STAY-STATES A FEW DAYS PRIOR TO HIS APPREHENSION HE WAS WITH SOLS-LIBERTY CARNIVAL AT MADISON WISCONSIN LIVING WITH A CARNIVAL WOMAN THERE IN A TENT. STATES CAR HE WAS DRIVING AT TIME OF APPREHENSION IS PROBABLY A STOLEN CAR WHICH HE PURCHASED FROM TONY MARINO FOR $125. IN VIEW OF INQUIRIES BY NEWSPAPERS DAVIS WILL BE REMOVED FROM OFFICE SECRETLY TO PLANE WHICH WILL LEAVE WITHIN THE HOUR-AGENTS SURAN, WILLIAMS, STEWART, KUHNEL, HEADLEY AND CASSIDY ARE TAKING DAVIS ON PLANE TO ST PAUL. ST PAUL BEING ADVISED. TELEPHONIC INQUIRY OF [redacted] INFORMANT, INDICATES POLICE MADE INQUIRY IN NEIGHBORHOOD REGARDING SHOOTING-AM CHECKING THIS FURTHER AND WILL ADVISE.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

June 3, 1935.

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Time - 10:50 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Alvin Karpis.

Mr. Rorer telephoned from the Atlanta Office and stated that the Western Union at Valdosta, Georgia, this morning found an ink written telegram stuck under the door of the Western Union Office, addressed to Alvin Karpis, care of Western Union, Sacramento, California. This telegram reads as follows: "Four five eight twelve sundown Elizabeth Montgomery snowball freight train". This telegram is signed "Don".

Mr.Rorer said that he is sending a man to Valdosta to get the original of this telegram so that it might be processed for fingerprints, and also to conduct any investigation which might be deemed advisable under the circumstances. He said that he will also telephone the San Francisco Office and give them this information.

I told him that while this appears to be a "crank", the above steps should be taken in any event.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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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; 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:

Synopsis of Facts: Frank G. Trinoski has been acting Postmaster at LaCrosse, Indiana, since 7/18/34. He has lived in LaCrosse for about 20 years and has been chairman of the county Democratic Committee for 16 years. He was formerly a barber. Bears very slight, if any, resemblance to photographs of Dr. Joseph P. Moran.

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JUN - 8 1935 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

REFERENCE: Letter from St. Louis office, dated May 8, 1935.

DETAILS: AT LACROSSE, INDIANA

LaCrosse is a small town of about 570 people. As a result of discreet inquiries made about the town regarding one Konoski (phonetic spelling of the LaCrosse barber suspected of being "Doc" Moran), Agent ascertained that this former barber's correct name was Frank G. Trinoski. He is acting postmaster at LaCrosse, Indiana, having occupied that position since July 18, 1934. He has lived in LaCrosse for about 20 years, during 16 of which he chairmanned the County Democratic Committee. He is married and lives with his family. Agent spoke to Mr. Trinoski and observed that he bears a very slight resemblance to the photographs of Dr. Joseph P. Moran. He appears to be about 50 years of age and wears gold rimmed glasses. He owns his home in LaCrosse, Indiana.

DETAILS:

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

June 2, 1935.

Time-6:05 P.M.

Mr. Nathan .....
Mr. Tolson .....
Mr. Baughman ..
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 .....

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

RE: Volney Davis

Mr. Purvis telephoned from Chicago and advised that Volney Davis has told them just about everything that he going to tell and that he has a signed statement from Davis.

Mr. Purvis stated that he has already made plans to get Davis out on a plane tonight at one o'clock for St. Paul. Mr. Purvis further stated that he has been successful in keeping it out of the newspapers so far, but just a moment ago, he received a telephone call from the City Press to the effect that there are persistent rumors that Volney Davis is in custody there. Mr. Purvis stated that he thought it would be a good idea to get Davis on a plane within the next hour. In accordance with your instructions to advise Mr. Purvis to use his own judgment in the matter, Mr. Purvis stated that he would get Davis out within the next hour and that it could be done without it becoming known.

An attempt was made to connect Mr. Purvis to Mr. Nathan and Mr. Tamm, but Mr. Nathan was out and Mr. Tamm's telephone was busy.

Respectfully,

C. E. Kleinkauf

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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. 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; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:
WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I. O. 1239;
MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I. O. 1241;
BRUNO PUTAS, with aliases; ET AL.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Miss Irma Marshall, cashier of Hale Bath House, Hot Springs, Arkansas, was unable to identify photographs of any members of the Barker-Karpis gang as persons who had frequented the place.

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REFERENCE: Letter from the Chicago office dated May 6, 1935. Report of Special Agent I. W. Duffy, Little Rock, Arkansas, May 2, 1935.

DETAILS:

Photographs of all the members of the Barker-Karpis gang were exhibited to Miss Irma Marshall, cashier of the Hale Bath House, Hot Springs, Arkansas, but she was unable to identify any of the group as being that of a person who had frequented the Hale Bath House.

DETAILS:

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June 4, 1935.
Time-4:51 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR NATHAN

RE: Alvin Karpis

Mr. Suydam telephoned and stated that he has received several inquiries relative to the story that Alvin Karpis had been apprehended. I advised Mr. Suydam that we could make no comment. I stated that it would be very unwise to start denying every story that comes in because it will be done every day; that we only have a few men left like Karpis, Campbell and Robinson and some of these days we will get one of them that we will want to hold for two or three days; that if we make no comment then, the newspapers will draw their conclusions.

I stated that the story was the result of the newspapers' discovery that a plane landed in Madison two days ago, the plane which was used to take Volney Davis to St. Paul; that they did not know who was in the plane, and as a result this story came out about Karpis.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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BREKID VOLNEY DAVIS APPREHENDED BUREAU AGENTS CHICAGO TODAY STOP NO ANNOUNCEMENT BEING MADE PRESENT TIME CONSEQUENTLY TREAT INFORMATION ABSOLUTELY CONFIDENTIAL STOP NO APPARENT CONNECTION WITH WEYERHAEUSER CASE

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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MAT:WJ JUNE 1,1955.

The attached telegram is to be sent to the following offices:

Werner Hanni - Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 610 Alonso Ward Hotel Building, Aberdeen, South Dakota
W. A. Rorer - Federal Bureau of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice, 501 Healey Building, Atlanta, Georgia.
R. B. Nathan - Federal Bureau of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice, 320 Federal Building, Birmingham, Alabama.
C. D. McKean - Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 1002 Post Office and Court House Building, Boston, Massachusetts.
W. L. Listerman - Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 612 Marine Trust Building, Buffalo, New York.
D. H. Dickason, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 502 Federal Building, Butte, Montana.
G. M. Lowdon, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 234 Federal Building, Charlotte, North Carolina.
M. H. Purvis - Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 1900 Bankers Building, Chicago, Illinois.
E. J. Connelley - Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 426 U. S. Custom House and Post Office Building, Cincinnati, Ohio.
J. P. MacFarland - Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 1448 Standard Building, Cleveland, Ohio.
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620 New Federal Building, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
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405 Post Office Building, San Francisco, California.
R. E. Vetterli, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice,
801 Title Guaranty Building, St. Louis, Missouri.

Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Post Office Box 1887
Charlotte, North Carolina

June 6, 1935

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

Dear Sir:

It is requested that this office be furnished with two hundred fifty additional copies of I. O. #1218 on Alvin Karpis.

Very truly yours,

G. N. Lowdon

G. N. Lowdon,
Special Agent in Charge

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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U. S. Department of Justice
1616 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK BUILDING
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI
JUNE 5, 1935.

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

Dear Sir:

IN RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. #1218,
FUGITIVE; ET AL
EDWARD GEORGE BRUCE ER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING - HARBORING - OBSTRUCTION OF
JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT

There is being transmitted herewith copy of a letter dated June 5, 1935, addressed to Mr. John C. DeCourcy, Attorney-at-Law, Commerce Building, St. Paul, Minnesota, in reference to 1934 Pontiac Sedan, Motor number 1058715, which was formerly the property of Volney Davis, Subject in the above entitled case.

There is also being enclosed a copy of a letter dated May 28, 1935, addressed to Mr. DeCourcy by Mr. Randall Wilson, Assistant United States Attorney, Kansas City, Missouri, advising the former that title to this car has been vested in the United States Government by virtue of an order of the United States District Court at Kansas City, Missouri.

This information is being furnished the Bureau at this time in the event subsequent inquiries are made in regard to the disposition of this automobile.

Copies of the above mentioned letters are being furnished the St. Paul and Cincinnati Offices with copy of this letter.

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Very truly yours,
7-576-C-273
E. E. Conroy
E. E. CONROY
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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2 Encls.
cc - St. Paul (Encls.)
cc - Cincinnati (Encls.)

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copy

Kansas City, Mo.
May 28, 1935

Mr. John C. DeCourcy
Attorney at Law
Commerce Building
St. Paul, Minnesota

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of May 6th.

The car referred to therein was under and by virtue of an order of court, turned over to the United States Government. Of course this office would be compelled to resist any court action to divest the government of possession of title to this car.

Yours truly,

MAURICE M. MILLIGAN
United States Attorney

By-
Randall Wilson, Assistant

R.:DLC

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1616 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK BUILDING
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI
JUNE 5, 1935.

Mr. John C. DeCourcy
Attorney-at-Law
Commerce Building
St. Paul, Minnesota

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of June 3, 1935, in regard to one 1934 Pontiac Sedan, Motor number 1058715.

You are advised that this matter has been placed entirely in the hands of the United States Attorney at Kansas City, Missouri, as you will note from a letter dated May 28, 1935, addressed to you by Mr. Randall Wilson, Assistant United States Attorney, Kansas City, Missouri, at which time you were advised that the car in question had been turned over to the United States Government by virtue of an order of the United States District Court, Kansas City, Missouri.

Accordingly, it is suggested that in the event you desire any further information in this matter that you communicate directly with the United States Attorney's Office at Kansas City, Missouri.

Very truly yours,

E. E. CONROY
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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cc - Bureau
cc - Cincinnati
cc - St. Paul

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June 6, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR DIVISION FOUR
MECHANICAL SECTION

Transmitted herewith is a memorandum containing data for Apprehension Order No. 343 on Volney O Davis, with aliases, Identification Order No. 1257.

The identification data concerning Davis should be withdrawn from the Pocket Identification Orders.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Inclosure No. 307693

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

June 6, 1935

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APPREHENSION ORDER
NO. 1237-343

Dear Sir:

Re: VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases: "Curley" Davis, "Cotton" Davis, E. V. Davis, J. H. Lockwood, S. E. Lockwood, C. E. Moore, Jimmie, Curley Moore, Everett Davis, Curley Hansen, Curley Hanson, J. E. Hansen, Roy Green; KIDNAPING

Identification Order No. 1237 on the above named subject is hereby canceled inasmuch as he was taken into custody at Chicago, Illinois, on June 1, 1935.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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MRS. JOHN DOWNES
MEREDITH NECK ROAD
MEREDITH
NEW HAMPSHIRE

June 5th 1935

My dear Mr Hoover

In reading the Boston Transcript of the 4th I found this notice of the men you are still seeking in the Karpis gang. the name William Weaver stopped me short. I took from Tudor City at the end of 42 nd street in New York a man who worked in the package room, of the house I lived in. Named William Weaver, he would be now fully thirty four (if he told the truth) he was not over five six, in height, never weighed more than 135 delicate make up, very pale almost to being colorless dark hair almost black, gray eyes, extradinarily apt in all work, drove a car intelligently and fearlessly.

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dcb 6/12/35, cc- St Paul, Boston, Cin. REW

dogs,he either took a drug or some thing. He had a violent and terrible temper. He said he came from a small town near Toronto where his mother and married sister lived. He had worked for around eight years in the city of New York when I engaged him . He was arrested in Laconia N. H. while he was working for me for carrying a weapon in his car,and violently threatning his girls mother,Mrs Frank Page of Laconia. He left my service in a violent and unpleasant way,holding me up for money I did not owe him in wages or expenses. He dropped a letter of mine in a finger printing agency in New York where he was compelled to register before applying for a job. He had no criminal record in N. Y. He took his girlto N. Y. in his car which he was buying on time,and which by his contract he was forbidded to take out of this state with out permission. He left here owing money..

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MEREDITH NECK ROAD
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and said he was returning to Toronto. I believe him to have been capable of any crime, in this country by fraud. While he was in my employ he fell very ill in N. Y. of appendicitis, I appealed for money in the Transcript, got him into Belview Hospital, operated upon by one of the greatest surgeons, got him into a sanitarium at White Plains, then to recouver to my sons house in Hingham Massachusetts. My family always thought he had been in prison from his walk, he had known prisons for he told me so. He talked a great deal of his service in the war and his decorations, that he had inlisted as a buglar but had not enough wind to continue. He had a very gentle manner, very delicate way of taking things from an other. No one liked him here, every one feared him. He was a liar and coward, but up to any and all tricks and able to impose upon people he thought it

he thought worth while. He has not been back here. He was finger printed by the American Confidential Bureau Inc 277 Park Avenue (another entrance on Lexington Avenue) New York . He was an excellent workman,turn his hand to anything of any kind. Had a great gift in a cheap way in drawing. Had a good ear in music sang and whistled. Was a great dandy in his dress,but slack and untidy in his work clothes. Had a thin long face with slightly undershot lower jaw,sullen lowering expression,his girl had been married and used her husbands name,she was Dorothy Sanborn,and where ever he is she knows it. Her mother is Mrs Frank Page of Laconia N. H. she has a respectable brother of an other name. This may not be the man you are hunting,and it may be.He left my service four years ago this coming autumn. I am Mrs Archibald. Hopkind sister of 1826 Massachusetts Avenue Washington D.C. as

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Ack 6/15/35
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Jr - John Downes

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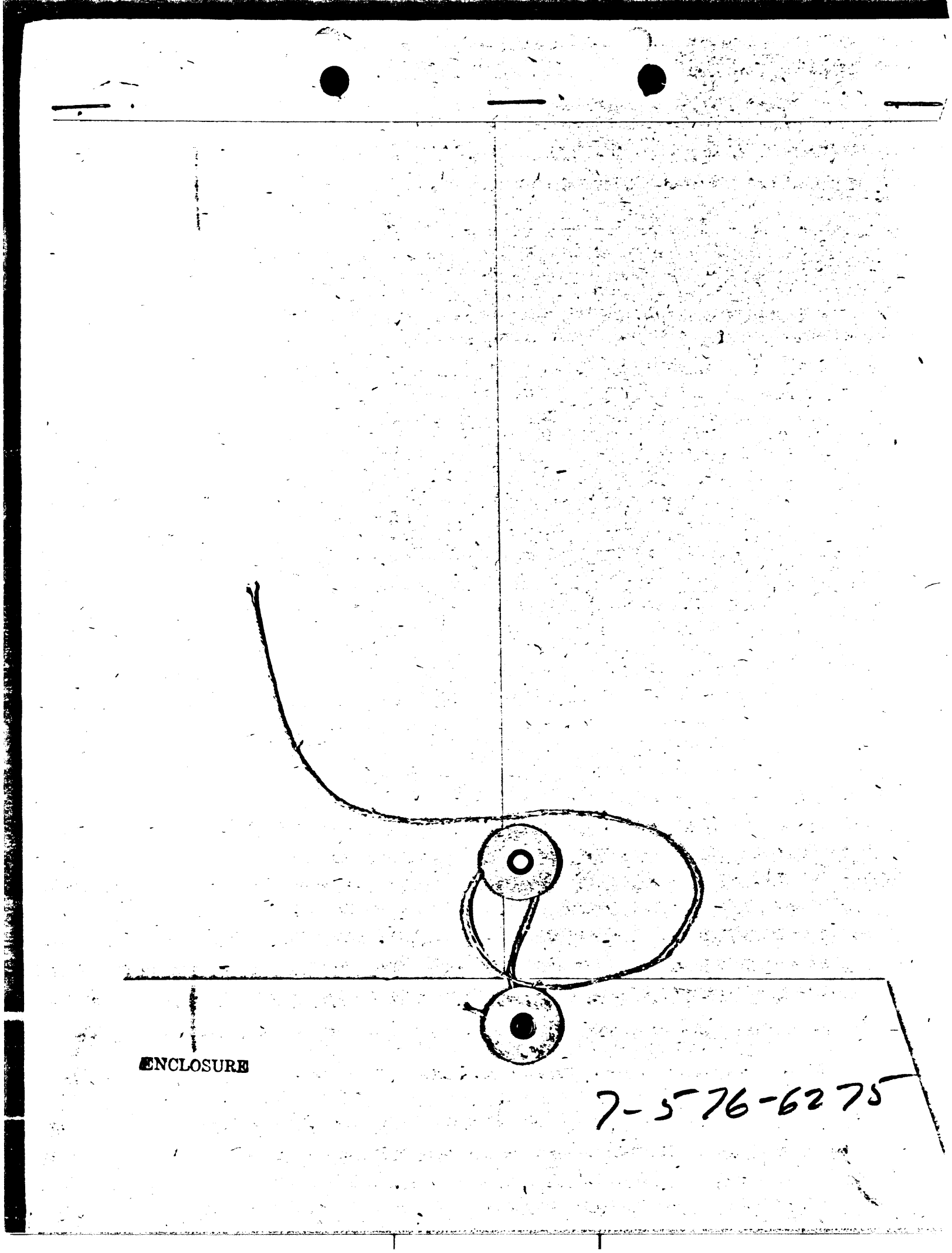
Mrs. John Downes



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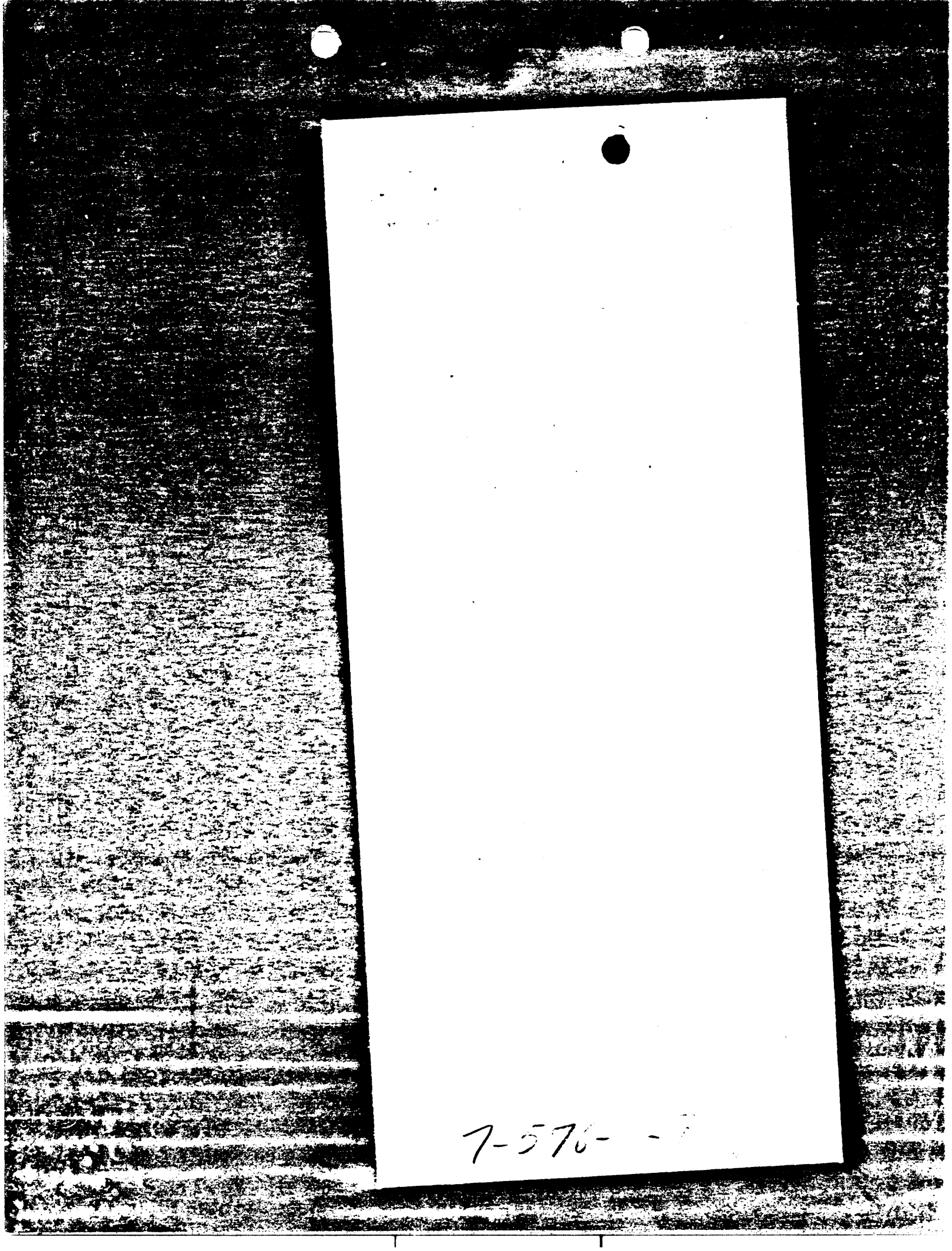
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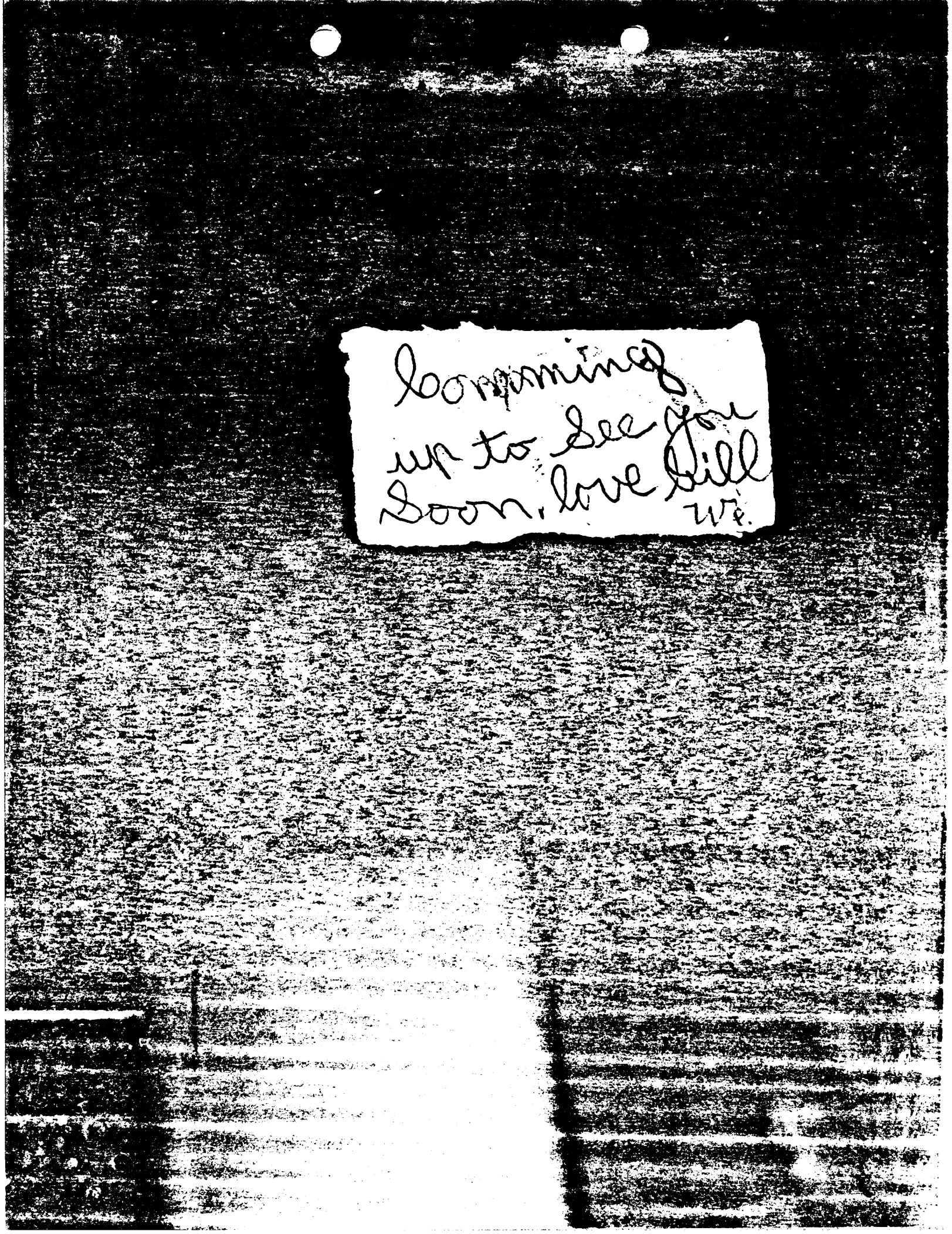
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up to see you
Soon. love Bill
We.

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June 15, 1935.

Mrs. John Downes,
Meredith Neck Road,
Meredith, New Hampshire.

Dear Madam:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated June 5, 1935, wherein you advise that an individual named William Weaver who is personally known to you might possibly be identical with the William Weaver who is wanted in connection with the kidnaping of Mr. Edward G. Bremer.

Please be advised that I have referred a copy of your letter to Mr. C. D. McKean, Special Agent in Charge, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 1002 Post Office and Court House Building, Boston, Massachusetts, who will assign an Agent to interview you concerning this matter.

Thanking you for your interest and cooperation, I am

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc-Boston
Cincinnati
St. Paul

(Copy of letter dated June 5, 1935, enclosed with copy of this letter to each Field Office listed)

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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. 1231, et al
Edward George Bremer - Victim

CHARACTER OF CASE:
KIDNAPING HARBORING
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

DETAILS:

Further inquiries through members of Get Acquainted Correspondence Club and investigation this district relative to former associates of Volney Davis unproductive of information concerning present whereabouts of the latter. Reports of presence in vicinity Topeka, Kansas, of Alvin Karpis apparently unfounded. Stop card on 1934 Buick Sedan, motor #2875177, withdrawn Missouri and Kansas. Temporary wanted notices withdrawn in part, same to be completed. Surveillance of movements of Gladys Sawyer maintained by Bureau Agents, 5-7-35, while en route Omaha. Frances Taylor, former woman companion of Jack Langdon, associate of Volney Davis, interviewed at Federal Institution for Women, Alderson, West Virginia, submits written statement relative to assault on her by Doris O'Connor on 2-5-35, says she will testify against latter on state charges.

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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent R. P. Shanahan, Kansas City, Missouri, dated 4-25-35.

DETAILS: The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent N. O. Scott of the Kansas City office in response to the circular letter forwarded to the various Postmasters throughout the Kansas City district with I.O. #1237 pertaining to any information they may have regarding Volney Davis:

In reply to the above mentioned letter, on 4-1-35 a letter was received at the Kansas City office from Postmaster John A. Jordan of Montrose, Kansas, advising that a man about the age of thirty to thirty-five years had rented a lock box there on 3-8-35 and had given his name as Lee Mallory; that he had never been back since renting said box and that he had received but one letter.

Agent Scott interviewed Postmaster J. A. Jordan at Montrose, Kansas, who advised that Lee Mallory had been in a few days previously and paid twenty-five cents for the rent of a Post Office box until 6-1-35.

Postmaster Jordan stated that he had information that Lee Montrose was working around Jewell, Kansas.

Accordingly, at Jewell, Kansas, Agent Scott interviewed Lee Mallory, who was working on a relief project at Jewell and Mallory readily advised that he was the individual who had rented the said box in Montrose, Kansas, stating that he had rented the box for the reason that he desired to correspond with "an old girl friend," and had used this means in order that his wife would not know of the correspondence.

It was very evident to the Agent that Lee Mallory does not resemble Subject Volney Davis in any way and Mallory was not able to give any information whatsoever regarding Subject Davis.

On 4-15-1935, Special Agent N. O. Scott interviewed Miss Dorene Mayo, 636 Johnstown Street, Salina, Kansas, and was advised that Miss Mayo is a member of the Get Acquainted Club with its headquarters in Denver. Miss Mayo stated that she had received many letters from different people throughout the United States and also numerous photographs. She allowed Agent Scott to examine all the letters and photographs, and it was very evident that she has not been corresponding with Subject Volney Davis under any of his known aliases, especially the alias George Harper, or the alias G. L. Harper. All known aliases of Subject Davis and his complete description were given to Miss Mayo; and she was instructed that should she receive any mail from individuals using any of these names to immediately advise the Kansas City Bureau office. The telephone number and address of the Kansas City office were left with Miss Mayo and she stated she would be very glad to cooperate with the Bureau and would immediately get in touch with this office should she ever receive any information of value in this connection.

On April 25, 1935, Miss Mildred Dixon of Agra, Kansas, advised Special Agent N. O. Scott, that she had not received any letters pertaining to the Get Acquainted Club for several years; that due to the fact she had known Mr. and Mrs. Simpson when she resided in Denver about three years ago, her name had been placed on the list of those sent out as members of this club. All known aliases of Subject Volney Davis were given to Miss Dixon, with Davis' complete description, and she advised that she would be very glad to cooperate with the Kansas City Bureau office, stating that should she receive any mail from any individuals using any of these aliases, she would contact this office. Accordingly, the telephone number and the address of the Kansas City office were left with Miss Dixon by Agent Scott.

Miss Stella J. Blackwell, whose address was given as Delvale, Kansas, but who resides at Clayton, Kansas, she being employed at teaching school in Delvale, was interviewed by Special Agent N. O. Scott. She stated that she had only received two letters in the last four months from members of the Get Acquainted Club, and she was quite positive that neither one of these letters was from Subject Davis under any of his aliases. Miss Blackwell advised that she had destroyed these letters; that, in fact, she had decided to not correspond further with members of this club. All known aliases of Subject Davis and his complete description were given to Miss Blackwell, as were the address and telephone number of the Kansas City office. She advised Agent Scott that should she receive any mail from any of the names as shown by these aliases, she would immediately get in touch with the Kansas City office.

Reference is made to memorandum submitted by Special Agent R. P. Shanahan dated 3-21-35, listing names of various women residing throughout the Kansas City territory recently furnished to Subject Volney Davis under the alias of George Lawrence Harper by a matrimonial agency in Denver, Colorado, known as the Get Acquainted Correspondence Club.

On April 22, 1935, Special Agent A. J. Norstrom contacted Miss Evelyn L. Melton, Meriden, Kansas, who advised that she had never received mail from anyone by the name of George L. Harper, and, as a matter of fact, had only received two letters through the Correspondence Club, both of them from parties residing on the West Coast. Miss Melton, however, advised that in the event she received any communications she would advise the Kansas City Bureau Office immediately, by telephone.

Mrs. Etta R. Lash, 523 North 14th Street, Sabetha, Kansas, was likewise contacted, and she advised she had never received any communication from George L. Harper, Raytown, Missouri, and had not corresponded with anyone through the Correspondence Club since last Fall. Mrs. Lash stated in the event any communication is received by her from George L. Harper she will immediately telephone the Kansas City Bureau Office.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent H. A. Dietz:

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On 4-23-35 by long distance telephone Agent was contacted by Special Agent in Charge R. B. Nathan, who advised that [redacted] had contacted him by telephone and stated that Volney Davis was at the present time driving into Wichita, Kansas, in a Ford V-8 Coupe with Missouri license tags on it. Mr. Nathan had no further information that he could give on this matter and requested Agent to contact the Wichita, Kansas, Police Department through Chief of Police O. W. Wilson and make a check on all V-8 Ford Coupes with Missouri license tags on them. Mr. Nathan specifically stated that the name of the informant was not to be given and that under no circumstances was the identity of the person involved to be disclosed to those other than Chief Wilson and those whom he felt it would be necessary in order to carry out the request. He advised that he wished all V-8 Ford Coupes carrying Missouri tags, in Wichita, be located and that these license numbers be transmitted to him to be checked through the office at Kansas City, and that under no circumstances was anyone to be trailed or any suspicion aroused.

Agent contacted Chief of Police O. W. Wilson and advised him of the facts, requesting that the license numbers on all V-8 Ford Coupes with Missouri license tags be noted and reported to him. Chief Wilson was advised of the fact that it was suspected that Volney Davis was driving a car answering this description and that all that was wished were the license numbers on these cars and that no party should be trailed nor any person picked up for suspicion. Chief Wilson advised that in order to carry out this request he felt that Captain Ray Ashword, Lieutenant DeWitt and Lieutenant Murrell should be advised of the facts. The aforementioned persons were advised of the facts and instructed their officers to get the license numbers and did not divulge the purpose of the mission nor the identity of the person being sought.

The following 1935 Missouri license were noted by the officers of the Wichita, Kansas, Police Department, and were checked as to the identity of the owners at the Kansas City Bureau office by Special Agent W. E. Miller:

174-700 Owner - C. G. Wilson, Geiger Apartments, St. Joseph, Missouri.

365-216 Owner - Robert C. Chattin, 5049 Wyandotte Street, Kansas City, Missouri.

40-776 Owner - Employers Liability Insurance Company, Federal Reserve Bank Building, Kansas City, Missouri.

410-669 Owner - Simmons Saw and Steel Company, St. Louis, Missouri.

385-989 Owner - Alice Salmons, Excelsior Springs, Missouri.

28-703 Owner - Otto Leasing and Holding Company, 3540 Washington Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri.

39-978 Owner - Atlantic Commission Company, 305 Produce Exchange, Kansas City, Missouri.

147-757 Owner - E. M. DeMaree, Route #4, Nevada, Missouri.

The check made revealed no reason to believe that Volney Davis was driving any of the aforementioned case and on 4-29-35 Agent was requested by Special Agent in Charge Nathan to cease further check on automobil licenses. This request was in turn communicated to Chief of Police O. W. Wilson by Agent.

On 4-29-35 Special Agent H. A. Dietz contacted Postmaster Arthur G. Long; Mr. Smith, Assistant Postmaster, and Miss Nellie Frisbie, postal clerk, at Kingman, Kansas, in response to an answer they had forwarded to the Kansas City office on its mimeographed letter of 3-26-35 pertaining to Volney Davis. They advised that George Berrymore and Orville Shrepel had rented Post Office Boxes #74 and #82 from 1-1-35 to 3-30-35, neither of them having renewed their subscription after that time. Berrymore later proved to be a local man who had been in the community for a good number of years. Shrepel turned out to be a salesman for an unknown motor company dealing in tractors. His description was given as twenty-five years old, five feet eleven inches, brown hair and medium complexion, slender build. This description obviously does not answer that of Volney Davis, and upon showing them photographs of this Subject they said there was no resemblance whatsoever.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent F. L. Welch:

On 3-5-35 the Kansas City Bureau office received a letter from H. D. Poe, Commander, Reserve Police Corps, Excelsior Springs, Missouri, to the effect that a "cooling off spot" was believed discovered a short distance outside of Excelsior Springs and wanting to know if the Kansas City Bureau office missed catching a woman in Kansas City about a week prior to 3-4-35, inasmuch as this woman, accompanied by an Italian, got off a bus at Excelsior Springs, Missouri, and was overheard to say that she had to scram out of that place, meaning Kansas City, Missouri.

On 5-7-35 Mr. Poe informed the writer that this "cooling off place" was about one-half mile south of Excelsior Springs on highway #10 and is merely a small stucco house owned by a party named Blackburn. He stated that his reason for believing that this residence was used as a "cooling off spot" was twofold: First, because he had heard that Blackburn had some time prior lost a large sum of money to some "con" men at the Royal Hotel, Excelsior Springs; that these "con" men were later caught, but he refused to prosecute them, which made him appear suspicious. His second reason was because the woman and Italian, referred to in his letter of 3-4-35, after getting off the bus at Excelsior Springs, went to this residence.

Mr. Poe stated that someof the local officers and himself had made several trips past this house, but have seen nothing else to make them suspicious of the place and that if he obtained any additional information concerning the place which he thinks would be of interest to the Bureau, he will send the same to the Kansas City office. Mr. Poe was unable to furnish any description of the woman seen to get off the bus at Excelsior Springs about one week prior to 3-4-35.

Mrs. Elizabeth Anne Langsen, Box #418, Excelsior Springs, Missouri, whose name was furnished to Subject Volney Davis under the alias of George Lawrence Harper by a matrimonial agency in Denver, Colorado, as shown by the memorandum of Special Agent R. P. Shanahan, dated 3-21-35, could not be located at Excelsior Springs, Missouri. Inquiry was made at the Post Office, the Police Department and some of the hotels but no one contacted knew her. The name Langsen is not listed in the Excelsior Springs telephone directory.

- The following investigation was made by Special Agent N. O. Scott, Kansas City, Missouri, on May 8, 9, 10 and 13, 1935.

Reference is being made to the report of Special Agent R. P. Shanahan, Kansas, City, dated 5/20/35.

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Detective Phillips of the Independence, Missouri, police department was contacted by this Agent who advised that his informant, [redacted] had been to Joplin with Agent Bryce and Agent Brightman only a few days prior to this Agent's interview with him. He further stated that he had not seen [redacted] for several days, but the last time he did see him, [redacted] advised him that he understood I told Jackson and Blackie Doyle were alleged to be in St. Joseph, Missouri. Phillips stated that he would contact [redacted] in the near future and obtain all the information possible regarding these two parties, especially to ascertain if Subject Volney Davis has been visiting with them, and that he would advise this office as soon as possible whereby he and [redacted] with Agents from the Kansas City Bureau office might proceed to St. Joseph, Missouri, in order to ascertain if any of Subjects were in that city.

It will be noted in the last paragraph of page 35 of reference report that [redacted] had advised that Mitchell, which is an alias of Spike Lane, had been running around with a girl by the name of Doris, last name unknown, who is alleged to have been living at the Chase Hotel.

This Agent ascertained the information that a party by the name of Doris Hulse was residing at the above hotel. Miss Hulse was interviewed by Agents Shanahan, Norstrom and the writer. She advised that she had only been in Kansas City for two weeks and had been living at the Chase Hotel since her arrival. She further stated that her home was in Wichita, Kansas, and she had proceeded to Kansas City, Missouri, from St. Joseph, Missouri. All photographs of Subjects in instant case were exhibited to Miss Hulse and it was very evident that she was unable to identify any of them. It was also very evident that she was not acquainted in any way with any Subjects or their aliases in the above case and was unable to give any information regarding Subjects in this case.

Miss Margaret Schroeder who is a waitress in the Pickwick Hotel Coffee Shop, and who resides at the Cortez Hotel, Kansas City, Missouri, and who is known very well by this Agent, advised that she had lived for six months at the Chase Hotel, from October, 1934, to March, 1935, and although she was not very well acquainted with the occupants of the hotel, she did state that she had never heard of anyone by the name of Doris. All photographs of instant case were exhibited to Miss Schroeder with negative results. For the information of the Kansas City Bureau office, it will be noted here that Miss Schroeder would probably make an excellent informant as to parties living at the Cortez Hotel and also at the Chase Hotel at present, as she has always been very cooperative with this Agent and is very reliable. Further, that she has a girl friend who is at present living at the Chase Hotel and it is this Agent's belief that she will furnish any information possible to the Kansas City Bureau office regarding Subjects in this case.

L. G. Wetzel, Manager of the Chase Hotel and Mrs. Carmel Miller, switchboard operator, were interviewed by this Agent who exhibited all photographs of Subjects in instant case and also inquired from them as to any of

Subject's aliases. Mrs. Miller advised this Agent that the only Doris that was registered at the hotel was Miss Doris Hulse, who came in along about April 20, 1935. Miss Miller further stated that she knew very little about Miss Hulse, nor did she know anything about any parties that she was keeping company with. She further advised this Agent that Miss Hulse had been ill in bed for the past few days and was being attended by Dr. C. A. McCormick. It was very evident that neither Mr. Wetzel nor Mrs. Miller could identify any photographs exhibited to them, nor were they able to give any information of value.

Dr. C. A. McCormick, 1506 Bryant Building, Kansas City, Missouri, advised that he was called to see Miss Hulse on two occasions; that she stated to him she had hurt her back, but it was very evident to him that she had been out on a couple of drunks and was just recuperating from them. He further advised that he knew very little about Miss Hulse or her associates. Photographs of Subjects in instant case were exhibited to Dr. McCormick with negative results.

In regard to the last paragraph on Page 27 of reference report, it will be noted that Spike Lane had purchased an automobile in the name of Jess B. Swearingen and further that he had purchased this car from the Hillard Motor Company through their salesman Mr. Miller.

Mr. H. E. Miller, who is Manager of the Hillard Motor Company, located at 6813 Independence Road, Kansas City, Missouri, advised that he had been connected with this organization for the past eight years and that he had lead the field in this section selling Chrysler and Plymouth cars.

It was very evident to this Agent that the following information obtained from Mr. Miller was given in a very cooperative manner as he showed his desire to cooperate with the Bureau 100%, advising that he had been stuck up twice himself and was very anxious to cause the apprehension of any Subjects in instant case.

All photographs of Subjects were exhibited to Mr. Miller and he immediately identified Otto Jackson, #22596, stating to this Agent that Jackson had visited his place of business a number of times last winter. He further advised that he especially remembers Jackson on one occasion when he came into his office and used the phone for about five or ten minutes. Mr. Miller stated that he did not know who Jackson was, as the only name he had ever heard him called was Johnnie. Mr. Miller further advised that he was positive Jackson was an associate of Spike Lane and he had seen them together at the Van Horn Inn. He further advised this Agent that since Spike Lane had been picked up by the Bureau, which was along the first of February, 1935, that he has not seen anything of Jackson. Mr. Miller stated that Spike Lane had purchased these cars from him in the name of Jess Swearingen, due to the fact that Swearingen was a brother-in-law and had a very good credit rating, but that Lane's credit was no good. He further advised that outside of this reason, he could not say why Swearingen allowed Lane to purchase the cars in his name. Mr. Miller Further stated that he only knew Lane in a casual way, having seen him around that section of the City quite a few times and knew that he was no good and was always getting into some kind of trouble.

As to Lloyd Doyle, alias Blackie Doyle, #25010, Miller Advised that his photograph is very familiar and he is most positive that he has seen this person

in company with Lane and Jackson at different times, but that he could not positively identify the photograph of Doyle. Mr. Miller further advised this Agent that he would be only too glad to keep a strict lookout for Jackson and Doyle and should he see them that he would advise the Kansas City Bureau office immediately.

As to Subject Volney Davis, Mr. Miller stated that he is positive he has never seen this party in company with Lane, Jackson or Doyle.

This Agent called at the residence of James B. Swearingen, who is located at 3519 Freemont Street, Kansas City, Missouri, which is really in Leeds, Missouri, and Swearingen was not at home. However, his oldest daughter, Aumen Swearingen, was interviewed by this Agent who advised that her father, James B. Swearingen, was married to Spike Lane's sister; that Lane's sister, however, was not her original mother, but was her stepmother. She further advised that Spike Lane has a daughter about three or four years old who stays at her father's home, advising that she has not seen Spike Lane for about six months, due to the fact that she works from five o'clock in the afternoon until midnight, but she does know that he has been out to her father's home on numerous occasions in order to visit his daughter. Miss Swearingen further advised that she had never seen anyone in company with Subject Lane and was unable to identify any photographs of Subjects in instant case. This Agent called several times later in order to interview Swearingen, but he could never be found at home.

With reference to the memorandum of Special Agent R. P. Shanahan, dated 3-21-35, Miss Helen Cobrook, Excelsior Springs, Missouri, on 5-13-35, informed Special Agent F. L. Welch that the name Mrs. Elizabeth Anne Langsen was a fictitious name sent to the Get Acquainted Club, Denver, Colorado, by Anna Belle Netherow over a year ago when Miss Netherow was living with Miss Cobrook at Excelsior Springs, Missouri; that Anna Belle Netherow left Excelsior Springs, Missouri, more than a year ago; that she is now married to Robert Brass and resides at Palmer, Massachusetts.

Miss Cobrook stated that there was no reason for Mrs. Brass to send the fictitious name to the correspondence club other than to keep from using her real name in this type of correspondence; that she had seen practically every letter Mrs. Brass had received while living at Excelsior Springs, Missouri, and was sure that none had been received from anyone named George Lawrence Harper. Miss Cobrook stated that some letters still come to Mrs. Brass at Excelsior Springs, Missouri, under the name of Elizabeth Anne Langsen, which she immediately forwards to Palmer, Massachusetts; that Mrs. Brass was a very good friend of hers and that she would write her to the effect that if she ever received any letter signed George Lawrence Harper to immediately get in touch with the Boston Bureau office.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent V. I. Parry, Kansas City, Missouri, on 5-6;7;11-1935:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent R. P. Shanahan, Kansas City, 3-20-35, wherein is set out several telephone numbers and addresses found on cards in the apartment of Spike Lane. Previous investigation has been made with reference to some of these numbers, and results thereof set out in the report of Special Agent R. P. Shanahan, dated 4-25-35; with particular reference to the telephone number, Harrison 4656, followed by the name "Gertie." The Reverse Telephone Directory in the Kansas City office disclosed that this number was issued to Charles Zehn Company, 521 Main Street, Kansas City, Missouri. This company is the manufacturer of sheet metal products and only employs two men. Mr. Zehn, the owner, was interviewed and stated that he had hired no girls at his place for over four or five years, and that none of his employees went by the nick-name of Gertie. To the best of his knowledge, there has been no one receiving telephone calls at his office, other than the workmen employed by him, and he was unable to account for the fact that his telephone number had been found on a card in anyone's possession. He stated that he very frequently received telephone calls for the Kansas City Bird Store, whose telephone number is Harrison 4657; and note should be taken of the fact that another card found in the apartment of Spike Lane contained the number Harrison 4657 followed by the name Gertie.

With reference to the latter telephone number, it was found that it belonged to the Kansas City Bird Store, 1323 Main Street, Kansas City, Mo., which business is owned by Ralph Harding, an attorney, who has his office in the store. Harding is a criminal and divorce lawyer, and when contacted advised that he had a girl by the name of Gertrude Clark employed in his bird store and that she has been employed by him for the past five or six years. He described this girl as being reliable and trustworthy in her work about the store, but stated that for the past four or five months, she had been running around at night clubs and had even taken to bringing liquor into the store to drink; that he was very much against this practise and two or three times had cautioned this girl about her drinking and running around at night. Mr. Harding stated that he would be very willing to have Agent interview Gertrude Clark at his office.

Accordingly, the following day, Special Agent Parry, accompanied by Special Agent W. John Mc Nulty, interviewed Gertrude Clark in the office of Ralph Harding. Miss Clark was at first very unwilling to answer any questions concerning any of the parties she had been running around with at night, and when shown the pictures of the Bremer suspects and their local Kansas City connections, namely - Spike Lane, Otto Jackson,

John Langdon and "Blackie" Doyle, advised that she could not identify any of them in any way. However, she stated that she had frequently visited the night club at 3407 Troost Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri, which place has previously been shown as a hangout for Spike Lane, Otto Jackson and "Blackie" Doyle. In spite of the fact that she had frequented this night club, she still denied ever having seen any of the above mentioned parties at that place. Miss Clark finally admitted, however, that she had visted the Three Littl Pigs Night Club sometime last fall, and while there had been introduced to Spike Lane and had had several dances with him. She also stated that she believed that she had met Otto Jackson at this time and at that place. Further, she would give no reason why she had not identified the pictures of these men when first shown to her, and it was evident that her reason in not identifying them was that she was afraid her connection with these parties would be brought to the attention of Mr. Hardind and result in her dismissal. She stated that she could not even remember having given Spike Lane her phone number, but admitted that she was frequently under the influence of intoxicating liquor and to such an extent that she might have done so and forgotten about it, and it is undoubtedly in such a manner that the phone number Harrison 4657 and the name of Gertie came into possession of Spike Lane.

With reference to telephone number Grand 2846 and the name Roland found on one of the cards mentioned above, it was ascertained from Bert Haycock, Special Agent of the Bell Telephone Company in Kansas City, Missouri, that this number was an unlisted one and was issued to 1318 Admiral Boulevard, the apartment on the first floor, east; that it was under the name of the Rinard Rental Company. Investigation at that address by Special Agent Parry and Special Agent R. P. Shanahan disclosed the fact that this was the apartment of the building manager, Rolla Wade. The similiarity between the name Roland and Rolla was noted, and it was decided that inasmuch as Wade was the apartment manager to openly interview him in regard to his telephone number and name being found in the apartment of Spike Lane.

Wade upon being interviewed advised that he was working in the Parts Department of the Ford Assembly Plant, Kansas City, Missouri, and had been working there for approximately eighteen months; that he had been married about three years and has a baby about three months old. He also advised that he was an ex-convict from Jefferson City, Missouri, having been sent up two times;once, for manslaughter, for which he had received a sentence of 1-10 years, and the second time for assault with intent to kill, for which he had received a sentence of two years, and had served a year and a day before being released. He stated that both these convictions were due to his association with other parties and were in no way a result of any of his own acts other that the association. He stated that he did not

know any of the parties previously mentioned as being connections of the Bremer suspects in Kansas City, other than having read in the paper of the arrest of Spike Lane and having seen him about town on several occasions at various night clubs.

Reference is at this time made to the report of Special Agent R. P. Shanahan, Kansas City, Missouri, dated April 25, 1935, and particularly to page 26 of that report, wherein Agent D. A. Bryce of the Kansas City office interviewed Mrs. Jeannette C. Nelson of 2636 Paseo, Kansas City, Missouri, and found that one Leota Winsatt had been living with one Charles Enoch . Wade advised that he was a friend of Charles Enoch and had known him for sometime previous to his sentence to the penitentiary, and that since Enoch's sentence to the penitentiary, he had called on Enoch's wife in company with his own wife. He advised that his connection with Enoch was the only possible way he could conceive of his telephone number and name having been in the possession of Spike Lane.

Mr. Wade could furnish no other information, but advised that inasmuch as he frequently visits various night clubs, he might be in a position to inform the Kansas City office if he saw any of the men whose pictures had been shown to him. He was furnished the address of the Kansas City Bureau office, in the event he is in position to furnish such information.

On Sunday morning, May 5, 1935, the Indianapolis Bureau office by telegram requested a check of the name, reputation, owner Ford Coupe Missouri License 65811.

Special Agent V. I. Parry, who was in the office at that time, endeavored to contact the Missouri State Auto License Bureau at Jefferson City, Missouri, by telephone but because of the fact that it was Sunday, the office was closed. However, the Kansas City, Missouri, Police Department, Auto Theft Division, informed Agent Parry that the above mentioned license had been issued at Clayton, Missouri. Accordingly, under instructions of Special Agent in Charge E. E. Conroy, the St. Louis office was informed by telegram of the contents of the wire from the Indianapolis office and requested to handle the investigation, inasmuch as Clayton, Missouri, is in the territory of the St. Louis office; copy of the telegram sent the St. Louis office was forwarded to the St. Paul and Indianapolis offices and Mr. Connelley at Cincinnati and the Bureau.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent N. O. Scott:

J. V. Andicott, clerk, Veterans Hospital, Excelsior Springs, Missouri, called at this office on 5-15-35 and advised that on 3-23-35 a Veteran was discharged from the hospital in Excelsior Springs, Missouri, by the name of Vollie L. Davis; that this party gave his forwarding address as R.F.D. #5, Fulton, Missouri.

Andicott stated that he had recently noticed that the Government wanted Subject Volney Davis and as this name was very similar to Volney Davis, he thought he would give this information to the Bureau for whatever value that it may be.

On 4-18-35 an article appeared in the Kansas City Times indicating that a search was being made by local police for Alvin Karpis, it having been reported that a man resembling him had been seen driving a motor car eastward from Topeka, Kansas. Special Agent A. J. Norstrom of this office made the following investigation in connection therewith:

Upon telephonic instructions from Special Agent R. B. Nathan, the writer contacted Chief of Detectives Wayne Horning, Topeka, Kansas, Police Department on 4-18-35 with reference to the report that Alvin Karpis had been seen in Topeka on 4-17-35.

Mr. Horning advised that a driver for the Yellow Taxi Company, Topeka, Kansas, had reported that he had picked up a man about 9:30 A.M., 4-17-35, at 6th and Quincy Streets, Topeka, Kansas, and had driven him five miles south on U. S. Highway #75, where he was met by another man in a light blue 1935 Buick Sedan with foreign license plates. The cab driver had stated that his passenger had stopped at a filling station on 6th and Monroe Streets and picked up a black satchel before starting on the drive. He was poorly dressed, extremely nervous, and looked like Alvin Karpis, according to the cab driver, Horning said. Squads from the State Highway Patrol, Sheriff's office and Police Department were sent out highway #75 but were unable to find this car. It was reported later at Emporia, Kansas, but was lost again.

William Gaynor, driver for the Yellow Cab Company, was contacted and he advised that he was the person Horning spoke of as the cab driver. He advised he picked up this passenger on 6th and Quincy Streets, Topeka, Kansas, and drove him to 6th and Monroe Streets where he picked up a black bag at a filling station. He instructed Gaynor to drive out U. S. Highway #75 south about five miles. They came upon a side road off the highway where a 1935 blue Buick 40 Sedan

was parked. The meter registered a fare of 65 cents, but the cab company asks a double fare for trips outside the city. The passenger refused to pay the $1.30 demanded but gave Gaynor 65¢ and then drove off south on highway #75, alone. There was no one in the car, either when Gaynor drove up to it. Gaynor reported the matter to the cab starter, who reported the incident to the Police Department. He was then shown five photographs by the detectives and picked out one photograph more nearly resembling his passenger than the rest. This photograph proved to be of Alvin Karpis.

He described his passenger as about 40 years of age, 5 feet 9 inches in height, weighing 135 pounds, thin face, extremely darked complexioned, possessing a deep gruff voice, well dressed and wearing smoked glasses.

Gaynor said at no time did he get a good look at the passenger.

R. L. Purdy, filling station attendant at the Fairbanks-Mills Company, 6th and Monroe Streets, advised that he had been approached by the stranger who asked to leave his black satchel and overnight bag at the station. He talked with him for ten or fifteen minutes and the stranger left, reappearing a few moments later in Gaynor's cab. Purdy said that no one had approached him for an identification, but he did not believe the cab passenger resembled Karpis in any detail. He stated he weighed at least 185 pounds, was about 6 feet 1 inch in height, spoke with a deep gruff voice and was about 40 years of age, dark complexioned, with black hair and graying temples. Purdy said that he was exceedingly well dressed and very polite. He was shown a strip photograph of Karpis and was at a loss as to how members of the Police Department could believe this man to be Karpis as there was no resemblance he said. Purdy said he was quite sure of his description in that the passenger was much taller and heavier than he and he advised he weighs 160 pounds and is 5 feet 9 inches in height.

Gaynor also failed to recognize a strip photograph of Karpis as resembling his passenger.

On the night of 4-24-35 Sheriff Dean Rogers of Topeka, Kansas, called this office and requested assistance in the apprehension of one Andy Yocum, a former bootlegger and resident of Topeka, Kansas. Yocum had been taken into custody by State authorities at Topeka, but had been released on bond. Sheriff Rogers advised that steps were being taken by Major Wint Smith of theKansas State Highway Patrol to examine a safety deposit box of Yocum, said examination to be made on the morning of 4-25-35. Sheriff Rogers and Major Wint Smith seemed to be of the opinion that Yocum was a contact for Karpis, it being noted that Karpis spent considerable portion of his youth at Topeka.

Previous to the above referred to telephone call Mr. Nathan had talked with Rogers and latter to Special Agent B. P. Baldwin of this office who at the time was conducting an investigation at the National Bank at Topeka. Agent Baldwin advised Special Agent in Charge Nathan that it was probable that the opinion of Sheriff Rogers and Major Smith relative to Yocum being a contact man for Karpis was goundless.

On 4-25-35 Sheriff Rogers again called Mr. Nathan stating that an additional warrant had been issued for Yocum; that he had been taken into custody at which time he had in his possession approximately $6,000.00, including three bills of $1,000.00 denomination. The numbers of these bills were furnished by Sheriff Rogers and are as follows:

J-00010666 A
J-00000505 A
J-00010667 A

Inquiry by Special Agent M. Kremer of this office at the Federal Reserve Bank at Kansas City showed that bills J-00010666 A and J-00010667 A were shipped 1-3-35 to the Central National Bank, Topeka, Kansas.

On 4-25-35 there was received at the Kansas City office a letter from Frank Stone, Jr., Assistant Director of the State Highway Patrol of Kansas, with which was transmitted a list of the numbers on the bills found on Yocum when he was taken into custody. These bills were of $1,000.00, $100.00, $50.00, $10.00 and $20.00 denominations and were compared by this Agent with the ransom lists in the Urschel, Bremer, Lindbergh, Hamm and Stoll kidnaping cases, as well as the recent kidnaping at Havana with negative results.

A wire was received from the Bureau on 4-26-35 confirming the information previously in possession of this office, requesting that Yocum be interviewed. Accordingly, this Agent proceeded to Topeka and with Special Agent R. P. Baldwin requested Andy Yocum to voluntarily accompany the Agents to Agent Baldwin's rom at the Kansan Hotel at Topeka for questioning. Yocum, who was unarmed, readily volunteered and this Agent submitted the following memorandum in connection therewith. It is the opinion of this Agent and Agent Baldwin that Yocum has no underworld contacts of importance and that he is a petty bootlegger operating in and about Topeka.

With reference to the information furnished by Major Wint Smith concerning Anderson Yocum, alias Andy Yocum, who, Major Smith alleged, was a contact of Karpis, the above official was interviewed by Agents Baldwin and Waters on 5-1-35. At that time he had no definite information tending to show any connection between Karpis and the others wanted in the Bremer case with Andy Yocum.

He stated he was convinced that Yocum was engaged in disposing of "hot" money or bonds, or was receiving money for providing hideouts or contacts for hoodlums.

Major Smith further advised that a close friend of Andy Yocum is E. Ross Price, who is in the automobile business at Topeka. It was through Price that one O'Brien, who was a fugitive as a result of the investigation in the National Bank of Topeka, communicated with Yocum. This information was later substantiated by Agent Baldwin. Mr. Smith was particularly interested in determining the source of Yocum's income. He advised that at various times employees of the State Highway Commission have tapped Yocum's telephone and on April 8, 1935, as a result of such tap, a call was made from Yocum's place of business to the Western Union at Topeka, Kansas, during which an inquiry was made at the Western Union as to whether a telegram had been received for Ace Castle. The Western Union employee replied in the affirmative, whereupon State Highway Patrolmen proceeded to the Western Union Office and obtained a copy of the following telegram, which telegram was delivered to an individual who called at the Western Union. It was dated 4-8-35, addressed to Ace Castle, care Western Union, Topeka, Kansas, "MEMBERSHIP QUOTA PRACTICALLY IN THE BAG STOP PRACTICALLY ASSURED STOP SENDER VISITED A DOZEN FARMERS TODAY (Signed) BLEVINS S. BROOKS, NORTON, KANSAS. Major Smith expressed the opinion that the above telegram was a code of some sort, which opinion, however, was not in any way strengthened as the result of the interview with Yocum by the undersigned and Agent Baldwin.

Arrangements were effected whereby Andy Yocum would be pointed out to the undersigned and Agent Baldwin, at which time he could be picked up for questioning. Accordingly, Trooper Stone of the State Highway Commission observed Yocum talking to his attorney on a street in Topeka, and Baldwin and myself, with Frank Stone, awaited the termination of the conversation between Yocum and his attorney, after which Yocum was requested to proceed to Agent Baldwin's room at the Hotel Kansan for questioning, Officer Stone returning to his office.

Yocum was questioned by Special Agent Baldwin in connection with the investigation now being conducted by him and Agent Clary at the National Bank of Topeka, after which he was questioned by the undersigned relative to the source of his income, and any contacts he may have had with Karpis or other members of his mob. Yocum impresses me as being a small town bootlegger, and it is highly improbable that he has been contacted by Karpis or anyone else of his type. However, in the event Karpis or any of

his associates should return to Topeka it is not impossible that he might contact Yocum. The latter stated, however, that in the event such contact were made he would immediately telephone this office, but under no circumstances would he convey any information to the local police officials, citing one instance where information was confidentially furnished the Sheriff who uncovered his informant. Yocum expressed the opinion that in dealing with men of the Karpis type he would be afraid to furnish information to the local officials because he felt they were not reliable or competent. He did state, however, that he would furnish any information received to this office. Whether he will cooperate in that regard is problematical.

Major Smith based his contention that Karpis might contact Yocum principally on the theory that they were schoolmates in Topeka and in this respect Yocum informed the undersigned that he attended the Branner School in Topeka up until 1913. He is now 37 years of age, considerably older than Karpis, and advised that Karpis may have been at the school at that time but he was so much younger than Yocum that it is very probable that Yocum did not even know him at the school. He stated that at no time has he seen Karpis nor any other of his associates; that during the prohibition era he was a bootlegger and has continued to be one in Kansas.

In connection with the $6,000.00 which was found on his person when he was arrested he advised that that was the accumulation resulting from saving his money over a period of years. When requested to explain how he could save money without a bank account, maintaining his savings in a safety deposit box, he replied that a man in his business naturally cannot have a bank account. He informed that he recently purchased a farm containing approximately 230 acres, making a down payment of $3,000.00, leaving a balance due of approximately $7,400.00. This farm is 22 miles southwest of Topeka and about five miles from West Auburn, Kansas. He was shown photographs of all subjects and contacts of importance in the Bremer file but failed to identify any of them, including Karpis.

The only incident which indicated Yocum was possibly being untruthful occurred when a strip photograph of Campbell, Davis, Karpis and the two Barkers was shown him with the names covered. He failed to identify any of them and it is believed that he was not truthful in this regard in view of the wide distribution given in the press and other ways of photographs of the above individuals.

He was discreetly questioned concerning Ace Castle without revealing to him that a telegram had been received or without revealing to him the source of the information. He denied knowing anyone by the name of Castle and denied vehemently that he had ever used the alias Ace Castle. It is very possible that someone at his place of business may have called the Western Union and obtained the telegram. From an examination of the telegram it is almost inconceivable to state that it is a code telegram. It is suggested, however, that the next time an Agent is at Norton, Kansas, some inquiry be made as to the identity of Blevins S. Brooks.

Yocum was questioned at length concerning his alleged contacts in Chicago and he advised that he does not know any of the so-called "big shots" in Chicago; that he has only been there on several occasions and at the time that he did visit Chicago he resided at the Blair Hotel. I do not believe that this angle warrants any further investigative attention with the exception that the State's Attorney at Topeka should be interviewed. He was out of the city on the day the undersigned was in Topeka and it was stated he would not return until Friday, 5-3-35. The State's Attorney is alleged to have stated that one of his informants told him that he had definite information that Yocum was a contact man for Karpis. I believe the State's Attorney should be requested to disclose the identity of his informant so that the latter might be interviewed.

Yocum is married and has two children, but lives with his paramour whose name is Myrtle McPeak, who is described as follows:

Age - 35 years
Height - 5 feet 6 inches
Build - medium
Eyes - brown
Hair - reddish
Freckles around eyes.

A photograph of Myrtle McPeak, Topeka, Kansas, Police Department #3292 is attached hereto.

The following is a description of Yocum:

Name - Anderson Yocum alias Andy Yocum
Born - Harveyville, Webaunsee County, Kansas, 10-15-1897
Height - 6 feet

Weight - 160 or 164 pounds
Build - medium
Hair - dark brown
Glasses - wears rimless glasses
Marks - pock marks on face
Hair parted on left side, wears sideburns
Eyes - brown
Teeth - gold fillings in upper right and left sides
Little finger on left hand amputated.
Residence - 2027 West Street, Topeka, Kansas
Occupation - bootlegger, liquor runner, maintains speakeasy named Green Nook at 1016½ East 6th Street, Topeka, Kansas
Marital status - married, two children, not living with his wife.
Topeka, Kansas, Police Department #3293

There is also attached hereto in addition to Yocum's photograph a group camera photograph containing Yocum's full length picture.

For purposes of record it is recorded here that under date of 4-25-35 a letter was received at this office from Leon C. Delamaide, Sheriff of Crawford County, Girard, Kansas, in which he advised that the Chevrolet Coupe, which was abandoned by Jess Doyle shortly after his eluding Agents of this office, had been turned over to Doris O'Connor, alias Vinita Stacey, on 4-24-35, she having presented a bill of sale and defrayed all charges in connection therewith.

On 4-24-35 a letter was forwarded to the Commissioners of Motor Vehicles at Jefferson City, Missouri, and Topeka, Kansas, respectively, advising them that a 1934 Buick Club Sedan, motor #2875177, serial #2716681, had been located and, accordingly, stop card placed in their files could be withdrawn.

On 4-27-35 Special Agent R. J. Brandt of this office contacted the Jefferson City, Missouri, Police Department and the Sheriff's office of Cole County, Jefferson City, Missouri, and caused the following wanted notices to be withdrawn:

Fred Barker, with aliases	Division #59165
Jess Doyle	Division #99402
Edna Murray, with aliases	Division #9397
Harry Campbell, with aliases	Division #419856
Volney Davis, with aliases	Division #400441
William Weaver, with aliases	Division #17920
Harry Sawyer, with aliases	Division #421335
Myrtle Eaton, with aliases	Division #337474

There were already in the files of the Sheriff's office and the Chief of Police wanted notices on

Clyde Nimerick, with aliases Division #77961
Charles J. Fitzgerald, with aliases Division #95780.

On 4-29-35 Special Agent Peterson called this office from Chicago and requested this office to obtain information at the U. S. Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, relative to an individual who appeared at the Chicago office refusing to reveal his identity, but claiming to have some information of value relative to the whereabouts of Karpis. Inquiries were made by this Agent at Leavenworth, the Chicago office was advised by letter and that office also informed the Bureau by letter of the developments and, accordingly, to avoid repetition the details are not repeated here.

On the afternoon of 5-6-35 Special Agent in Charge Connelley telephoned this office from New Orleans and informed this Agent that Gladys Sawyer would be in Kansas City on the following morning and requested that she be placed under surveillance until her departure for Omaha. Agents from this office, under the direction of Special Agent in Charge Conroy, covered the Union Station on the morning of 5-7-35, placed Mrs. Sawyer under surveillance and Special Agent E. M. Heavrin accompanied her to Omaha, all of the details of which have been covered in letters to the Omaha and Cincinnati offices and will not be repeated here.

On 5-9-35 Bert Haycock, Special Agent of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, Kansas City, Missouri, called this office and advised Special Agent R. P. Shanahan, who was in this city on subpoena, that a recent check of long distance telephone records disclosed several calls made from the Chesterfield Club in Kansas City to Ada, Oklahoma. In this connection it may be stated that the Chesterfield Club is a cheap cabaret and bar room in Kansas City and is known as a hoodlum hideout. The number called on fifteen different occasions at Ada being "9500F234", in each instance either Louise Walker or Lillian Walker was the party called. The last call was made on 5-6-35. Haycock informed Agent Shanahan that he will make inquiries at Ada, Oklahoma, and will advise this office of the results thereof.

While on subpoena at Wheeling, West Virginia, this Agent was instructed to proceed to Alderson, West Virginia, and interview Frances Taylor, who it will be recalled was the victim of a shooting escapade at Kansas City on 2-5-35 in which Doris O'Connor, alias Vinita Stacey, was her assailant. Frances Taylor was the reported paramour of Johnny Rush alias Johnny Langdon, the latter a reputed associate of "Irish" O'Malley and "Blackie" Doyle, wanted in the Luer kidnaping and suspected of several

bank robberies in this region. It was thought that Frances Taylor might be in a position to furnish valuable information relative to the hangouts and associates of these and other individuals. Accordingly, this Agent proceeded to Alderson, West Virginia, and on Friday, May 17, 1935, made arrangements to interview Frances Taylor. It may be stated here that at the time of Agent's visit she was at the hospital and was in a rather weakened condition. She is still suffering from the effects of the wounds inflicted by Doris O'Connor and, accordingly, the interview was not conducted under the most favorable circumstances, it being deemed inadvisable to press Frances Taylor too strongly at that time in view of her condition. She was interviewed in the presence of Velma Patterson, Record Clerk of the Federal Industrial Institution for Women at Alderson and at the outset of the interview seemed disinclined to furnish any information. It is this Agent's opinion that she possesses much information of value which was not disclosed at the time of the interview.

It may be stated here that the shooting had previously been discussed by this Agent with Assistant Prosecutor Gilwee of Kansas City, Missouri, with reference to the possible prosecution of Doris O'Connor on a charge of assault with intent to kill. Gilwee turned over his file in the matter to this Agent so that any information of value might be extracted therefrom and there is recorded here a summary of the information contained therein.

Leon Biederman, age 13, of 3340 Gillham Road, Kansas City, Missouri, in a signed statement advised that he witnessed the shooting as did Charles Smith, age 12, residing at 3350 Gillham Road, 2nd floor west, Kansas City, Missouri. In connection with these two boys Frances Taylor informed this Agent that they frequently ran errands for her and it is believed they should be interviewed and photographs exhibited to them for any information in their possession relative to the various fugitives in the Bremer, Luer and bank robbery cases being investigated by the Kansas City office.

Elmer J. McDaniel, taxicab driver, employed by the American Cab Company, 318 East 9th Street, Kansas City, Missouri, who resides at the Troost Arms Apartments, 26th and Troost, Apartment 322, Kansas City, advised that he also witnessed the shooting and that he drove Frances Taylor, alias Helen Rush, to the St. Joseph's Hospital, Kansas City.

Mary McCormick, 3409 Gillham Road, Kansas City, Missouri, wife of Dr. Clarence McCormick, in a written statement also admitted witnessing the shooting as did Georgia Buell, 3411 Gillham Road, Apartment 202, Kansas City.

John Nuckels, age 37, Apartment 302, 3417 Gillham Road, Kansas City, likewise furnished a statement in which he advised that he

witnessed the shooting.

There was also contained in Mr. Gilwee's file a statement given by Frances Taylor, alias Frances Rush, which is as follows:

"My name is Frances Taylor. Realizing that I am in the immediate presence of death all hope of life having vanished and that I cannot recover from my wounds (a line was drawn through the words underscored indicating that they were stricken from the statement) and desiring to make a full and complete statement of the facts surrounding the shooting which occurred under date of February 5th, do declare this to be my last and dying statement:

"The evening of February 5, 1935, at about 4:45 P.M., I was on my way to the grocery store when I heard some one hollar at me from behind and as I turned I was shot by someone in the stomach and hand. I do not know why any person should shoot me. I do not know Vinita Stacey or a person by the name of Doris O'Connor.

"The above and foregoing statement has been read to me and it is true.

"Witnessed: Robert Berry
John V. Hill
H. L. Cohernow, M.D."

The case record on Vinita Stacey indicates there have been various continuances by mutual consent by the prosecution and defense and Special Agent Welch of this office ascertained that on 5-21-35 the hearing in State Court has been continued until 6-18-35.

On being interviewed Frances Taylor advised that she was a widow and that her husband was one Dr. E. H. Tyson, 1905 Main Street, Kansas City, Missouri. She stated that her residence was 3411 Gillham Road, Kansas City, and that she met Johnny Rush at a night club in Kansas City some time in 1928, having proceeded to that night club to bring her husband home who at the time was intoxicated, her husband then being Dr. Tyson. She had engagements with Rush and after her husband's death associated with him constantly. She advised that some time ago she sent a letter to Dr. J. G. Hayden of Kansas City, Missouri, demanding $25.00, said letter having been mailed at Topeka, Kansas. She stated that the purpose of forwarding this letter to Hayden was to obtain funds from him as he had performed an illegal operation upon

her younger sister with harmful results. The sister required hospitalization and she felt that Dr. Hayden should assist in defraying the expenses. She was indicted prior to the time the extortion cases were handled exclusively by the Bureau and after the shooting at Kansas City, Missouri, was moved to Topeka where she entered a plea to an indictment based on the extortion charges and was sentenced to five years at Alderson. She advised that she first met Doris O'Connor, alias Vinita Stacey, in the winter of 1932 in a night club known as The Cave at 12th and Central Streets, Kansas City, Missouri. Doris was at that time with a blonde girl. She denied meeting Doris again until the summer of 1934 when she, Frances, was released at Topeka, having been picked up for questioning concerning the Osawatomie mail robbery. At the time she met Doris last summer in Topeka the latter was alone and they proceeded to Kansas City in a green Buick Sedan. At that time Doris took her to an apartment located at 1006 East 26th Street, Kansas City, Missouri, where she resided for some time with one Eileen Akers, who lives with her aunt. Frances Taylor advised that Eileen Akers and she have been very closely associated, but that Eileen does not know of her connection with hoodlums and she declined to furnish much information concerning Eileen, obviously attempting to protect her. Shortly after arriving in Kansas City last summer Doris and Mott Stanley went to Oklahoma and returned about a month later. At that time Jess Doyle was introduced to her as E. A. Conley, returning with Doris, and Doyle stated that he was a salesman for the Capper Publications at Topeka and the car he was driving bore Topeka city license. She denied knowing Jess Doyle by his real name and although she suspected he was "hot" she refused to state that she knew he had any connection with the Bremer kidnaping, stating that the first indication she had of an alleged connection therewith was when she read it in the newspapers subsequent to his apprehension and during the period of her recovery. When Jess and Doris came to Kansas City then rented an apartment on Harrison Street, the exact number which she could not recall but stated it was in the 3000 block and the first three numbers were 304. She stated she first met Volney Davis and Edna Murray, both of whom she knew by the name of Hanson, at the apartment of Doris when she and Johnny Rush were visiting Doris and Jess. Edna and Volney drove up to the apartment in a Ford V-8 which was in very bad condition. She stated she knew that Doris O'Connor's name was not Conley. She also knew that Edna and Doris were sisters, but denied knowing Volney Davis' real identity. In connection with Volney Davis she was rather emphatic in her statements that it is the opinion of all the persons who associate with him that he is practically insane for that reason none of the mob want to associate with him. She advised that on several instances while they were playing cards or engaged in some ordinary conversation Volney Davis would spontaneously jump up out of the chair, grab his hat and leave the premises and would be gond for two or three weeks and it was the opinion of all of them that he was crazy. She stated that one Curly, a brother of

Don Woodring, who conducts either a filling station or auto repair shop called the A. B. C., is a close friend of Johnny Rush. She was questioned relative to the whereabouts of Johnny Rush and others in December with a view of determining, if possible, whether he was implicated in the robberies of the national banks at Okemah, Oklahoma, but she denied that he had left the city, stating that on Christmas Eve, 12-24-34, she and Johnny were at a party at her sister's, Mrs. Strohl, 1115 Troost Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri, and that Johnny Rush arrived there at approximately 9 P.M. that night. She advised further that she is rather positive that Volney Davis, "Irish" O'Malley, "Blackie" Doyle and Vivian Chase frequent the night clubs in Kansas City, particularly the 85 Club, Paramount Club and the White Swan Cafe, and stated that Jimmie Drew, bar tender, in the White Swan Cafe, might be a good source of information in this connection. With reference to Russell "Spike" Lane she advised that she knows him only casually and stated that she believes him to be a contact for the various mobs. She stated she met him at the Three Little Pigs. Although she was questioned at length the information obtained from her was rather meager and it is believed that she should be questioned again after the lapse of approximately one month when her condition may have improved.

With reference to the shooting she stated she will return to Kansas City and testify against Doris O'Connor in the event she is subpoenaed and in connection therewith gave this Agent the following statement:

"May 17, 1935

"I, Frances Taylor hereby make the following voluntary statement in connection with the shooting which occurred February 5, 1935, on the corner of Gillham Plaza and 34th Street, Kansas City, Mo.

"I left my apartment which was at 3411 Gillham St. that day at about 4:30 in the afternoon. On reaching the curb on the corner of Gillham Plaza and 34th St. I heard someone calling to me from behind. On turning around I saw Doris O'Connor, who I also know as Vinita Stacey and Doris Stuchlick. She was wearing a brown fur coat and brown hat. As she approached me she was mumbling something which I could not understand. I took two steps toward her and she immediately pulled a gun, which she held in her right hand and began firing at me. She shot me three times in the stomach, and once in the right hand which I had placed over my heart. The bullet which struck me in the right hand ricocheted, struck me in the mouth and broke one of my teeth. After firing five or six shots at me she proceeded East on 34th St. In the meantime a man came by and I asked him to call an ambulance. He was unknown to me.

"I have been shown a photo bearing number 22790 by Mrs. Velma Patterson, Record Clerk, Federal Institution, Alderson, W. Va., which I identify as Doris O'Connor, alias Doris Stuchlick, alias Vinita Stacey, the woman who shot me. In the event she is prosecuted at Kansas City I am willing to testify in accordance with the above.

(Signed) Frances Taylor

"Velma Patterson (witness)
Record Clerk
Fed. Ind. Institution for Women
Alderson, West Virginia."

The original and one copy of the above statement is retained in the file of the Kansas City office.

Frances Taylor advised that on the night of 2-4-35, that is the night preceding the shooting, she was very much intoxicated and had gone to several night clubs in Kansas City. She stated she positively refused, however, to reveal the identity of her companion and stated that she felt so badly on the morning of 2-5-35 that she went to the baths in Kansas City for the purpose of sobering up and returned to her apartment in the afternoon. She stated that about four o'clock in the afternoon Volney Davis visited her and left her apartment just about fifteen minutes before the shooting. Photographs of all Subjects wanted in the Bremer case were exhibited to her, as well as those in the Luer case and she identified the following: Doris O'Connor whom she has known as Vinita Stacey, Doris Stuchlick and Mrs. E. A. Conley. She also identified Vivian Chase whom she stated she saw last summer many times at the Three Little Pigs with "Irish" O'Malley. She advised that Vivian Chase is now in Kansas City and that she is toothless. She identified "Irish" O'Malley whom she stated she knows as Floyd, advising that she has seen him in various night clubs in Kansas City. She also identified "Blackie" Doyle whom she stated likewise hangs out in Kansas City and associates with a prostitute from Kansas City whose name is Pauline, last name unknown, age 25, 5 feet 4 inches, dark complexion, with brown hair, brown eyes, has a boyish bob. She advised that Pauline may be located in the vicinity of 50th and Troost Avenue, in the neighborhood where the apartment was raided is located. She likewise identified Volney Davis, stating that the picture of him in the strip photo resembles him more closely than the other photographs. She also identified Jess Doyle, stating that the photograph of him was not very good and stated that she knew Edna Murray as Grace Hanson.

With particular reference to Preston Paden, the nephew of Doris O'Connor and the son of Edna Murray, she advised that she knew him as Preston Price although she realized that Price was not his right name and stated that he had been associating occasionally with Jess Doyle and Volney Davis. She was questioned specifically concerning the possibility of

-Preston Paden having been implicated in the robbery of the State Bank at Drexel, Missouri, and denied any knowledge thereof. She advised that her mother's name is Mrs. Ida Ballard, whose present address is 1317 Troost Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri, and who previously resided at 1205 Troost Avenue. As stated heretofore it is believed that when the condition of Frances Taylor improves she should be again interviewed and the Pittsburgh office has been requested by letter to conduct this interview. Arrangements were made with Dr. Harris, Superintendent of the Federal Industrial Institution for Women at Alderson to furnish the Pittsburgh office with copies of incoming and outgoing correspondence of Frances Taylor in the event said correspondence contains anything which may appear to be of value. It is requested that the Pittsburg office confirm this arrangement with Dr. Harris by letter. Thus far Frances Taylor has received letters from the following:

Bob Coffman, 1205 Troost, Kansas City, Missouri
Mrs. L. D. Jones, 1205 Troost, Kansas City, Missouri
Marie Strohl, 918 East 27th Street, Kansas City, Missouri

She has written to the following persons:

Mrs. Bob Kauffman (and Coffman) and
Mrs. L. D. Jones whose addresses are given above.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

The offices receiving copies of this report will examine it for any leads in their respective districts.

KANSAS CITY OFFICE will give immediate attention to the leads in Kansas City based on the information furnished by Frances Taylor and will conduct such other investigation as the contents of this report warrant.

PENDING

CEN:MPW
7-576

June 6, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

UNIT FIVE.

Information has been received to the effect that subject ~~VOLNEY DAVIS, with alias~~ FUGITIVE, Index No. ~~5971~~, was located at ~~Chicago, Illinois~~ on ~~June 1, 1935.~~

Kindly cancel wanted notice in Fugitive bulletin.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Mr. Baughman ..
Chief Clerk .....
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Pennsylvania Ave. at 9th St., N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218;
VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O. 1237; ET AL.
Edward George Bremer - Victim.
KIDNAPING - HARBORING AND
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE -
NATL. FIREARMS ACT
St. Paul File 7-30.

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Dear Sir:

In connection with captioned case, please be advised that Jess Doyle has been interviewed several times recently by Special Agent R. C. Coulter, the most recent being during the afternoon of May 20, 1935, at which time he stated he absolutely had nothing to do with the robbery of the Okemah, Okla., National Bank, as he was receiving treatment for skin cancer on his left leg, and gave complete information as to where he was living in Kansas City, and the name of the doctor who was treating him at that time. He stated it was true that he had one of the bonds stolen from the bank in his apartment at Kansas City at the time of his arrest, which had been given to him by Volney Davis. He stated that he had previously denied any connection with the robbery of the before mentioned bank, and that no one could truthfully identify him as a participant in the robbery. He stated it is perfectly agreeable to him that he be indicted, but he feels positive that he will be acquitted unless he is framed, however, he stated he did not believe anyone connected with this organization would willingly

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be a party to any such action. He further stated no one could identify him in connection with the robbery of any of the other banks he is accused of robbing, and the only way he could be convicted would be for the Agents of this Bureau to go into State court and testify against him. He does not claim that he has not been guilty of law violations, but does claim he has not violated any Federal laws, and that he has no intention of doing so in the future. Doyle does not claim he was in any way mistreated at the time of his arrest, but stated he was under a terrific mental strain, and made some statements which he would not have made under ordinary circumstances.

As indicated in the letter from this office to the Oklahoma City office in captioned case, dated May 1, 1935, Doyle has furnished some information regarding the possible whereabouts of Weaver and other fugitives in captioned case. During the most recent interview, Doyle stated if he were acquitted in connection with the Okemah National Bank robbery, or if it is sufficiently established that he was not guilty and he is subsequently released, he would willingly make the necessary inquiry with a view to definitely establishing the exact whereabouts of Weaver and the other members of the mob insofar as it is possible for him to do so. He stated if the wrong thing is done at South Coffeyville, Oklahoma, prior to his release, he would not know where to go to look for information regarding Weaver or Davis. Agent Coulter suggested to him that he could safely talk to Special Agent in Charge Dwight Brantley of the Oklahoma City office, which he agreed to do on his arrival there, but on second thought, he stated he had no doubt but that it would be just as satisfactory to deal with Mr. Brantley, but to discuss such matters is embarrassing to him, and that he did not wish to deal with anyone other than Agent Coulter. He stated that he certainly would be killed if he were suspected of furnishing information to law enforcement officials, and that he had never done such a thing before. He further stated that he was reasonably sure that any of the members of the mob, other than Davis and Weaver would attempt to kill him on sight anyway, and in the

event he located any of them he would like to handle them in such a manner that it would be unnecessary for the Government to take any action; however, he advised that such action on his part was unthinkable insofar as this Bureau was concerned, and that the only thing desired of him was definite information as to the location of the fugitives in this case. Agent Coulter explained to him that he personally would be on the spot if he were released and did not cooperate to the fullest extent, and he replied that he certainly would if he were released, and if he were not willing to do that he would not have given the information he had been supplying in the past few days.

Doyle is rather dejected and feels that owing to the amount of publicity he has received in the Bremer case some charge will be placed against him somewhere, and that he will receive a life sentence regardless of his innocence or guilt. He stated that a large number of thieves with whom he has been associating think he has a lot of money, but he in fact had exactly $294 at the time of his arrest, $200 of which he gave to his girl friend, Doris Connell, and that he has spent most of the remainder since being confined in the Ramsey County Jail. He does not make any denial as to his association with the Barker-Karpis mob, explaining that he had grown up with Fred Barker, and that they were as close as brothers, however, he had been attempting to break away from them since his release from the penitentiary, but owing to his long acquaintance with the mob, and the fact that his girl friend is a sister of Edna Murray, the girl friend of Volney Davis, he had found it impossible to stay clear of them.

Notwithstanding Doyle's criminal record, he has at all times been honest in his statements to Agents of this office, and I am inclined to believe that he is in a better position than anyone else known at present to assist in bringing about the capture of some of the remaining fugitives in captioned case, and I would respectfully suggest that the Bureau consider using him as a confidential informant at the conclusion of the bank robbery case against him, if he is acquitted. He made no mention of financial remuneration for his services, however it would undoubtedly be necessary to finance him in a small way.

A copy of this letter is being furnished to Special Agent in Charge Brantley for his confidential information in supervising the investigation of the information previously furnished by Doyle, however, it is not desired that this letter be made a part of the investigative files of the Oklahoma City Bureau office. A full report of all the information furnished by Doyle is being prepared at this time in captioned case, however, in most part, it only enlarges on the information set out in the letter referred to in paragraph two of this letter.

Very truly yours,

H. E. Andersen

H. E. ANDERSEN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 515,
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 your personal and confidential letter dated May 22, 1935 in the above entitled case, wherein you discuss the possibility of using Jess Doyle as a confidential informant of the Bureau.

The Bureau can not, of course, intercede on behalf of Doyle to the extent of having any State prosecution that might be pending against him dismissed. However, should the State prosecution be dismissed the Bureau has no objection to the services of Doyle being utilized as a confidential informant, to be paid such sums of money commensurate with the information furnished by him, which, upon investigation, proves to be reliable and helpful.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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There are many angles of this to be checked involving possible harboring charges & other matters. See that this is done immediately.

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TO SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE AT CHICAGO

BREKID REFERENCE YOUR TELETYPE SECOND INSTANT REFLECTING INFORMATION FURNISHED BY SUBJECT VOLNEY DAVIS RELATIVE TO PLACES OF RESIDENCE SUBSEQUENT TO HIS ESCAPE AT YORKVILLE ILLINOIS FEBRUARY SIXTH NINETEEN THIRTY FIVE CONDUCT THOROUGH INVESTIGATION WITH VIEW TO DEVELOPING POSSIBLE HARBORING CHARGES

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Field Office, Room
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June 6, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I. O. 1218; Volney Davis, with aliases,
I. O. 1237, Fugitive; et al; EDWARD
GEORGE BRAMER, Victim - Kidnaping;
Harboring and Obstruction of Justice;
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT

Dear Sir:

This office, acting upon telephone information received from Mr. Hanson, of the New York Office, to the effect that George E. Brown, a possible contact of the Karpis gang, left the Newark Air Port at 3:50 P.M., June 5, 1935, with his destination as the Hamilton Hotel, Washington, D. C., had Agents watch the Air Port at Washington, D. C., and Brown was picked up there and followed to the Hamilton Hotel. He was met at the Air Port by a man, whose name was later learned to be Louis Krause, whose room was No. 540 in the Hamilton Hotel, and who, it was stated at the the hotel, has given his employment as Vice President of the Moving Pictures Operators Union at New York, with offices at possibly 1450 Broadway, New York City. It was ascertained that Krause was known to be a friend of Mr. Green, of the American Federation of Labor and that both he and Mr. Brown later joined Mr. Green and several other gentlemen in the Cocktail Room of the hotel, where they talked for about two hours.

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During this time one of the Agents was able to get close enough to the party to hear a good deal of the conversation, and it was ascertained that the conversation was largely [illegible] 1935 P.M. labor unions, N. R. A., and strikes, and that at no time was mention made of any gangs or Alvin Karpis. However, at one time a man came in and was introduced as Mr. Carpenter, which may account for the telephonic conversation concerning Karpis. It may have been that the name of "Carpenter" was misunderstood and believed to have been "Karpis".

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Arrangements were made with the hotel to place two Agents in the hotel near the room secured by Brown, which was Room No. 1042, and arrangements were made to cover all long distance telephone calls.

Brown made no attempt to keep his actions and movements secret, but openly conferred with different men who seemed to be high officials in the labor organizations at Washington, and was frequently seen in the lobby during the night of June 5. No long distance telephone calls were recorded by the Agents there.

At about 1:30 P.M. on June 6, George E. Brown checked out of the hotel in the company of Louis Krause, stating to the hotel clerk that they could be reached at the Governor Clinton Hotel in New York City. They were followed by an Agent to the Union Station where they were observed to enter Pennsylvania Railway Train No. 43, which left Washington at 2:00 P.M. and was scheduled to arrive in New York City at 6:15 P.M. This information was immediately telephoned to the New York Office.

The description of George E. Brown, as observed by Agents in the Washington Field Office, is as follows:

Age:	About 40
Height:	6 feet
Weight:	200 pounds, or more
Build:	Stocky, strong looking
Hair:	Dark
Eyes:	Dark
Complexion:	Ruddy, and red nose
Dress:	Banker grey suit, light tan shoes, straw hat with dark band with stripes. Carrying a zipper handbag.
Distinguishing characteristics:	Has a tough look and a very heavy beard, and after a few drinks his face and nose become very red.

The description of Louis Krause is as follows:

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Age:	About 57
Height:	5 feet 9 inches
Weight:	About 165 pounds
Build:	Stocky but short
Hair:	Dark
Eyes:	Dark
Complexion:	Dark
Dress:	Wearing bankers gray suit and two-toned tan shoes, brown felt hat, dark blue or gray checked shirt
Distinguishing characteristics:	Always has a big cigar in mouth and has a race track appearance, although his dress is very conventional
Mustache:	None

It was understood at the hotel that Brown was Krause's boss, and Krause attempted to get a suite of rooms for Brown referring to him in that manner.

Very truly yours,

J. M. KEITH,
Special Agent in Charge.

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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AND PRIVACY ACTS

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

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During a telephonic conversation with Mr. Purvis at the Chicago Office, he said that he is informed by Agent Brown that Mr. Cowley had informed [redacted] who put Volney Davis on the spot, that the Bureau would pay her some money for this service.

I told Mr. Purvis that while I did not have any personal recollection of this, I would have the file checked, and if Mr. Cowley had promised to give this woman some money, and had informed the Bureau thereof, she would surely get it.

I told Mr. Purvis that I would advise him after the file had been checked for this point.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

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Post Office Box 812
Chicago Illinois

June 8, 1935

Special Agent in Charge
St. Louis, Missouri

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, WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O. 1238, WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O.1239 WYNTLE EATON, I.O. 1241, et al
Edward George Kramer, Victim
KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

The Chicago office has presently under surveillance one Gilbert Kaplan, a suspected contact for subject Alvin Karpis, and it has been determined that Kaplan is in possession of a Buick car, factory No. 2701457, engine No. 2856469, and bears 1935 Illinois license No. 398097.

It is requested that your office conduct the appropriate investigation at Springfield, Illinois, to ascertain if the name of the dealer from which Kaplan purchased his car is available through the records of the Secretary of State's office. This is desired in order that appropriate investigation can be conducted to determine if the dealer who sold this car to Kaplan has sold cars to the fugitive members of the Karpis-Barker gang.

Very truly yours,

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ADDRESS OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS TO
THE SECRETARY OF STATE
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In reply refer to
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My dear Mr. Attorney General:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of Ma 1935, concerning the desire of the Bureau of Investigation of your Department to obtain information concerning an automatic pistol that has been recovered from a person taken into custody in connection with a kidnaping case.

In accordance with your request, this Department has been pleased to issue appropriate instructions in the matter to the American Consul at Leipzig, Germany, within whose consular jurisdiction Erfurt is situated. As soon as the Consul's report is received, a further letter bearing on the subject will be addressed to you.

Sincerely yours,

For the Secretary of State:

Assistant Secretary.

The Honorable

Homer S. Cummings,

Attorney General.

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June 7, 1935.

Time 5:20 P. M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Re: Brenner Case.

Mr. Andersen telephoned from St. Paul and stated that the following sentences have been given in the Brenner case:

John McLaughlin	5 years	Leavenworth
Harold Alderton	20 years	Leavenworth
Elmer Farmer	20 years	Leavenworth
James Wilson	5 years	Chillicothe
Volney Davis	life	Leavenworth.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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1551 First Nat'l. Bank Bldg.,
El Paso, Texas,
June 8, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Phoenix, Arizona.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I. O. 1218, et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.
Kidnaping; Harboring; Obstruction of
Justice; National Firearms Act.

Dear Sir:

On Saturday, June 1, Mrs. J.A.Street, wife of a special agent attached to this office, reported having seen a tan colored, small sedan automobile which ran through a traffic light in El Paso and by such action aroused her suspicions, causing her to follow the car for several blocks during which time she claims she got a good look at the driver and she is absolutely satisfied the same was Alvin Karpis, although he had red hair. She claims that the lines around his mouth and the hair line, etc., were identical and that he had that "hunted look". Mrs. Street furnished us with what she claims is the actual license number on the car which was 1935 Arizona No. NS 37. She also stated that the man had considerable baggage lashed on the car, and was apparently trying to get through town in a hurry. We broadcast the license number over the local police radio but no one saw or checked the car afterwards.

I wired the motor vehicle division of the State Highway Department at Phoenix, Ariz., and on June 4 received a reply stating that Arizona 1935 license No. NS 37 was issued to Mrs. Homer Harris, Gadsden, Yuma County, Ariz., for a Chevrolet Cabriolet, Motor #3763984.

I do not know just how seriously to take Mrs. Street's information, although I have the utmost confidence in her sincerity, I do not have so much confidence in the correctness of her deductions, nor am I entirely confident that she furnished the right license number, as at first she was a little in doubt about it. However, in view of the recent rumors to the effect that the remainder of the Karpis gang are probably now in the West or Southwest, I deem it advisable to request you to make an investigation concerning the automobile hereinabove described, to locate and identify Mrs. Homer Harris, the alleged owner. It may be that her license plates have been stolen, especially if they were on a sedan and the records show her car to be a cabriolet.

Very truly yours,

R. H. Colvin,
Special Agent in Charge.

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FEDERAL BUREAU
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
P. O. Box 709
Portland, Oregon

June 10, 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

C. A. Blodgett, Chief of Police, Oregon City, Oregon, on June 9, 1935, delivered to this office a copy of an application for Purchaser's Liquor Permit No. 82240, which bears the signature Alvin Karpis, together with a receipt signed by Alvin Karpis for one pint of liquor.

The above mentioned exhibits are being enclosed with copies of this letter, and it is requested that the laboratory examine the same for fingerprints and that the prints found, if any, be compared with those of subject Karpis.

It is requested that the above exhibits be returned to this office after they have served their purpose.

Very truly yours,

C. C. SPEARS,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Laboratory Report

Case: Brekid Number: 7-576-6334

Specimens:
7-576-6334 A. Application for Purchaser's Liquor Permit No. 82240, which bears the signature Alvin Karpis.
" B. One receipt signed Alvin Karpis for one pint of liquor.

Examination requested by: Portland Bureau Office.

Date received: 6-13-35

Examination requested: Handwriting and fingerprint

Result of examination: 6/13 Examination by: ~~Appel~~ Engert

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Not enough similarities to warrant an identification

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June 21, 1935

Mr. C. C. Speare,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
411 U. S. Court House Building,
Portland, Oregon.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau's letter of June 18, 1935 in connection with the case entitled Alvin Karpis with aliases - Fugitive, I. O. 1218, et al.; Edward G. Bremer - Victim, Kidnaping.

In accordance with your request, the original evidence consisting of a copy of an Application for Purchaser's Liquor Permit #82240 and a receipt signed "Alvin Karpis" for one pint of liquor, submitted with your letter of June 10, 1935, are being returned herewith, photographic copies of same having been made for the completion of the Bureau's files.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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June 18, 1935.

Mr. C. C. Speare,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box #709,
Portland, Oregon.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of June 10, 1935 transmitting a copy of an application for Purchaser's Liquor Permit Number 82240, which bears the signature "Alvin Karpis", together with a receipt signed "Alvin Karpis" for one pint of liquor, in connection with the case entitled Alvin Karpis with aliases - Fugitive, I. O. #1218, et al.; Edward G. Bremer - Victim; Kidnaping.

No latent fingerprints of value could be developed on the receipt for one pint of liquor. On the application for Purchaser's Liquor Permit Number 82240 one fragmentary latent fingerprint was developed. This latent fingerprint was compared with the fingerprints of Alvin Karpis, I. O. #1218, but no identification was effected.

The original evidence will be returned to your office within the next several days. Photographic copies of the latent fingerprint are now being made for the completion of the Bureau's files.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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June 11, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge
Chicago, Illinois

Re: Alvin Karpis with aliases -
Fugitive, I.O. #1218, et al;
Edward G. Bremer - Victim
Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

The Bureau desires that you expedite the inquiry to be made of the Chicago, Illinois Police Department relative to the possible existence of latent fingerprints recovered after the killing of Officer Cunningham, as was suggested in Bureau letter dated April 25, 1935.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Alvin Karpis, et al

Mr. Newby has invited my attention to a statement contained in the report submitted by J. H. Hanson at Jacksonville, Florida on April 23, 1935, relating to an interview with Mr. T. R. Knight, the father-in- law of Joe Adams. You will recall that Joe Adams is under indictment for harboring Karpis, et al in Florida, and that his father-in-law T. R. Knight is a political figure of considerable prominence in Florida. T. R. Knight advised Agents McKee and Hanson as follows: "He mentioned that he had been to Washington, D.C., a few days prior to his conversation with the Agents and that he had discussed the facts in this case with the Honorable Joseph B. Keenan, Assistant Attorney General, and that Mr. Keenan had explained to him that on occasions when a case was presented to the Federal Grand Jury and an indictment had been secured, if subsequent investigation revealed that the case was not one that should be prosecuted, that on some occasions indictments had been dismissed for this reason.

"Mr. Knight stated that it was for this reason that he was speaking to the Agents, hoping that they would hurry and complete the investigation and make a recommendation to the United States Attorney that no prosecution be had against Mr. Adams.

"Mr. Knight was informed that such recommendation was not within the province or duties of a Special Agent and that under no circumstances would such a recommendation be made; that the duties of the Special Agents were solely to gather facts and that it was within the province of the United States Attorney to institute prosecution."

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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I want to press vigorously the case against Adams. The fact his father-in-law is a politician makes me all the more determined.

J. E. H.

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June 11, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
Little Rock, Arkansas.

Re: Alvin Karpis with aliases;
Fugitive, I.F. #1218, Et Al;
Edward George Bremer - Victim,
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith copies of a letter addressed to the Department of Justice by L. H. Frazier, c/o Noble Hotel, Jonesboro, Arkansas, dated June 3, 1935, containing a request to be furnished with a photograph and description of Alvin Karpis.

It is noted from the letter of Mr. Frazier that he travels through the northern part of Arkansas, as a salesman for the J. I. Case Company, manufacturers of farm machinery.

It is believed that Mr. Frazier can be of considerable assistance to the Bureau, and in view of his expressed willingness to cooperate, you should immediately assign an Agent to interview him and to furnish him with the enclosed set of Identification Orders, issued on Alvin Karpis, Dr. Joseph P. Moran, Harry Campbell, William Weaver, William J. Harrison and Myrtle Eaton. The set of glossy finished photographs, enclosed herewith, should also be furnished to Mr. Frazier.

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The Agent who conducts the interview should also furnish Mr. Frazier with information concerning persistent rumors received by the Bureau to the effect that William Weaver has purchased a farm somewhere in Arkansas, and that Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell are reported to be in hiding on this farm. Mr. Frazier should, of course, be requested to treat this information as confidential.

Specific instructions should be furnished to Mr. Frazier as to the manner in which any information obtained by him should be communicated to you, and further that he will be paid for any information resulting in the location and apprehension of the individuals referred to herein.

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

In your negotiations with Mr. Frazier it should be borne in mind that the Bureau has authorized the payment of a sum of money not to exceed $1000 for information resulting in the apprehension of any of these individuals. In the event you can obtain the information for a less amount you should, of course, do so.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc-Cincinnati
Chicago
St. Paul

Identification Orders & pictures are not being forwarded with a copy of this letter dated 6/10/36 for Cincinnati, Chicago, and St. Paul.

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Little Rock, Ark.	6/10/35	6/1/35 & 6/5/35	N. E. Marshall AJM

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;
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:
WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I. O. 1239;
MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I. O. 1241;
BRUNO PUTAS, with aliases; ET AL.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.

CHARACTER OF CASE:
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Virgie Noe, Route 4, Lonoke, Arkansas, states she and Elizabeth Schropshir, Beebe, Arkansas, hitch-hiked to Phoenix, Arizona, in February, 1935, returning about one month ago. Phoenix Donald unknown to her and she was never in the penitentiary in Phoenix, Arizona. Information furnished by W. S. Brown, Conway, Arkansas, apparently groundless.

REFERENCE: Letter from the Little Rock office to the Los Angeles office dated April 17, 1935. Letter from the Little Rock office to the Los Angeles office dated May 15, 1935.

DETAILS: W. S. Brown, former police officer, Conway, Arkansas, who furnished the information set forth in letters of reference, called at the Little Rock office on June 1, 1935, and advised he had received further information regarding the woman whom he stated had gone to Phoenix, Arizona, with a man who was badly wanted by the Government. Mr. Brown stated he had learned this girl's name is Virgie Noe, instead of Alfey Smith, and he has received further information to the effect that Virgie Noe has returned to Arkansas and is presently living with her father, Walter Noe, at Lonoke, Arkansas.

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: R. B. Shuler SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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Inquiry in Lonoke, Arkansas, revealed Walter Noe lives at Beebe, Arkansas, and his daughter, Virgie Noe, is presently living on Route 4, Lonoke, Arkansas, with Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Moore.

Virgie Noe, Route 4, Lonoke, Arkansas, advised that on February 2, 1935, she and Elizabeth Schropshir, a girl who resides at Beebe, Arkansas, had decided to hitch-hike to Phoenix, Arizona, to visit Elizabeth Schropshir's brother, who works at that place. Virgie Noe stated they left Beebe on February 2, 1935, and hitch-hiked their way to Phoenix, Arizona, arriving at that place on February 5, 1935. Miss Noe advised she and Elizabeth obtained a job with a Mrs. Jones, who resides on Route 1, Phoenix, Arizona, and whose mail box is #262, and worked for her and stayed with her all the time they were in Arizona. Miss Noe stated she left Arizona about one month ago and returned to Lonoke, Arkansas, and that Elizabeth Schropshir went on to California, and her present whereabouts is unknown to Miss Noe. Miss Noe advised she has never heard of Phoenix Donald and knows no one by that name or by the name of William Weaver. A photograph of Phoenix Donald was exhibited to Miss Noe, and she advised she had never seen anyone who resembled the photograph of Donald. Miss Noe was questioned regarding any correspondence she might have carried on with anyone in Conway, Arkansas, during her stay in Arizona. Miss Noe advised she wrote several letters to Arvle Brown, a rural mail carrier who lives in Conway, Arkansas, and who is the son of Tom Brown, a former fireman of Conway, Arkansas. Miss Noe advised she was never in any trouble of any kind, had never been arrested, and had not served any time in the Arizona Industrial School for Women, located at Phoenix, Arizona. The following description of Virgie Noe is being set forth:

Name	Virgie Noe
Age	18
Height	5 ft., 4 in.
Weight	122 lbs.
Build	Slender
Hair	Light brown
Eyes	Gray
Complexion	Fair - freckled
Residence	Lives with Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Moore, Route 4, Lonoke, Arkansas
Occupation	Houseworker

In view of the interview with Miss Noe, it is apparent that information furnished by W. S. Brown, Conway, Arkansas, is groundless, and the Phoenix office is advised to disregard the lead set forth in reference letters.

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St. Paul

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Miss Gandy .....

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DIRECTOR

REPRESENTATIVE OF PREBS HERE INQUIRED JUST NOW AS TO WHETHER THE POLICE HAD CAUGHT KARPIS THIS AFTERNOON IN CHICAGO. MATTER CHCKED WITH POLICE DEPARTMENT WHO ADVISE THAT SEVERAL POLICE WENT TO A POINT AT HARLEM AND DIVERSEY STREETS TO ENDEAVOR TO CAPTURE SOME PERSON WANTED BY THE STATES ATTORNEYS OFFICEON A TIP FROM A STATES ATTORNEYS INFORMANT, AND IT WAS NOT KARPIS THEY WERE SEEKING.

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Jacksonville, Fla., June 11, 1935.

M. H. PURVIS
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

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BRSKID FLORIDA LICENSE D SEVEN TWO EIGHT SIX THIS YEAR ISSUED MARY ELLEN CROSIER THREE THREE SIX SOUTHWEST THIRTEENTH AVENUE MIAMI FOR AUBURN CABRIOLET MOTOR OC EIGHTEEN NINETEEN STOP SHE RESIDED BRITON APARTMENTS THREE THREE SIX SOUTHWEST THIRTEENTH AVENUE MIAMI JANUARY FIRST THROUGH FEBRUARY LAST WITH HUSBAND W C CROSIER FIELD REPRESENTATIVE COLLIER MAGAZINE COMPANY THEREAFTER CROSIER LEFT FOR TAMPA MARY ELLEN REMAINED MIAMI UNTIL APRIL FIRST WHEN LEFT FOR UNKNOWN DESTINATION STOP NO CRIMINAL RECORDS OR FORWARDING ADDRESS REPUTATION CONSIDERED GOOD

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AIR MAIL—SPECIAL

June 1, 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, 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 - CHICAGO FILE NO. 7-82

I am transmitting herewith two copies of the fingerprint impressions of Volney Davis taken at the Chicago Bureau office following his apprehension on this date.

Very truly yours,

M. H. Purvis

M. H. PURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
P. O. Box 515
St. Paul, Minnesota

June 11, 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, L.O.#1218;
FUGITIVE; ET AL
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
KIDNAPING - HARBORING - OBSTRUCTION
OF JUSTICE - NAT'L FIREARMS ACT
St.Paul File No. 7-30

JESS DOYLE, ET AL
OKEMAH NATIONAL BANK, Okemah, Oklahoma
BANK ROBBERY
St.Paul File No. 91-15

Reference is had to telephone conversation of June 11, 1935 from Mr. Tamm of the Bureau to the St.Paul Office advising that wire had been received from Harry H. Peterson, Attorney General of the State of Minnesota, to the effect that Leonard Hankins, a prisoner in the Stillwater, Minnesota, prison on the charge of robbery of the Northwestern Bank of Minneapolis, Minnesota, is applying for a pardon from the Minnesota Prison on the basis that a confession made by JESS DOYLE exonerates him of the crime for which he has been convicted and is now serving sentence; that the wire of Attorney General Peterson further stated that he had requested United States Attorney George Sullivan, St.Paul, Minnesota, to furnish him JESS DOYLE'S confession; that Mr. Sullivan had advised him that he would only furnish DOYLE'S confession on authorization of this Bureau.

Mr. Tamm instructed that Mr. Sullivan be advised that it is not within the jurisdiction of the Federal Bureau of Investigation to tell the United States Attorney what he should do in this matter, or whether he should furnish DOYLE'S confession to the Attorney General of Minnesota, this being a matter for him to determine.

This matter was discussed with Mr. Sullivan and he was advised along the lines requested by Mr. Tamm. He said his reason for not giving Attorney General Peterson the confession in the first place was because he did not want to do anything which might jeopardize any pending investigation being made by this Bureau.

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On June 11, 1935 a Federal Judge in the District of Minnesota signed an order vacating the removal order previously made by which JESS DOYLE would be removed to Oklahoma on the charge of the robbery of the Okemah, National Bank of Okemah, Oklahoma. DOYLE signed a waiver immediately thereafter which he gave to State Sheriff F. G. Benton of Lincoln, Nebraska, and Sheriff Emil Ackerman of Fairbury, Nebraska, for his return to Fairbury, Nebraska, to face charges of bank robbery in State Court at that point.

Very truly yours,

H. E. Andersen
SWH

H. E. ANDERSEN
Special Agent in Charge

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CC Cincinnati
CC Oklahoma City

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

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

EAT:CSH

June 7, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

RE: BREMER KIDNAPING CASE.

[redacted] the informant who pointed out Volney Davis to us, claims that Mr. Cowley had assured her she would be paid liberal compensation in the event she furnished information resulting in the apprehension of Davis. She claims she does not know how much she was to receive but I recall on several occasions talking with Mr. Cowley and telling him that we would pay any confidential informant who furnished information to us resulting in the apprehension of the fugitive subjects in the Bremer case from $500 to $1,000, depending upon the identity of the subjects and, of course, the lowest amount of money which appealed to the individual informants. Mr. Purvis states that [redacted] is inquiring concerning the compensation which she is to receive for having "fingered" Davis.

I believe we should pay this woman a maximum of $500, settling, of course, for less if we can induce her to accept a smaller sum. Subject to your approval, I will inform Mr. Purvis that he is authorized to pay [redacted] a sum not to exceed $500, and request that he endeavor to settle for less.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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

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June 8, 1935.

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While talking to Mr. Purvis on another matter, I advised him that the woman [redacted] could be paid the $500 which she asked and that a draft for the money would be sent Monday.

Mr. Purvis also advised that Dr. Loeser has written a story and copies of same will be sent the Bureau but Dr. Loeser wants credit for it for the purpose of getting the money for his paramour.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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Post Office Box 512,
Chicago, Illinois.

June 10, 1935

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

Dear Sir,

Reference is made to your letter dated June 4, 1935, requesting that the Presidents of the American Airlines and the United Air Lines Transport Corporation be interviewed relative to the maintenance of secrecy concerning the movements of Special Agents of this Bureau when they travel by air and also secrecy with regard to the transportation of criminals.

I have talked with Mr. C. R. Smith of the American Airlines, Inc., and he has expressed his desire to cooperate in every possible way. He informed me that he would issue a confidential memorandum to all employees instructing them that under no circumstances should any information be given out to anyone concerning such travel by his airlines. He is now preparing this memorandum and states that he will forward a copy to me, after which I will forward the same to the Bureau.

I also talked with Mr. W. A. Patterson of the United Airlines and he likewise expressed extreme interest in this matter and indicated a desire to cooperate with the Bureau, and stated that he would issue instructions immediately and also furnish me with copy of his instructions to his employees.

He also stated that he would select a list of "key men" in his organization all over the country who might be contacted for confidential transportation when such is necessary on part of employees of the Bureau. He will furnish these names to me and I will furnish them to the Bureau.

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Mr. Patterson added that he had been quite embarrassed recently when a prisoner was being removed from Boise, Idaho, to Chicago, Illinois. He stated that this prisoner was allowed to get out of the plane at Omaha, Nebraska and walk around, and someone approached him and asked him who he was, and Mr. Patterson informed me that the prisoner replied, "I am Alvin Karpis". He states that this is the way the story started which aroused so much newspaper interest in Chicago.

Both of these gentlemen indicated a very cooperative attitude and stated that they would take immediate steps to see that the desires of the Bureau were met.

I will inform the Bureau further as soon as any additional information in received from these Companies.

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge.

MHP:mwc

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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

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June 8, 1935.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Time -

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218;
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases,
I. O. #1237, et al; EDWARD
GEORGE BREMER - Victim;
Kidnaping

I called Mr. Andersen at St. Paul and advised him that the Bureau had received a number of newspaper clippings coming out of St. Paul about June 4, 1935, which gave all the details of the apprehension of Volney Davis, how he arranged to meet his sweetheart in the district of Chicago where the authorities were informed of the proposed meeting. I asked him if he knew the source of the information and whether it was furnished to the United States Attorney.

Mr. Andersen advised that the United States Attorney talked to Davis and Davis admitted the fact openly that he called to see some girl; that if he had not called to see her he would have been all right. Mr. Andersen stated that he nor anyone else at St. Paul gave out the information.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

Here we have again this man Sullivan over running at the mouth.
J.E.H.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
1021 Bankers Building
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

June 11, 1935

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

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. 1218;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I. O. 1232;
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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 FIREARMS ACT

Dear Sir:

About 2:00 P. M. on June 4, 1935, Mr. D. L. Brannon of the Associated Press, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, communicated by telephone with me and advised that he had received information over the wire that Alvin Karpis had been captured at Madison, Wisconsin.

I informed him that I could neither confirm nor deny the report. I immediately communicated by telephone with Mr. Tamm of the Bureau and advised him of the information I had received from Mr. Brannon. I communicated with Mr. Tamm prior to making any inquiry at Madison concerning the rumor inasmuch as it was believed possible that Bureau agents may have conducted investigation in Madison, Wisconsin, regarding Alvin Karpis, and it was believed that if this were true, any inquiry by the Milwaukee Bureau office might arouse suspicion and prevent secrecy on the part of the Bureau. Mr. Tamm advised that Bureau agents had not been engaged in any investigation in Madison,

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Wisconsin, concerning Alvin Karpis and that no information had been received at the Bureau to the effect that Alvin Karpis had been captured.

Telephonic communication was immediately had with United States Marshal Comeford at Madison, Wisconsin. He advised that he had received numerous telephone calls prior thereto on June 4, 1935 from newspapers concerning the reported capture of Alvin Karpis at Madison, Wisconsin. Mr. Comeford stated that he was of the opinion that the rumor had its origin as a result of the grounding of the plane in Madison, Wisconsin, which transported Volney Davis from Chicago to St. Paul, Minnesota. Mr. Comeford stated that he was quite certain that there was no foundation for the rumor that Alvin Karpis had been captured in Madison, Wisconsin.

Mr. Brannon of the Associated Press later telephoned me and advised that he had received information from a confidential official source that Alvin Karpis was not in custody.

I immediately sent a wire to the Bureau advising of that information.

Special Agent Melvin conducted an investigation in Madison, Wisconsin and it was determined that there was no foundation for the rumor that Alvin Karpis had been captured at that place.

Very truly yours,

V. W. Peterson

V. W. PETERSON
Special Agent in Charge

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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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:

Miss Johnnie May, Miss Claire E. Powell, correspondents of the Get Acquainted Correspondence Club, unacquainted with Volney Davis under alias Harper. Investigation as to interviewing correspondents discontinued on Davis' apprehension.

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REFERENCE: Letter from Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, 2-14-35; Bureau telegram 6-1-35; and report of Special Agent N. J. L. Pieper, 5-22-35, Denver, Colo.

DETAILS:

AT DENVER, COLORADO.

Miss Johnnie May, who formerly resided at 1166 Humboldt Street and now resides at 1106 Corona Street, was interviewed on pretext and advised this Agent that she had not been a member of the Get Acquainted Correspondence Club since about the first of the year; that she had never received any letters from anyone by the name of George Lawrence Harper, and upon being shown a photograph of Volney Davis stated that she did not recognize the picture as being anyone she had ever known.

Miss Claire E. Powell, 45 S. Logan Street, was interviewed on pretext along the same lines as mentioned above, but she was unable to identify Volney Davis, stating also that she had not been active in the Correspondence Club, having heard from no one since last December and that

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person was not George Lawrence Harper.

An effort was made to locate the following: Bertha M. White, Mary Jane Hughes, Mary Ford Custer, and Lydia Kates. However, it was ascertained by Agent that these women correspondents in the Get Acquainted Correspondence Club were maids and that, in each instance, had left the address given as set out in the photostatic copy attached to the letter of reference. Before a further check could be made through R. E. Simpson alias Harry T. Boner, who operates the Get Acquainted Correspondence Club, the Denver Bureau Office was apprised of Volney Davis' apprehension, and no further check was made as to these women's present whereabouts. Likewise, no further investigation is being conducted to interview the women listed who are receiving mail through Box 1251 at the Denver Post Office which, it will be noted, is the box of R. E. Simpson.

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June 12, 1935

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

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

Dear Sir:

Special Agent A. Paul Kitchin of this office obtained from [redacted] confidential informant, Tulsa, Oklahoma, three snap-shot photographs of subject Harry Campbell, the image of Campbell appearing on the extreme left in each of the three photographs. It is not known by this office whether the Bureau is in possession of any good photographs of subject Campbell, therefore, these are being forwarded with the request that, if you deem it advisable, copies be made of these photographs for transmittal to the field offices, and the originals returned to this office for transmittal to informant [redacted] advised Agent Kitchin that these photographs of Campbell are a better likeness than the photograph appearing on the Identification Order.

Very truly yours,

Dwight Brantley
DWIGHT BRANTLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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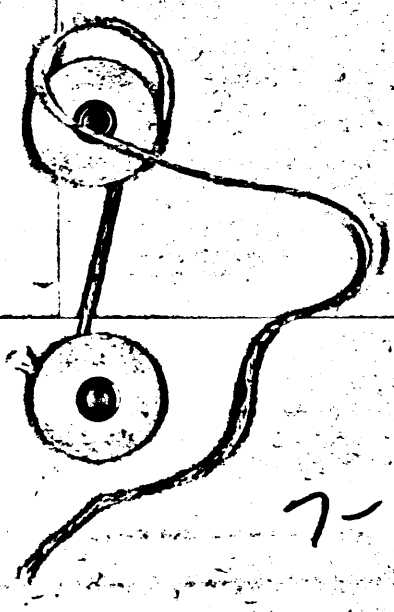

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Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1216; ET AL;
EDWARD GEORGE BRAZEL, Victim -
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Dear Sir:

There are returned herewith the three photographs which were obtained from [redacted] confidential informant, Tulsa, Oklahoma, and forwarded to the Bureau with your letter dated June 12, 1935. The Bureau is forwarding to each field office a set of the photographs of Harry Campbell, which are said to be a better likeness of Campbell than the photograph appearing on the Identification Order. Additional copies of the photographs are also forwarded herewith and to each of the offices indicated below.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure #319278.

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St. Louis, Missouri	6/11/35	5/28 to 6/6/35	D. S. HOSTETTER DSH:C

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; WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I. O. 1238; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I. O. 1239; MYRTLE EATON, I. O. 1241, et al.

CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NAT'L. FIREARMS ACT.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Edward George Bremer - Victim.

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Letter [redacted] secured. Contents set out herein. Information obtained at Galesburg, Ill., reflects that "Patsy", referred to by Volney Davis may now be located at 304½ West Wilson St., Madison, Wis. Photograph of Patsy obtained. 1935 Ford V-8 Coupe, motor #18-1618818, property of Dixon Freedman Co., stolen 1:30 P. M. on 5/26/35 at 124 S. Washington St., Peoria, Ill. Rock Island passenger train arrived at Peoria, Ill. at 1:25 P. M. and station is only one block from point of theft.

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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent D. S. Hostetter, St. Louis, Missouri, dated 5/4/35.

DETAILS:

DETAILS: At St. Louis, Missouri.

[redacted] presented a letter [redacted] bearing the following message:

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[redacted] explained that said letter was received during [redacted] and was subsequently misplaced; that she did not desire to relate the receipt of a letter which she could not produce and, consequently, she did not make mention of this letter while it was misplaced.

She further stated that she has a hazy recollection of a girl who attended her birthday party [redacted]

She stated that in her opinion this girl was named Dorothy King and was accompanied by her husband, a salesman. She stated she was unable to recall what these people looked like, but does remember that she had not seen them before and has not seen them since; that, apparently, they were friends of Willie Harrison. She recalls that she asked Dorothy King what her husband did for a living and was informed that he "sold soap".

In connection with the address [redacted] it should be noted that [redacted] has only occupied this apartment for approximately three months and, further, that she insists that "Babs" Moran and Mrs. William O'Harrison are the only friends of Willie Harrison who have been informed of her present location by her. She further stated that Dorothy King had not corresponded with her previously and she was unable to account for this

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sudden letter written by a chance acquaintance with whom she became acquainted two and one-half years ago. She further stated that Willie Harrison usually referred to St. Louis, Missouri as the "Cinder City" and is of the opinion that she will again receive a letter from Dorothy King and that it, like the instant one, will be dictated or written at Willie Harrison's direction. It should be noted in this connection that there is no doubt in [redacted] mind that Willie Harrison persuaded some girl friend to write the above quoted letter.

[redacted] was informed that she should call the Special Agent in Charge at the St. Louis Bureau Office immediately upon the receipt of any letter or information and make arrangements for a subsequent interview and she stated that in the future, she would follow that procedure. The abovequoted letter, together with the post card received therein, is being attached to copies of this report designated for the Chicago Bureau Office.

At Galesburg, Illinois.

Mr. Sam Solomon, Manager, Sols-Liberty Carnival, advised that his show opened in Madison, Wisconsin on May 27, 1935 and moved to Galesburg, Illinois on June 2, 1935 and would move to Streator, Illinois on June 10, 1935 and to DeKalb, Illinois on June 17, 1935. He and his assistants were questioned at length concerning a girl named Patsy, but his statements and the investigation conducted at that time failed to reveal information concerning this individual. Subsequently, the St. Paul Bureau Office furnished the following telegraphic information which is now included for the assistance of the Milwaukee Bureau Office:

"BREKID DAVIS RELATES HE PICKED UP PROSTITUTE
NAMED PATSY AGE TWENTY FIVE TO THIRTY WEIGHT
ONE TWENTY FIVE HAIR BLACK AT MADISON WISCONSIN
SHORTLY BEFORE HIS ARREST IN CHICAGO STAYED
WITH HER TWO NIGHTS STOP CLAIMS SHE IS NOT
CONNECTED WITH BUT FOLLOWS SOLS LIBERTY CARNIVAL
AND WAS TO MEET HIM AT GALESBURG BUT PREVENTED
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Mr. Solomon was re-contacted and he arranged for interviews with the majority of the individuals connected with the Carnival concessions. Don Martin, an employee, advised that he was selling tickets at the Fortune Teller's stand in Madison, Wis., and had become acquainted with two prostitutes, one named "Patsy" and the other "Chubby", who lived at 304½ West Wilson St., Madison, Wis. He stated that these girls were known by the Sheriff's Office as prostitutes and that they usually hung around a tavern located near the carnival grounds. He further stated that the one known as "Chubby" was dressed in black and recently served a two year prison

sentence. The one named "Patsy" was dressed in red and was wearing a leather jacket. He stated that he did not observe any male companions accompanying these girls, but did recall that on one occasion, a man drove by the tavern in a new Ford V-8 Coupe and picked these girls up. A photograph of Volney Davis was exhibited to Martin, but he was positive that it did not resemble the individual driving the abovementioned Ford Coupe. He further advised that in his opinion the man he saw was at least six feet tall and weighed approximately 175 pounds. He recalls that one of the girls said: "We must go. There's Walley". Photographs of other members of this mob who are still at large were exhibited to him, but he was positive that he had no seen any of these individuals in Madison, Wisconsin, however, he did state that the abovementioned girls were apparently well financed and spent money rather freely. Don Martin produced a photograph of these two girls, which they had given him and the same is attached to the copies of this report designated for the Milwaukee Office.

At Peoria, Illinois.

The Automobile Protective & Information Bureau, Chicago, Illinois, advised the Peoria Police Department by letter, dated June 4, 1935, that a 1935 Ford V-8 Coupe, Motor #18-1618818, which had been stolen from Dixon-Freedman Company at Peoria, Illinois on March 26, 1935, had been recovered by Bureau agents in possession of Volney Davis and that the motor number had been changed to now read 18-1643348.

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Mr. Ross Dixon, 124 S. Washington Street, advised that he had parked the Ford Coupe in question directly in front of his business located at the abovementioned address at approximately 1:15 P.M. on March 26, 1935 and that he left thekeys in the ignition; that he returned approximately thirty minutes thereafter and discovered that his car had disappeared. He was unable to furnish information as to any suspects and was likewise unable to recall that he had seen anyone who resembled the photograph of Volney Davis which had previously been exhibited to him.

In this connedtion it should be noted that 124 S. Washington Street is situated approximately one block from the Rock Island Railroad station and further that a Rock Island passenger train from Chicago, Illinois arrives at 1:25 P. M. It would, therefore, appear that there is a possibility that Volney Davis arrived in Peoria, Ill. on this train.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE MILWAUKEE OFFICE at Madison, Wisconsin will locate and interview Patsy and Chubby, for the purpose of ascertaining if either of these alleged prostitutes are acquainted with Volney Davis. The identity of"Walley", who supposedly picked these two girls up in a 1935 Ford V-8 Coupe, should likewise be determined. These two girls

should be interrogated at length as to their association and conversation with Davis, inasmuch as the Bureau desires a thorough investigation into every place where Volney Davis has lived since his escape from agents at Yorkville, Illinois on February 6, 1934.

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

REPORT MADE AT:	DATE WHEN MADE:	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE:	REPORT MADE BY:
Jacksonville, Florida.	June 11, 1935.	May 23 and 25, June 11, 1935.	R. B. Donaldson.

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, I.O.1237, FUGITIVE;
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.

CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: This report covers miscellaneous items of investigation in the Jacksonville territory during the past several weeks, including inquiry regarding Harry Campbell, which proved to be false, checking of several motor numbers for the Chicago Bureau Office, and the results of laboratory reports on specimens submitted in this case.

REFERENCE: Telegrams from Chicago Office dated May 23 and 25, and June 10, 1935.

DETAILS:

On May 23, 1935, telegram was received from the Chicago Office requesting advice on 1935 Florida license 219912. It was ascertained through the Motor Vehicle Commissioner's Office at Tallahassee, Florida, that said license was issued to William J. Brodericke, 322 N.E. 36th Street, Miami, Florida, for Chevrolet coach, Motor No. 3272003.

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This information was wired to the Chicago Office on May 23, 1935.

A further telegram dated May 25, 1935, was received from the Chicago Office requesting advice as to Florida license D 12712; and from the Motor Vehicle Commissioner's Office at Tallahassee, Florida, advice was received that this license was issued to William T. Seymour, 229 N.E. First St., Miami, Florida, for Graham sedan, Engine No. 1016340.

Inquiry at Miami, Florida, regarding Mr. Seymour was made by Special Agent B. F. Fitzsimons. He ascertained that Seymour was unknown at Miami, Florida, or at the address in question, and that the address 229 N.E. First Street last winter housed the City Club, a gambling and night club operated by unidentified Chicago hoodlums during the past winter season, and that said place closed about April 1st. No information as to the identity or present whereabouts of Seymour could be determined through the usual sources.

On June 10, 1935, a further telegram was received from the Chicago Office requesting advice as to Florida license D 7286. The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles at Tallahassee, Florida, advised that this license was issued to Mary Ellen Crosier, 336 S.W. 13th Avenue, Miami, Florida, for Auburn cabriolet, Motor No. GC 1819.

Special Agent B. F. Fitzsimons made inquiry regarding Mary Ellen Crosier at Miami, Florida, and learned that she resided at the Briton Apartments, 336 S.W. 13th Avenue, Miami, from January 1st through February last, with her husband W. C. Crosier, a Field Representative for Colliers Magazine Company; thereafter Crosier left for Tampa, Florida, and Mrs. Crosier remained in Miami until about April 1st, when she left for an unknown destination. No criminal record or forwarding addresses were discovered; and from those interviewed, the reputation of these people seemed to be without question. This information was wired to the Chicago Office on June 11, 1935.

Subject Henry "Duke" Randall, in this case, in compliance with the order of Federal Judge Halsted L. Ritter issued on May 24, 1935, was released on bond in the amount of $2,000.00, which bond was made in a cash payment by Joe Adams. A record in the files of the Clerk of the Federal Court at Miami indicates that this sum is in reality the property of Mrs. L. G. Knight, El Comodoro Hotel, Miami, Florida.

Agent Fitzsimons, at Miami, Florida, learned that all of the cases in this matter pending in court at that place were on May 28, 1935, postponed to the October term; and he was further advised by Mr. Walter L.

Barlow, Special Assistant to the Attorney General, that he, Barlow, was submitting a detailed memorandum on the Miami situation, which would embrace the results of court action, including a decision by Judge Ritter wherein he upheld the constitutionality of the Federal Firearms Act, and that such memorandum would also set out the recommendations and opinion of Mr. Barlow with respect to further prosecution. A copy of this memorandum has now been received from the Cincinnati Office and is incorporated in the Jacksonville file.

On May 13, 1935, the Jacksonville Office submitted to the Bureau for study in the laboratory a registration card showing the name of W. J. Harrison, National Hotel, Havana, Cuba, dated September 9, 1934, with request that an opinion be rendered as to whether or not the signature on this registration card was identical with that of subject William J. Harrison in this case.

A laboratory report dated May 21, 1935, from the Bureau has been received, which concludes in part: "It is the opinion of the examiner that Harrison wrote the signature appearing on the hotel registration card".

The Jacksonville Office has received from the Bureau in its letter dated May 28, 1935, copies of letters from the Department of State dated May 10 and 17, 1935, together with copies of dispatches referred to in said letters reflecting the results of inquiries conducted by the American Embassy and Consular Officers in Cuba relative to the presence of subject Karpis in that country. Inasmuch as these dispatches and enclosures seem to contain no information in addition to that already obtained by agents of this Office, they are not being set out in detail in this report.

Special Agent B. F. Fitzsimons, at Miami, Florida, recently submitted a memorandum containing data for incorporation in this file which may or may not be of value at a future date. The memorandum is as follows:

"The following information submitted by one R. V. Tays, 120 Northwest Eleventh Avenue, Miami, Florida, telephone 2-1075, is transmitted for possible future reference, one copy of which may properly be included in Jacksonville File #7-24; ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases-FUGITIVE, et al., EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - KIDNAPING:

Mr. Tays stated that one FRANKIE NEWTON, a former associate of Al Capone, now residing at Garden Coe on Key Largo, Florida,

with one Birdie P. Wilson, a woman of ill-repute, has a boat anchored in the Key which Newton operates for charter occasionally. However, Tays is of the opinion that Newton is engaging in illicit activities, the nature of which he cannot determine. He stated that Newton has frequent visitors who arrive in automobiles with foreign license plates; that his visitors do not remain long, and from appearances they are of the underworld type. Tays further stated that Newton operates a night club near Homestead, Florida, where he possibly dispenses liquor illegally. I referred Tays to Mr. Avery of the Alcoholic Tax Unit, Miami, in that connection.

I advised Mr. Tays that the Bureau is very much interested in violations of Federal laws within its investigative jurisdiction and enumerated such of them as I believed Newton might engage in, particularly the harboring of fugitives. Tays, who stated that he intends to open a barbecue stand in the vicinity of Newton's place on Key Largo, agreed to look the situation over and to advise me of any suspicion of a violation in which we may be interested."

Special Agent S. K. McKee, while at Miami, Florida, and upon Bureau instructions, had a photostatic copy made of all the various papers and documents contained in the zipper case surrendered by subject Cassius McDonald following his arrest at West Palm Beach, Florida, in February, 1935. Two copies of this long list are presently incorporated in the Jacksonville file for future reference.

A report has been received from the Bureau Laboratory dated June 3, 1935, relative to its study and analysis of certain specimens of handwriting submitted May 28, 1935. The specimens were two pages of sample handwriting of Joe Adams and eight small slips of yellow paper with blue lines containing sample of handwriting of Henry Randall. The purpose of the study of this writing was to determine, if possible, whether or not Randall or Adams may have affixed the signature "Leroy Morrison" on the certificates of Charles M. Bronson. The experts could not definitely conclude that such was the case, the opinion in part being:

> "They could have written certain of the signatures, but evidence to prove this is lacking, and in some instances the writing habits appear to be contrary."

With respect to checking telegrams at Miami, Florida, by Special Agent S. K. McKee, some question arose as to the meaning of a signature on one of the telegrams as to whether or not the word "Frederico" was a name or a code word. This appeared as a signature on a telegram address-

ed to Joe Adams, El Comodoro Hotel, Miami, and originating at Havana, Cuba, on December 31, 1934. Special Agent B. F. Fitzsimons has been able to learn from W. T. Williams, Office Manager of the Postal Telegraph Co., that he, Williams, had made inquiry regarding the matter and definitely learned that the word "Frederico" is not a code word but the name of the sender, whose only address was given care Plaza Hotel.

Recently, while Mr. Walter L. Barlow, Special Assistant to the Attorney General, was in Miami, Florida, in connection with this case, he received advice that one G. J. Wimbish, an agent of the Alcoholic Tax Unit, Bureau of Internal Revenue, who is located at West Palm Beach, had some information regarding Harry Campbell, a fugitive in this case. Based on this advice from Mr. Barlow, Agent B. F. Fitzsimons interviewed Wimbish as to what he knew, and Wimbish stated that in the latter part of May, 1935, he was in the Turf Bar at West Palm Beach when one Sidney Catts, Jr., a West Palm Beach attorney who was in the Bar drinking, called to Wimbish and stated that Wimbish was a "G Man", and that Catts desired to advise him that Harry Campbell, a member of the Barker-Karpis gang, had been to see Catts a day or so previously and attempted to borrow $50.00 from him. Catts remarked that he did not give Campbell the money since he wanted to get rid of him and have nothing to do with him.

Special Agents Fitzsimons and McKee proceeded to West Palm Beach for the purpose of interviewing Catts. However, upon arrival there it was found that Catts was at that time in Tallahassee, Florida, where he was engaged in lobbying activities during the session of the State Legislature.

Not having an agent available to dispatch to Tallahassee, Special Agent R. B. Donaldson succeeded in getting Catts on the telephone and interviewed him regarding the statement. Catts informed that he had made such a statement in a conversation with Wimbish at West Palm Beach, but that the Harry Campbell referred to had nothing to do with the Barker-Karpis gang, but was actually a remote cousin of his who was raised in Montgomery, Alabama, by a grandmother of Campbell's, a Mrs. Campbell; that in reality, the full and correct name of this person was Harry Campbell Spencer, but the name "Spencer" had been dropped on account of and at the instance of the grandmother who raised him. Catts further stated that Campbell had been living at Birmingham, Alabama, and vicinity; that he was more or less of a shiftless fellow and hard to keep track of; that he had no connection whatever with this case; and, further, that he, Catts, did not know subject Campbell in this case, nor any other of the subjects.

It may be stated that from the best information obtainable, Mr. Catts is a son of a former Governor of the State of Florida.

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June 7, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

9:05 A.M.

Mr. Fierstone called from Pittsburgh to advise that some little time ago a Mr. John Cook came in the office from Youngstown, Ohio and complained of being swindled out of $22,000 by four or five individuals at Canton, Ohio. Yesterday afternoon's paper carried a story that one Bishop was being "taken over" for $31,000 and that the matter was being handled by Detective Lieutenant Frank Barrett. Barrett told Mr. Fierstone that several individuals had been locked up at Canton, Ohio and Mr. Cook claims none of these individuals are the ones who swindled him. Barrett said that this gang included about twenty men who are working in the racket with headquarters at Buffalo. It is believed that Cass McDonald is mixed up with this mob but Mr. Cook could not identify his photograph.

I suggested to Mr. Fierstone that he communicate with the Cleveland office and have them question the men being held at Canton, Ohio; that while the Bureau should not make any direct inquiries, it should be ascertained if they know anything about Cass McDonald and if any lead on the obtaining of money by fraud or deceit is obtained, there might be a violation of the National Stolen Property Act.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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MEMORANDUM FOR ALL EMPLOYEES

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

For your information in connection with the above entitled case, and with particular reference to subject Alvin Karpis, whose photograph has been furnished to you, information has recently been received from a confidential informant to the effect that when he last saw Alvin Karpis, he had large scars on his face, extending down to below his ears, the scars being the result of an attempted facial operation on him by subject Moran. These scars are reported to be visible. This informant further stated that the ears of Karpis originally were without lobes, and that a portion of the flesh was cut on the lower part of the ears, forming lobes. The informant also advised that Alvin Karpis is left handed, and that he does everything lefthanded, with the exception of writing, concerning which the informant is not certain.

The informant also advised that an attempt had been made by subject Moran to lift one of the eyebrows of Karpis, and in doing so, he cut the flesh on the hairline of Karpis' head, as a result of which a scar is visible under the hairline. The informant advised that while there was some change in Karpis' facial appearance immediately after the operation mentioned above, no visible change is noticeable at this time, with the exception of the above-mentioned scars.

Concerning subject William Harrison, the informant advised that he has reddish-brown hair with considerable gray in it, whereas you will note the description on the Identification Order for Harrison indicates that his hair is light brown. Harrison, according to the informant, also has a very ruddy complexion and he is always smiling and jovial; further, that he wears octagon shaped glasses and is a heavy user of intoxicating liquors.

As you are also aware, efforts are being made to locate Charles J. Fitzgerald, who is generally known as "Chuck" or "Old Fitz." The informant advised that he understands that Fitzgerald died in California as a result of an operation upon his leg. This has not been verified. The informant advises that Fitzgerald appears to be over seventy years of age, is bald and wears a brace on his left leg continuously, and also wears a built-up shoe to the extent of about four inches on his left foot.

R. WHITLEY
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 June 8, 1935 Volney Davis entered a plea of guilty to the indictment charging him with the kidnaping of Edward George Bremer and on June 7, 1935 was sentenced to life imprisonment. On the same date Harold Alderton and Elmer Farmer each received a twenty-year sentence and on the same date John J. McLaughlin, Sr. and James Wilson each received five-year sentences. The imposition of the sentence on Byron Bolton was deferred until after the trial of Harry Sawyer, which is expected to take place during the next fall Term of Court.

On May 28, 1935 the harboring cases at Miami, Florida were continued to the October Term of Court. Special Assistant to the Attorney General Walter Barlow has submitted a memorandum of recommendations in connection with this case, recommending that Joe H. Adams and Henry Duke Randall be prosecuted on the harboring charges, as well as for violation of the National Firearms Act. Mr. Barlow recommends that the indictment charging Nathaniel Heller with harboring Alvin Karpis be dismissed for lack of sufficient evidence. He recommends that Cassius McDonald be included in an indictment to be returned at St. Paul charging him as an accessory after the fact in connection with the kidnaping of Bremer.

There are no present leads on the whereabouts of Alvin Karpis or Harry Campbell. There are indications that William Weaver and Myrtle Eaton are now in the vicinity of El Paso, Texas commuting between that town and Juarez, Mexico.

Respectfully,

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Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
P. O. Box 515
St. Paul, Minnesota

June 12, 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
St.Paul File No. 7-30

Reference is made to Bureau letter of June 10, 1935 addressed to the Chicago Office which requested the St.Paul Office to submit photograph of VOLNEY DAVIS.

In compliance therewith, I submit two front and side view police photographs of VOLNEY DAVIS taken by the St.Paul Police Department, St.Paul, Minnesota, June 4, 1935 at the request of the St.Paul Office, VOLNEY DAVIS being given St.Paul Police No. 25588.

Very truly yours,

H. E. Andersen

H. E. ANDERSEN
Special Agent in Charge

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U. S. Department of Justice

P.O. Box 4907
Jacksonville, Florida
June 12, 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, FUGITIVE; et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Especial reference is made to letter from the Detroit Office dated June 1, 1935, to the Jacksonville Office regarding the securing of clothing left by Wynona Burdette at Oklawaha, Florida.

The Jacksonville Office has taken no further action with respect to securing this clothing, and will not concern itself further with this item until so instructed by the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt
R. A. Alt
Special Agent in Charge.

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June 21, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. C. #1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BENNER, Victim -
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated June 12, 1935, relative to the letter of the Detroit office addressed to your office under date of June 1, 1935, in the above entitled case, concerning articles of clothing which belong to Wynona Burdette and left by her at the residence of Carson Bradford at Chiefahe, Florida.

The Bureau desires that you consult Judge L. E. Futch, who is charged with the custody of the property recovered from the home of Carson Bradford, with a view to ascertaining whether it is legally possible to segregate the clothing belonging to Wynona Burdette to be forwarded to her sister, Mrs. R. D. Wilson, Box 41, Arcadia, Oklahoma.

In the event it is possible to segregate the clothing belonging to Wynona Burdette, and such action is authorized by Judge Futch, you should arrange to ship the clothing to the Oklahoma City office, covered by a Government bill of lading, for delivery to Mrs. Wilson. This procedure is suggested in order to enable the Oklahoma City office to cultivate the friendship of the Burdette family to the extent that they will furnish information as to the whereabouts of subject Harry Campbell.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Oklahoma City
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P. O. DRAWER 1457,
St. Louis, Missouri.

June 10, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

In re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUG., I.O.1218.
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O.1232.
HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I. O. 1236.
WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I. O. 1238.
WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O.1239.
MYRTLE EATON, I. O. 1241, et al.
Edward George Bremer, Victim.
KIDNAPING.

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7-576-6361

Dear Sir:

This is to confirm the telephone conversation Special Agent D. S. Hostetter had with the Chicago Bureau Office on June 8, 1935 in reference to information previously furnished this office telephonically by Special Agent R. C. Suran concerning the arrival of George E. Brown in St. Louis, Missouri.

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It was ascertained by Special Agent D. S. Hostetter that George E. Brown purchased two round trip tickets at Chicago, Illinois on June 8, 1935 for St. Louis, Mo. via the American Air Line; that these tickets were numbered #180 and #181. It appears that George E. Brown used the Chicago to St. Louis portion of his ticket #181 but the other ticket #180 and the St. Louis to Chicago portion of #181 were refunded to him after numerous attempts on his part to secure return passage to Chicago, Ill. on the afternoon of June 8, 1935 via the American Air Lines.

In signing for the above mentioned refund Brown gave #212 South Maple St., Oak Park, Ill. as his address. He also requested the American Air Line to call Central 4691, St. Louis, Mo., in the event passage could be obtained. It was subsequently determined that the above phone number refers to The Theatrical Brotherhood located at #4-A South 8th St., St. Louis. It was likewise determined that during the evening of June 8, 1935 automobiles bearing the following licenses were parked at #4-A South 8th St. and a check of these licenses reflected the following information:

License #16231 - Dr. W. A. Dew, 115 E. Main, Belleville, Ill. Hudson car.
" #296375- Leland H. Buckley, 738 St. Louis St., Edwardsville, Ill. - Chevrolet car.

License #473429 - Clyde Weston, 2731 Washington Ave., Granite City, Ill. - Plymouth car.

" #D-9-350- Alabama License, 1935.

In reference to the individual who accompanied Brown, it should be noted that Brown referred to him at the American Air Line as Holmden and alleged that he arrived at noon on June 8, 1935 from Chicago via the Chicago Southern Air Lines and that it was for him that he purchased the extra ticket.

Accompanied by Special Agent Hostetter I ascertained that George Berry, 5702 Highland, Wellston, Ill., a porter at the Lennox Hotel, attempted to secure passage on the American Air Lines for Brown and his associate by giving Judge John Dougherty, Justice of the Peace, St. Louis, Mo. as reference. In this connection it should be noted that Dougherty is a known friend and associate of "Bobs" Moran.

It was also ascertained that Brown made Pullman reservation in car #102, compartment D and E, on the Alton train leaving St. Louis for Chicago at 11:59 P. M. on June 8, 1935. Both of these reservations were made in the name of George E. Brown.

Brown and his associate were observed as they secured these reservations and boarded the above train and it was apparent that they were not accompanied by any of the subjects in the above entitled case.

No further investigation as to Geo. E. Brown and his associate will be conducted by this office unless the Chicago Bureau office so requests.

Very truly yours,

R. E. VETTERLI,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Edw. P. Brown

He is a necessary witness in Chicago for Pequette trial — this should be postponed —

1021 Bankers Building
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

June 11, 1935

Secretary of State
Madison, Wisconsin

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, et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim - KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT

Dear Sir:

Under date of March 25, 1935, the St. Paul office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, requested that you place a stop order in your files pertaining to Chevrolet sedan, motor No. 4543656, serial No. 1-DA-07-49267.

It is no longer necessary to maintain the stop order against this car in your files, and it is requested that same be removed.

I desire to express my appreciation for the cooperation which you have extended this Bureau in this matter.

Very truly yours,

V. W. PETERSON
Special Agent in Charge

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

Post Office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida.

RBD:ME

June 12, 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,
et al.,
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim;
KIDNAPING.

There are transmitted herewith copies of the orders of United States District Judge Halsted L. Ritter made at Miami, Florida, on May 16, 1935, overruling demurrers filed by the defendants in the following cases, all of which concern those individuals under indictment in this district in the above entitled matter:

Case #4608 - Overruling demurrer and denying motion to quash.

Case #4609 - Overruling demurrer

Case #4612 - Overruling demurrer

Case #4659 - Overruling demurrer

Case #4644 - Overruling demurrer

The above mentioned copies were made from the originals on file in the office of the United States Attorney at Miami.

Very truly yours,

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R. A. Alt,
Special Agent in Charge.

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

No. 1608-M-criminal

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

vs.

JOSEPH H. ADAMS, ET AL
Defendants

ORDER OVERRULING DEMURRERS AND DENYING MOTION TO QUASH

This cause coming on to be heard on demurrer of Joseph H. Adams and demurrer of Nathaniel H. Heller, and motion to quash of E. G. McDonald, and the Court having heard argument of counsel and being advised in the premises,

IT IS ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the demurrers of the defendants, Joseph H. Adams and Nathaniel H. Heller, be and they are hereby overruled, and the motion to quash filed by the defendant E. G. McDonald, be and the same is hereby denied.

DONE AND ORDERED at Miami, Florida, this 16th day of May, A.D. 1935.

(s) Halsted L. Ritter
JUDGE.

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

No. 1609-M-Criminal

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

vs.

JOSEPH H. ADAMS, et al
Defendants.

ORDER OVERRULING DEMURRER

This cause coming on to be heard on demurrer filed by the defendant Joseph H. Adams, and the Court having heard argument of counsel and being advised in the premises,

IT IS ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the demurrer of the defendant be and the same is hereby overruled.

DONE AND ORDERED, at Miami, Florida, this 16th day of May, A. D. 1935.

/s/ Halsted L. Ritter
JUDGE.

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

No. 4612-M-Criminal

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

vs.

JOSEPH H. ADAMS, et al
Defendants.

ORDER OVERRULING DEMURRER

This cause coming on to be heard upon the demurrer of the defendant, Joseph H. Adams, and the Court having heard argument of counsel and being advised in the premises,

IT IS ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the demurrer of the defendant be and hereby is overruled.

DONE AND ORDERED at Miami, Florida, this 16th day of May, A.D.1935.

/s/ Halsted L. Ritter
JUDGE.

NOTE: Indictments in cases Nos. 4610, 4611, 4613, 4658, 4672, and 4643, have been by request of the government dismissed.

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

No. 1679-H Criminal

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
Plaintiff,

vs.

E. G. McDONALD,
Defendant.

ORDER DENYING MOTION TO QUASH

This cause coming on to be heard upon the motion to quash filed by the defendant, E. G. McDonald, and the Court having heard argument of counsel and being advised in the premises,

IT IS ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the motion to quash be and the same is hereby denied.

DONE AND ORDERED, at Miami, Florida, this 16th day of May, A.D. 1935.

/s/ Halsted L. Ritter
JUDGE.

NOTE: Indictments in cases Nos. 1610, 1611, 1613, 1658, 1672, and 1643, have been by request of the government dismissed.

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

No. 4614-Criminal

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

vs.

NATHANIEL H. HELLER,
Defendant.

ORDER OVERRULING DEMURRER

This cause coming on to be heard on demurrer of the defendant Nathaniel H. Heller, and the Court having heard argument of counsel and being advised in the premises,

IT IS ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the demurrer of the defendant, be and the same is hereby overruled.

DONE AND ORDERED, at Miami, Florida, this 16th day of May, A.D.1935.

/s/ Halsted L. Ritter
JUDGE.

NOTE: Indictments in cases Nos. 4610, 4611, 4613, 4658, 4672, and 4643, have been by request of the government dismissed.

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June 4, 1935.

Time - 4:20 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Jess Doyle.

Mr. Andersen telephoned from the St. Paul Office with reference to the above named subject. He said that he had just received a wire from the Oklahoma City Office stating that the complaint against Doyle in connection with the robbery of the banks at Okemah, Oklahoma, had been dismissed. He said that the United States Attorney is of the opinion that the information in his possession concerning Doyle, including the statement submitted by Doyle to Agents of the Bureau at Kansas City, should be turned over to the County Prosecutor at Minneapolis, Minnesota, for his use in connection with the robbery of the bank at Minneapolis.

I consulted with Mr. Nathan relative to the above matter, and it was decided that there is nothing the Bureau can do about this; that it is a matter entirely at the discretion of the United States Attorney. I then advised Mr. Andersen of this, and he said that he would so inform the United States Attorney.

Mr. Andersen said that there is a possibility of some publicity in connection with this matter.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM

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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, I. O. #1237 - FUGITIVE; 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 BRUNER, Victim.

CHARACTER OF CASE
KIDNAPING
HARBORING OF FUGITIVES
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Synopsis of Facts: F. T. Eanes, U. S. Agriculture Dept., Louisville, Ky., advised Agent that he had heard a very suspicious man with plenty of money was staying at Welsworth Hotel, Louisville. Negro porter at hotel identifies picture of Dr. Joseph P. Moran as that of party referred to. Agent in company with city detectives questioned party in Room 319, Welsworth Hotel, whose name and identity proved to be R. E. Griffith, Hammond, Ind., who in no way resembled Moran.

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Details: AT LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY

MR. F. T. EANES, who said that he was employed by the United States Department of Agriculture, telephoned Agent and said that he believed he had a hot tip on an outstanding gangster from Chicago, Illinois, that possibly the Bureau was looking for. At Room 1610, Kentucky Hotel, Agent met Mr. Eanes, who said that he was with the Department of Agriculture and was checking up on distilleries over the country. He said that while in the lobby of the hotel that afternoon he had struck up a casual conversation with a young woman who, after she had learned that he was employed by the Government, told him that she lived at the Welsworth Hotel. She stated that a strange man had been there for several days and that he

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never went out of his room, and that he kept a towel over the key-hole of the door. She told Mr. Eanes that she had been passing his door the afternoon before when he invited her in for a drink and she accepted. She said he got very drunk and told her that he was in serious trouble; that he had been in Miami, Florida, when he had gotten in trouble and had escaped over into Georgia; that he was on his way to Chicago, Illinois, and if he got there he knew he would be taken care of. She said that he drew a pistol from his pocket and threatened to kill her if she ever mentioned what he had said to anyone; also she said, that he called a porter to the room and ordered some beer and gave the porter a $20.00 bill to get changed. Mr. Eanes said that he did not know this young woman's name; that she was very frightened and did not want to be contacted or her name known as she was afraid of the man's threat. She told Mr. Eanes that the man had room 319 at the Welsworth Hotel. She had described the man to Mr. Eanes as being about forty years old, weighing 165 pounds, and being gray headed and very ruddy-faced. She said that his name was GRIFFIN or GRIFFITH.

At the Welsworth Hotel, Agent interviewed MRS. M. L. McNUTT, the manager. This hotel is located at 728 Broadway. She consulted her record, which revealed that an R. E. GRIFFITH, of Chicago, Illinois, was registered in Room 319. She said that he had been there three days and was alone and had never been out of his room; that he drank considerably and ordered all his meals sent to him; that he told the porter that he was sick. She stated that she had never seen him.

Agent talked with the night clerk who was on duty when Griffith registered. He advised that Griffith appeared to be drunk when he came to the hotel; that he had said that he was too tired to register and had the clerk to register for him; this clerk said that he had never been out of the room since he had come to the hotel. Agent exhibited about twenty-five of the outstanding Identification Orders of the Bureau to this clerk, but he was unable to identify any of them as being Griffith.

Agent contacted the negro porter who had been waiting on Griffith. He said that the man had been drinking quite heavily thepast few days; he denied that he had ever given him a $20.00 bill to be changed, stating that a $1.00 bill was the highest that had been given him to get food and drink. Agent exhibited the Bureau Identification Orders to this porter and he finally picked out the Identification Order of DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, Number 1232, as being identical with Griffith. He was positive of this identification.

At police headquarters Agent secured the services of DETECTIVES M. J. MORIARITY, A. W. BARMORE, H. T. JONES, and W. V. SMITH and went to Room 319, Welsworth Hotel, 728 Broadway. Mr. R. E. Griffith was questioned in his room. Mr. Griffith was very much intoxicated. His entire room was searched but he had no gun or any other article which appeared suspicious. He had several identification cards showing his name to be R. E. Griffith, 131 Rienback Street, Hammond, Indiana. His occupation was shown to be in the employ of the Pullman Company. He advised that

he was fifty-four years of age and that he had been in Birmingham, Alabama, on business for his company for the past two weeks; that upon leaving there he had gotten some liquor and gotten very drunk on the drive up from Birmingham and he thought he had better stop over in Louisville and get straightened out before going on to his home. Mr. Griffith weighed about 200 pounds; was gray headed, and his features in no way resembled those of Moran. He stated that he had never been arrested and expected to return to Hammond, Indiana, in the next day or two as soon as he was able to drive. It being very apparent that Griffith was not Moran he was not taken to Police Headquarters and fingerprinted.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Room 1403
370 Lexington Avenue
New York City

June 13, 1935.

JHH:EL
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Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Ave. at 9th St., NW,
Washington, D. C.

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

JUN 17 1935

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Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated June 11, 1935, addressed to Mr. Gibson Arnoldi, New York Post Office, Station M, New York, N. Y., with which letter you forwarded to the New York office a copy of a communication which had been transmitted to you by Mr. Arnoldi, indicating that he was in a position to secure information as to the whereabouts of subject Karpis.

This is to advise that on June 12, 1935, Mr. Arnoldi called at the New York office, where he was interviewed by Special Agent J. H. Hanson, at which time he stated that he and his wife have taken a great deal of interest in a girl named Thelma Naids, who comes from a good family in New York, but who married a man named Morris Naids who is a person of criminal tendencies and who Arnoldi believes has served a sentence in a correctional institution; that as a result of this marriage, this girl's family have had nothing to do with her, for which reason Mr. and Mrs. Arnoldi have befriended her on various occasions.

Arnoldi continued by saying that in October, 1934, this woman, with her husband, was living in New York City and that at that time she visited the Arnoldis, when she informed Mr. Arnoldi confidentially that her husband was befriending a man in their apartment who the Naids woman described as being very common and of whom she was frightened. Arnoldi added that in October, this girl's husband burglarized his home, stealing therefrom a considerable sum of money; further, that after this, the Naids girl and her husband disappeared, and their present whereabouts are unknown. He mentioned that he had received telegrams from the girl in Atlanta, Ga., Jacksonville, Fla. and Richmond, Va., in which telegrams she asked for money. Arnoldi stated that he had not telegraphed her any money, but that he had telegraphed her that if she would go to the Travelers Aid and would request transportation to New York

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City, he would guarantee the Travelers Aid repayment of the money advanced. He mentioned that she apparently had not taken advantage of this offer, with the result that he does not know where she is located at the present time.

Mr. Arnoldi also stated that the husband of this girl is fairly well known in Atlantic City, N.J.; furthermore, that an individual named Paxon, who he described as a City Magistrate in Atlantic City and who also operates several large filling stations there, controls the underworld of that city; further, that it is his opinion that Karpis and Campbell, when they escaped from the local authorities in that city in January, 1935, were aided by someone in that city. Arnoldi believes that the person who gave Karpis and Campbell this assistance was Paxon, and furthermore, that it is his opinion that the man who Naids was sheltering in New York City in October, 1934, was Alvin Karpis. Arnoldi theorizes that Naids is an acquaintance of Karpis' and that Naids in turn had made Karpis acquainted with Paxon in Atlantic City.

As was mentioned above, Arnoldi stated that he does not know the present whereabouts of either Naids or the latter's wife, but that it is his opinion that if he could locate the Naids girl, he would be able to find out where Karpis is staying at the present time. Arnoldi said that under no conditions would he give any other information than that mentioned above to the representatives of this Bureau in order that they could check the value of this information. He stated that he would do it himself, and that the only condition on which he would do it would be if the Bureau would advance him $10,000, in order that he could commence appropriate inquiries to locate the Naids woman.

Arnoldi was advised by Special Agent Hanson that his offer of cooperation was very much appreciated, but that Arnoldi should furnish this Bureau with all of the information in his possession concerning the Naids woman, and the Bureau would cause an appropriate investigation to be conducted; furthermore, that if this Bureau was successfuly in apprehending Karpis as a result of the information furnished by Arnoldi, arrangements undoubtedly could be made to compensate him for it, but that he could not expect compensation in the amount of $10,000.

It might also be mentioned for the information of the Bureau, that Arnoldi indicated that he had previously offered the above information to Detectives C. H. Cronin and William Gilmartin of the New York Police Department, who, he advised, were not amenable to his offer. He indicated that he was very much displeased with the attitude and "ignorance" as he termed it, displayed by these officers.

It is my recommendation that no further consideration be given to the information furnished by Mr. Arnoldi as is outlined above. His

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reasons for believing that he can secure information as to Karpis' whereabouts are based on theory only. Furthermore, this Bureau knows that Karpis was in Cuba in October, 1934, up until December, and there has been no information developed to the effect that anyone named Naids is an acquaintance of his nor has it been determined that Karpis ever was in Atlanta, Jacksonville or Richmond, Va. during this past winter.

It might also be mentioned that there is in the New York office an old file on Mr. Gibson Arnoldi, indicating that he might have been involved in German activities during the World War. This old file contains a pamphlet entitled "A Scholarly Review of What America Must Do to Develop Its International Business" by Gibson Arnoldi, B.C.L. At the time Arnoldi called at the New York office, he displayed to Special Agent Hanson numerous letters that had been sent to him by such men as Mr. Richard Whitney, President of the New York Stock Exchange, Arnoldi claiming that he was displaying these letters in order that Agent Hanson would fully realize Mr. Arnoldi's position. It was noted that these letters pertained to the pamphlet mentioned above as having been written by Mr. Arnoldi, and the general tenor of the letters was that Arnoldi was soliciting subscriptions for a trade promotion committee which he possibly represented.

Very truly yours,

R. Whitley,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc:Cincinnati
St. Paul
Philadelphia

Post Office Box 812
Chicago Illinois

June 12, 1935

Special Agent in Charge
Omaha, Nebraska

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, 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;
KIDNAPING; HARBORING & OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE;
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
Chicago file 7-88

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, Chicago, Illinois, dated June 3, 1935, wherein a lead is set out for your Office to conduct investigation at Breda, Iowa.

I have to advise that it has been ascertained from the Post Office Inspector R. J. Purcell, Chicago, Illinois, that one D. C. Short, formerly residing at 19 West Bellevue Street, Chicago, Illinois, is presently under indictment in what is known as the Drake Estate case; that Short is at the present time at liberty under a $15,000.00 bond. It will be noted in the report of Agent Suran that the address 19 West Bellevue Street is the address for Miss Dorothy Omart. Short, however, did not fit the description given for Mr. J. Nolte, the suspected individual who is residing at the Colonial Hotel, Sterling, Illinois.

Mr. Purcell furnished further information that another individual by the name of ---- Omart, who presently resides at 19 West Bellevue Street, is also under indictment in the Drake Fraud case and is also at liberty under a $15,000.00 bond. The description of J. Nolte was furnished to Mr. Purcell and he stated that it fit the description of J. H. Hauber, one of the principals of the Drake Estate case, who is now at liberty under a $15,000.00 bond. Mr. Purcell stated that Hauber was originally from Iowa and that

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during his stay at Chicago he lived at the Croydon Hotel under the name of C. Williams. It appears that the Mr. Nolte living at the Colonial Hotel, Sterling, Illinois, is Mr. J. H. Hauber, since laundry marks found on his laundry are J.H.H.

It will be unnecessary for you to conduct the requested investigation at Breda, Iowa, unless requested to do so at a later date.

Very truly yours,

M. H. FURVIS
Special Agent in Charge

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cc Bureau ✓
Cincinnati

P. O. Box 515
St. Paul, Minnesota

June 12, 1935

Special Agent in Charge
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, L.O. #1218,
FUGITIVE, ET AL
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
KIDNAPING - HARBORING - OBSTRUCTION OF
JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT
St.Paul File No. 7-30

Reference is made to your letter of June 10, 1935. Bryan Bolton has been further interviewed relative to Ford Victoria, Engine No. 1142463, and stated that he has no direct information concerning the salesman A. C. Newquist of the Verba Motor Company having advised Willie Harrison that this car was the subject of an inquiry by Agents of the Bureau, but that such information as he has heretofore given was that conveyed to him by Willie Harrison, as he at no time had any direct contact with Newquist and cannot elaborate on the information heretofore given by him.

Very truly yours,

H. E. ANDERSEN
Special Agent in Charge

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June 8, 1935

R. H. COLVIN
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cc- Bureau
1:30 PM

Post Office Box 812
Chicago Illinois.

June 12, 1935.

Mr. John C. DeCourcy,
Attorney at Law,
Commerce Building
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter dated June 7, 1935, with which there were enclosed signed affidavits of Arthur "Doc" Barker, and Mildred Kuhlman, and a copy of the bill of sale executed by Arthur "Doc" Barker in the name of J. B. Bolton, for the Ford sedan taken from the possession of Russell Gibson at Chicago on January 8, 1935, and which you claim is the property of your client Arthur "Doc" Barker.

Please be advised that your letter, together with the enclosed affidavits and bill of sale were referred to the United States Attorney at Chicago for his attention and consideration.

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS
Special Agent in Charge

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Post Office Box 812
Chicago, Illinois

June 12, 1935.

Hon. Michael L. Igoe,
United States Attorney,
United States Court House,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Re: 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, I.O. 1237, FUGITIVE;
WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I.O. 1238;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. 1239;
MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I.O. 1241; et al.
KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE;
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

There is enclosed herewith a signed affidavit by Arthur R. Barker, indicating that he was the owner of a Ford Sedan, motor No. 1130845, which automobile was taken from the possession of Russell Gibson, now deceased, on January 8, 1935, at Chicago, Illinois.

There is also enclosed herewith an affidavit signed by Mildred Kuhlman to the effect that Arthur Barker, during the year 1934, was residing at Chicago, Illinois under the name of J. B. Bolton.

In addition to these affidavits there is attached hereto a copy of a bill of sale dated at St. Paul, Minnesota, March 21, 1935, transferring the title of ownership of Ford Sedan, motor No. 1130845, from J. B. Bolton to John C. DeCourcy.

For your information, investigation by this office disclosed that the above-described automobile was purchased during the month of October, 1934 from the Vrba Motor Car Company, Cicero, Illinois, under the name of J. B. Bolton.

The above two affidavits and bill of sale were received at this office on June 10, 1935 from Mr. John C. DeCourcy, who represented Arthur "Doc" Barker in his trial for the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer in St. Paul, Minnesota, just past. Arthur Barker was found guilty for this crime and was sentenced to life imprisonment. Mr. DeCourcy stated

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in his letter that the automobile in question was turned over to him by Arthur "Doc" Barker as part payment for legal services rendered to him in the trial of this case. This automobile at the present time is in the custody of this office.

This matter is called to your attention for your consideration.

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Post Office Box 2118
Detroit - Michigan
June 12, 1935

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

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

Dear Sir:

I am returning herewith letter written by Dolores Delaney, dated June 7, 1935, and addressed to her sister, Margaret Delaney, 6045 Kimbark Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. This letter, after careful scrutiny by this office, 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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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

RE: VIOLET RAY LAMPS

It has been noted that a number of field offices have arranged, with wardens of penitentiaries in their respective districts, for the examination of correspondence of certain prisoners in whom the Bureau is interested. Apparently these letters are read carefully as to the visible writing. It occurred to me that such offices as the Detroit Office, Kansas City Office, and other offices in whose districts Federal penitentiaries are located, should be equipped with an ultra-violet ray lamp, in order to detect any secret writings which might appear under such an examination. I am informed that the ultra-violet ray will be effective in about fifty per cent of the cases where secret writing is employed.

Respectfully,

R. E. Newby.

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

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Re: Suggestion for supplying of ultra-violet ray equipment to certain field offices.

At the meeting held on the evening of July 1, 1935, the Executives' Conference considered a suggestion of Mr. Newby that the field offices covering those localities in which are located Federal penal institutions should be equipped with an ultra-violet ray lamp to assist in the reading of prisoners' correspondence suspected of containing writing in the so-called invisible ink.

The Conference was unanimously opposed to the adoption of this suggestion at the present time, for the reason that it is felt that the practical need for such equipment is restricted to such a few occasions that the expenditure of money would be out of proportion to the practical value received therefrom.

Those attending the discussion of this suggestion were Messrs. Tolson, Edwards, Tracy, Ladd, Coffey, Glavin, Lester, Schilder, Tamm, and Quinn.

Respectfully,

For the Conference,

Clyde Tolson,
Chairman.

T. D. Quinn,
Secretary.

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1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

June 12, 1935

Special Agent in Charge
San Francisco, Calif.

Dear Sir:

Mr. Walter Higgins, who was formerly manager of the Oroville Inn, Oroville, California, called at this office to relate that Oroville, Calif., would make a good hiding place for criminals.

He stated that he believed certain gangsters were living there and possibly the members of the Karpis gang.

The pictures of all subjects in the Karpis case were shown to Mr. Higgins, but he was unable to identify any of them. He states that he believes that he was "shadowed" by certain gangsters, but could give no reason as to why he should be of interest to gangsters other than that his mother, who is a resident of Oroville, Calif., is reputed to be a millionaire, the thought being that he might be kidnaped.

Mr. Higgins related an affair that he had with a girl, whose identity he could not furnish. His impression was that she might be "out to get him".

While Mr. Higgins gave no definite indication of suffering from hallucinations, there is some indication that he might be laboring under mental difficulties by reason of the loss of his investment in the Oroville Inn, amounting upward of over $180,000.

This is being forwarded for your information.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MAC FARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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P. O. Box 515
St. Paul, Minnesota

June 12, 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, L.O.# 1218 -
FUGITIVE, ET AL
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
KIDNAPING - HARBORING - OBSTRUCTION OF
JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT
St.Paul File No. 7-30

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated June 5, 1935 relating to a complaint concerning the failure of the Postmaster at St.Paul to cooperate with the Special Agent in Charge of the St.Paul Office.

Special Agent John E. Brennan interviewed Post Office Inspector A. A. Weicht and was informed by him that he had received a communication from the Chief Post Office Inspector at Washington, D. C., relating to the complaint made by the Bureau as contained in the communication from the Director to the Chief Post Office Inspector at Washington, relating to the failure on the part of the Postmaster at St.Paul to cooperate with the Special Agent in Charge of the St.Paul Bureau Office. The communication from the Chief Post Office Inspector at Washington referring to this matter is dated April 5, 1935.

Mr. Weicht further stated that he has never received a letter from the Director of the Bureau of Investigation at Washington referring to this or any other matter, but that his investigation was predicated upon the letter from his superior, the Chief Post Office Inspector, above referred to. Apparently there was a misunderstanding on the part of Special Agent R. D. Brown concerning the origin of the letter dated April 5, 1935, which he previously set forth as having been received by Mr. Weicht from the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, as no such letter is contained in the files of the Post Office Inspection Service in St.Paul.

Very truly yours,

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H. E. ANDERSEN
Special Agent in Charge

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DIRECTOR

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Washington, D. C.

June 11, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

In compliance with the request of Mr. Newby, I am transmitting herewith a copy of abstract of criminal record as appearing in the files of the Identification Division of Albert Pegram, our file #FBI-562753.

Respectfully,

L. C. Schilder.

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Post Office Box 2118
Detroit - Michigan
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Special Agent in Charge
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. #1218 -
FUGITIVE; et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.
Kidnaping - Harboring and Obstruction
of Justice - National Firearms Act.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter to the Pittsburgh Office dated June 4, 1935, a copy of which was received by this office June 6, 1935, relative to the offer made by Arthur P. Burdette, of Erie, Pennsylvania, to visit his sister, Wynona Burdette, for the purpose of obtaining from her information which may assist the Bureau in locating Harry Campbell and other members of the Barker-Karpis gang.

Superintendent John J. Ryan of the United States Detention Farm, Milan, Michigan, on June 11, 1935, advised Special Agent A. A. Muzzey of this office that any arrangements the Bureau desires to make relative to the visit of Burdette with his sister, Wynona, at Milan would be satisfactory to him.

Mr. Ryan stated that Friday is the regular day for visits with women inmates of the farm and that such visits are made between the hours of 9:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. However, Mr. Ryan stated that he would gladly arrange a visit for Burdette on any day the Bureau desires but to arouse as little suspicion as possible on the part of Wynona, he suggested that this visit be made on a Friday.

Mr. Ryan further advised that it is a rule of the farm that a guard be present during such visits but that at the time Burdette visits Wynona, a guard will go in but will be called out in such a manner as to arouse no suspicion so that Burdette and Wynona may converse alone. Mr. Ryan deems it advisable to inform Burdette that a guard will go in at the beginning of the visit but that he will then be called out.

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Because of the difficulty experienced in getting to the prison farm, Mr. Ryan further suggested that Burdette be met by a Bureau Agent in Detroit and driven over to Milan and that before leaving Detroit, the Bureau Agent, who is to drive Burdette to Milan, telephone Mr. Ryan so that he can make the necessary arrangements before the arrival of Burdette at the farm.

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Mr. Ryan also suggested that it would be well to have Burdette write a letter to Wynona telling her that he had communicated with Mr. Ryan and that Mr. Ryan had given him permission to visit her.

It is kindly requested that the Pittsburgh Office advise the Detroit Office if the above arrangements are satisfactory and also at what time Burdette will proceed to Milan for the purpose of visiting his sister.

Very truly yours

D. L. Nicholson
Special Agent in Charge

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KANSAS CITY BUREAU OFFICE
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Date April 15, 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
S.O. K.C.Mo. #348	Russell E. Lane, aliases: Russell Lane, Russel Lane, "Spike" Lane, Vernon Johnson, Frank Orchard, J. Snead, Jess B. Swearingen and Jesse B. Swearingen and ~~J.B.Sweeringen~~ J.B. Swearingen	Vio. Sec. 246, Title 18, U.S.C. Harboring Volney Davis; Dismissed 3-22-35 by U.S. Attorney, K.C.Mo.

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This form to be submitted to the 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,
R. B. Nathan
R. B. NATHAN HEA
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE
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Post Office Box 812
Chicago Illinois

June 12, 1935

Special Agent in Charge
Cleveland, 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;
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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; ET AL;
KIDNAPING; HARBORING & OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE;
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
Chicago file 7-82.

Under date of April 8, 1935, the Detroit Office submitted to this Office a copy of a letter dated March 30, 1935, from Frazier Reams Prosecuting Attorney, Toledo, Ohio, in which letter Mr. Reams desired to secure certain information regarding Ernie La Salle, who is under indictment at Toledo, Ohio in connection with the Jack Kennedy murder. In this letter Mr. Reams requested that this Office obtain information concerning 1935 Ford V-8 Coupe, Illinois license 467-618, issued to A. E. Fleming, 1943 Central Street, Evanston, Illinois. Mr. Reams advised that there was a possibility that the last number of this license was a 5. He stated that the 1935 Illinois license 467-615 was issued to Martha Stafford, Kincaid, Illinois, which you will note is in the St. Louis Office territory.

Mr. Reams desired the information as to whether the color of either of these coupes was gray. This information has not to date been obtained for Mr. Reams, and it is desired that you ascertain whether he would still like to have this information, and if possible, this Office will take immediate steps to secure the same as Mr. Reams has in the past furnished us very valuable information in connection with the Bremer kidnaping matter.

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS
Special Agent in Charge

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Detroit
Cincinnati

Post Office Box 812
Chicago Illinois

June 10, 1935

Postmaster
Glasgow,
Montana

RE: ALVIN KARPIS,a.a., FUG.,I.O.1218
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN,w.a.,I.O.1232
HARRY CAMPBELL,w.a.,I.O.1236;
WILLIAM WEAVER,w.a.,I.O.1238;WILLIAM J.
HARRISON,w.a. I.O.1239;MYRTLE EATON,I.O.1241
et al - Ed.Geo.Bremer,Vic. - KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

This is to advise you that the mail cover which you have been maintaining on the mail of Corey Bales and Violet Gregg at Glasgow, Montana, is no longer necessary.

Please accept my thanks for your splendid cooperation in connection with this matter.

Very truly yours,

M.H.PURVIS
Special Agent in Charge

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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P. O. Box 515, St. Paul, Minn.

June 10, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, NUO. I.O. 1218, ET AL.
EDWARD GEORGE BRUNER - Victim.
KIDNAPING - HARBORING - OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE -
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
St.Paul File 7-30.

Reference is made to letter from the Milwaukee Office to the Chicago Office dated May 31, 1935.

Under date of March 25, 1935, this office communicated with the Secretary of State of Wisconsin requesting that he place a Stop Order in his files in Chevrolet Sedan Motor Number 4,543,656, Serial 1DA07-49267. It is suggested that this Order be removed.

Very truly yours,

H. E. ANDERSEN.
Special Agent in Charge.

JEB:SEC

CC-Bureau
Cincinnati

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P. O. BOX 1156,
OMAHA, NEBRASKA

June 11, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
Cincinnati, Ohio

Dear Sir:-

Re: Alvin Karpis, with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I.O. #1218; et al
Edward George Bremer, Victim
Kidnaping.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent J. L. Flood, dated May 10, 1935, and the report of Special Agent Kenneth Logan, dated May 16, 1935, both made at Omaha, Nebraska in this case.

As a matter of further information, you are advised that Mr. Grant McFayden, of the McFayden Ford Agency, this city, advised this office on June 8, 1935, that he had received a letter from GLADYS SAWYER. The letter was obtained from Mr. McFayden and copied, same reading as follows:-

"John C. DeCourcy,
Attorney At Law,
Commerce Building,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

June 6th, 1935

"McFadden & Stewart Co.,
20th & Harney,
Omaha, Nebr.

Gentlemen:-

"On or about November 21st or 22nd, 1934, I purchased a used Ford V8 Coupe from your company in the name of Ann Wright.

"I am about to sell this car to a party at Gulfport, Mississippi, where they require a copy of the Bill of Sale to show that car was paid for.

"If you have no copy of the Bill of Sale, I would suggest that you fill out the accompanying affidavit and mail same to W. C. Stephenson, Route 2, Gulfport, Miss.

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"Your prompt attention to this matter will be greatly appreciated. I enclose stamped, addressed envelope for your convenience.

Respectfully,

(Signed) Gladys Sawyer,

Otherwise known as Ann Wright."

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You will recall that W. C. Stephenson is the father of R. L. Stephenson, Gulfport, Mississippi.

Very truly yours,

JOHN A. DONOVAN,
Special Agent in Charge

LBR/TMH

CC Bureau,
St. Paul,
New Orleans

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P. O. Box #1156,
Omaha, Nebraska.

June 11, 1935.

Mr. W. A. Nosh,
Post Office Inspector,
St. Louis, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Re: Alvin Karpis, with aliases;
Fugitive, I. O. 1218; et al.
Edward George Bremer, Victim.
Kidnaping.

This office is seeking to locate and cause the apprehension of a prominent member of the above named gang, and information has been received that this fugitive may be in communication with persons residing at 306 1/2 Walnut Street, Des Moines, Iowa.

Will you be kind enough to issue instructions to the Postmaster at Des Moines, Iowa, to have tracings of all first class mail received by the occupants of 306 1/2 Walnut Street, Des Moines, made, asking that the tracings include a tracing of the handwriting, the Postmark and particularly any return address, such tracings to be forwarded to this office promptly. Upon issuing these instructions will you be kind enough to instruct the Postmaster at Des Moines to notify me when the mail surveillance begins?

Very truly yours,

JOHN A. DOWD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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CC St.Louis
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New Orleans, La.
June 6, 1935.

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

MEMORANDUM FOR ALL AGENTS:

Re: BREKID,
Kidnaping.

Subject Volney Davis, recently apprehended in Chicago, has furnished certain information relative description of Subject ALVIN KARPIS. He states that Karpis has large scars extending downward below his ears, which scars were the result of a facial operation made by Subject Doctor Joseph P. Moran. Volney Davis stated that the scars on the face of Karpis were more visible than those on the face of Doc Barker, and it is known that the scars on Doc Barker are still prominent. Davis stated that the ears of Alvin Karpis were originally without lobes, and a portion of the flesh was cut on the lower part of the ear, forming lobes, and was of the opinion that scars would show underneath the lobes. Subject Davis further informed that Alvin Karpis is lefthanded and does everything lefthanded with the exception of writing, of which he is not sure. Volney Davis states that an attempt was made by Subject Doctor Moran to lift one of the eyebrows of Alvin Karpis and in so doing he cut the flesh on the hairline of Karpis' head, and that as a result of this cut, there is a small cut scar visible under the hair line, but he could not recall over which eye. Davis stated that the cuts on Karpis' face presented a changed appearance only when healing but since the threads were removed, no visible change in his facial appearance could be noticed, except the scars. Volney Davis informed that Alvin Karpis has a very distinct stoop in his shoulders.

The Chicago Bureau Office advised that Volney Davis had the same operation performed on him and that scars on his ears are still visible.

Concerning Subject Willie Harrison, Volney Davis informed that Harrison has reddish brown hair with considerable gray in it. It will be noted that the description on the Identification Order No. 1239 on Harrison describes the hair as light brown. Volney Davis states that Willie Harrison has a very ruddy complexion and that the photograph appearing on the Identification Order for Harrison is a good likeness of him, with the exception that Harrison was seldom seen without a smile; that he is at all times very jovial; that Harrison wears octagon shaped glasses and is known to be a heavy user of intoxicating liquors. Identical information concerning Willie Harrison has also been furnished by Clara Gibson.

The Chicago Bureau Office secured information from Volney Davis that Subject Charles Fitzgerald, nickname Old Fitz and Chuck, might have died in a hospital in California as a result of an operation on his leg. Chicago Office letter of June 4, 1935, describes Subject Charles Fitzgerald, on information from Volney Davis, as age over 70 years, considerably bald, wears a brace on his left leg continuously and also wears a built-up shoe to the extent of about four inches on his left foot.

cc-Bureau

D. W. Magee, Special Agent in Charge.

Post Office Box 812
Chicago Illinois

June 11, 1935

Special Agent in Charge
Detroit, Michigan

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, 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.
KIDNAPING; HARBORING & OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NAT'L FIREARMS ACT.
Chicago file 7-82

Confirming the telephone conversation between your Office and Special Agent R. C. Suran of this Office on June 10, 1935, I have to advise that Special Agent C. Jenkins obtained information from Dr. C. J. Carlin, 208 Scott Street, Joliet, Illinois, one of the physicians employed by the Illinois State Penitentiary; that he in that capacity examined Subject Joseph P. Moran on November 17, 1928, at which time an X-ray examination disclosed that Moran had a foreign substance in his lung tissue which was probably a piece of shrapnel, and should be still lodged in his body and easily located. Dr. Carlin stated that the X-ray disclosed that this foreign substance is about the size of a pea. He further advised that the X-ray film had been destroyed about a year subsequent to the time it was taken.

In addition Dr. Carlin further advised that the records of Dr. Moran in the penitentiary disclosed that during the World War he was injured due to the falling of an airplane in which he was riding. In this accident Dr. Moran's left arm and chest were injured, two ribs broken and two fingers of his right hand fractured. It would therefore appear that these injuries would be of little value in identifying the body now being held by the Coroner at Detroit, Michigan.

Further information was received that six months after Moran's discharge from the Army he was sent to the Veterans' Hospital at Boston, Massachusetts, where his left breast was removed.

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS
Special Agent in Charge

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Cincinnati

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JUN 13 1935
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

414 Philadelphia Saving Fund Building,
Philadelphia, Penna.

June 11, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Re: Alvin Karpis with aliases et al.
Edward George Bremer-Victim
Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Jacksonville letter dated May 10, 1935.

Special Agent Charles K. Pelletier contacted W. C. Bigley, Manager of the Western Union Telegraph Co., 832 Broad St., Newark, N. J., who stated that all copies of telegrams transmitted and received are kept on file for one year and then destroyed in accordance with an Interstate Commerce Commission regulation. Inasmuch as the telegrams in question were transmitted prior to one year they are not available. However, Agent examined the oldest copies on file which were for the month of May, 1934, with a view of ascertaining if "Jerry" sent any telegrams and none were discovered. Mr. Bigley further stated that Irvington, N. J. is a branch office and copies of telegrams are kept on file at Irvington for one month and then forwarded to his office at Newark. These telegrams are also destroyed with all others after the expiration of one year.

Agent also called at the Irvington, N. J. office which is located at 980 Springfield Avenue and interviewed Mrs. W. Ulrich who stated that the Manager, Miss Langevin, just left for a ten days' vacation and that she did not know anything about the identity of the sender of this telegram, which was unsigned; she also stated that Miss Langevin would not recall the sender of this telegram inasmuch as frequently senders refuse to give their names and inform them that they are just going through the town and wish to send a telegram.

Agent also contacted Lieutenant Bjostrom of the New Jersey State Police, Identification Bureau, Trenton, N. J., and John Hager, Clerk of the Record Bureau, Newark, N. J. Police Department, who could not locate any such name in their alias boxes.

Very truly yours,

R. C. Harvey,
Special Agent in Charge.

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P. O. Box #64
Buffalo, N.Y.

June 11, 1935

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

Dear Sir:

This will advise that Special Agent R. D. Brown arrived in Buffalo, New York via Bureau owned automobile at 4:30 P.M. June 11, 1935 enroute to Marmora, Ontario, Canada, to perform certain investigation in connection with the case entitled:

"Alvin Karpis, with aliases
I. O. #1218 et al
Edward George Bremer, Victim
KIDNAPING"

Pursuant to information furnished telephonically to the writer by Special Agent in Charge J. P. MacFarland at Cleveland, Ohio, Special Agent Brown was advised upon his arrival that he is a necessary witness at Chicago, Ill. on the morning of June 13, 1935 in connection with the trial of Louis Piquette, former attorney of John Dillinger.

In accordance therewith Agent Brown departed from Buffalo, N.Y. at 5 P.M. in the Bureau owned automobile returning to Cleveland, Ohio, from which point it is understood that he will proceed to Chicago, Ill.

Very truly yours,

W. L. LISTERMAN
Special Agent in Charge

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June 7, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

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, I. O. 1237, FUGITIVE; WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I. O. 1238; WILLIAM H. 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.

There is enclosed herewith a copy of a memorandum submitted by Special Agent A. H. Johnson, listing the personal property taken from subject Volney Davis at Chicago, Illinois on June 1, 1935, and which property was turned over to you by Special Agent R. C. Suran at the airport in Minneapolis, Minnesota on the morning of June 3, 1935, together with the original signed statement and the waiver of removal signed by subject Davis on June 1, 1935. As you know it was not practical to check the personal property of subject Davis with you at the time inasmuch as it was considered advisable to remove Davis from the airport as rapidly as possible. It is, therefore, requested that you check the personal property of Davis, which was turned over to you with the enclosed property listed on the memorandum, a copy of which was also inside the envelope given to you, and acknowledge receipt thereof by letter. It is also requested that you acknowledge receipt of the original signed statement made by Davis, together with the waiver of removal executed by him.

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS
Special Agent in Charge.

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June 10, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

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; WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I.O. 1238; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. 1239; MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I.O. 1231; et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim. KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of June 5, 1935 wherein you advised that Byron Bolton furnished you with information to the effect that Newquist, a salesman for the Vrba Motor Company, Cicero, Illinois, had informed Gibson that Government Agents had made inquiries concerning Ford Victoria engine number 1142465.

It is requested that Bolton be re-interviewed for a detailed statement concerning this matter with the view of possibly placing obstruction of justice charges against Newquist.

A copy of this letter is being sent to the Cincinnati office with the request that Special Agent S. K. McKee advise specifically the information he furnished to A. C. Newquist of the Vrba Motor Company on December 17,1934, and particularly whether Newquist was advised that Gibson was under indictment in connection with the instant case.

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge.

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EREKID COUNTY ATTORNEY FAIRBURY NEBRASKA DESIRES TO KNOW IMMEDIATELY IF JESS DOYLE IS STILL CONFINED COUNTY JAIL ST PAUL AND WHETHER HE IS TO BE RELEASED TO ANY LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY STOP COUNTY ATTORNEY FAIRBURY IS PREPARING EXTRADITION PAPERS FOR DOYLES REMOVAL TO FAIRBURY IN CONNECTION BANK ROBBERY THERE APRIL NINETEEN THIRTYTHREE STOP WIRE STATUS FEDERAL PROSECUTION PENDING AGAINST DOYLE EXPEDITE

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ST.PAUL, MINNESOTA
JUNE 10, 1935

DAY LETTER

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Re: Alvin Karpis, et al
Edw. G. Bremer, Victim
Kidnaping.

P. O. Box #766,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

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June 12, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, IO 1218;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, IO 1232;
HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, IO 1236;
WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, IO 1238;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, IO 1239;
MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, IO 1231, et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF
JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to letter from your office dated June 10, 1935, in which you requested that Special Agent S. K. McKee advise of the specific information he furnished to A. C. Newquist of the Vrba Motor Company, Cicero, Illinois, on December 17, 1934, and particularly whether Newquist was informed that Gibson was under indictment in connection with this case.

Special Agent McKee has referred to pages 74 and 75 of the report of Special Agent R. D. Brown, Chicago, Illinois, dated January 8, 1935, which cover his conversation with A. C. Newquist. Agent McKee can state that he did inform A. C. Newquist that extensive investigation had been conducted looking toward the apprehension of Russell Gibson; that Russell Gibson was a much wanted Fugitive and that he had been indicted in St. Paul, Minnesota, for participation in the Bremer Kidnaping.

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For the information of the St. Paul Bureau Office in reinterviewing Byron Bolton, it is suggested that he be closely questioned as to whether the Mr. Newquist, who informed Gibson that Government Agents had made inquiries concerning the Ford Victoria, was A. G. Newquist, who was interviewed by Agent McKee, or A. J. (Art) Newquist, owner of the Vrba Motor Company.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

CC: Bureau ✓
St. Paul

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June 10, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

11 A.M.

RE: WEYERHAEUSER KIDNAPING CASE

Mr. Hanson called from New York, advising that he had just received an inquiry from a Mr. Arndt with the Pathe News Company for a photograph of Bill Mahan, also a photograph of Alvin Karpis. He stated he had no photographs of Mahan, but that he did have copies of the Identification Order on Karpis. I advised that he should give Mr. Arndt a copy of the I.O. on Karpis and tell him he had no photographs of Mahan.

Mr. Hanson further advised that several theater men from Brooklyn were down at the police department to get photographs of men wanted by the Department of Justice, indicating they wanted to use these photographs in connection with the showing of the picture G-Men. I advised Hanson that we would not give out anything of that kind at all.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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Jacksonville, Fla.	June 15, 1935	June 11, 1935	B. F. Fitzsimons.

TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218-FUGITIVE; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1238; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236; 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: EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.

Mary Ellen Crosier, with her husband W. C. Crosier, field representative for Collier magazine, resided at Miami, Florida, from January 1, through February, 1935, when Crosier left for Tampa, Florida. His wife remained at Miami until about April 1, 1935, when she left for an unannounced destination. Neither has criminal record at Miami and both considered of good reputation.

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REFERENCE: Wire from Chicago Office to Jacksonville Office, dated June 10, 1935.

DETAILS: AT MIAMI, FLORIDA.

DETAILS

By reference to the Miami City Directory it was ascertained that the Briton Apartments are located at 536 Southwest Thirteenth Avenue. The name of Crosier was not listed.

Mrs. C. G. Walker, manager, Briton Apartments, 536 Southwest Thirteenth Avenue, Miami, Florida, stated that on or about January 1, 1935, one W. C. Crosier who claimed to be a representative for the Collier Magazine Company, rented an apartment which he occupied with his wife, until the latter part of February when he left, stating that

DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: R. A. Ahr — R.B.D. — SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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CHECKED OFF: JUN 17 1935

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he was going to Tampa, Florida. His wife remained at Miami until about April 1, 1935, when she left for an unannounced destination Mrs. Walker stated that she did not inquire of her tenants from whence they came, nor did they indicate the place of their permanent residence. Mrs. Walker stated that they appeared to be of good character; that they had no visitors; that Crosier worked most of the day and spent the evenings typing. His wife spent her time either on the beach or at the horse races. After her husband left for Tampa, Mrs. Crosier remained at Miami, attending the horse races daily and after the racing season was over Mrs. Crosier left, about April 1, 1935, but she did not indicate to Mrs. Walker where she was going. Mrs. Walker claims that both Crosier and his wife had an automobile, but she did not know the make of either car, nor did she know what license the cars carried.

Mr. C. C. Walker, husband of the above mentioned Mrs. Walker, substantiated the statements of his wife; claimed that Crosier apparently held a responsible position with the Collier Company; that he was industrious; did not dissipate in any manner, spending his time almost exclusively at his work. Mr. Walker likewise was unable to recall the make of automobiles or license plates possessed by the Crosiers, and he denied knowing where they came from or where their permanent home may be.

Neither Crosier nor his wife has a criminal record on file with the Miami Sheriff's office or police department.

Through inquiry of the Postmaster, Miami, it was ascertained that neither Crosier nor his wife has an address of record and neither left a forwarding address. It was also ascertained that the Collier Magazine Company does not have an office in Miami.

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June 12, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. J. W. GARDNER
GENERAL AGENT AND CHIEF CLERK.

There is transmitted herewith voucher in favor of Blue Bird Air Transport, Inc., in the amount of $376.00, for an airplane that was chartered for transportation from Chicago to St. Paul and return.

This is to advise you that this means of transportation was essential in transporting Volney Davis, a fugitive connected with the Bremer Kidnaping Case, to St. Paul in furtherance of that investigation. Due to the underworld affiliations of Davis, it was essential that the secrecy and privacy incident to air transportation be taken advantage of in order to insure the safe transportation of this prisoner to St. Paul.

This plane was chartered on a transportation req uest issued by Special Agent R. C. Suran. Five Special Agents accompanied the prisoner to St. Paul, and returned to Chicago in the Plane.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director.

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Department of Justice

UNITED STATES ATTORNEY
District of Minnesota

ST. PAUL, June 4, 1935

The Attorney General,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

During the early part of April the United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Oklahoma forwarded to this office certified papers, requesting the removal of Jess Doyle from this District to his district for trial there on a national bank robbery charge.

Doyle was a defendant in the so-called Bremer kidnaping case, tried here in St. Paul recently but the evidence against him in that case was insufficient to permit consideration thereof by the jury; and proceedings were instituted to remove him to the Eastern District of Oklahoma, in which a removal order duly issued and is now in the hands of the United States Marshal for this district for execution.

Through the local Bureau of Investigation word has reached me that the United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Oklahoma now has determined that he has no case against Doyle in that jurisdiction and will not want Doyle removed thence to his district.

When Doyle was arrested by the special agents in February, 1935, he made a twelve-page statement, admitting a guilty connection with several other bank robberies. I have been advised that this written confession, which is now in my possession as a part of the Bremer kidnaping case, cannot be used, without your consent, by anyone other than a federal prisecutor. However this may be, the fact is that the federal authorities have exhausted or are about to exhaust their means of holding Doyle in custody any longer. Doyle has a long criminal record, involving previous convictions for bank hold-ups, and it is my judgment that he should not be liberated by the Federal authorities here in St. Paul, until such time as it has been definitely determined that the State authorities in the several states where he has admitted complicity in bank robberies do not want to prosecute him.

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I am enclosing herewith copies of letters I have written to the Hennepin County Attorney at Minneapolis, Minnesota, and to the Jefferson County Attorney at Fairbury, Nebraska, which tell their own story and in which you will find quoted portions of Doyle's statement admitting his guilty connection with bank robberies at Minneapolis

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

WASHINGTON, D. C.

June 7, 1935.

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Miss Gandy .....
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR,
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION.

Please note the attached letter from the United States Attorney from St. Paul, Minnesota, concerning Jess Doyle, who was one of the defendants in the so-called Bremer Kidnapping Case, and whose removal to Eastern Oklahoma was requested. According to the United States Attorney, the fact is that the Federal authorities have exhausted or are about to exhaust their means of holding Doyle in custody any longer, and the United States Attorney for Eastern Oklahoma has determined that he has no case against him in his District.

Mr. Sullivan requests authority to turn over to the county attorneys mentioned a copy of Doyle's confession in the event either of them decide to prosecute under the state laws, and requests assurance be given that the two Special Agents to whom the statement was made be made available as witnesses on behalf of the state in such prosecution. I heartily concur in this view and believe that we should assist the state authorities to this extent in any prosecution undertaken by them.

Will you please, therefore, advise me immediately whether this arrangement can be made so that I can telegraph United States Attorney Sullivan.

Please return the attached papers with your reply.

Respectfully,

Joseph B. Keenan

JOSEPH B. KEENAN,
Assistant Attorney General.

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Hon. George A. Skultety,

"At this time Fred Barker, Doc Barker and Earl Christman were living at the Home Apartments in Oak Park, Illinois with Mother Barker and Earl's wife, Helen. Volney Davis and I were living with Edna and Doris in my apartment in Maywood, Illinois. Frank Nash was living with his wife, Frances, at Louie's Place in Fox River Grove, Illinois. I believe Eddie Green was residing in Chicago and Alvin Karpis in Oak Park, Illinois.

"The Boys had gone to Kansas City two or three days before the robbery took place and rented a furnished apartment near 45th and Main Street in Kansas City. I believe Doc Barker and Volney Davis made the arrangements for this apartment. When Fred and I arrived in Kansas City we lived in this apartment until the day of the robbery. We drove to the bank in two cars, Fred was driving a Chevrolet Sedan and I was driving a Buick. Doc Barker, Volney Davis, Alvin Karpis, Eddie Green, Earl Christman and Frank Nash entered the bank and I parked my car on the street nearby. I believe Fred was parked in back of me in another car. Shortly after the boys entered the bank Earl Christman came out to act as a look-out. A few minutes later the boys emerged from the bank and as they were getting into our waiting cars Earl was wounded. I drove my car with Alvin Karpis reading the get-away chart, to a point 15 miles away, where we switched automobiles. I believe Alvin Karpis then went with the other fellows and Doc and Volney returned to Kansas City with me. We proceeded direct to our apartment, abandoning the car a couple of squares from the building. That night Fred came to the apartment and told Doc and I to return to Chicago, stating he would take care of the car we had abandoned. Doc and I immediately took a train to St. Paul, Minnesota, as Doc wanted to see Harry Sawyer. We remained in Harry's place only a few hours, after which a fellow named Tom, who works for Harry Sawyer, drove us to Louie's Place in Fox River Grove, Illinois. Fred Barker, Alvin Karpis and Frank Nash were already there when we arrived. It was at this time that Fred told me Earl had been 'hit'. Fred also gave me my split at this time. I do not know where the money was divided. Volney had not shown up as yet and it is entirely possible that he remained in Kansas City to take care of Earl. On the next afternoon Fred and Doc left Oak Park, Illinois and I believe they went to Kansas City. Two or three days later Volney Davis returned alone and told me that he had been in Kansas City on business. About three or four days later Fred and Doc returned, and at this time Fred informed me that Earl had died."

Doyle has a long criminal record and this office is not disposed to give him his liberty until we have made every effort to have the state authorities take him into custody and prosecute him for offenses which

Hon. George A. Skultety,

have been committed by him against the state laws, concerning which the United States Department of Justice has information.

Accordingly it is urged respectfully that you promptly consider the matter set forth in this letter and in the event you decide that Doyle should be prosecuted in your county, that you make arrangements immediately whereunder you can obtain jurisdiction of Doyle's person prior to his release by the federal authorities in the district of Minnesota, notifying the United States Marshal and also notifying this office at your earliest convenience of your decision and action in the matter.

Yours very truly,

GEORGE F. SULLIVAN,
United States Attorney.

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ST. PAUL, June 4, 1935.

Hon. George A. Skultety,
Jefferson County Attorney,
Fairbury, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

The federal authorities in this district have been holding one Jess Doyle in the Ramsey County Jail at St. Paul, Minnesota, in connection with a proceeding for his removal to the Eastern District of Oklahoma to meet a federal charge there, Doyle having been exonerated of complicity in the so-called Bremer kidnaping case.

It now commences to appear that the federal authorities in the Eastern District of Oklahoma have determined that they have no case against Doyle in that jurisdiction, and this office is anticipating word to that effect in the near future, which, when received, will give us no alternative but to liberate Doyle, unless arrangements can be made with state authorities to take Doyle into their custody when the time arrives for his release by the federal authorities in the District of Minnesota.

In the circumstances stated, I take occasion to advise you that on February 15, 1935, at the Wyandotte County Jail at Kansas City, Kansas, Jess Doyle made a statement to John L. Madala and R. P. Shanahan, both of whom are special agents of the Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, which statement was reduced to writing and covers twelve typewritten pages, each page having been signed and sworn to by Doyle. On Pages 5, 6 and 7 of this written statement Doyle makes the following admissions with reference to the robbery of a bank at Fairbury, Nebraska:

"This robbery occurred on April 3, 1933, and the following men participated:

FRED BARKER
DOC BARKER
VOLNEY DAVIS
ALVIN KARPIS
EDDIE GREEN
EARL CHRISTMAN
FRANK NASH
JESS DOYLE

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"Fred Barker, Doc Barker, Alvin Karpis and I were living at either the Twin Oaks or Three Oaks Apartments in St. Paul at that time. We had a meeting place in a garage in Minneapolis shortly before the robbery, and I drove the above mentioned men to the bank in a Lincoln Sedan. I was wearing a chauffeur's cap at this time. All of the boys entered the bank and I drove the car a couple of hundred feet down the street. Shortly afterwards I observed Larry DuVal come out of the bank to act as a look-out. A few minutes later the others emerged from the bank and, simultaneously, a squad car pulled up in front of Larry. He fired at the police officers in this car with a machine gun and killed two of them. When I saw the boys come from the bank I drove the Lincoln car to where they were and they got in. Vern Miller got into the driver's seat, replacing my position, and drove away. As we were making our getaway the police fired at our car and punctured two of our tires. Vern drove at a rapid rate of speed to a park in St. Paul where we abandoned the Lincoln car on account of the punctured tires. Fred instructed Alvin Karpis and I to get away, stating that he would meet us at the apartment. Alvin and I took a cab and as we were leaving I heard several shots fired a short distance away. Alvin and I proceeded direct to our apartment and sometime afterwards Fred and Doc arrived, and at this time he gave us our split. I believe the money was previously divided in Larry's apartment. I subsequently heard, through conversations with Fred and Doc, that when the boys were changing cars in St. Paul some person in an automobile drove past them and tried to see their license number and one of the boys shot him in the head. I do not know who 'cased' this job nor do I recall the amount of my split. None of our boys were wounded. Larry DuVal was arrested in his apartment the following night while drunk and was charged with participation in this robbery. I believe he plead guilty and received a life sentence."

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"Harry Hull, who was living with Larry DuVal at that time, notified us the following morning of Larry's arrest, whereupon all of us, with the exception of Vern Miller, left St. Paul and drove to Reno, Nevada, at Fred's suggestion. Upon our arrival in Reno Fred connected with Earl Christman, who, I believe, put them in touch with someone in Reno who took care of their 'hot stuff'. Volney Davis and Mother Barker were in Reno when we arrived."

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Yours very truly,

GEORGE F. SULLIVAN,
United States Attorney.

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GAH-TS

ST. PAUL, June 4, 1935.

Hon. Ed J. Goff,
Hennepin County Attorney,
Court House,
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sir:

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"This robbery occurred on December 16, 1932, and the following men took part:

FRED BARKER
DOC BARKER
LARRY DUVAL
BILL WEAVER alias Bill Scott
ALVIN KARPIS
VERN MILLER
JESS DOYLE

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The Attorney General,

Minnesota, and at Fairbury, Nebraska, against which the statute of limitation has not run.

Accordingly I ask your authority, should the county attorneys mentioned, or either of them, decide to prosecute Doyle, to deliver to them the written confession above mentioned, and to give them the assurance that the two special agents, to whom the statement was made, may be called as witnesses for the state in such prosecution. It seems to me that the best public interest would be subserved in handling the matter in this way, and in view of the fact that the element of time in handling the matter may become important, I respectfully ask that you WIRE ME YOUR RESPONSE HERETO.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE F. SULLIVAN(Sgd.)
United States Attorney

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5-576-6382 June 10, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL KEENAN

Reference is made to your memorandum of June 7, 1935, transmitting a letter addressed to you by the United States Attorney at St. Paul, Minnesota, relating to the turning over to State officials of statements obtained by Bureau Agents from Jesse Doyle, it being noted that no Federal prosecution is contemplated against Doyle.

Upon the question of whether the statement of Doyle should be turned over to State authorities, I do not desire to comment, feeling that the disposition to be made of this statement is a matter not to be determined by this Bureau. If, however, the statement of Doyle is turned over to the State authorities and he is subsequently tried in any State Court proceedings upon charges contained in his statement, and if proper subpoenaes are issued for Special Agents of this Bureau competent to testify as to the obtaining of this statement, appropriate arrangements will be made to have the Bureau Agents respond to the State subpoenaes issued for them.

I am returning herewith the original letter addressed to you under date of June 4, 1935 by George F. Sullivan, United States Attorney at St. Paul, Minnesota, and the enclosures mentioned in his letter.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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June 13, 1935.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Re: Byron Bolton.

Mr. Waldrop telephoned and stated that a report was being carried in the Chicago Herald and Examiner to the effect that Byron Bolton had made a complete confession. I advised Mr. Waldrop that this report was not true; that Bolton was taken into custody by the Bureau and tried and convicted for his part in the Bremer case, but that the reports that he had made a confession clearing up the St. Valentine's Day massacre at Chicago were unfounded.

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Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director.

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New York, N. Y.

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June 14, 1935.

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

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

Dear Sir:-

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent F. E. Wright, in the above entitled case, dated New York City, June 14, 1935.

There are being forwarded herewith for the attention of the Bureau Laboratory, the following:

Two copies each of five photographs of latent prints, described and identified as follows: - Re: I. O. 1218, 6/6/35, PJK:

(A) Fragmentary fingerprint taken from a drinking glass. RECORDED & INDEXED

(B) Small fragmentary print on drinking glass.

(C) Small fragmentary print on drinking glass.

(D) Two small fragmentary prints on drinking glass.

(E) Fragmentary print taken from beer bottle.

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The six beer bottles and four drinking glasses were obtained by Special Agents George J. Starr and F. J. Kilmartin from Suite 23K, Warwick Hotel, New York City. The processing and photographing were done by Special Agent P. J. Klifoth.

There are also being forwarded to the Bureau Laboratory in two cellophane envelopes the following described articles taken from Suite 23K by Agents Starr and Kilmartin:

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(F) Magazine "Time" dated June 1, 1935.

(G) Magazine "True Detective Mysteries", June 1935.

(H) Glazed paper handkerchief container.

(I) One piece of cigarette package cellophane.

(J) One piece of Hotel Warwick stationery with the figures 7-7850 thereon.

(K) Two torn halves of a large envelope with the return address, Fred J. Dempsey, New York City.

These articles have not been touched by agents and it is requested that the same be processed for latent prints, and if any are developed, that efforts be made to identify them and those appearing on the enclosed photographs with the prints of all the fugitives in this case.

Very truly yours,

R. WHITLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc - Chicago

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June 12, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
New York City, New York.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of June 14, 1935, transmitting two copies each of five photographs of latent fingerprints marked A, B, C, D, and E respectively, together with the magazine "Time" dated June 1, 1935; the magazine "True Detective Mysteries" dated June, 1935; glazed paper handkerchief container; one piece of cigarette package cellophane; one piece of Hotel Warwick stationery with the figures 7-7850 thereon; two torn halves of a large envelope with the return address "Fred J. Dempsey, New York", which are marked F, G, H, I, J, and K respectively, in connection with the case entitled Alvin Karpis with aliases - Fugitive, I. O. 1218, et al.; Edward G. Bremer - Victim, Kidnaping.

No latent fingerprints of value could be developed on the material marked F, H, I, J, and K respectively. Several fragmentary latent prints were developed on five of the pages of the magazine "True Detective Mysteries". These latent prints together with the latent fingerprints appearing in the photographs marked A, B, C, D, and E respectively, were compared with the fingerprints of the following persons but no identifications were effected:

Alvin Karpis, #FBI-199217
Harry Campbell, #FBI-419856
Joseph B. Moran, #FBI-794777
Brent Classcock, #FBI-79336
Harry Swayer, #FBI-421336
Martin J. Langdon, #FBI -745275
Charles J. Fitzgerald, #FBI-95780
William K. Neade, #FBI-271926
Charles P. Clouse, #FBI-185726
Bart Angus, #FBI-509063
John C. Hogan, #FBI-19254
William J. Harrison, #FBI-727007
Clyde Nimerick, #FBI-77961
William Westerman, #FBI-320147
William Weaver, #FBI-17920

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Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc-Cincinnati
cc-St. Paul
cc-Chicago

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June 14, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I. O. #1215; ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE BRUNER,
Victim - KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith copies of a communication received at the United States Detention Farm, Milan, Michigan, addressed to Hymens Burdette and signed "Hy", the envelope in which it was received bearing return address Public Market Company, 103-110 South 4th Street, Ponca City, Oklahoma. The contents of the letter should be noted and appropriate action taken to establish the identity of the writer.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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cc-Chicago
St. Paul
Cincinnati (Copies of communication addressed to Hymens Burdette forwarded each field office listed)

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Ponca City, Okla.
May 25, 1935.

Wynona Dear,

How are you to-day? Received your letter and wondered why you hadn't answered the three others I wrote to you recently. I sent one a week or so ago. Jimmy & Ellen are getting along just fine, Ellen's school will be out this week.

Darling are you ill, or why aren't you doing so well?

Do hope you pep up & get to feeling better. I supose you didn't get the two long letters I wrote to you. I wish you would write me a long letter & tell me the news, & leave me know if you get this money. It isn't much but it is just something.

I will write more next time honey, so answer real soon & often.

Much Love

/s/ Ky.

(Penciled notation - $2.00 enclosed held at institution for credit to trust funds - GWB)

(Address appearing on back of envelope - Public Market Co., 108-110 So. 4th St., Ponca City, Okla.)

Love to Olen
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Post Office Box 812
Chicago Illinois

June 6, 1935

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

Dear Sir:

There is enclosed herewith public voucher for transportation of passengers submitted by the Blue Bird Air Transport, Inc., Chicago, Illinois, for the amount of $376.00, with the attached transportation request No. J-521,048, issued by Special Agent R. C. Suran on June 2, 1935, to the Blue Bird Air Transport, Inc., for transportation of six persons from Chicago, Illinois to St. Paul, Minnesota, and return. This transportation was via a chartered plane for the trip as stated above, at which time Volney Davis, subject in the case entitled, ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, - FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218; et al -- EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim -- KIDNAPING, was transported from Chicago, Illinois, to St. Paul, Minnesota.

This chartered plane was necessary to insure the confidential removal of subject, Volney Davis, from Chicago, Illinois, to St. Paul, Minnesota, the district of prosecution.

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge

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June 10, 1935.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Alvin Karpis with aliases,
Fugitive, I. O. #1218; et al;
Edward George Bremer, Victim -
Kidnaping.

In connection with the pending prosecution of one Matthew Gleason at Chicago, Illinois on charges of harboring Volney Davis, please be advised that no date had been set for the trial of this case. The indictment was returned on March 6, 1935, and under date of April 18, 1935, a summary report was prepared at the Chicago office which is serial No. 7-576-5624 of the Bureau file.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

Press for trial for fear some influence may be at work to prevent early trial.
J. E. H.

Sat. Chicago
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Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. NO. 1218; ET AL;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, VICTIM;
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

The Bureau desires that you consult the United States Attorney at Chicago, Illinois, with a view to obtaining an immediate trial of Matthew Oleason, on charges of harboring Volney Davis. This matter should receive your personal attention.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc-Cincinnati
cc-St. Paul

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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. 1237, FUGITIVE;
~~DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232;~~
WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I.O. 1238; HARRY SAWYER, ~~[illegible]~~ with aliases; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. 1239; MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I.O. 1241;
BRUNO PUTAS, with aliases; ET AL.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.

CHARACTER OF CASE:
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: W. F. Daubens, Gravette, Arkansas, furnished Agent with copy of genuine tract of the Gospel Tract Society, Gravette, Arkansas, stating his son, Harry Daubens, head of the Gospel Tract Society, now resides at Ft. Smith, Arkansas. Harry Daubens, Ft. Smith, Arkansas, stated tract forwarded to Wynona Burdette by her brother was copy of tract of the Gospel Tract Society.

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REFERENCE: Bureau letter March 29, 1935, and letter from Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, dated at Chicago, Illinois, April 15, 1935.

DETAILS: Postmaster Elmer Austin, Gravette, Arkansas, stated that the Gospel Tract Society was formed by Harry Daubens who formerly resided at Gravette, Arkansas, but is now residing at 3525 Park Avenue, Ft. Smith, Arkansas; that Harry Daubens' father, W. F. Daubens, is employed at the Peoples' Hardware Store in Gravette.

W. F. Daubens was interviewed at the Peoples' Hardware Store, Gravette, Arkansas, and stated that the Gospel Tract Society was started and operated by his son, Harry Daubens, who is now residing at

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Ft. Smith, Arkansas. After searching all papers and pamphlets at the Peoples' Hardware Store, Mr. Daubens located a card of the same wording and size as that which was forwarded by Aaron Burdette to his sister Wynona Burdette. A check of the wording of the yellow card forwarded to Wynona Burdette was made and it was found that the wording on that card is the same as the original tract card of the Gospel Tract Society. A copy of this card is being attached to copies of this report to the Cincinnati office for their information.

Mr. Harry Daubens was interviewed at his residence 3525 Park Avenue, Ft. Smith, and after having exhibited to him the card received from his father at Gravette, he stated this is one of the original tract cards sent out by the Gospel Tract Society all over the United States. He stated he does not know whether any of these cards were furnished to Aaron M. Burdett at Kansas, Oklahoma, and does not have a list of persons to whom such cards were mailed.

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St. Louis, Mo.	6-14-35	6-12-35	V. J. WOLFE

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;
WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I.O. 1238;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. 1239;
MYRTLE EATON, I.O. 1241, etal.

CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: EDWARD GEORGE BREMER--VICTIM.

SYNOPSIS: Records Automobile Bureau, Secretary of State's office indicate Buick car, motor #2856469, Ill. license 398097, was purchased by Gilbert Kaplan from the James Levy Motors, Chicago. Mr. Don Butler, officer in charge of the above department advised no way to check cars sold by Levy. Mr. Ambrose, representative of Polk Directory Co., stated their office, Chicago, had records of cars sold since 1-1-35.

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REFERENCE: Letter from Chicago Bureau office, dated June 8, 1935.

DETAILS: At Springfield, Illinois

Mr. Don Butler, officer in charge of the Automobile Department, Secretary of State's office, checked his records and ascertained that the Buick car, motor number 2856469, Illinois license number 398097, in possession of Gilbert Kaplan, was purchased by him on 10-20-33 from the James Levy Motors, 2255-2257 South Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. Kaplan's address, at that time, was given as 4300 Lake Shore Drive, Chicago, Illinois.

DETAILS:

Mr. Butler advised that there would be no way to ascertain from his records the cars sold by the Levy Motors.

Mr. Butler and agent contacted Mr. Ambrose, a representative of the Polk Directory Company, in the automobile division of the Secretary of State's office, who advised that the Chicago office of that company, located at 367 West Adams Street, maintains a record of all new cars sold

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by the respective dealers in Chicago since 1-1-35, and Mr. Ambrose suggested contacting Mr. William T. Morgan of the Polk Company.

Agent was advised by Mr. Butler that each automobile dealer is required by the State of Illinois to maintain a record of all used cars sold by them.

Mr. Ambrose, referred to above, stated that James Levy of the James Levy Motors, is a brother-in-law of Governor Horner of the State of Illinois.

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CHICAGO OFFICE: At Chicago, Illinois: Will contact the R. L. Polk Directory Company, 367 West Adams Street, for the purpose of checking their records of new cars sold since 1-1-35 to determine whether the James Levy Motors, 2255-57 South Michigan Avenue, Chicago, has sold any cars to fugitive members of the Karpis-Barker gang.

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U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box 1469,
Little Rock, Arkansas,
June 14, 1935.

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent R. P. Shanahan rendered at the Little Rock office June 13, 1935, in the case of Alvin Karpis, with aliases, Fugitive; I. O. No.1218; et al; Edward George Bremer, Victim; Kidnaping.

The Bureau will observe that the period covered by this investigation was April 26, 1935, which has resulted in a typing delay of forty-eight days.

Special Agent Shanahan left the Little Rock office May 4, 1935, under subpoena for Kansas City, Missouri, and has not returned since that time. He failed to submit a rough draft to this office or dictate a report prior to his departure, and the report of reference was just received at this office today.

Very truly yours,

R. L. SHIVERS,
Special Agent in Charge.

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

June 7, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Buffalo, New York.

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

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that Mr. Barnes, of the Treasury Department, telephoned this office on June 6, 1935, and stated that he had received an inquiry from the Federal Reserve Bank at Buffalo, New York, concerning the disposition of $270.00 of the Bremer ransom money. Mr. Barnes was advised that an Agent from the Buffalo office would contact the appropriate official of the Federal Reserve Bank at Buffalo, New York, for the purpose of making suitable arrangements for the disposition of this money. Mr. Barnes stated that in the event this money was no longer needed, the Federal Reserve Bank in Buffalo, New York, should be instructed to forward it to the Treasury Department in Washington in order that it may be there destroyed. It is suggested that your office communicate with the Bureau to obtain information from them as to the disposition desired of this particular ransom money.

Very truly yours,

J. M. KEITH,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Buffalo, New York.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. C. #1216; ET AL;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim -
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

The Bureau is in receipt of a copy of a letter addressed to your office under date of June 7, 1935 by Special Agent in Charge, J. M. Keith of the Washington Field office, in the above entitled case, advising of a telephone inquiry received from Mr. Barnes of the Treasury Department, relative to the disposition to be made by the Federal Reserve Bank at Buffalo, New York of $270.00 identified as Bremer ransom money.

Inasmuch as it does not appear that this money will be used as evidence, you are instructed to communicate with the officials of the Federal Reserve Bank at Buffalo, New York, instructing that the money be forwarded to the Redemption Division of the Treasury Department to be removed from circulation.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

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

Mr. Blake called from Dallas stating that the Associated Press had a report that Alvin Karpis had been "jumped" by officers near a Civilian Conservation Corps Camp near Kirbyville, Texas, last night; that this was a remote section of Texas and he was having difficulty communicating with the Sheriff to verify the information. While talking to Mr. Blake he stated he had just received a telephonic call from the Sheriff at Kirbyville to the effect that there was nothing to this rumor.

Respectfully,

P. E. Foxworth.
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Atlanta, Georgia.	6-13-35	6-10-35	A. Hale Watkins

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; 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 A FUGITIVE; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

1935 George license tags #37216-C purchased by fictitious person at Dalton, Georgia on April 24, 1935, notarized by fictitious Notary Public. Photostatic copy of original application for these license tags being forwarded the office of origin along with a copy of this report.

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REFERENCE: Letter from Bureau June 8, 1935 and report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, Chicago, June 10, 1935.

DETAILS: AT ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

Mrs. Nell Daniels, Automobile License Bureau, State Revenue Commission, State Capitol Building, advises that 1935 Georgia license #37216-C were purchased on April 24, 1935 for a 1935 model Ford V-8 Coupe, motor #18-15433[illegible]. Mrs. Daniels continued that the purchase was made by Gene L. Jordon, 28 King Street, Dalton, Georgia and that the application shows the automobile was purchased on April 5, 1935. This application was notarized by C. L. Franklin, Notary Public, Whitfield County (Dalton, Georgia) according to Mrs. Daniels.

Mrs. Vera Jameson, Assistant State Librarian, State Capitol Building, stated that there was no such person as C. L. Franklin listed as a Notary Public for Georgia State at large. Mrs. Jameson also advised that any Notary Public for the State at large must be licensed and registered in her office.

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AT DALTON, GEORGIA.

Mr. Will Denton, Postmaster, advised that his office had no forwarding address of Gene L. Jordon. Denton also stated that the address of 28 King Street, Dalton, Georgia, was the address of Mrs. B. C. Bivings who operated a small boarding house at that place. Denton continued that Mrs. Bivings was a member of one of the oldest and most prominent families of Dalton and that her boarding house was considered one of the most refined and respectable houses in the city of Dalton. Denton further advised that he was quite certain Mrs. Bivings did not take strangers into her home because she only had such guests as had been staying with her for a number of years and were beyond question as to character and reputation.

Mr. Denton concluded by stating that no such person as C. L. Franklin was receiving mail through that office and that he, Denton, was quite certain no such person lived in Whitfield County. The only family by the name of Franklin in Dalton, according to Denton, was the family of T. L. Franklin, a retired business man of excellent character and reputation, who was not a Notary Public and because of his age and senility was inactive. Efforts to contact T. L. Franklin were without success in view of the fact that he and his family were not in town at the time of this investigation.

Mrs. B. C. Bivings, 28 King Street, advised that she does not take strangers into her home for rooms and that during the last five or six years no one has spent the night at her home that she did not know personally unless they came highly recommended by respectable citizens of Dalton. Mrs. Bivings also stated that once in a long while she will serve a meal to a stranger, but that no such meals have been served during the Spring of 1935.

Mrs. Bivings was shown photographs of Volney Davis and other members of the Karpis-Barker Gang and stated that she had never seen any of these persons to the best of her recollection.

T. L. Lambert, Manager of the Lambert Motor Company, Dalton, Georgia, advised that his company was the exclusive Ford dealers in that community. Lambert made a search of the records in his office and advised that his company had not sold a 1935 Ford V-8 automobile with motor #18-1543348 and further that he had not sold a 1935 model Ford to any one who was not known by himself or members of his firm. Lambert also stated that there were no persons connected with his firm by the name of Franklin and that notarizations in his office were made by a Mr. Hall.

General inquiry among the garages and automobile dealers in Dalton, Georgia disclosed that none of them had sold a 1935 model Ford V-8 automobile of any description to any stranger.

Mr. Marshall Westbrook, Clerk of the Superior Court, Whitfield County, Dalton, Georgia, stated that his office kept a record of all commissioned and licensed Notary Publics in Whitfield County. Westbrook continued that there was no person by the name of C. L. Franklin listed as a commissioned Notary Public in Whitfield County, Georgia, and that he knew of no such person as C. L. Franklin who lived in Whitfield County.

J. C. Brooker, Ordinary, Whitfield County, Dalton, Georgia, stated that his office kept the records of Justices of Peace in Whitfield County and that these men were also ex officio Notary Publics. Brooker made a thorough search of the records in his office and advised this agent that no one by the name of Franklin was listed as one of these Justices of Peace, and that further he, Brooker, knew of no person by the name of C. L. Franklin in Whitfield County. During the course of this investigation this agent received information that a person by the name of C. L. Williams had formerly been involved in some questionable notarizations at Dalton, Georgia and that it was thought there was no such party living in that community. A thorough investigation of the records in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court and the Ordinary of Whitfield County disclosed that no such party as C. L. Williams was a Notary in that County. Special Agent C. A. Whitten telephonically advised this agent from Atlanta, Georgia on June 10, 1935 that the records in the State Librarian's office, State Capitol Building, Atlanta, Georgia revealed no one by the name of C. L. Williams was a Notary Public for the State of Georgia at large.

Mr. Denton, referred to above, advised that he knew of no such person as C. L. Williams and further that no one by this name was receiving mail through his office.

A photostatic copy of the original of the license application mentioned in this report, namely, that of Gene L. Jordon of 28 King Stregt, Dalton, Georgia, along with the proper certifications of genuineness, are being forwarded the Cincinnati Office along with a copy of this report in order that a comparison may be requested of the Bureau Laboratory as to the handwriting on this application with that of Volney Davis and other subjects in the discretion of the office of origin.

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Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Post Office Box #812
Chicago, Illinois

June 15th, 1935

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

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218 - FUGITIVE;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I. O. 1232;
HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I. O. 1236;
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.

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On June 13th, 1935, Special Agent A. Dickstein was contacted on the 'phone by [redacted] while informant was visiting in Chicago. He advised that he had some information he desired to furnish this Office.

Agent Dickstein met Informant [redacted] and the following information was furnished:

[redacted] ascertained that Mildred was living with a person by the name of Jerry Cass at the Harper Crest Apartments, 5345 Harper Avenue, Chicago; that Mildred had received a letter from "Doc" Barker advising her to forward this letter to Pat Lonquest, who was to give this letter to an individual by the name of Louie, who in turn was to deliver the letter to the "boys who are on the lam."

When the letter referred to was given to Louie, whose last name the Informant had not been able to obtain, Mildred Kuhlman requested that she be permitted to join Louie for the purpose of seeing the boys. Louie refused to permit Mildred to join him and stated he was the only one who could make contact with the boys because they were "too hot". The Informant advised that he presumed "the boys" meant the fugitive members of the Karpis gang.

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Informant further advised that "Doc" Barker's attorneys, DeCourcey and one Kenny, were to be in Chicago on June 14th to meet Mildred for the purpose of obtaining from her the location of the vault in which "Doc" Barker's money was hidden. The Informant was unable to obtain the location of the said vault through Mildred but was informed there was more than $4000.00 stored away.

On June 14th the Informant again contacted Special Agent A. Dickstein and another meeting was had [redacted] b7c b7d Informant advised at this time that he had learned that the Louie previously referred to was one Louie Alterie and that Louie had delivered the letter previously referred to, to an individual by the name of Eddie, last name not known to the Informant. The Informant further stated that Mildred had received three letters on June 14th, 1935, from her home at Ottawa, Ohio. One letter was from Attorney DeCourcey; the second letter from Attorney Kenny, and the third contained two other letters enclosed therein, one of which had been written by "Doc" Barker's father, addressed to Mildred, and enclosed therein the original letter from "Doc" Barker himself.

The contents of the letter from "Doc" Barker to Mildred were unknown to the Informant. However, Mildred stated [redacted] that "Doc" Barker advised her not to worry as he was not going to remain in prison all his life and that a break was going to be made as soon as his brother, "Bud", leaves the Penitentiary at Leavenworth; that "Doc's" brother, "Bud", would make the necessary contacts and a break would be made soon. Mildred further stated to Informant that "Doc" said he would get out of the Penitentiary if it meant his life.

Informant stated that he has known of his own knowledge that a code has been used by Rene, residing at Collingwood Avenue and North Cherry Street, Toledo, Ohio, that whenever a contact was made with the boys, referring to Karpis, Campbell, et al, or whenever a letter was received by Rene from the boys, which was to be given to Bert or Ted Angus, Rene would call up Bert or Ted Angus at the Casino Club from the drug store in the premises where she resides, and in code say, "Bert, please send me a bottle of whiskey as I have a bad cold." Informant states that this meant that Rene had a letter from the boys for his special attention.

In connection with the Louie and Eddie referred to by Informant, I have to advise that on the morning of June 14th, 1935, Attorney John DeCourcey called at this Office and talked with Special Agents Madala and Suran, stating that he was here in connection with the suit being brought by

the Schmidt Brewing Company against "Doc" Barker for the money now in the safety deposit box at the Woodlawn Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago, Illinois, and that he had called at this Office to ascertain the status of "Doc" Barker's car, now in possession of this Bureau.

During the course of the conversation he stated that "Doc" Barker was getting messages to an individual in Chicago who was supposed to have $1000.00 of his money; that "Doc" Barker contacted this individual through Louie Alterie. DeCourcey finally volunteered the information that the individual who is supposed to be in possession of "Doc" Barker's property was Eddie Donovan, but he stated he had no information that Eddie Donovan was contacting fugitive members of the gang.

It is not known by the Chicago Office what arrangements have been made by the Kansas City Office in securing outgoing communications written by "Doc" Barker at the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, but apparently communications are being forwarded to George Barker, "Doc" Barker's father, and in turn are being relayed to Mildred Kuhlman in Chicago, Illinois. It is believed the Kansas City Office should, if it has not already done so, make some arrangement to secure copies of all outgoing letters written by "Doc" Barker and his brother, Lloyd, who is also an inmate at the institution.

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS
Special Agent in Charge

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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

CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING, HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE, NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

On June 6, 1935, agents informed that George E. Browne had registered, Room 2529, Governor Clinton Hotel, N.Y.C. Adjoining room was taken by agents and surveillance maintained on Browne's telephone calls. Browne made two long distance calls to Chicago at 2 A. M., June 7, 1935; no response. He received two local calls and three long distance calls from Chicago on June 7, 1935, but Browne not in hotel. Browne departed hotel, June 7, 1935, reserving air passage TWA plane. This reservation transferred to United Air Lines for Chicago. Browne had reservation from Chicago to St. Louis on June 8, 1935. Browne's baggage searched, but nothing of suspicious nature discovered. Browne now definitely known to be president of International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees and Motion Picture Machine Operators Union of U.S. and Canada, with headquarters in Washington, D.C. Frederick E. Castle is an official of this Union, local #306, NYC, and was indicted and fined $500. for coercion. Registrations and records of telephone calls of Browne, Deani, Holmden and Bioff obtained from Warwick Hotel, NYC. Joan Bowers, 131 West 70 Street, NYC, has received letter from Miami, Fla. Objects obtained from Browne's hotel room for examination for latent prints.

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REFERENCE: Letter from the Washington Field office, to the Chicago office, dated June 6, 1935.

DETAILS:

Upon information contained in letter of reference to the effect that George E. Browne had left Washington, D. C. on June 6th, and had given his forwarding address as the Governor Clinton Hotel, New York City, the writer, together with Special Agent R. H. Emory, covered the arrival of Pennsylvania Railroad train #42, which arrived in New York City at 6:15 P. M. EST. Agents were not able to recognize George E. Browne in the rush of passengers from this train.

Agents immediately proceeded to the lobby of the Governor Clinton Hotel, where a contact had previously been made, and where it had been ascertained that George E. Browne did not have reservations. His name was given to the manager, who advised he would inform agents immediately of Browne's arrival.

About one hour after the arrival of the train, the writer was informed in the lobby of the Governor Clinton that Browne had registered there, had been assigned to Room #2529, and that he was alone, registering as George E. Browne, 160 N. LaSalle Street, Chicago, Ill. The writer had previously made arrangements that Browne be given this particular room if he were alone, and the room next door, #2531, had been blocked off for agents' use. Arrangements were then made through the manager and chief operator to inform Room 2531 of any incoming and outgoing calls made to or placed by Browne, so that agents would listen in on the same.

As far as Special Agent Emory and the writer in Room 2531 could ascertain, Browne remained continuously in his room on the evening of June 6th, and did not receive or place any telephone calls. At 2:10 A. M., June 7, 1935, he placed a long distance telephone call to Chicago, Central 2131, asking for Room 1838 and A. T. Brennan. He was informed by the operator that Brennan did not answer; whereupon Browne then asked for "Bergman in the room next door." There was no answer to this call. At 2:12 A. M. Browne placed a long distance call to Chicago, Euclid 5341. No answer was received from this call. The Chicago office was informed of these telephone calls by teletype.

At 10:25 A. M., June 7, 1935, agents heard the end of what was apparently a brief conversation between Browne and an unknown

party. This party stated, "All right, George, I will meet you down in the lobby."

At 10:43 A. M. on the same day an unknown person called Mr. Browne in Room 2529. There was no answer from this room. Browne was paged in the lobby without results. The calling party told the operator: "No message. I will pick him up somewhere else."

At 12:35 P. M., the same day, a long distance call was placed from Chicago, Central 6466, for Browne; that he was evidently out of his room. This call was handled by Operator 39.

At 2:30 P. M. Chicago Operator #39 again called Browne; that there was no answer from his room.

At 4:15 P. M. the same day a call was placed for Browne by one Wilson, calling long distance from Chicago, Central 6466. No answer was received to this call.

On the afternoon of June 7, 1935, after ascertaining that Browne was not in the hotel, Agent Emory and the writer obtained entrance to Room 2529 and conducted a search of Browne's baggage, which was necessarily hurried, because Browne's key was not in his box at the desk. The following papers were found in his bag:

Telegram from Louis Krouse, mentioning Dempsey Castle, May 24, 1935.

Legal document pertaining to an action brought by James D'Ambrosio vs. HarlandHolmden, president, Motion Picture Machine Operators Union.

Letter from Steve B. Newman to Louis Krouse, Earle Theatre Building, Washington, D. C., regarding Motion Picture Operators Union affairs.

Copy of a substitution of attorneys, mentioning Attorney Abe Kesselman.

Letter to George E. Browne, president, International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees and Motion Picture Machine Operators of the U. S. and Canada, 928 N. J. Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C., from Phillips, Mahoney, Leibell & Fielding, attorneys, 51 Chambers Street, New York City.

No other papers or documents were discovered in the room.

On the morning of June 8th, the writer was informed by the manager of the Hotel Governor Clinton that some unknown person, not Browne, had paid Browne's bill that morning.

Inquiry was immediately made at all airline offices and it was ascertained that George E. Browne had reserved a seat in a TWA plane, trip #7, for Chicago, on the afternoon of June 7, 1935. This trip was cancelled on account of the weather and the United Air Lines office informed that one D. C. Browne transferred his reservation from TWA to the United Air Lines plane leaving New York 7:30 P. M., June 7, 1935, and due in Chicago at 2:02 A. M., June 8, 1935. The records of the latter line indicated a reservation for D. C. Browne from Chicago to St. Louis via American Air Lines, leaving Chicago, 8 A. M., June 8, 1935, arriving at St. Louis, 9:57 A. M. It is not known, of course, whether Browne used the latter reservation.

Relative to Browne's registrations, together with those of Nicholas J. Deani alias Dean, William Bioff and Harland Holmden, at the Warwick Hotel, 65 West 54 Street, New York City, the writer learned that it was customary for Browne and these men above named to come to the hotel, sometimes for one night, sometimes for three or four nights. Their registration cards were obtained, beginning in March 1935, up to date. They reflect the following information:

George E. Browne, Chicago, Ill., 3/27/35; Room 22K.

Nicholas J. Deani, 4/26/35; Chicago, Ill.; Room 23F.

William Bioff, 1128 Washington Boulevard, Oak Park, Ill., 4/28/35; Room 23F. A notation on this card indicates that Bioff joined Deani in Room 23F.

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George E. Browne, Chicago, 5/14/35; Room 23D.

George E. Browne, Chicago, Ill., 5/20/35; Room 23D. A notation on this card indicates that Browne joined Nicholas Deanie

George Browne, Burnham Building, Chicago, Ill., 6/2/35; Room 23K.

(The handwriting of the name and address on this card differs from Browne's known signature, and appears to have been written by Harland Holmden, as Holmden's known writing compares favorably with this registration.)

Harland Holmden, Burnham Building, Chicago. Joined Browne in Suite 23K on June 2, 1935.

A record of the telephone calls placed from the above described rooms are as follows:

May 14th. 23D registered to George E. Browne

Called Wisc. 7-3808 (local). Found to be listed to the Motion Picture Machine Operators Union, Local 306, at 251 West 42 Street.

Called Wisc. 7-3804 (local). Listed to the Hotel Armitage, Seventh Avenue at 42 Street.

Long distance call to Washington, NO or NA 1172.

June End. Calls from 23K registered to Browne and Holmden.

Meridian 8-0713 (local). The telephone company informed that it has no such number as this listed.

Circle 7-4924 (local). Listed to John J. Lyons, 102 West 50 Street. Investigation at this address reveals that Lyons is located here. Restaurant

On June 5, 1935 when it had been ascertained that Browne had reserved air passage to Washington, D. C., Special Agent N. S. Harzenstein followed Browne and another person to the Newark Airport. The man accompanying Browne rode a black Cadillac V8 Sedan, 1930 model, N.Y. 3N8457, (license number) found to be registered in the name of Frederick E. Castle, 2610 Glenwood Road, Brooklyn, N. Y. Castle is described as follows:

Age:	33 years
Height:	5 Ft. 6 or 7 Ins.
Weight:	140 Lbs.
Build:	Medium
Hair:	Brown
Eyes:	Unknown
Complexion:	Fair
Peculiarities:	Nose rather prominent
Appearance:	Italian
Occupation:	Labor Union official

A discreet investigation was conducted at 2610 Glenwood Road, Brooklyn, N. Y., and it was ascertained that both the superintendent of this apartment house and the managing agent were new on the job, and were unable to give any information of value about Castle. It was ascertained, however, that Castle did reside at this address.

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[redacted] informed that his records under the name of Frederick E. Castle reflect a news clipping dated December 31, 1931, concerning the indictment of 20 individuals for assault and coercion, arising out of a local accounting suit, the defendants having evidently attempted to forcibly eject certain persons from the headquarters of local #306, Motion Picture Machine Operators Union. Fred E. Castle, described as Sam Kaplan's assistant, who was named as president of local #306, and Sam Kaplan were among those indicted. Castle was also named as a member of the executive committee of local #306. Lee A. Ochs, former owner of a chain of motion picture houses in the Bronx, was listed as the principal complainant. Mr.

Mr. Ochs, who is presently serving as a member of the Federal Grand Jury, was located at his office at 1560 Broadway, New York City, Medallion 3-4440, and stated with regard to the above described action, that Kaplan, the president of the local, and one Greenberg, were the only two persons convicted out of the 20 defendants; that Castle had been acquitted. He said that Frederick E. Castle has been and is a dominant figure in the local Motion Picture Machine Operators Union, and from the exhibitors' standpoint is a disturbing element; that he is reputed to have associations with the underworld and to have hired "gorillas" in union disputes with the exhibitors (employers). So far as Ochs knows, his connection with this union is his sole means of support. b7d

[redacted]ere contacted, but could give no information concerning Frederick E. Castle.

Mr. Freyling of the Will Hays organization informed that George E. Browne was the international president of the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees and Motion Picture Machine Operators Union of the United States and Canada, with his headquarters at Washington, D. C.; that Browne was the strongest man in the union, and that he (Freyling) had heard that he was attempting to straighten out its affairs, which had become considerably tangled, under his predecessors, and that he was spending considerable time in New York City, re-arranging the affairs of the local union here, #306.

Special Agent James E. Amos ascertained at the New York City Police Department the following criminal record for Frederick E. Castle: b7c

[redacted]

The Police Department records do not reflect the name of George E. Browne.

Reference is here made to the card record cover maintained for Post-Office Station "M" and placed on all mail from Chicago, addressed to any occupant of the apartment house at 131 West 70 Street, New York City. A report dated June 11, 1935, received from Post Office Inspector in Charge [illegible] that Joan [illegible] Bowers received a letter with a return address, 3711 N.W. Second Street, Miami, Fla. It will be recalled from the report of Special Agent F. E. Wright, dated New York City, June 7, 1935, that the name Bowers appeared on the mail box assigned to Miss Dorothy Kaye, fifth floor front. It is being left to the discretion of the Chicago office to request any investigation at the above named Miami address.

Reference is made to letter from Special Agent in Charge Melvin H. Purvis, Chicago office, to this office, dated June 8, 1935, requesting information concerning the New York City telephone number Eldorado 5-9415, from which number a call was placed on May 2, 1935, by Miss Kitty Gilbert to Gilbert Kaplan, Chicago. It was ascertained that this number is a coin box telephone listed to Leon and Eddie's Restaurant, 33 West 52 Street, New York City. Inasmuch as this is a coin box telephone, and in view of the fact that Leon and Eddie's is a gathering place for a criminal type, it was not deemed advisable to conduct further investigation at this restaurant at the present time. Eddie Davis, one of the owners, is known to have a criminal record.

On June 5, 1935 Special Agents George J. Starr and F. J. Kilmartin gained entrance to Suite 23K, Warwick Hotel, registered to George E. Browne. These agents obtained six empty beer bottles and four drinking glasses. These objects were brought to this office, processed for latent prints, and photographed by Special Agent F. J. Klifoth. Two copies of each of these photographs are being transmitted by letter to the Bureau laboratory.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS: NEW YORK OFFICE

AT NEW YORK CITY - Will recontact the office of the Post-Office Inspector in Charge, and Mr. B. K. Bracher, the former to obtain records of mail received at 131 West 70 Street, New York City, and the latter to ascertain if any individual has attempted to rent or lease the vacant fourth floor at that address.

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LITTLE ROCK, ARK.	6-13-35	4-26-35	R. P. SHANAHAN B

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
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239
MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O. 1241
BRUNO PUTAS with aliases, et al
Edward George Bremer - Victim

CHARACTER OF CASE:
KIDNAPING - HARBORING OF FUGITIVES
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Further attempts to obtain information relative to the present whereabouts of Phoenix Donald, alias William Weaver, and Myrtle Eaton in the vicinity of Salem and Mammoth Springs, Arkansas, and Thayer, Missouri, presently unsuccessful.

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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent M. A. Taylor, Little Rock, Arkansas, 3-13-35.
Letter from the St. Paul office to the Bureau dated 4-13-35.

DETAILS: Acting upon information contained in the St. Paul letter to the Bureau dated 4-13-35 to the effect that Jess Doyle, while incarcerated in the Ramsey County Jail, St. Paul, had indicated that Bill Weaver and Myrtle Eaton were in the vicinity of Salem and Mammoth Springs, Arkansas, the writer appeared at Salem, Arkansas, on 4-26-35 and there interviewed Sheriff L. G. Langston of Fulton County, who has been cooperative in the past in matters of this kind. He advised the Agent that since the last visit of an Agent from the Little Rock Bureau office no further facts had come into his hands relative to the possible presence in the vicinity of Bill Weaver or his woman companion, Myrtle Eaton. Inquiries were made of the Sheriff in regard to one Monroe Woods, who is a next door neighbor of W. T. Bowling, who in turn is a brother-in-law of Bill Weaver. It will be recalled from the reference report that on a

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previous interview Mr. Woods had stated that he had occasionally heard automobiles arrive and leave the home of W. T. Bowling at late hours of the night and had thought it possible that Donald might have visited his brother-in-law and sister, Susie Bowling, on one of these occasions. Mr. Woods could not be contacted due to his absence at Salem at the time of the writer's visit, but Sheriff Langston informed that no further development in this regard had occurred. He had kept in close contact with Woods in the hope of obtaining some information relative to the identity of visitors at the Bowling home, but had so far been unsuccessful. It will be remembered that W. T. Bowling was formerly Sheriff of Fulton County, Arkansas, and during his incumbency in office and since that time it has not been unusual for him to have visitors late at night. However, the possibility that Weaver and Myrtle Eaton might seek to contact this place will be kept in mind in future investigation.

Cuthbert Pickren, proprietor of the Pickren Hotel, Salem, Arkansas, was also interviewed but had no further information to offer which might be of assistance in tracing the whereabouts of either Myrtle Eaton or Weaver. It is believed Mr. Pickren will cooperate to the fullest extent in this matter inasmuch as he is highly regarded at Salem and is in a position to obtain any information which might be available in that vicinity. As is mentioned in the reference report, his hotel is situated approximately one hundred yards from the Commercial Cafe, operated by W. T. Bowling, Donald's brother-in-law. In this respect it was believed that John Pickren, a gasoline station and garage operator, can also be fully relied upon. He is a brother of Cuthbert Pickren and although he could not be located on the occasion of the writer's visit for interview, the latter was informed by Sheriff Langston that close contact with him would be kept in the future.

Attempts were made to locate and interview Dr. G. L. Weathers of Salem and also Guy Harris, a next door neighbor of W. T. Bowling, who the writer was informed have in the past expressed their willingness to cooperate with the Bureau in the instant investigation, however, they were not available in Salem on this occasion and it is suggested that when an Agent is again in Salem, Arkansas, an attempt be made to talk to them. Again Sheriff Langston advised that he was in a position to keep in close contact with both of these people and to report immediately any occurrence which might be of value to the Little Rock Bureau office.

H. J. Humphreys, Postmaster, Salem, Arkansas, likewise stated that he was not in possession of any further information other than that which he had furnished on the occasion of the last visit of Special Agent Taylor of the Little Rock Bureau office, at which time the latter received a list of the names of all of the relatives of Donald residing in Salem and vicinity, same being set out in the reference report. It is apparent

from the number of relatives of Donald living at Salem that he might appear in that locality expecting refuge. However, from the small size of the town and the reliability of the informants there and the willingness of the Sheriff to cooperate, it is thought that any appearance put in at Salem, Arkansas, by either Bill Weaver or Myrtle Eaton will be quickly transmitted to the Little Rock Bureau office.

At Mammoth Springs, Arkansas, Earl E. Sterling, Postmaster, and D. B. Heiliger, assistant in charge of the U. S. Bureau of Fisheries, Mammoth Springs, Arkansas, were interviewed but had no further information to offer regarding the possible presence in that locality of Weaver or the Eaton woman. It will be recalled from the reference report that Sterling knows Donald very well and has been carefully watching the mail addressed to Donald's sister, Mrs. Nellie Frazier, who resides near Mammoth Springs but in the locality served by the Post Office of Thayer, Missouri, Mammoth Springs being situated a very short distance south of the Missouri-Arkansas state line. Sterling has promised further cooperation in this matter and suggested that contact might be had with Mrs. Erwin, Postmaster, Thayer, Missouri, inasmuch as he thought that the Frazier woman was in all probability receiving mail at both Post Offices.

In regard to investigation conducted at the U. S. Bureau of Fisheries, Mr. Heiliger was interviewed by the writer, in the presence of Sheriff Langston, and stated that he had not been able to again get in touch with one Claude MacLamore. It will be recalled from reference report that MacLamore is closely associated with Eugene Bowling and it was hoped that through him Heiliger might have been able to secure information regarding Weaver. Heiliger said that he had not been able to arrange another meeting with MacLamore but would continue his attempts to be of assistance in this way. Accordingly, it is suggested that Mr. Heiliger be contacted the next time an Agent is in Mammoth Springs.

Mrs. Attie Erwin, Postmaster, Thayer, Missouri, stated upon interview that Mrs. Nellie Frazier did receive mail, but that she, Mrs. Erwin, was constantly on the lookout for anything suspicious in the correspondence which might be addressed to this woman. The only information which Mrs. Erwin had to offer was to the effect that one Carolee Sisler, who had been in the company of Alvin Karpis at the time that Sheriff Kelley was killed at Westplains, Missouri, by Fred Barker and Karpis, was now supposed to be living in Kansas City under the name of Helen C. Belen. At the time of the murder of Sheriff Kelley, Karpis and the others had been staying at W. McClellan's farm located near Thayer, Missouri, and it was at that time that he was accompanied by the Sisler woman, who also went under the name of Mrs. Gerald Dial. It is recalled by the writer that investigation concerning this woman has been conducted in the past by the Pittsburgh office at Shepherdstown, West Virginia, and also by the Kansas City Bureau office. Although great

importance was attached to this information by Mrs. Erwin, it is thought that the inquiry previously conducted by the above mentioned offices has exhausted this phase of the investigation. However, it is being pointed out at this time so that the Kansas City office may proceed with any further inquiries deemed advisable. It is further recalled by the writer that prior report in the instant case from the Pittsburgh office has set out the above information asking that the attention of the Kansas City office be directed thereto, consequently no lead to the Kansas City office is being set out at this time. For the information of the latter office, however, it will also be stated that the Sisler woman returned to Thayer, Missouri, around the first part of April, 1935, for the funeral of her grandmother, Mrs. Harmon. A half-brother and half-sister of Carolee Sisler, Jimmie Weiler and Beulah Weiler, still reside in Thayer, Missouri, and Mrs. Erwin states that any occurrences in regard to these people which might be helpful in further investigation regarding the individuals wanted by the Bureau in this case will be quickly transmitted for the attention of the Little Rock Bureau office. She described Carolee Sisler as follows:

Age - 24 years
Height - 5 feet 7 or 8 inches
Weight - 125 pounds
Build - slender
Hair - dark
Skin - dark
Eyes - dark
Complexion - dark
Attractive.

There has been considerable delay in the dictation of this report due to the absence of the reporting Agent from the Little Rock Bureau office while on subpoena and special assignment at Kansas City, Missouri.

UNDEVELOPED LEAD:

LITTLE ROCK OFFICE at Salem, Arkansas, will again contact Sheriff L. G. Langston so that a surveillance of all activities occurring in the vicinity of Salem and Mammoth Springs, Arkansas, can be maintained by this office.

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Mr. Blake who advises that this has
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Chicago, Illinois	6/15/35	6/14/35	M. J. CASSIDY MJC:MK

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; WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I.O. 1238; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. 1239; MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I.O. 1241; et al.
SUBSIDIARY: EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM

CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Confidential information received to effect Edith Barry, 524 Southard, Toledo, Ohio, had recently contacted [redacted] Chicago, Illinois, in an effort to have him [redacted] Edith Barry intimated Fugitives were hiding in or near Toledo, Ohio, and that she is in contact with them. Further information received to the effect that Edith Barry is well-known as keeper of disorderly houses in Toledo, Ohio. Bureau advised by teletype; Cleveland Bureau Office advised by air mail special delivery letter, June 14, 1935.

DETAILS:

This report is based on a call received at the Chicago Bureau Office from Assistant United States Attorney Mary D. Bailey, at Chicago, Illinois, who called to request that an Agent be sent to her office, for the purpose of interviewing someone who could furnish information relative to ALVIN KARPIS.

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At the office of Assistant United States Attorney Mary D. Bailey, the writer met J. V. Callahan and E. A. McHugh, Agents of the Narcotic Unit, Bureau of Internal Revenue, whose offices are located on the thirteenth floor of the Federal Court Building, Chicago, Illinois. Also present was [redacted] who was the person referred to by Miss Bailey as being in possession of some information concerning ALVIN KARPIS.

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The Agents of the Narcotic Unit, referred to above, advised that for the past six months they have been conducting an investigation in regard to [redacted] whose present address is [redacted] and that as a result of their investigation, they had presented to the Grand Jury, several days ago, sufficient information on which to cause the indictment of [redacted]

These men further advised that this morning, (June 14, 1935), they had been approached by [redacted] who told them that she would like "to make a bargain with them", whereby she would furnish information of value to the Government, if they in return would do something to help [redacted] out of his difficulties with the Government; that on being questioned as to what information she might have in her possession, [redacted] stated she believed she could furnish information relative to ALVIN KARPIS, and a man named Hamilton.

Following this conversation, the Narcotic Agents conducted [redacted] to the office of Assistant United States Attorney Mary D. Bailey, who then requested this Office to send someone to confer with [redacted] in regard to this matter.

When the writer first appeared at Miss Bailey's office, she was not present, and [redacted] stated she preferred to wait until Miss Bailey had returned so that she would know whether anything could be done for [redacted] in regard to the present charges against him in the Federal Court, in the event she furnished the information in her possession. When Miss Bailey returned to her office, [redacted] questioned her in this regard, and Miss Bailey then informed her that if the information she had in her possession proved to be of value to the Government in the location and apprehension of any well-known Fugitive, that every effort would be made to help [redacted] was in the case in which he is involved at present, but that

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not to consider this as any definite promise on the part of the Government that the charges against [redacted] would be dropped, but Miss Bailey assured [redacted] that she would make a favorable recommendation to the Judge presiding at the trial of [redacted] in the event that the information furnished by [redacted] proved to be true and of any definite help to the Government.

Following the above assurance given to her by Miss Bailey, [redacted] then related the following information to Special Agent M. J. Cassidy. [redacted] stated she was [redacted] years of age, and resides with her sister, [redacted] Chicago, Illinois; and for several years she has been [redacted] who formerly had offices a[redacted] She is and who is now located at [redacted] and they had planned to be married the fiancee o[redacted] June 29, 1935, but because of the fact that [redacted] was known to be presently involved in a violation of the Narcotics Laws, she felt that this charge would interfere with their plans for marriage. She read an article in the newspaper several days ago, which was to the effect that the Government might possibly "bargain" with the defendants in a recent kidnaping case, whereby the defendants would be permitted to enter a plea of guilty and be sentenced to the Penitentiary, and in this way the defendants would not risk the Government's asking for the death sentence to be imposed on them, in a trial before a jury [redacted] went on to say that because she was in possession of some facts she thought might be of considerable interest to the Government, she came down to see the Agents of the Narcotic Unit, with the thought in mind she might be able to "bargain" with them, for some consideration to be shown to [redacted]

The information that [redacted] had to offer was as follows: About three weeks ago, a woman named Edith Barry telephoned the office [redacted] and advised she was calling long-distance and wanted to arrange for an appointment wi[redacted] Edith Barry stated she would be in Chicago during the course of the next few days and wished to see [redacted] on a very urgent matter. Several days later a woman appeared at the [redacted] who called herself Edith Barry, [redacted] On her arrival at the [redacted] several weeks ago, Edith Barry renewed her acquaintance [redacted] and stated she had just arrived from Toledo, Ohio, by plane. Her purpose in making

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a call [redacted] at this time was to try to make arrangements [redacted]

stated she was present during the conversation had between Miss Barry and [redacted] and that she heard [redacted] state that he would have to consider the matter, and have Edith Barry return at a later date for his decision. Miss Barry then returned in about a week, but in the meantime, [redacted] stated to [redacted] he did not care to do the work requested by Edith Barry, and to inform her to that effect, when she returned to the office. [redacted] told Edith Barry that [redacted] had left the message to be given to her, which was to the effect that because [redacted] was in trouble himself at present on a Narcotics charge, that to go where these two men were hiding would only be harmful to them, as he thought the Government was keeping a close tab on his activities in regard to narcotics. For that reason, he did not feel free to [redacted] at this time. [redacted] stated that when she told Miss Barry about [redacted] sion, Edith Barry became greatly agitated and stated: "That's too bad that I have to come here when [redacted] is in trouble, as it will just about ruin me!" Miss Barry added that [redacted]

During the latter visit made by Edith Barry, [redacted] she stated to [redacted] that she had been staying at the Palmer House, under a fictitious name. [redacted] was unable to recall the name under which Miss Barry had stayed at the Palmer House.

[redacted] then produced a personal card, which is said to have been given to [redacted] by Miss Barry at the time she was trying to arrange to have [redacted] go to Toledo, Ohio. Upon this card the name ED. BARRY is printed; also a telephone number, Adams 4612, and the address, 524 Southard. It bears the word Toledo, written in pencil by [redacted]

For the purpose of examination for any latent fingerprints which might appear on the card, it will be sent to the Bureau Laboratory, enclosed in a cellophane envelope, with cover letter, for appropriate examination. b7c b7d

Special Agent A. Dickstein of the Chicago Office, contacted [redacted] who is known to the Bureau, and this individual advised that Edith Barry is well-known in Toledo, Ohio, as a keeper of disorderly houses, and is also well-known to practically all taxi-cab drivers of Toledo.

Because of the fact that the names of both [redacted] appear in the files of the Chicago Bureau Office, it was not deemed necessary that [redacted] name be withheld from this report and sent under personal and confidential cover to the Bureau, but the writer has assured [redacted] that her name will not be divulged as having furnished any of the above information. [redacted] stated that she would not care to have [redacted] or her sister know that she had furnished this information to federal authorities, and that even in the event that some consideration is shown [redacted] she would not want this information revealed. [redacted] requested that in the event she is needed for further information in regard to this matter, she be called at [redacted] which is the telephone number [redacted] and in the event anyone else answers, not to reveal the identity of the person calling. [redacted] further advised that she could be reached after 9:00 P.M., at [redacted] which is the telephone number at [redacted]

The name of [redacted] is mentioned in the Chicago Bureau Office file #26-5685: "JOHN PAUL CHASE, with aliases, et al. National Motor Vehicle Theft Act; Harboring of Fugitives; etcetera" on Pages 83 to 87, of Serial #3000; and also, in Chicago file #9-6: "UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; DR. FRANK L. NATHANSON - Victim. Extortion."

The reference to [redacted] made in the first named Chicago file contains considerable information in regard to the background of [redacted] as furnished by [redacted] and this information reflects that [redacted] arrested several times on various charges, one of the arrests being in

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company with [redacted] on charges of adultrey preferre[redacted]
[redacted] who has been involved in considerable marital difficulties
with [redacted] The file reflects tha[redacted]as named as
corespondent in one of the divorce proceedings instituted against
[redacted] by his wife. Further information reflected by this
file is that the Chicago American newspaper, on June 6, 1933, carried
a story to the effect that [redacted] and three employees of the
Department of Registration and Education were indicted on "shakedown"
charges in an alleged attempt to extort three thousand dollars from
certain physicians, including a Dr. Josephine Gabler, 190 North State
Street, Chicago, Illinois.

In Chicago file #9-6, above referred to, [redacted] was
indicated as a suspect in a case of extortion, in which Dr. Frank L.
Nathanson was the Victim.

A description of Edith Barry furnished b[redacted]
to Agent, is as follows:

Name:	Edith Barry
Age:	38 - 40
Height:	5'5" or 6"
Weight:	140.
Complexion:	Medium - dark
Hair:	Dark-streaked with gray
Eyes:	(Not known)
Pecularities:	Prominent teeth - front.(Buck teeth)
Build:	Well-built - erect carriage.
Remarks:	Hair combed straight back - when last seen was letting it grow long.

On the first visit [redacted] Edith Barry
wore a knitted suit, red mixed with gray. The suit was an ensemble,
three-quarter length cape, skirt and jacket, same material; shirtwaist
in eggshell color.

On the second visit to [redacted] Miss Barry wore
a black and white suit and hat.

[redacted] advised Edith Barry spoke in a rather refined manner,
except occasionally she would use such phrases as "he's on the lam", when
referring to the Dr. Moran who was said to have performed the original
plastic surgery operation on ALVIN KARPIS and Hamilton."

The substance of the above information was furnished to the

Bureau by teletype, and to the Cleveland Bureau Office by air mail, special delivery letter, under date of June 14, 1935.

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UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE CHICAGO BUREAU OFFICE at Chicago, Illinois, will keep in contact with [redacted] to obtain any further information she might have in regard to this matter, particularly, to ascertain whether or not she recalls the name under which Edith Barry was registered at the Palmer House, in Chicago.

THE CLEVELAND OFFICE, at Toledo, Ohio, will conduct appropriate investigation concerning Edith Barry, at 524 Southard, Toledo, Ohio, for the purpose of ascertaining if any information is available in regard to ALVIN KARPIS or any other Fugitive of interest to the Government.

- PENDING -

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

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

June 14, 1935

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

1:30 P.M.

RE: BREMER KIDNAPING CASE

Mr. Fierstone called from Pittsburgh in connection with the proposition made by Arthur Burdette, now at Erie, Pennsylvania, to the effect that he would, if arrangements could be made, interview his sister at the Prison and secure whatever information she has relative to the exact location of the hideout and the whereabouts of Campbell. Fierstone said he received a letter from Detroit yesterday, advising that satisfactory arrangements had been made at the Prison where Winona Burdette is incarcerated, and that Arthur Burdette can come out there on any Friday, during regular hours. Fierstone wanted to know how they should arrange for get Arthur Burdette out there, whether he should be given money enough to go alone, whether an Agent should go with him, or drive him out there. I suggested that Fierstone buy him a round trip ticket and give it to him, submitting a blue slip for the amount spent for the ticket.

Fierstone asked whether it would be advisable to arrange for the placing of a dictaphone in the room where this interview is had, and I requested that he get in touch with Nicholson at Detroit and see if something of this kind could not be arranged.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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APPREHENSION ORDER
NO. 1237-343

Dear Sir:

Re: VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases: "Curley" Davis, "Cotton" Davis, E. V. Davis, J. H. Lockwood, S. E. Lockwood, C. E. Moore, Jimmie, Curley Moore, Everett Davis, Curley Hansen, Curley Hanson, J. E. Hansen, Roy Green; KIDNAPING.

Identification Order No. 1237 on the above named subject is hereby canceled inasmuch as he was taken into custody at Chicago, Illinois, on June 1, 1935.

Very truly yours,
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John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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P. O. Box 515
St. Paul, Minnesota

June 14, 1935

Special Agent in Charge
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.C.#1218,
FUGITIVE; ET AL
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
KIDNAPING
St.Paul File No. 7-30

Complying with request received by telephone from Special Agent Suran of the Chicago Office, June 13, 1935, I am transmitting herewith copies of letters passing between ARTHUR R. BARKER and MILDRED KUHLMAN subsequent to May 10, 1935 while BARKER was confined in the County Jail at St.Paul, Minnesota.

Very truly yours,

H. E. ANDERSEN
Special Agent in Charge

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BREKID INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM ST LOUIS OFFICE THAT [redacted] FRIEND OF WILLIE HARRISON, IS WILLING TO COME TO CHICAGO IN AN EFFORT TO OBTAIN INFORMATION CONCERNING SUBJECT HARRISON HERE AMONG HARRISONS CONTACTS. SUGGEST THAT ST LOUIS OFFICE BE INSTRUCTED TO ARRANGE WITH [redacted] TO PROCEED CHICAGO AS SOON AS POSSIBLE FOR THIS PURPOSE AND NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS BE MADE TO DEFRAY HER EXPENSES

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E. A. Tamm - Room 5107.

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BREKID REFERENCE TELETYPE MESSAGE CHICAGO BUREAU OFFICE JUNE THIRTEENTH

YOU ARE AUTHORIZED PAY EXPENSES [redacted] TO CHICAGO SUGGEST CHICAGO BUREAU

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
501 Healey Building,
Atlanta, Georgia,
June 14, 1935.

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File 7-3

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to letter from this office dated June 4, 1935 relative to the BREKID matter under investigation by the Bureau, advising of the receipt of an anonymous telegram for collect transmittal to ALVIN KARPIS, care WESTERN UNION, Sacramento, California, as follows: "Four five eight twelve sundown ELIZABETH MONTGOMERY SNOWBALL freight train (Sgd) DON".

The original telegram above referred to, is transmitted herewith enclosed in a cellophane envelope.

Special Agent C. A. Whitten of this office contacted Mr. Thomas D. Shepherd, Manager of said company at Valdosta, who advised as follows:

> "I came down to work a little earlier than usual on Monday morning, about 6:00 A.M., and found the message in question lying about two feet inside of the office door. Upon reading the message, I recognized the name "Alvin Karpis", and I immediately conferred with Mr. F. B. Powell, Telegraph Operator, as to whether or not I should notify Mr. J. B. Cheatham, my immediate superior in Atlanta, as to the contents of said message, which was decided in the affirmative, and I than wired him the circumstances under which same was found and the wire was also quoted to Mr. Cheatham in my wire."

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Mr. Shepherd also stated that said wire was written in ink apparently by a well educated person and marked for collect transmission. Neither Mr. Shepherd or any of the other employees of the Western Union at Valdosta were able to offer any suggestions as to the possible identity of the author of the anonymous telegram.

Agent Whitten, with the assistance of Mr. D. F. Simmons, Identification Officer, Valdosta Police Department, obtained the fingerprints of persons listed below. Said prints are being forwarded herewith for elimination purposes.

1. Thomas David Shepherd, Valdosta, Ga.
2. Franklin Benjamin Powell, Valdosta, Ga.
3. William Carlus Newbern, Valdosta, Ga.
4. Henry Coleman Forrest, Valdosta, Ga.

It is desired that the above referred to telegram receive the proper treatment in the Bureau Laboratory, with a view to developing any latent fingerprints thereon for comparison with the single fingerprint file of the Bureau, in an effort to detect the identity of the sender of said message.

Very truly yours,

W. A. RORER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Laboratory Report

Case: BREKID

Number: 7-576-6404

Specimens: 7-576-6404 A. One Western Union telegram, written in ink, and addressed to Alvin Karpis, care of Western Union, Sacramento, Calif., dated 6-2-35.

Four sets of fingerprints, for elimination purposes, of the following: Thomas David Shepherd, Franklin Benjamin Powell, William Carlus Newbern and Henry Coleman Forrest.

Examination requested by: Atlanta Bureau Office

Date received: 6-18-35

Examination requested: Handwriting and Fingerprint

Result of examination: 6/18

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Special Agent in Charge,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Re: Alvin Karpis with aliases -
Fugitive, I. O. 1218, et al.;
Edward G. Bremer - Victim,
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

With reference to Laboratory Report # 4748, in connection with the above entitled case, there are transmitted herewith photographic copies of the following specimens which your office submitted for examination:

A. One Western Union telegram, written in ink, and addressed to Alvin Karpis, care of Western Union, Sacramento, California, dated June 2, 1936.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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cc - Chicago
Cincinnati
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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
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Enclosure # 589372

Post Office Box 812
Chicago, Illinois

June 14, 1935.

AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218, FUGITIVE;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232;
HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. 1236;
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 BRUMER - VICTIM.
KIDNAPING. HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE.
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

With reference to the above-entitled case, this office was advised by [redacted] Chicago, Illinois, who is [redacted] Chicago, that about three weeks ago a woman named Edith Barry, 524 Southard, Toledo, Ohio, whom [redacted] has known for about four years, came to the [redacted] and asked if he would go with her to [redacted] intimating that these individuals were at that time located in the vicinity of Toledo, Ohio. [redacted]

For your information, [redacted] above referred to, bears an unsavory reputation [redacted] Agents of the Narcotic Unit of the Bureau of Internal Revenue have recently completed an investigation of [redacted] which resulted in obtaining sufficient information on which to cause his indictment. The hearing on this indictment has just been completed about three days ago, and [redacted] was a witness before the Grand Jury.

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[redacted] contacted the Narcotic Agents of the Federal Bureau of Internal Revenue this morning and stated that she had read in the paper that the Government was making some sort of a "bargain" with certain defendants in a recent kidnaping case, and she came to see them to "make a bargain" with them wherein she would furnish information of value to the Government in return for clemency to be shown to [redacted] who is her fiance, and whom she had planned to marry on June 29, 1936.

It is requested that your office cause discreet investigation to be made of Edith Barry, 524 Southard, Toledo, Ohio, telephone Adams 4612, for the purpose of ascertaining whether Karpis, Hamilton or any other fugitive in whom the Government is interested is staying at that address, or whether Edith Barry is in contact with any federal fugitive in any manner whatsoever.

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Interview was had today with [redacted], who advises that Edith Barry is well-known to taxicab drivers of Toledo and others as being a keeper of disorderly houses in Toledo.

The description of Edith Barry, as furnished by Emily Ramus, is as follows:

Name	EDITH BARRY
Age	38-40 years
Height	5'5-6"
Weight	140 pounds
Color of eyes	Not known
Complexion	Medium dark
Hair	Dark; streaked with gray - Combs hair straight back and at present is letting it grow long
Teeth	Has prominent front teeth, or "buck teeth"
Build	Is well-built and carries herself erect.
Clothing	On first visit to Dr. Millstone wore knitted suit ensemble, red color with gray, consisting of a three-quarter length cape, skirt and jacket; shirtwaist of eggshell color; does not recall color of hat. On second visit to Dr. Millstone's office wore black and white hat and black and white suit.
Speech	Has rather refined manner of speech but occasionally uses slang phrases such as "Dr. Moran is on the lam."

The substance of the above information was furnished to the Bureau by teletype. Report follows.

Very truly yours,

M. H. FURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge.

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CC: Bureau
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Laboratory Report

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Case: Alvin Karpis with aliases - Fugitive, I. O. 1218, et al.; Edward G. Bremer - Victim, Kidnaping.

Number: 7-576-6334

Specimens: 7-576-6334-A. Application for Purchaser's Liquor Permit No. 82240, which bears the signature Alvin Karpis.
" " " B. One receipt signed Alvin Karpis for one pint of liquor.

Examination requested by: Portland Bureau Office

Date received: June 13, 1935

Examination requested: Handwriting and Fingerprint

Examination by: C. A. Appel

Result of examination:

The signatures "Alvin Karpis" on the application for a Purchaser's Liquor Permit and on the receipt bearing the number 58994-21 in the upper right-hand corner, have been compared with some known signatures of Alvin Karpis maintained in the Bureau, and it is the opinion of the examiner that there are not enough characteristic points of similarity between the submitted signatures and known signatures to warrant an identification.

A report on the fingerprint examination will be submitted separately.

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Mr. C. C. Spears,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 709,
Portland, Oregon.

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 June 13, 1938.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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cc-Cincinnati
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

2:05 P.M.

RE: BREMER KIDNAPING CASE
(Jess Doyle)

I talked to Mr. Sam Hardy of the St. Paul Office, advising that we had received a telegram from Harry H. Peterson, Attorney General of Minnesota, in which he says that Leonard Hancins is applying for a pardon on the basis that the confession of Jess Doyle exonerates him. The Attorney General asked, as a member of the pardon board, that a copy of Doyle's confession be furnished to him. He says that United States Attorney Sullivan will give the confession "on your authorization" and requests that the Bureau wire him such authorization. I advised that it was not the prerogative of the Bureau to tell the United States Attorney what steps he should take in a case of this kind, and whether he wants to turn a copy of the statement over to the Attorney General is for him to decide, not us. I requested that he get in touch with the United States Attorney and explain this situation to him, advising that this is a matter for him to decide, perhaps with the assistance of the Department, but that the Bureau can have nothing to do with it.

Mr. Hardy stated that the Sheriff is there to take Jess Doyle back to Nebraska, and that they expect the United States Attorney there to dismiss the Federal charges against Doyle in that district, based on the Okemah, Oklahoma National Bank Robbery, and Doyle is not going to be taken by the Minneapolis authorities for a state bank robbery in Minneapolis, so that there is nothing in the way of Doyle going back to Nebraska after the charges are dismissed at St. Paul.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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June 11, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Confirming telephonic conversation today with Mr. Newby relative to fingerprint card received from Police Department, Saint Paul, Minnesota, June 10, 1935, on Mildred Kuhlman, please be advised that there is on file in this Division a fingerprint card received from the Chicago Bureau Office, January 10, 1935, showing this individual arrested January 8, 1935, and also instructing that such information is not to be quoted at any time to contributors.

A reply was directed to the Police Department, Saint Paul, Minnesota, this date, advising that a search of our files failed to disclose any record of this individual.

Respectfully,

L. C. Schilder.

Sent, St. Paul with cc- Chicago 6/15/35. RE 7

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Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

On June 10, 1938, the Identification Division of the Bureau received a fingerprint card from the Police Department, St. Paul, Minnesota, No. 25582, reflecting the arrest on May 31, 1938, of Mildred Kuhlman, paramour of Arthur R.D Barker, as Mrs. Norman Clark alias Mrs. Margaret Edwards.

The Bureau desires that you discreetly ascertain the circumstances under which Mildred Kuhlman was arrested by the St. Paul, Minnesota Police Department.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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cc-Chicago

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Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sirs

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
Fugitive, I. O. #1218,
et al, EDWARD G. BRUNER,
Victim, KIDNAPING.

Under date of April 23, 1935 the Bureau requested that the interview with Mr. Horace S. Lydick, of Cass Lake, Minnesota, be expedited, and it does not appear that the Bureau's instructions have been followed out.

The Bureau desires that you give this matter immediate attention.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

CC Chicago
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE;
I. O. No. 1218; ET AL;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, VICTIM;
KIDNAPING.

During the week ending June 15, 1935, there have been no developments in connection with the above entitled case.

Respectfully,

R. E. Newby

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June 17, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
Fugitive, I. O. #1216, et al,
EDWARD G. BREMER, Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Reference is made to Bureau letter of May 25, 1935, addressed to Mr. F. J. Warobel, 5655 South Troy Street, Chicago, Illinois, a copy of which was furnished your office, advising that an Agent of your office would interview him concerning the information in his possession relative to Elmer Farmer, one of the defendants in the above entitled case.

The Bureau desires that you give immediate attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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St. Paul

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REH:CJ

June 15, 1935.

CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR,
BUREAU OF PRISONS.

During the course of the investigation in the Bremer kidnaping case, looking to the apprehension of the remaining fugitives, information has been obtained indicating that Arthur R. Barker in some manner has been communicating with persons on the outside of the United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, and it has been reported that one of these letters contained the statement that he would make a break soon.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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REK:MFW

June 17, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Aberdeen, South Dakota. + All Field Offices

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases.
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1216, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim; Kidnaping.

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Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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REK:MPW

June 17, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Pennington

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

Dear Sir:

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Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

SPECIAL DELIVERY
JUN 17 1935
P.M.

MEM:MR

June 17, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Harbo.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218, et
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Victim; Kidnaping.

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J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

BEN:BR

June 17, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Tolson.

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

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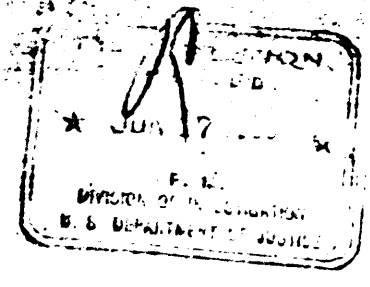

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June 17, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Nair.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218, et
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Victim; Kidnaping.

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J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

KEH:BR

June 17, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Thompson

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,
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al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER -
Victim; Kidnaping.

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John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

REK:BR

June 17, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Gillespie,

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

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J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

REM:BR

June 17, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Tamm.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,
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al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER -
Victim; Kidnaping.

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John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

KEH:RR

June 17, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Foxworth.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases.
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June 17, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. McArdle.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,
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J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

REK:HR

June 17, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Egan.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,
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Director.

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June 17, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Croul

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,
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John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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June 17, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Scheidt

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Director.

EN:EFW

June 17, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Douglas

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,
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RFH:MPW

June 17, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Schilder

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,
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REM:MFW

June 17, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Edwards

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June 17, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Keith.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,
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REW:MFW

June 17, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Swenson

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REM:BR

June 17, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Tracy.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,
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Director.

REK:MPW

June 17, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Clegg

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REH:KPW

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Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. R. L. Richmond

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June 17, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Coffey

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John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

KLH:KFW

June 17, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Reynolds,

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,
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Attention: Mr. Newby.

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

JEH:CEK

June 14, 1935.

Time 5:00 PM

MEMORANDUM

Re: Authority for Attorney General to remove prisoners from one institution to another.

I telephoned Judge Holtzoff and stated that I was desirous of finding out what authority the Attorney General possessed under the Federal statutes, to transfer prisoners from one Federal penitentiary to another, as for example, what power he would possess to authorize the transfer of Arthur Barker from Leavenworth to Alcatraz, stating that I was under the impression that such prisoners could only be transferred for ill health or misconduct. Judge Holtzoff advised that there was a statute which gave the Attorney General broad powers to authorize such transfers and that he, Judge Holtzoff, would look up this statute and call me back.

Judge Holtzoff telephoned at 5:03 PM and advised that an act passed on May 14, 1930, Title 18, Section 753-f, of the U.S. Code Supplement, is the act which the Attorney General acted under in transferring the prisoners to Alcatraz and that this act reads as follows:

"The Attorney General is also authorized to order the transfer of any person held under the authority of any United States statute, from one institution to another, if in his judgment it shall be for the well being of the prisoner, or relieve over-crowded or unhealthful conditions in the institution where such prisoner is confined or for other reasons".

J.E.H.

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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Little Rock, Ark.	6/16/35	6/8-10-11/35	R. C. Coulter

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;
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:
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Inquiry made in Benton County, Lincoln and Fayetteville, Arkansas, through postal employees and other sources, failed to reflect Subjects Weaver and Eaton, or other subjects of case are presently or have resided in that vicinity, however, several people in Siloam Springs, Arkansas, indicated photographs of Weaver and Eaton appeared familiar.

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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent R. C. Coulter, St. Paul, Minn., dated May 25, 1935, and Bureau letter dated June 4, 1935.

DETAILS: AT LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS:

During the morning of June 8, 1935, Robert T. LaFollette, Assistant Superintendent Arkansas State Rangers, State Capitol Building, was interviewed by the writer and Special Agent in Charge R. L. Shivers at the Little Rock Bureau Office. Mr. LaFollette, who was formerly Chief of Police at Siloam Springs, Arkansas, could offer no information regarding Weaver, however, he did suggest the names of suitable contacts in Benton County whose names will be referred to later in this report. Mr. LaFollette agreed to treat the interview as confidential.

AT BENTONVILLE, ARKANSAS:

Deputy Sheriff Ivan LaFollette, a brother of the above mentioned, was interviewed. He stated he had never seen Weaver or other members of the mob, whose identification orders he has prominently displayed at the court house. Mr. LaFollette

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stated he is quite sure Weaver and others are not and have not been frequenting Bentonville. Mr. LaFollette further stated he has kept these fugitives in mind, but he will be particularly alert in the future for any information regarding them; that as soon as the circumstances permit he will make discreet inquiry through his own channels, and will notify the Little Rock Office in the event any information is received.

Mr. Fred Berry, Benton County Abstract Office, who has been so engaged for the past twenty years, except for a period of four years recently, when he served as County Clerk, was interviewed, and he stated there had been a multitude of real estate transfers during the past year in that county, and that it would be impossible for a person not acquainted with the records to make an accurate check of them. Mr. Berry stated he was quite familiar with the records, and suggested that he make a check of them. He viewed the photographs of Weaver, Eaton, Campbell and Karpis, after which he stated he had never seen any of the individuals, and doubted that any of them had been interested in the transfer of any real property in that county, as he comes in contact with practically everyone connected with the transfer of real estate in Benton County. Mr. Berry thereafter checked the indexes of grantees, and advised that the name of Weaver or his known aliases did not appear thereon from January 1, 1934, to date. He further stated in the event property was purchased and the deed not recorded, there would be no record on file of the transaction.

Inquiry at the Western Union Office reflected Weaver was unknown there. Chief of Police William Jackson stated he has an identification order on Weaver, but has never seen him in Bentonville, and has never heard he frequents Bentonville and doubts very much that he does.

William Black, employed as the State Revenue Department collector in Benton County, and who was formerly a deputy sheriff in the county, was contacted, and he stated he has issued all the drivers' licenses in that county except for a few issued at Siloam Springs by the Jones Supply Co., and that he has a list of all licenses issued. Black was unable to identify the photograph of Weaver as anyone known to him, and had no recollection of issuing him a motor vehicle license. He verified information appearing in report of reference to the effect that it is customary and only necessary to supply motor number and make of automobile to secure motor vehicle license. The law governing drivers' licenses did not become effective until 1935. The list of persons securing such licenses in Benton County was examined, however, the name of Weaver or his known aliases did not appear thereon. The following persons who it was at first thought might be identical with Weaver secured drivers' license:

J. D. Scott, Rogers, Arkansas, No. 106,796.
Jim Scott, Decatur, Arkansas, No. 1,815.
W. E. Scott, Garfield, Arkansas, No. 106,233.
Walter Scott, Rogers, Arkansas, No. 126,291.

Subsequent inquiry through Mr. Black and Postal Authorities in the various listed towns disclosed that none of these individuals was Weaver, and all have been residents of their respective communities for several years.

The following postal employees at Bentonville were contacted:

Ernest Alfrey, Postmaster;
L. D. Wharton, Money Order Clerk;
Fred M. Phinney, Rural Carrier No. 1;
Everett Russell, Rural Carrier No. 2;
Alvin Seamster, Rural Carrier No. 3;
F. M. Brock, Rural Carrier No. 4.

None of these persons could identify the photographs in question, and all were certain they did not serve Weaver or Eaton. The money order records do not reflect transfer of money to McAlister, Oklahoma, or Jefferson City, Missouri.

Contact was thereafter had with the following Postmasters:

Mr. E. Austin, and assistant, Gravette, Arkansas,
Mrs. Whaley, and assistant, Sulphur Springs, Arkansas, and
Mr. C. H. Northcutt, Decatur, Arkansas.

All of these persons failed to identify the photographs as those of persons known or served by them. The records likewise failed to reveal any money orders had been sent to McAlister or Jefferson City.

Mr. A. M. Steele, Postmaster, Gentry, Arkansas, after viewing the photographs, stated he was reasonably sure he had seen Myrtle Eaton. He gave a fair general description of her, but stated he was unable to recall where or when he had seen her. Mr. Steele was interviewed at length, but could furnish no additional information. He stated he desired one of the rural carriers see the photographs, but the carrier was on leave and was absent from the State at that time. It was agreed that identification orders would be forwarded to Mr. Steele in the near future for distribution to all rural carriers, and that he would immediately furnish any information he received to the Little Rock Office.

A Brogdon, City Marshal, Gentry, Arkansas, who was reported by Mr. LaFollette to be an efficient and honest officer, was contacted, and after viewing the photographs, particularly those of Weaver and Eaton, he stated that none of the Subjects had been frequenting Gentry.

Mr. Clyde Flatt, Postmaster, Siloam Springs, Arkansas, and Clifford Bronck, a postal employee, who is also a substitute carrier on the three rural routes were interviewed during the evening of June 10, 1935. After viewing the photographs, Mr. Flatt stated Myrtle Eaton's photograph appeared to be that of a person he had seen about Siloam Springs, however, he was unable to supply any additional information. According to Mr. Flatt no money orders have been sent to McAlister, Oklahoma, or Jefferson City, Missouri, through his office. Mr. Bronck was unable to identify any of the photographs.

On the following morning the photographs in question were exhibited to John L. Howard, Star Route carrier, whose territory extends into the State of Oklahoma, and the following rural mail carriers:

Oscar Cairnes, Route No. 1;
Alfred Hennigh, Route No. 2; and
William D. Brown, Route No. 3.

All of these men advised that they were unacquainted with the individuals in question and did not serve them, except Mr. Howard, who advised the photograph of Weaver resembles a person he saw at Flint, Oklahoma, during the past few weeks. He stated he would not say positively that the photograph is that of the person he saw on the street in Flint, and was not very positive in his identification, and could supply no additional information.

Mr. Fay Masoner and Ed Cantwell of the Jones Supply Co. viewed the photographs and both stated the photograph of Weaver appeared familiar. Mr. Masoner had no definite recollection of issuing motor vehicle or drivers' license to Weaver. Cantwell, who is employed as a mechanic, stated he believed Weaver had previously had his automobile serviced there, but he could not be positive. The Jones Supply Co. is the Chevrolet dealer in Siloam Springs. Both Masoner and Cantwell stated if Weaver had been in their place of business it was before the first of this year.

Sam Boyd, Barnsdall Station; Clint Alfrey, Phillips 66; Paul Jones and Harry Rank, Magnolia station and Harry Griffin, Conoco gasoline station were interviewed and examined the photographs in question, but none were able to identify Weaver, Eaton or others as former or present customers.

James W. Gose, proprietor of the Silver Dollar Liquor Store, the only liquor store in Siloam Springs, was contacted, inquiry having been previously made and his honesty established. After viewing the photographs in question, Gose stated that none of the individuals were customers of his store. John Elrod, Chief of Police, and his nephew, who is the present city attorney, viewed the photographs in question, but stated none of the subjects were known to them, and they did not believe any of them had been frequenting Siloam Springs.

Justice of the Peace E. W. Ford, who is reported to be very familiary with the transfer of real estate in the vicinity of Siloam Springs, could not identify the photographs in question as those of persons he had seen in that vicinity. Neither were they known at the local office of the Western Union.

Ralph Hague and his father, who operate the Lake Frances Park Hotel, a resort a short distance South of Siloam Springs, were contacted and both stated Weaver and others did not frequent the Hotel, which is about the only attraction at Lake Frances, there being no post office or business establishments at that place.

J. C. Burton, City Marshal, and Clark Briscomb, Postmaster, Lincoln, Arkansas, were unable to identify the photographs in question. Burton stated he was sure Weaver did not frequent Lincoln, and the postal records do not reflect the transfer of any money to McAlister of Jefferson City.

Inquiry was thereafter made at the Postoffices at Rogers; Springdale and Fayetteville, Arkansas, with negative results. Similar results were obtained from an interview with Henry B. Walker, Circuit Clerk of Court, Fayetteville, who is also the recorder of deeds.

Inquiry reflected there are three rivers flowing through Benton County with approximately one hundred and sixty miles of shore line in addition to a

number of smaller streams and a few lakes. The three rivers in question are the White, Illinois and Osage, and practically all of the territory in the vicinity of these revers is served by one of the postoffices above referred to. The law enforcement officials at Fayetteville, were not contacted on advice from Mr. LaFollette. Inquiry at Bella Vista, a well known summer resort near Bentonville reflected there are no winter residents other than a watchman.

The advisability of circularizing all postmasters in North-western Arkansas, and furnishing them with identification orders of Weaver and Eaton will be given consideration. Other leads suggested in the body of this report will receive attention.

UNDEVELOPED LEAD:

THE OKLAHOMA CITY BUREAU OFFICE at Flint, Oklahoma, will make inquiry through the post office and such other sources of information as may be available for the purpose of determining whether Weaver has been in that town.

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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.1237; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O.1232; WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O.1238; HARRY SAWYER with aliases; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O.1239; MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O.1241; BRUNO PUTIS with aliases; ET AL.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.

CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING - HARBORING OF FUGITIVES - OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - NATL FIREARMS ACT

Convictions 5
Sentences 1 Life
5 years

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

On June 7, 1935, Federal Judge M. M. Joyce, St. Paul, sentenced VOLNEY DAVIS to life, HAROLD ALDERTON to twenty years, ELMER FARMER to twenty years, JOHN McLAUGHLIN to five years in Leavenworth Penitentiary, and JAMES WILSON to serve five years in U. S. Industrial Reformatory, Chillicothe, Ohio. Parole reports submitted herewith.

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REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent R. C. Coulter, St. Paul, Minnesota, 5/23/35.

DETAILS:

On June 7, 1935, Federal Judge M. M. Joyce of St. Paul, Minnesota, imposed sentence on defendants in this case as follows:

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VOLNEY DAVIS - life;
HAROLD ALDERTON - twenty years;
ELMER FARMER - twenty years;
JOHN McLAUGHLIN - five years; all of whom were to be confined to the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, or such other institution as may be designated by the Attorney General.

JAMES WILSON was sentenced to serve five years in the United States Industrial Reformatory at Chillicothe, Ohio.

Parole reports are attached hereto.

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Report Made at: St. Paul, Minnesota	Date When Made: 6-15-35	PAROLE REPORT	Report Made by: J. E. Brennan
Name of Convict: VOLNEY E. DAVIS, 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, VOLNEY E. DAVIS conspired with ALVIN KARPIS, FRED BARKER, ARTHUR R. BARKER, HARRY CAMPBELL, 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 January 22, 1935, the Federal Grand Jury at St. Paul, Minnesota, returned an Indictment against DAVIS and others charging conspiracy 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 at St. Paul returned an Indictment against DAVIS and others charging the substantive offence of kidnaping and transporting Bremer in interstate commerce, and demanding $200,000 for his release. DAVIS was apprehended by Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation in Chicago, Illinois, and was immediately brought to St. Paul, Minnesota, where on June 3, 1935, he was arraigned before Federal Judge M. M. Joyce, and entered a plea of Guilty to the conspiracy indictment. On June 7, 1935, he was sentenced by Federal Judge Joyce to serve the rest of his natural life in a penitentiary to be designated by the Attorney General. DAVIS was one of the seven persons who actually participated in the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer at St. Paul; and, according to evidence produced at the trial of other defendants in

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this case, was one of the persons who delivered ransom notes to friends and relatives of the kidnap Victim, and was also one of the three persons who actually collected the ransom money. At the time sentence was imposed in this case, he had served twelve of his thirty-three years in a penitentiary. He is thirty-three years of age, born January 29, 1902, at Tahlequah, Oklahoma. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rodney E. Davis reside at Neosho, Missouri, and are apparently in poor financial circumstances. When twenty-one years of age he was committed to the Oklahoma State Penitentiary on a charge of murder, and was there confined until November 3, 1932. Upon his release he resumed his association with ARTHUR R. BARKER who had been convicted with him on this murder charge, as well as his brother, FRED BARKER, and ALVIN KARPIS, WILLIAM WEAVER, GEORGE ZIEGLER and other criminals, which association lead to his participation in the kidnaping of Edward Bremer. His criminal record is contained in the files of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and is as follows:

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Name of Convict: HAROLD V. ALLDERTON.		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 BARKER, ALVIN KARPIS, FRED BARKER, HARRY CAMPBELL, VOLNEY DAVIS, HARRY SAWYER, WILLIAM WEAVER and FRED GOETZ conspired to kidnap Edward George Bremer, President of the Commercial State Bank of St. Paul, Minnesota. A few days before Christmas, 1933, ALLDERTON was induced by FRED GOETZ to furnish his (ALLDERTON's) home to GOETZ for the ostensible purpose of hiding out a couple of men who were fleeing from the law. On January 17, 1934, Bremer was kidnaped at St. Paul, Minnesota, and was driven to Bensenville, Illinois, 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. Shortly before Bremer was brought to ALLDERTON's home in Bensenville, EDGAR FARMER brought ALVIN KARPIS to ALLDERTON's place of residence, where FARMER and ALLDERTON escorted KARPIS through the house, the apparent object being to determine whether or not the accomodations would be suitable. Bremer was brought to ALLDERTON's house about midnight of January 17, 1934. At the direction of WILLIAM WEAVER, ALLDERTON prepared warm water to bathe Bremer's head which had been injured at the time of the abduction. During the time that Bremer was held at ALLDERTON's home, ALLDERTON purchased groceries, liquor, and newspapers for the mob, bought gasoline placing some in the four five gallon cans which were provided by FARMER, cooked food for Bremer and members of the gang, and was present when Bremer was taken from his (ALLDERTON's) home on February 7, 1934. At the request of "FRED" GOETZ he also rented the garage of one Edward Bishop for the storage of a car belonging to the gang. He was arrested by Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation at Kokomo, Indiana, on January 17, 1935, and was brought to Chicago, Illinois, where he waived removal proceedings on January 20th, and was brought to St. Paul, Minnesota, on January 22, 1935, being indicted with others by the Federal Grand Jury at St. Paul, which indictment charges

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that he conspired with ALVIN KARPIS and others as between December 1st, 1933, and May1st, 1934, to kidnap and transport in interstate commerce and hold for $200,000 ransom one Edward George Bremer. On January 22, 1935, the Grand Jury also returned an indictment against ALLDERTON, charging the substantive offense of kidnaping and transporting Bremer in interstate commerce, and demanding $200,000 ransom for his release. He was arraigned before Federal Judge M. M. Joyce at St. Paul on April 2, 1935, and entered a plea of Not Guilty to both indictments. He was brought to trial at St. Paul on April 15, 1935, on the conspiracy indictment together with others which resulted in a verdict of Guilty returned as to him, which verdict was recorded on May 17, 1935; and on June 7, 1935, he was sentenced by Federal Judge Joyce to serve twenty years in a penitentiary.

ALLDERTON is thirty-five years of age, married, but not living with his wife and children, and resided with his mother in Bensenville, Illinois. His mother now lives with another son in Kokomo, Indiana. He is a veteran of the World War, and is afflicted with tuberculosis. The records of the Federal Bureau of Investigation reflect no previous criminal history of this Subject, but according to his own statement he was arrested by the Sheriff at Marion, Indiana, in 1923, charge - alimony and non-support; disposition, to pay five dollars a week. Arrested Sheriff's Office, Bensenville, Illinois, 1927, charge - alimony and non-support; disposition, to pay five dollars a week. Arrested Sheriff's Office, Wheaton, Illinois, January, 1927, charge - in gambling raid; disposition, released.

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Name of Convict: KLAGER FARMER.		Title of Case: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases; I.C. 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, ALVIN KARPIS, FRED BARKER, HARRY CAMPBELL, VOLNEY DAVIS, HARRY SAWYER, WILLIAM WEAVER and FRED GOETZ conspired to kidnap Edward George Bremer, President, Commercial State Bank of St. Paul, Minnesota. Shortly before Christmas, 1933, FARMER assisted FRED GOETZ and FRED BARKER in procuring the house of HAROLD ALLDERTON in Bensenville, Illinois, for the ostensible purpose of hiding out for a few days some men who were fleeing from justice. On January 17, 1934, Bremer was kidnaped at St. Paul, Minnesota, and was driven to Bensenville, Illinois, 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. Not long before Bremer was brought to ALLDERTON's house at Bensenville, FARMER escorted ALVIN KARPIS to ALLDERTON's home. KARPIS examined same to determine if said house would be suitable for the purpose of holding someone there. One or two days after Bremer was kidnaped, ALLDERTON advised FARMER that Bremer was being held a kidnaped victim in his (ALDERTON's) house. With this knowledge, FARMER visited the house three or four times a week, during which Bremer was held there, and on numerous occasions FARMER purchased groceries and liquor for members of the gang at ALLDERTON's house. He also acted as a lookout to advise FRED BARKER and FRED GOETZ as to whether anyone connected with law enforcement had been making any inquiries at Bensenville, Illinois. FARMER received $1,000 from FRED GOETZ for his services. FARMER was arrested by Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation on January 16, 1935, at his home at Bensenville, Illinois. On January 20th he was removed from Chicago to St. Paul after waiving removal proceedings. On January 22, 1935, he was indicted by the Federal Grand Jury at St. Paul, Minnesota, which indictment charges that between December 1st, 1933 and May 1st, 1934, FARMER and others conspired to transport Edward George Bremer

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from St. Paul, Minnesota, to Bensenville, Illinois, after he had been kidnaped, and there hold him for ransom in the amount of $200,000. On January 22, 1935, an indictment was returned by the Federal Grand Jury at St. Paul against FARMER and others charging the substantive offence of kidnaping and transporting Bremer in interstate commerce, and demanding $200,000 for his release. He was arraigned before Federal Judge M. M. Joyce in St. Paul on April 8, 1935, and entered a plea of Not Guilty to both indictments. He was brought to trial on the conspiracy indictment before mentioned and during this trial, which began April 15, 1935, changed his plea to Guilty when the Government had concluded its testimony. On June 7, 1935, he was sentenced by Federal Judge M. M. Joyce at St. Paul, Minnesota, to serve twenty years in a penitentiary.

KLMER FARMER is forty-two years of age, was born at Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin, March 10, 1893. When eight years of age, his family moved to Chicago, Illinois, where he was reared. He attended school there, completing the eighth grade. His parents are dead. He has a sister, a Mrs. Gifford Brabandt, residing at Elmhurst, Illinois, and a brother, James, with whom he has been associated in the operation of Elmer's Tavern at Bensenville. For the past six years he has been bootlegging and operating slot machines in and about Bensenville, Illinois.

The following is the criminal record of KLMER FARMER which is secured from the Federal Bureau of Investigation at Washington, D. C.: 33

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Name of Convict: JAMES JOSEPH WILSON

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On or about December 1, 1933, at St. Paul, Minnesota, a conspiracy was entered into between ARTHUR R. BARKER, ALVIN KARPIS, FRED BARKER, VOLNEY DAVIS, HARRY CAMPBELL, HARRY SAWYER and WILLIAM WEAVER and FRED GOETZ to kidnap Edward George Bremer, President, the Commercial State Bank, 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. Subsequent to the payment of the ransom, ARTHUR BARKER and others arranged with DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, RUSSELL GIBSON, JOHN McLAUGHLIN, OLLIE BERG and others, to change the money from the five and ten dollar bills, in which denominations the ransom was paid, to bills of larger denomination; and this Subject, WILSON, assisted in this regard and aided the kidnapers in their flight and in their efforts to avoid identification by treating them after operations had been performed by DR. MORAN to obliterate their fingerprints. On January 22, 1935, JAMES WILSON was indicted by a Federal Grand Jury at St. Paul, Minnesota, which indictment charged that between December 1, 1933 and May 1, 1934, he and ALVIN KARPIS, ARTHUR BARKER and others conspired to transport Edward George Bremer from St. Paul, Minnesota, to Bensenville, Illinois, and there hold him for $200,000 ransom. WILSON was brought to trial on this indictment at St. Paul on April 15, 1935, which resulted in a verdict of guilty, being returned as to him, which verdict was recorded on May 17, 1935. On June 7, 1935, he was brought before Federal Judge M. M. Joyce at St. Paul, Minnesota, and was sentenced to serve five years in the United States Industrial Reformatory at Chillicothe, Ohio.

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In January and April, 1934, WILSON was an associate of DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, the latter having offices on Irving Park Bulevard in Chicago. WILSON lived with MORAN and at the Irving Hotel in Chicago. Through his associations with MORAN, he became acquainted with RUSSELL GIBSON, OLIVER BERG and BOSS McLAUGHLIN. On April 14, 1934, WILSON observed McLAUGHLIN, MORAN, GIBSON and BERG handling large quantities of Bremer ransom money in Room 211 of the Irving Hotel. On April 14, 1934, and until April 27, 1934, he continued to observe the said parties handling the ransom money negotiations. He made two trips to Aurora, Illinois, during April of 1934, with RUSSELL GIBSON, where ransom money negotiations were carried out, and where WILSON met and became acquainted with VOLNEY DAVIS, WILLIAM WEAVER, MYRTLE EATON, HARRY CAMPBELL and DOC BARKER. During March of 1934, he became acquainted with FRED BARKER and ALVIN KARPIS whose fingerprints had been changed by DR. MORAN in Room 234 of the Irving Hotel. During the latter part of March, 1934, WILSON drove FRED BARKER to Toledo, Ohio, where the former became acquainted with other members of the KARPIS-BARKER gang. On April 27, 1934, the day on which publicity was given to the arrest of BOSS McLAUGHLIN, WILSON, acting upon the advice of DR. MORAN and OLIVER BERG, fled to Toledo, Ohio, where he met and associated with other members of the KARPIS-BARKER gang. WILSON was in Toledo with this group until about August 1st, 1934, when he returned to Chicago, Illinois.

JAMES JOSEPH WILSON was born in Spring Valley, Illinois, on November 8, 1907. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. James M. Wilson, still reside at Spring Valley, Illinois. Upon graduating from high school at Spring Valley, he obtained employment with the Westclox chemical research laboratory at La Salle, Illinois, where he remained until 1931, and then went to Chicago where he entered at Northwestern University Pre-Medic School, which he attended for about a month. In 1930 he was married to Lucille Lindenmeyer of Peru, Illinois. His wife remained with an aunt in Chicago, while he attended Northwestern University and continued to live with this aunt while he took up residence with DR. MORAN, above mentioned, who is a brother to Dr. James Moran of Spring Valley, an uncle of JAMES WILSON by marriage. The files of the Federal Bureau of Investigation contain no previous criminal history of this Subject.

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Report Made at: St. Paul, Minnesota	Date When Made: 6-15-35	PAROLE REPORT	Report Made by: J. E. Brennan
Name of Convict: JOHN JOSEPH McLAUGHLIN.		Title of Case: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, O I.O.1818, 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, ALVIN KARPIS, FRED BARKER, HARRY CAMPBELL, VOLNEY DAVIS, HARRY SAWYER, WILLIAM WEAVER, FRED GOETZ conspired to kidnap Edward George Bremer, President of the Commercial State Bank, St. Paul, Minnesota. On January 17, 1934, Bremer was kidnaped at St. Paul and was driven to Bensenville, Illinois, 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. About the middle of April, 1934, JOHN J. McLAUGHLIN upon the instigation of DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN at Chicago, Illinois, agreed to handle and exchange large quantities of Bremer ransom money. He secured the services of PHILLIP J. DELANEY and WILLIAM R. VIDLER in exchanging approximately $50,000 of the ransom money at various banks in Chicago, Illinois. McLAUGHLIN secured the money through DR. MORAN, RUSSELL GIBSON and OLIVER A. BERG in Room 210 of the Irving Hotel in Chicago, where the ransom money was delivered to him by ARTHUR R. BARKER who at times was accompanied by HARRY CAMPBELL, and at other times was accompanied by VOLNEY DAVIS. He continued to assist in exchanging this money until April 27, 1934, when he and PHILLIP DELANEY were arrested at McLAUGHLIN's home in Chicago. On May 4, 1934, he was indicted at St. Paul, the indictment charging ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, and others, with conspiracy to transport in interstate commerce, after kidnaping, and hold for $200,000 ransom, one Edward George Bremer. On January 22, 1935, another charging conspiracy, which is intended to replace the one above mentioned, was returned by the Federal Grand Jury at St. Paul against McLAUGHLIN and others. On April 2, 1935, he was arraigned before the United States District Court at St. Paul, Minnesota, and entered a plea of Not Guilty. He was brought to trial at St. Paul on April 15, 1935, on the second of the above mentioned indictments, together with other persons, which resulted in a verdict of Guilty being

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returned against him on May 17, 1935. On June 7, 1935, he was sentenced to serve five years in a penitentiary, sentence being passed by Federal Judge M. M. Joyce in St. Paul.

McLAUGHLIN is sixty-eight years of age, married, and resides in Chicago, Illinois, where he has had a long and varied political career. The files of the Federal Bureau of Investigation contain the following previous criminal record:

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
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Post Office Box 515,
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June 16, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
I.O.1218, FUGITIVE; ET AL;
Edward George Bremer - Victim.
KIDNAPING - OBSTRUCTION OF
JUSTICE - HARBORING OF FUGITIVES -
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT
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I am attaching hereto a copy of an anonymous letter relating to one Jack Frost, former chief of police at Bensenville, Illinois, who is alleged by the writer to be a friend of Elmer Farmer and Bryon Bolton. This copy of the communication is being forwarded to you for such action as you may deem appropriate.

Very truly yours,

H. H. ANDERSEN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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RENT PAID BY FARMER - AS SOON AS FARMER WAS ARRESTED
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Post Office Box 515,
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June 16, 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 AND OBSTRUCTION OF
JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT
St. Paul File 7-30.

During the time that Arthur R. Barker was held in the Ramsey County Jail pending trial, Jack Hession, a special deputy, who was one of the three guards who stayed in the cell block in which Barker was confined, was approached by Barker with reference to smuggling notes in and out of the Ramsey County Jail which notes were to and from Mildred Kuhlman. By arrangements made with Sheriff Thomas Gibbons, copies of all communications between Arthur Barker and Mildred Kuhlman which were taken in and out of the Ramsey County Jail by the deputy Hession, were furnished to this office prior to their delivery. Mildred Kuhlman was registered at the Frederick Hotel in St. Paul during this time. Mr. Hession has presented a bill to this office amounting to $26.30, $21.50 of which is for a room at the Frederic Hotel, and the balance for a telephone bill. He explains that he incurred this expense as follows: That Barker suggested to him that he rent a room in the Frederic Hotel so as to be near Mildred Kuhlman, and thereby be in a position to make contact with her without delay; and that accordingly he registered at the Frederic Hotel under the name of Ben Winkle on May 1st, and remained until May 24th, during which time he saw Mildred Kuhlman almost daily and thereby was enabled to handle the correspondence referred to without arousing the suspicion of either Mildred Kuhlman or Arthur Barker, as she at no time was informed of his true identity; that Mildred Kuhlman accompanied Barker's

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attorney to Chicago for the purpose of endeavoring to obtain funds, and that he expected to be reimbursed for such bills as he incurred by Barker; that on May 22nd, Mildred Kuhlman telephoned him collect from Chicago, and advised that Barker's attorney had left her in Chicago without funds, and that this telephone bill amounted to $4.80. Hession stated that he expected Barker to pay these bills, but that Barker was moved to Leavenworth Penitentiary before he could make suitable financial arrangements to do so.

The purpose of this communication is to ask for an expression from the Bureau as to whether or not, under the circumstances, the bill above referred to can be paid, as it is thought that this might possibly be submitted as a confidential item. For the information of the Bureau, Hession was appointed as a special deputy sheriff for the time that Barker was held in the Ramsey County Jail, but was paid as a guard by the United States Marshal at St. Paul.

Very truly yours,
H. E. Andersen

H. E. ANDERSEN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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June 18, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
St. Louis, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
Fugitive, I. O. 1218, et al,
Edward G. Bremer, Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Reference is made to Bureau letter of April 16, 1935, addressed to Mr. Connelley at Chicago, Illinois, in the above entitled case, a copy of which was forwarded to the St. Louis Office with copies of the criminal record of John H. Moran.

The Bureau desires that the disposition of the arrests recorded in your district be obtained and forwarded to the Bureau on the appropriate disposition sheet. This matter should receive immediate attention.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Mr. M. H. Purvis,
Special Agent in Charge,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 812,
Chicago, Illinois.

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Dear Sir:

I have observed that immediately after apprehending Volney Davis at Chicago on June 1, 1935, the Special Agents assigned to this case instructed [redacted] Volney Davis' companion at the time of the apprehension, and the Bureau's informant in this matter, to leave the scene and that, consequently, this woman was not taken into custody. Obviously, this procedure is very undesirable, since it indicated to Volney Davis the fact that the Bureau was not desirous of causing the apprehension of the [redacted] woman. Naturally, Volney Davis will know from the fact that the Bureau did not desire to apprehend the [redacted] woman that she was in fact the individual who furnished information concerning Davis' whereabouts. In all cases where informants furnish Bureau representatives with information of a confidential nature, the Bureau must, of course, respect the confidence of its informants. It would appear desirable in a situation such as that existing in the Davis case that the Bureau's informant likewise be taken into custody for interrogation and subsequently released. This practice would serve in some measure to deviate suspicion on the part of the fugitive and his associates from the true identity of the person furnishing the information upon which the Bureau's apprehension was accomplished.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Post Office Box #812
Chicago, Illinois

June 18, 1935

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

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O.1218 - FUGITIVE;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O.1232;
HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O.1236;
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:

Reference is made to your letter dated June 14, 1935, concerning the above matter, wherein it is requested that the United States Attorney at Chicago be consulted with a view to obtaining an immediate trial of Matthew Gleason on charges of harboring Volney Davis. Mr. Bosworth, the Assistant United States Attorney handling this matter, informed me today that the trial of Matthew Gleason had been continued to September, 1935. I inquired of Mr. Bosworth as to whether anything could be done to bring about an immediate trial, and he stated that he did not believe this could be done, but thought possibly if Volney Davis had made any damaging statements with reference to Gleason, and if this information were brought to the attention of Gleason of his Attorney, Gleason might enter a plea of guilty.

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Judge Sullivan continued the trial as stated above, and he is the Judge who is trying the Piquett case now.

In accordance with my conversation with Mr. Tamm of the Bureau of this afternoon, I am directing a letter to the Kansas City Office with the request that Davis be interviewed and a signed

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statement obtained from him indicating the truth of his associations with Matthew Gleason.

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS
Special Agent in Charge

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Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box 1156,
Omaha, Nebraska.

June 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 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.

Please refer to your letter dated May 15, 1935 which you wrote to Mrs. George W. Smith, 834 First Avenue East, Cedar Rapids, Iowa in answer to a letter received from her dated May 4, 1935 in which she stated that she believed Ward Abbott, concerning whom she wrote the Bureau on August 2, 1934, is identical with Alvin Karpis. A copy of your letter to Mrs. Smith was forwarded to this office.

This is to inform you that Agent J. N. Franz of this office interviewed Mrs. Smith at Cedar Rapids, Iowa on June 7, 1935, and she stated that Special Agent R. T. Noonan of this Bureau interviewed her in August, 1934, at which time he made an investigation of the matter reported by her, and he informed her he believed her suspicions were not justifiable.

Mrs. Smith stated to Agent Franz that since that time Ward Abbott has returned to Cedar Rapids, and she is more certain than ever that he is Alvin Karpis. She stated that Ward Abbott is presently residing on Forrest Drive, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

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Agent Franz found Forrest Drive to be a short street on which there are only a few homes. The homes are all large and occupied by a well-to-do class of people. Agent Franz inquired at various homes on the Drive but could locate no one who had recently moved into the neighborhood and could not locate a party by the name of Ward Abbott. Not any of the persons interviewed by him knew any person by that name as being a resident on that Drive or in this vicinity.

It is believed that no further consideration should be given to the information in this regard furnished by Mrs. Smith.

Very truly yours,

John A. Dowd

J. A. DOWD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Division of Investigation
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Post Office Box 812
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June 18, 1935

Director,
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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; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases,
I. O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases,
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I. O. 1239; MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I. O. 1241.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF
JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

This is to advise you that on June 14, 1935 a Mr. Claude B. Kenney, attorney at law, Joplin, Missouri, called at this office and stated that he was representing the estate of Mrs. "Arizona" Barker and Fred Barker, who were killed in Florida in January of this year. He stated that George Barker, father of Fred Barker, and Frank Dixon of Joplin, Missouri, had been appointed administrators of the estate. Mr. Kenney was accompanied to this office by the latter party.

These gentlemen stated that they were in town to file a petition of interpleader in the suit of the Schmidt Brewing Company against "Doc" Barker for the funds contained in the safety deposit box of the Woodlawn Trust and Savings Bank, it being their claim that this money belonged to Mrs. Barker. Mr. Kenney further stated that he would like to obtain the furniture which is stored at Dunn Brothers Storage and Warehouse Company, and requested a letter from this office releasing that furniture. Mr. Kenney was advised by Special Agent R. C. Suran that this office could not give him the letter desired, but that a letter would be addressed to the storage company advising them that this office had no further interest in the above mentioned furniture. This procedure is similar to that used in the release of money by this office at the Woodlawn Trust and Savings Bank.

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Mr. Kenney also desired information as to the manner in which he could obtain the release of money being held at Ocala, Florida by state authorities. He advised that you had written him to the effect that this Bureau had no further interest in the money, which attitude was also assumed by the United States Attorney at Jacksonville, Florida in a letter addressed to Mr. Kenney by that office. Mr. Kenney further stated that although the state authorities in Florida had advised of the attitude taken by this Bureau and that of the United States Attorney at Jacksonville, Florida, the above state authorities continued to refuse to release the money, it being their desire to force original administration of the Barker estate in Florida. Mr. Kenney was advised by Special Agent Suran that this office was unable to give him any advice or information concerning this matter. Mr. Kenney further stated that the undertaker at Ocala, Florida is still holding the bodies of Fred and "Arizona" Barker and would not release them until the expenses in connection with the handling of the bodies had been paid. Mr. Kenney advised that it was impossible to pay these expenses until such time as the money was released.

A letter has been addressed to Dunn Brothers Storage and Warehouse Company, 6716 Cottage Grove Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, by this office advising that we have no further interest in the furniture being stored by them under the name of F. E. Anderson.

Very truly yours,

M. H. Purvis

M. H. PURVIS
Special Agent in Charge

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U. S. Department of Justice
P. O. Box 1276
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
June 17, 1955

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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,
FUGITIVE, I. O. 1218, et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

With reference to letter from the Bureau, dated March 26, 1955, please be advised that Special Agent Paul Hansen has arranged with the Police Departments at Tulsa and Ponca City, Oklahoma to have the temporary wanted notices removed as to Fred Barker, with aliases, Division #59163; Harry Campbell, with aliases, Division #419856; Volney Davis, with aliases, Division #456441; Jess Doyle, Division #99402; Myrtle Eaton, with aliases, Division #382674; Edna Murray, with aliases, Division #95976; Harry Sawyer, with aliases, Division #421535; William Weaver, with aliases, Division #17920.

Temporary wanted notices regarding Charles J. Fitzgerald, with aliases, Division #95780; Clyde Nimrick, with aliases, Division #77966, were left in the files of these two police departments.

Very truly yours,

DWIGHT BRANTLEY,
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. 1252; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I. O. 1256; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. 1257; WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I. O. 1258; 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: Some reports have been made in Tulsa, Oklahoma that Harry Campbell may come there in the near future, though this information seems to be unreliable. Jimmie Burdette, sister of Wynona Burdette, states Henry Daniels is man who saw Wynona at Hominy, Oklahoma before she left with Campbell from Ponca City. Daniels denies this and advises that he will endeavor to secure some information concerning Campbell and his whereabouts.

REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent Paul Hansen, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, 5-31-35.
Letter from Chicago Office, dated April 24, 1935.

DETAILS: A letter from the Chicago Office, dated April 24, 1935 states that an informant advised Agent F. M. Ames, that Karpis has a contact at Tulsa, Oklahoma by the name of Carr, who operates a cleaning and dyeing establishment. Several inquiries were made in Tulsa but no information could be obtained of a Carr operating a business of this description. There was no one listed in the telephone or city directories with this name, who engaged in the cleaning and dyeing business. Several underworld contacts were questioned but none of them know of Karpis having any contact with a man by the name of Carr in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

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With reference to report of Special Agent R. T. Mann, Denver, Colorado, dated March 20, 1935, Agent A. Paul Kitchin and the writer interviewed Emitt Welch, who is employed by the Texas Oil Company in West Tulsa, as a welder and he advised that he had lived with Harry Campbell three years, at Evansville, Wyoming, and that Harry owned a half interest in a bus line from Evansville, to Casper, Wyoming. He said that he believed Oscar Pelt, a bootlegger at Evansville, Wyoming is unreliable and that any information he gave could not be relied upon.

Dan Tubbs, he advised, who runs a dive outside of Alcova, Wyoming may have some information concerning Campbell, if Campbell ever frequents that particular part of the country again. Welch says that he has not seen Harry Campbell for over a year, when he saw him driving down the street in West Tulsa. Welch will visit the Campbell family and endeavor to secure some information from them regarding Harry Campbell and will report that information to Agent Kitchin or the writer. He said that he would also endeavor to secure a photograph of Harry which may be a more recent one than any the Bureau has in its possession and if he is able to do this will loan the photograph to the Bureau to have copies made. He will be interviewed again in the near future. 67C 67D

[redacted] mentioned in the report of reference is a confidential informant in this case, called the writer by Long Distance telephone June 2, 1935 and stated that she had some information of interest. She was interviewed at Tulsa, Oklahoma late that night and early the next morning and advised that [redacted] she overheard Lewis Webb state that he believed Harry Campbell and Karpis would be in Tulsa the following week. She thereupon asked Webb if he really felt sure that Campbell would be in Tulsa and Webb replied, "I know it" [redacted] could furnish no other or more definite information.

It will be remembered that [redacted] are confidential informants and that they appeared to be willing to give the writer any information they possess regarding Harry Campbell, and this is probably more especially true concerning [redacted] The latter was interviewed by the writer and positively stated that she had not received any information or word concerning Harry Campbell except what she had related or that she had read in the papers.

[redacted] was also interviewed and he, likewise, stated that he had received no information regarding Campbell or Karpis or their activities. It is felt that the information given by [redacted] is not reliable in this particular instance. However, as she apparently is in position to obtain some information should Campbell be in Tulsa, she will be contacted from time to time.

Mark Whinery and his wife, Ruth, both stated they have received no word of Campbell or Karpis.

Mildred Jones, Wynona Burdette's sister, Turley, Oklahoma advised Agent Kitchin and the writer that she has received no word whatever from Campbell and promises to advise one of these agents if she receives any information concerning Campbell or any of his associates.

Jimmie Burdette, another sister of Wynona Burdette, who is presently residing in Ponca City, Oklahoma, was interviewed and said she had obtained no information concerning Campbell or his whereabouts. She advised, however, that the person who talked with Wynona at the Wilson home, at Arondale, near Hominy, Oklahoma, the night Wynona left with Campbell from Ponca City is Henry Daniels of Skiatook, Oklahoma. She said that Wynona's friend, Hoffberger, who runs the Public Market in Ponca City told her of this and he received his information, apparently, from Wynona.

Henry Daniels is a mechanic and utility man with the Buzzard Motor Company in Skiatook. He was interviewed confidentially, by Agents Kitchin and the writer for about two hours. He denied that he had seen Wynona Burdette for almost two years, though he used to keep company with her often. He said, however, that sometime last fall, he and Ick Superman, got drunk and went to Hominy, Oklahoma and looked for Wynona, he having heard that she was there, living with her sister, Mrs. Wilson. They were advised at Hominy where the Wilsons lived, at Arondale, but they were never able to find Arondale and never saw Wynona or the Wilson home. Daniels says that he is willing to face any witnesses who state that he was the man who called Wynona out of the Wilson home and talked to her and postively believes they will say he is not the man. He seemed sincere and honest in what he said and it is believed, at the present time, that Wynona told her boy friend that Henry Daniels was the one who talked with her, knowing Henry Daniels well as she did, in order to protect the man who was actually making the contact with her for Harry Campbell. Daniels advised that Ray Roberts, a part Osage Indian who weighs about 170 pounds and is of a dark complexion, knows Harry Campbell and also Wynona Burdette, and suggested that Roberts may have used his name or that Wynona may have protected Roberts by stating that Daniels is the one who talked with her. Daniels will endeavor to engage in a conversation about Campbell and Wynona with Roberts and advise these agents of the information he obtains.

Daniels further advised that John (Irish) Dorsey, Clive Rogers and George Bradshaw, all of Skiatook, Oklahoma are acquainted with Harry Campbell and would probably harbor him. Another man, by the name of Palmer, who is a gambler and lives a short distance East of Sperry, Oklahoma, who has a brother in Highschool by the name of Enlow, also knows Harry Campbell and appears to be on friendly terms with him. Daniels will talk with all these persons about Campbell and advise these agents if they apparently know anything about his recent activities. Further efforts will be made by the Oklahoma City Office to determine who the contact was who fronted for Campbell by calling upon Wynona Burdette at Arondale, Oklahoma the night she left with Harry Campbell from Ponca City, Oklahoma.

While in Ponca City the writer discussed possibilities of a contact Harry Campbell or Karpis might have in that vicinity with the Chief of Police, Joe McFadden, and was advised that this Chief has no information of Campbell being in Ponca City since Charlie Davis was sent to the Penitentiary for six years for harboring Campbell and Glenn E. Wright. The only other person Chief McFadden knows of who is acquainted with Harry Campbell is Fred Tindle, alias "Wee Tump". An effort was made to interview Tindle but he was out of the City. He will be interviewed at a later date for information he may have in his possession.

With reference to the report of Special Agent R. P. Shanahan, Kansas City, Missouri, dated April 25, 1935, the writer was advised by C. G. Garrett, Manager of the Ambassador Hotel, Tulsa, Oklahoma that E. L. Pendleton and wife engaged an apartment, #610, in that hotel January 2, 1935 and vacated February 4, 1935. They left a forwarding address to "E. L. Pendleton, 4721 Wyoming, Kansas City, Missouri, care of W. A. Cardwell". Garrett said that he had seen no other person with Pendleton, though he suspected the latter of being implicated in some unlawful dealing of some description.

Mrs. Louise Grimes, clerk and P. B. X operator at this hotel and Myrtle Brown, night clerk, advised that they never, at any time, saw any other people, either men or women, with Pendleton or his wife. Mrs. Brown advised that Pendleton would come into his apartment practically every night from two to four A. M. in the morning and Mrs. Pendleton would usually wait up for him, and they would ordinarily take a short walk before they went to bed. They had a small dog which would also be aired at this time. With the cooperation of Mrs. Grimes, a check was made of the local telephone calls made by Pendleton and the following calls were made by him on the dates specified:

1-3-35	4-6121	1-27-35	5-7362
1-3-35	2-5255	1-27-35	5-5514
1-4-35	4-6121	1-27-35	2-0505
1-7-35	4-8621	1-27-35	2-0505
1-8-35	2-0505	1-30-35	4-7812
1-8-35	4-6121	1-31-35	7147
1-25-35	5-7362	2-1-35	4-6121

On January 31, 1935 Pendleton placed a long distance call to Kansas City, Missouri which was never completed, and a 20¢ report charge was made. On January 11, 1935 a telegram was sent to Chester Kerr, Urich, Missouri, which was signed, "E. L. Pendleton", said telegram was sent by Western Union and a charge of $1.02 was made.

The following investigation concerning the telephone calls listed above and the telegram was made by Special Agent A. Paul Kitchin:

With further reference to the report of R. P. Shanahan, Kansas City, Missouri, 4/25/35 relative to the fact that E. L. Pendleton, an associate of Spike Lane, Otto Jackson, Eddie Boyle, L. B., 1208, and others, was at one time residing at the Ambassador Hotel, Tulsa, Oklahoma, Special Agent A. Paul Kitchin made a check of the following telephone numbers emanating from the Ambassador Hotel, which were placed by Pendleton.

The numbers 46181 constitute the telephone number of the Minis Hotel, and such number was called on several occasions as appears in the above list.

2-5255 is the telephone number of St. Johns Hospital, such being the leading hospital in the City of Tulsa, and bears an excellent reputation. This hospital cares for a great number of persons, and therefore, it was impossible to conduct any investigation relative to any of the above mentioned men being in this hospital on or about January 3.

4-8631 is listed as being the telephone number of Merle E. Miles of the E. & M. Transfer Company, 1418 E. 15th Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

2-0505 is the telephone number of the Santa Monica Apartments, 1206 S. Denver. This apartment house bears a good reputation.

2-7362 is the telephone number of Troy B. Baker's auto repair garage, and at the same address, 214 W. Cameron, the city directory lists Levi W. Depuy, Irwin Campbell, T. B. Baker, Floyd B. Bromley, all of these individuals being mechanics, evidently employed by Troy B. Baker at the above mentioned garage. Contact with informants discloses that Irwin Campbell is not a relative of subject Harry Campbell, and apparently has no connection with him.

2-3314 is the telephone number of the William F. Morris restaurant at 207 N. Denver. An observation of this restaurant discloses that it is in a questionable section of town, but apparently does a good business, therefore, no inquiries were made at this place, as the possibility of ascertaining with whom Pendleton was conversing is very remote.

4-7812 is the telephone number of Walter A. Whipple, mechanic employed with the Foster Davis Motor Corporation. Mr. Whipple resides at 1115 S. Detroit.

7147 is the telephone of the Peerless Tulsa Company, dealers in plumbers' supplies, and is located at 520 E. 11th Street.

The above information was obtained from Mr. Dougherty, assistant to Mr. O. O. Barnes, manager of the traffic department of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company located at 5th and Detroit, Tulsa, Oklahoma. An effort was made to check the long distance telephone call placed on January 31, 1935 by Pendleton from the Ambassador Hotel to some unknown party at Kansas City, Missouri. This call, however, was not made, and there was a twenty cent report charge

paid by Pendleton on this call. Mr. Daugherty was unable to ascertain what number was called at Kansas City on this occasion, but agreed to advise Agent Kitchin on Monday, June 10, 1935, if he were successful in ascertaining the number called at Kansas City. On June 10 Miss Kinote, secretary to Mr. Daugherty, informed this agent that an extensive search had been made of their records, which failed to disclose any information concerning the above mentioned long distance telephone call.

Through Mr. Brinkley, manager of the Western Union Telegraph Company at Tulsa, Oklahoma it was ascertained that the content of the message sent by Pendleton on January 11, 1935 to Chester Kerr, Urich, Missouri, was as follows:

"NEED FIFTY AT ONCE FOR BOODLE ON SURE THING STOP SEND ALL OR ANY PART WILL CUT YOU IN STOP AMBASSADOR HOTEL

(Signed) Pendleton"

From [redacted] Welch, informant, Tulsa, Oklahoma, Agent Kitchin obtained three snapshot photographs of subject Harry Campbell, which were taken by Welch at Evansville, Wyoming either in 1924 or in 1925. These photographs have been forwarded to the Bureau under separate letter with the request that, if it is deemed advisable, copies be made of these photographs, and the originals returned to this office to be returned to Welch at Tulsa.

Mrs. Garrett advised the writer that while Pendleton was living at the Ambassador Hotel he was driving a 1930 model Nash Coupe and that this car was serviced with the Conoco Master Station at 14th and Boston Streets in Tulsa.

Mr. Earl Bunn, Manager of this station was interviewed and stated that they had a $17.00 repair bill against this automobile and while they had a little difficulty in collecting, the bill was paid by Pendleton on February 5, 1935. Bunn also stated that he never saw any other person come to that station with Pendleton.

With reference to the notation in the report of R. F. Shanahan, Kansas City, Missouri, 4/25/35, page twenty-two, that the telephone number of Gardner W. Braley, 200 W. 23rd Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, was found in the apartment of R. L. Pendleton at Kansas City, inquiry was made at the apartment where Gardner W. Braley is presently residing in Oklahoma City by Special Agent John R. Welles on June 11, 1935. Mrs. Morrow, manager of the apartment, stated that Mr. Braley is in the insurance business, and to the best of her knowledge has an office in the Perrine Building. She said that he is also interested in oil leases and royalties. He has been a good tenant for six years, and has had a great many visitors from all over the state, many of whom he has introduced to her. A frequent visitor is Jess Reed, State Insurance Commissioner, and it is her understanding that Braley works in the capacity of appraiser for Reed. Braley's parents reside at Ada, Oklahoma, and he returns to that place to visit. He is single, and lives alone in the four room apartment at the above address, for which he pays $40.00 per month. He is well educated, drinks heavily at times, but always acts the part of a gentlemen, and is well dressed. Another frequent visitor at his apartment is Hilton Phillips, and it is Mrs. Morrow's understanding that Phillips is in Oklahoma politics. She also believes that Braley takes a rather active part in Oklahoma politics.. Braley does not have an automobile.

Mrs. Morrow furnished the following description of Braley:

Age - About 40 years.
Height - 5 feet, 7 inches.
Weight - 150 pounds.
Build - Medium.
Hair - Dark brown; bald on top.
Eyes - Brown.
Complexion - Fair
Smooth face.
Teeth - Good
Scars - None noticeable.
Neat in appearance.
Peculiarities - Stutters when talking fast or amused.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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

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June 18, 1935

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

RE: BREMER KIDNAPING CASE

Mr. Purvis advised that the Matthew Gleason case has been continued to September; that the defense wanted to have it tried right away and so did the Government, but Judge Sullivan continued it to September. He is trying the Piquett case and figures that will take him to September. Purvis states they are selecting a jury today in the Piquett case.

Purvis stated the Assistant handling the Matthew Gleason case suggested that if Volney Davis said anything in his statement which would indicate that Gleason knew what he was doing, we might get a plea of guilty from Gleason. Purvis states Davis' statement is to the effect that he did not think Gleason knew he was an escaped prisoner. Mr. Purvis said he thought, if advisable, Volney Davis could be re-interviewed at Leavenworth, since he may be in a different frame of mind now and might tell us more. I stated I could not see that it would do any harm, and Purvis said he would write a letter directing that this be done.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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Post Office Box 515,
Saint Paul, Minnesota.

June 17, 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,
I.O.1218, FUGITIVE; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM;
KIDNAPING - HARBORING AND
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE -
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT
St. Paul File 7-30.

It is requested that four photographs of DELORES DELANEY alias Mrs. William B. Lohman, with other aliases, be furnished the St. Paul Bureau Office.

Very truly yours,
H. E. Andersen

H. E. ANDERSEN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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June 26, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. No. 1218; ET AL;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

In response to the request contained in your letter dated June 17, 1935, in the above entitled case, there are transmitted herewith four photographs of Dolores Delaney, with aliases.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Post Office Box 812

Chicago, Illinois

June 18, 1935

Special Agent in Charge
Kansas City, Missouri

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O.1218 - FUGITIVE;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O.1232;
HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O.1236;
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:

Please refer to the report of Special Agent H. C. Suran dated June 10, 1935, in connection with the above matter. Your particular attention is invited to pages 14 and 19, which contain the statement of Volney Davis and other results of an interview with him in connection with his association with Matthew Cleason. It will be noted that he indicates that Matthew Cleason did not know his (Davis') true identity.

It is requested that Davis be reinterviewed at the Leavenworth Penitentiary with a view to obtaining a signed statement from him indicating the true situation with regard to Matthew Cleason's knowledge of the fact that Volney Davis was wanted as an escaped Federal prisoner, and also in connection with the Bremer Kidnaping Case.

It is not contemplated that Volney Davis would be a witness against Matthew Cleason, but his statement as above noted might bring about a plea of guilty from Cleason. Davis, of course, should not be advised of the reasons for the obtaining of the statement.

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It will be appreciated if you will give this your immediate attention.

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS
Special Agent in Charge

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SECRETAR[illegible]

June, 12, 1935

Director, Division of Investigation,
U. S. Dept. of Justice,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir;

If William Weaver is still wanted in connection with the Edward G. Bremer, kidnaping I feel as if an actor on the burlesque stage in Louisville, Ky. should be investigated. He bears a close resemblance to pictures of Weaver. The actor is called Joe something. The name of the theater is "Gayety". Shows were discontinued there about two months ago.

Yours truly,
Wm. H. McFarland
Wm.H.McFarland.
Shepherdsville, Ky.

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June 27, 1935

Mr. William M. Mefarland,
Superintendent,
Bullitt County Public Schools,
Shepherdsville, Kentucky.

Dear Sir:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated June 12, 1935, containing information concerning an individual who resembles William Weaver, wanted in connection with the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer.

Please be advised that I have furnished copies of your letter to Mr. O. C. Dewey, Special Agent in Charge, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 769 Starks Building, Louisville, Kentucky, who will assign an Agent to interview you concerning this matter in the very near future.

Thanking you for your interest and cooperation, I am

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc-Louisville (with copies of incoming letter)
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cc-St. Paul (with copy of incoming letter)

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Special Agent in Charge
Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Dear Sir:

IN RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, Fug. I.C. 1218, ET AL
EDWARD GEORGE BRUCKER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING - HARBORING - OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT

Mr. Wint Smith, Superintendent of the Kansas State Highway Patrol, has informed me as follows:

Andy Yokum, a bootlegger of Topeka, Kansas, an alleged friend of Alvin Karpis, is reported to have as an understudy R. B. Price, a motor car dealer of Topeka, Kansas, through whom Yokum receives his mail. These two men are reported to be friendly with Lenny Lyons, who runs a restaurant in Kansas City, Missouri, and "Chee Chee" DeMayo, a Kansas City bootlegger. All four of these men are reported to have a cottage or camp on Leech Lake, 9½ miles northeast of Walker, Wisconsin. Mr. Smith is of the impression that should this camp or cottage be covered some might lead to the apprehension of Karpis.

For your information, this office, although considerable investigation has been conducted, has never been able to establish a definite connection between Yokum and Karpis. Yokum is a bootlegger who apparently has given the State and City Police of Topeka, Kansas considerable trouble. They apparently have never been able to catch him in his bootlegging activities and they have exerted every influence to have him prosecuted for something or other. It is my understanding that recently charges were instituted against him by the Internal Revenue Bureau for evasion of income tax.

The above is being transmitted to your office as a matter of record. Should you have some Agent in your office in the vicinity of Walker, Wisconsin, he might make inquiries through ordinary channels to determine whether these individuals are in that vicinity, and then notify local authorities to be on the lookout for Karpis. I do not consider that extensive investigation would be justified

unless further facts are developed which might warrant same.

Very truly yours,

R. E. CONROY
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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cc - Bureau
St. Paul
Cincinnati

Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
P. O. Box 515, St. Paul, Minn.

June 18, 1935.

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of June 15, 1935, wherein it is stated MILDRED KUHLMAN was arrested by the Police Department, St. Paul, Minnesota on May 31, 1935.

Superintendent John J. Tierney advised that MILDRED KUHLMAN alias MRS. NORMAN CLARK alias MRS. MARGARET EDWARDS was arrested on May 31, 1935, on the charge of general investigation, together with one JACK HESSIAN. They were released on June 1, 1935, without formal charges being made.

It appears that MISS KUHLMAN together with HESSIAN were drinking and had apparently forgotten where they had parked their car. HESSIAN hired a taxi and drove about searching for the car, the taxi driver and HESSIAN later getting out of the taxi in their search. At this time MISS KUHLMAN took the taxi and drove it to the Hammond Hotel at Snelling and Selby Streets, St. Paul. She then walked back to where the taxi driver and HESSIAN were and after some delay told them where the taxi was. This was at 3:50 A.M. on June 1.

Inasmuch as HESSIAN advised the Police that MISS KUHLMAN was DOC BARKER'S girl, they were both taken into custody.

HESSIAN was a Special Deputy Sheriff and was employed by the Ramsey County authorities as a guard of ARTHUR "DOC" BARKER and other Subjects in that case.

Very truly yours,
H. E. Andersen
H. E. ANDERSEN.
Special Agent in Charge.

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June 24, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. No. 1218; ET AL;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated June 16, 1936, requesting an expression from the Bureau relative to the matter of paying Jack Hession for expenses incurred by him while cooperating with this Bureau in obtaining copies of communications passing between Arthur R. Barker and Mildred Kuhlman, during the time Barker was confined in the Ramsey County Jail, St. Paul, Minnesota.

The Bureau is of the opinion the expenses amounting to $26.50 incurred by Mr. Hession should be paid by you and reimbursement claimed in your next expense voucher, as a confidential item.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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June 17, 1935.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Thank you for your confidential memorandum of June 15th relative to Arthur R. Barker, an inmate of the Leavenworth Penitentiary.

Formal orders were mailed last week for the transfer of this prisoner to the Alcatraz Penitentiary and he will be moved just as soon as transportation can be arranged.

Sanford Bates

Director.

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P. O. Box 515
St. Paul, Minnesota

June 18, 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
L.O.# 1218 - FUGITIVE; ET AL
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
KIDNAPING
St.Paul File No. 7-30

In compliance with the request in Bureau letter of June 12, 1935, there is returned herewith the following evidence relative to ARTHUR "DOC" BARKER, which was furnished the St. Paul Office by the Bureau for its use in the trial of this case:

2 photographs of ARTHUR R. BARKER
1 fingerprint card of ARTHUR R. BARKER, dated 2-11-22
1 fingerprint card of CLAUD DALE, dated 1-15-21
3 fingerprint charts, A, B, and C
3 photographic negatives of fingerprints
1 fingerprint card of A. R. (DOC) BARKER, with signature of A. R. ESSER.

Very truly yours,
H. E. Andersen

H. E. ANDERSEN
Special Agent in Charge

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Mr. Bates thanks Mr. Hoover for memo relating to Leavenworth Penitentiaryx inmate Arthur R Barker.

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June 22, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of June 18, 1935 in connection with the case entitled Alvin Karpis with aliases, I. O. #1218 - Fugitive, et al.; Edward George Bremer - Victim, Kidnaping.

The following articles transmitted with your letter have been received in the Bureau's laboratory:

2 photographs of Arthur R. Barker.
1 fingerprint card of Arthur R. Barker dated February 11, 1922.
1 fingerprint card of Claud Dale dated January 15, 1921.
3 fingerprint charts marked A, B, and C.
3 photographic negatives of fingerprints.
1 fingerprint card of A. R. (Doc) Barker with the signature of A. R. Esser.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

cc-Cincinnati
cc-Chicago

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

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

Stratfield Hotel,
Bridgeport, Conn.
June 18, 1935

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

Re: Source of Machine Guns in Hands of Criminals.

Dear Sir:-

Reference is made to the case entitled Alvin Karpis, with aliases, I.O. #1218, et al; Edward George Bremer, Kidnaping. The three Browning Automatic Rifles recovered from Russell Gibson were shipped by railway express to the writer from Washington, D.C. to New Haven, Conn. where they were displayed to representatives of the Winchester Repeating Arms Co. for the purpose of identifying them as manufactured by that company and in an effort to gain an explanation for the apparent duplication of the serial number on one of these weapons in view of the finding of a similar gun with the same serial number on the Rock Island Arsenal.

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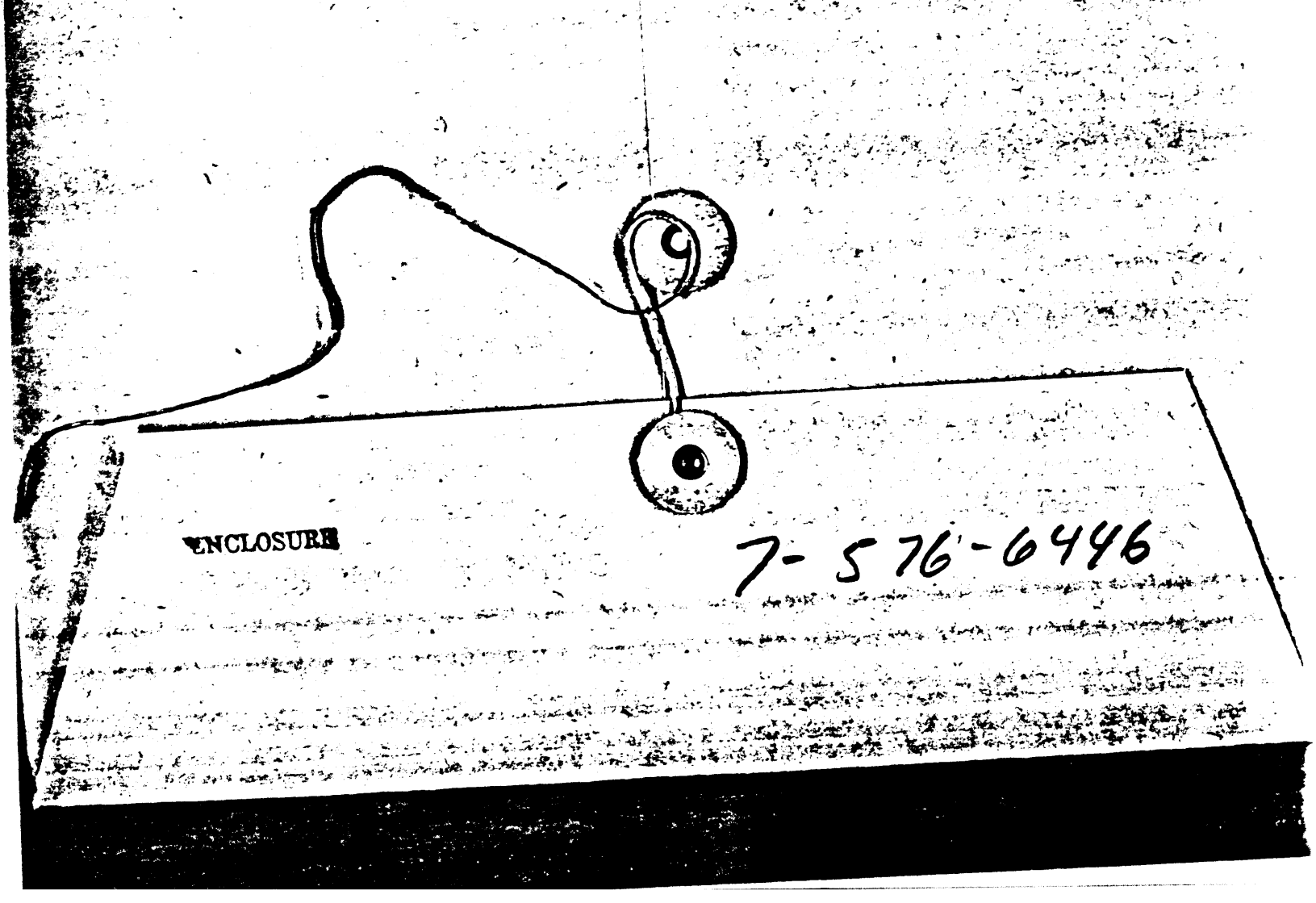
These rifles, having served their purpose in the interview with the manufacturers, are being returned this day, to Washington, D.C. by railway express, charges collect, marked for the attention of the Technical Laboratory.

There is enclosed the shipper's collect receipt of the Railway Express Agency covering the shipment of these guns.

Very truly yours,

Donald J. Parsons

Laboratory Aide,
Technical Laboratory.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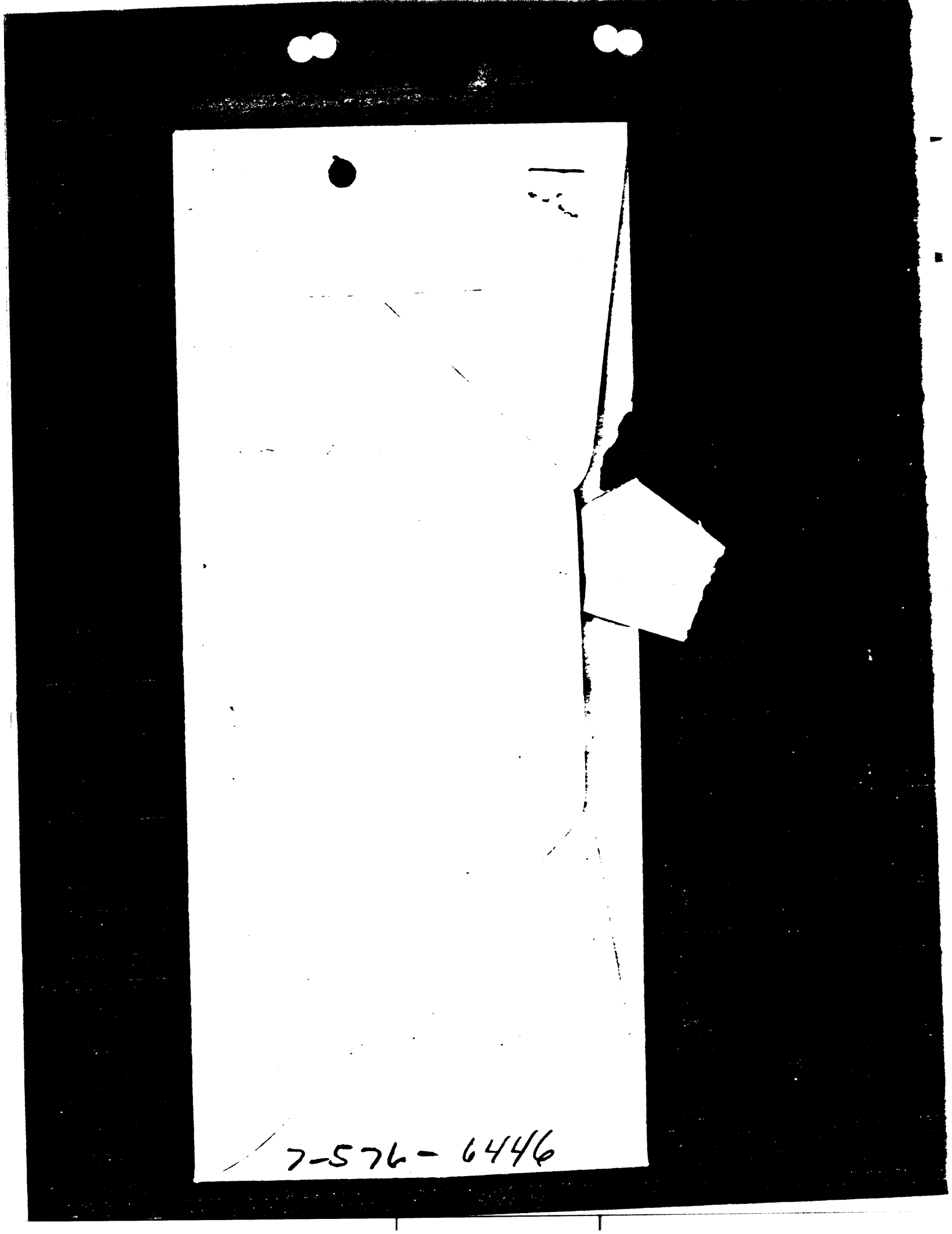
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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
WASHINGTON, D. C

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE TO AVOID
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RAILWAY EXPRESS AGENCY
INCORPORATED

UNIFORM EXPRESS RECEIPT—NON-NEGOTIABLE—TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. The provisions of this receipt shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the consignor, the consignee and all carriers handling the shipment and shall apply to any reconsignment, or return thereof.

2. In consideration of the rate charged for carrying said property, which is dependent upon the value thereof and is based upon an agreed valuation of not exceeding fifty dollars for any shipment of 100 pounds or less and not exceeding fifty cents per pound, actual weight, for any shipment in excess of 100 pounds, unless a greater value is declared at the time of shipment, the shipper agrees that the company shall not be liable in any event for more than fifty dollars for any shipment of 100 pounds or less, or for more than fifty cents per pound, actual weight, for any shipment weighing more than 100 pounds unless a greater value is declared and stated herein the shipper agrees that the value of the shipment is as last above set out herein. Unless a greater value is declared and stated herein the shipper agrees that the value of the shipment is as last above set out and that the liability of the company shall in no event exceed such value.

3. Unless caused by its own negligence or that of its agents, the company shall not be liable for—
- a Difference in weight or quantity caused by shrinkage, leakage, or evaporation.
- b The death, injury, or escape of live freight.
- c Loss of money, bullion, bonds, coupons, jewelry, precious stones, valuable papers, or other matter of extraordinary value, unless such articles are enumerated in the receipt.

4. Unless caused in whole or in part by its own negligence or that of its agents, the company shall not be liable for loss, damage or delay caused by—
- a The act or default of the shipper or owner.
- b The nature of the property, or defect or inherent vice therein.
- c Improper or insufficient packing, securing, or addressing.
- d The Act of God, public enemies, authority of law, quarantine, riots, strikes, perils of navigation, the hazards or dangers incident to a state of war, or occurrence in customs warehouses.
- e The examination by, or partial delivery to the consignee of C O D shipments.
- f Delivery under instructions of consignor or consignee at stations where there is no agent of the company after such shipments have been left at such stations.

5. Packages containing fragile articles or articles consisting wholly or in part of glass must be so marked and be packed so as to insure safe transportation by express with ordinary care.

6. When consigned to a place at which the express company has no office, shipments must be marked with the name of the express station at which delivery will be accepted or be marked with forwarding directions if to go beyond the express company's line by a carrier other than an express company. If not so marked shipments will be refused.

7. As conditions precedent to recovery claims must be made in writing to the originating or delivering carrier within nine months after delivery of the property or, in case of failure to make delivery, then within nine months and fifteen days after date of shipment; and suits shall be instituted only within two years and one day after the date when notice in writing is given by the carrier to the claimant that the carrier has disallowed the claim or any part or parts thereof.

8. If any C. O. D. is not paid within thirty days after notice of nonpayment has been mailed to the shipper the company may at its option return the property to the consignor.

9. Free delivery will not be made at points where the company maintains no delivery service, at points where delivery service is maintained free delivery will not be made at addresses beyond the established and published delivery limits.

Special Additional Provisions as to Shipments Forwarded by Vessel from the United States to Places in Foreign Countries.

10. If the destination specified in this receipt is in a foreign country, the property covered hereby shall, as to transit over ocean routes and by their foreign connections to such destination, be subject to all the terms and conditions of the receipts or bills of lading of ocean carriers participating in the transportation, and as to such transit is accepted for transportation and delivery subject to the acts, tariffs, laws, regulations, and customs of overseas and foreign carriers, custodians, and governments, their employees and agents.

11. The company shall not be liable for any loss, damage, or delay to said shipments over ocean routes and their foreign connections, the destination of which is in a foreign country, occurring outside the boundaries of the United States, which may be occasioned by any such acts, ladings, laws, regulations, or customs. Claims for loss, damage or delay must be made in writing to the carrier at the port of export or to the carrier issuing this receipt, within nine months after delivery of the property at said port or in case of failure to make such delivery then within nine months and fifteen days after date of shipment; and claims so made against said delivering or issuing carrier shall be deemed to have been made against any carrier which may be liable hereunder. Suits shall be instituted only within two years and one day after the date when notice in writing is given by the carrier to the claimant that the carrier has disallowed the claim or any part or parts thereof. Where claims are not so made, and/or suits are not instituted thereon in accordance with the foregoing provisions, the carrier shall not be liable.

12. It is hereby agreed that the property destined to such foreign countries, and assessable with foreign governmental or customs duties, taxes or charges, may be stopped in transit at foreign ports, frontiers or depositories, and there held pending examination, assessments and payments, and such duties and charges, when advanced by the company shall become a lien on the property.

To Destination Office: Washington D.C.
Consignee: Director Fed Bureau of Investigation
Street Address or Non Agency Destination: Name of Forwarding Office: (852-Q) Bridgeport, Conn.
Enter Date Shipped: June 18 19 53
Advance: DO
Declared Value: $50.00
Value Charges: NOT
Weight: 90
Express Charges: USE THESE
Total: SPACES
Pieces / Articles / Description: 2 Pa / 1 Box on 3
Shipper: L D Parsons
Shipper's Street Address: 76 Ben Ave
COLLECT (Original)
Claim | Paid in Part | Scale or Rate | Verified by | C. O. D. | C. O. D. Service Charge Write in YES or NO
(Form 11)

SHIPPER'S COLLECT RECEIPT

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RAILWAY EXPRESS AGENCY
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Received shipment described hereon, subject to the Classifications and Tariffs in effect on the date hereof, value herein declared by Shipper to be that entered in space hereon reading "Declared Value," which the Company agrees to carry upon the terms and conditions printed hereon, to which the Shipper agrees and as evidence thereof accepts this receipt.

Number Pieces: 3
Weight: 90 lbs
France (3)
For the Company

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June 16, 1935

Honorable Harry H. Peterson,
Attorney General of the State of Minnesota,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

My dear Mr. Attorney General:

Reference is made to your telegram of June 10, 1935, requesting that you be furnished with a copy of a statement obtained by Agents of this Bureau from Jess Doyle, which it is believed by you will exonerate one Leonard Hankins, who is applying for a pardon from a sentence imposed upon him for participation in a criminal offense, in which it is believed Jess Doyle participated. The jurisdiction of the Federal Bureau of Investigation is solely investigative, and it is not within this Bureau's power to make any other disposition of statements obtained by its Agents or of other information obtained as a result of official investigations, other than by transmitting this information to the appropriate United States Attorney for his use in prosecuting violations of the Federal laws of the United States. As a result of this limitation of the Bureau's jurisdiction, I am unable to take any action with reference to your request for a copy of the statement made by Jess Doyle. The disposition to be made of this statement is a matter for the determination of the proper United States Attorney, who would probably seek Departmental instructions through the office of the Attorney General, as to the disposition to be made of this particular statement.

Upon receiving your telegram, I immediately instructed the Special Agent in Charge of the Bureau's St. Paul Office to confer with the United States Attorney at St. Paul, and to point out to him that the Bureau is unable to either recommend or disapprove the transmittal of a copy of Doyle's statement to you. The Special Agent in Charge of the St. Paul Office was instructed to advise the United States Attorney that this matter was one which would have to be determined by him and that the Bureau could not take any position in this situation.

I trust that you will be able to satisfactorily adjust this situation through arrangements made with the United States Attorney at St. Paul, Minnesota.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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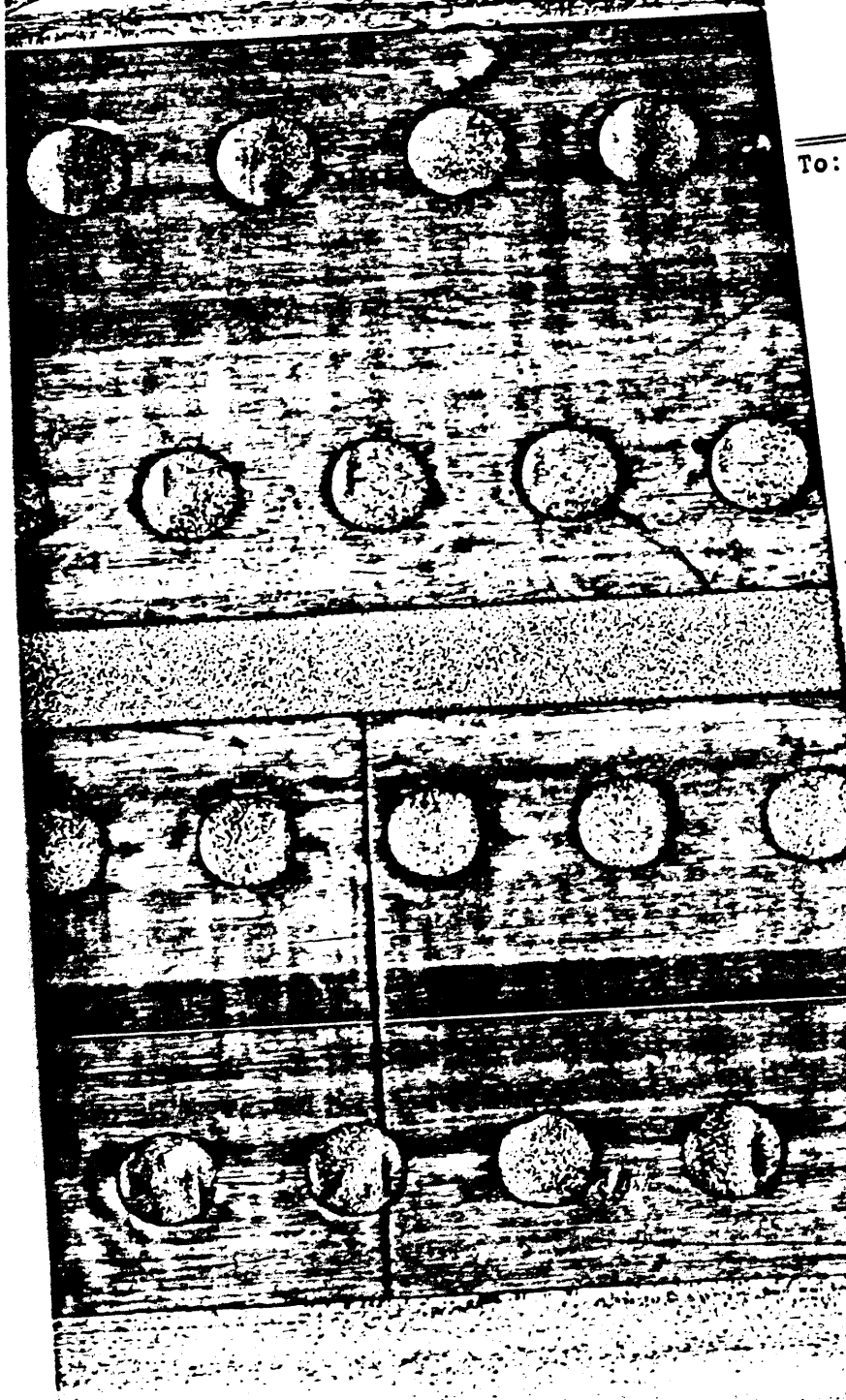

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From: Laboratory and
Single Fingerprint Unit

Date _____ 1935.

To:
- ___ Mr. Edwards
- ___ Mr. Appel
- ___ Mr. Blackburn
- ___ Mr. Conrad
- ___ Mr. Donaldson
- ___ Mr. Hardison
- ___ Mr. Harrington
- ___ Mr. Hince
- ___ Mr. Major
- ___ Mr. McSwain
- ___ Mr. Parsons
- ___ Mr. Pfafman
- ___ Mr. Pickering
- ___ Mr. Renneberger
- ___ Mr. Schilder
- ✓ Mr. Q. Tamm
- ___ Chief Clerk
- ___ Files
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- ___ Mr.

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Yes - Rec'd in Laboratory -

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Bring file ___
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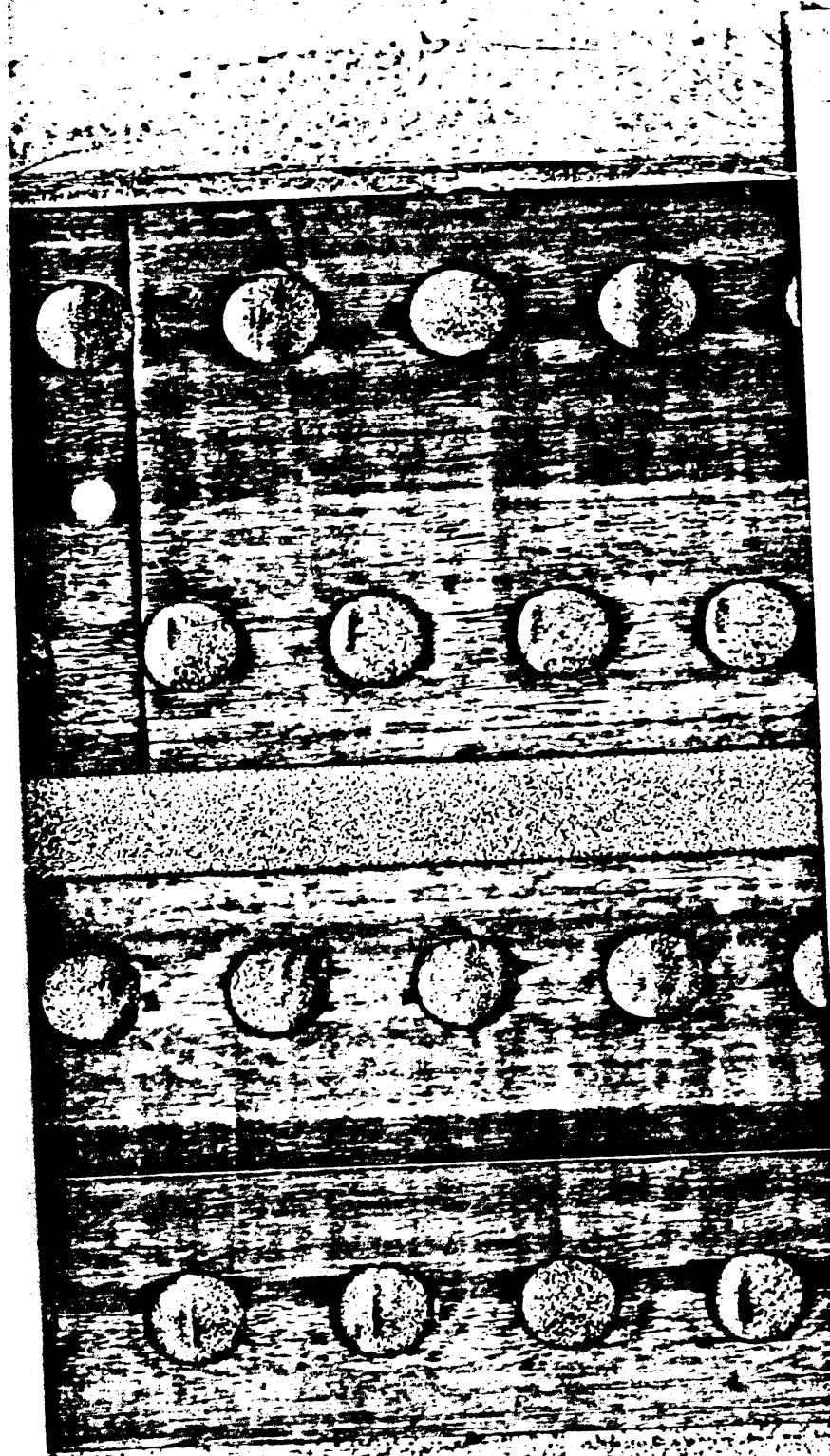
E. P. Coffey.



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From: Chief Clerk's Office Room 5232

6/26/35 1935.

To:
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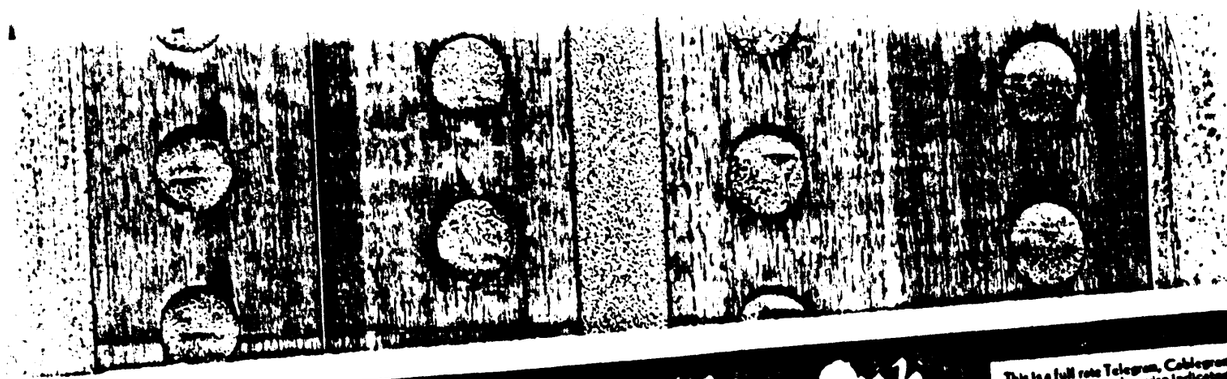
- ___Mr. Clegg
- ___Mr. Quinn
- ___Miss Gandy
- ___Mr. Egan
- ___Mr. Tamm
- ✓ Mr. Coffey
- ___Mr. Tracy
- ___Mr. L. H. Richmond
- ___Mr. Douglas
- ___Mr. Swenson
- ___Mr. Baughman
- ___Mr. Schilder
- ___Ident. Division
- ___Files Section
- ___Mechanical Section
- ___Personnel Files
- ___Washington Field Office
- ___Supply Division
- ___Division of Accounts
- ___Miss Sheaffer
- ___M _____

See Me

P. Attached. Has this been answered.

Rm 529 W. R. Glavin



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LEONARD HANKINS APPLYING FOR PARDON ON CONFESSION OF JESS DOYLE

THAT IT EXONERATES HIM AS MEMBER OF PARDON BOARD WOULD LIKE COPY

OF DOYLES CONFESSION UNITEDSTATES DISTRICT ATTORNEY SULLIVAN WILL

GIVE CONFESSION ON YOUR AUTHORIZATION PLEASE WIRE HIM SUCH AUTHORIZATION

HARRY H PETERSON ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MINN.

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JUN 19 1935 A.M.

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COPY

Oklawaha, Fla.
June 17, 1935

Mr. Hoover,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I am the lady who lived next door to the house where Ma and Fred Barker that was killed on Jan. 16 and was shot at by the Federal men, I was up cooking my breakfast that morning when the shooting started. My Daughter & I were alone, some of the first shots that was fired hit our house, they came from over toward the Barker house. We hid in our clothes closet a few minutes and my daughter got so excited, we tore out the screan window and ran to our neighbor and as we were runing two Federal men started shooting at us. We didn't know who they were, but the shots missed us, They did not warn us, or any of our neighbors the Federal men didn't know who we were.

After the battle was over, we had to have the Doctof with my Daughter twice, and I had a heart attact and was in bed over a week not expecting to live, but I am some better now, but still nervious. My Husband had to give up his job trucking oranges to Ga. so he could stay with us as we are so nervious we can't stay by our selves. Again, our friends here and in Ocala, asked me to write to you and asked you if you don't think the Government should pay us something as we need it, any thing you do or suggest will be all right. I don't feel as if I was treated right by not being notified. I am sure you will do the right thing.

Hoping to hear from you soon,

Mrs. A. T. Westberry,
Oklawaha, Fla.

Rek. 6/22/35
cc-Jax.
cc-Cincinnati
cc-St. Paul

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June 27, 1935

Mrs. A. T. Westberry,
Oklawaha, Florida.

Dear Madam:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated June 17, 1935, wherein you advise that you have sustained inconveniences resulting from the shooting of Fred Barker at Oklawaha, Florida, on January 16, 1935.

Please be advised that a review of the reports submitted in this case reflects that you were notified and requested to vacate your house in sufficient time to avoid being injured, but that you and your daughter refused to comply with the request of the Special Agents of this Bureau. Therefore, under the circumstances, there is no action which this Bureau can take in the matter.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc-Jacksonville (with copy of incoming letter)
cc-Cincinnati "
cc-St. Paul "

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DIRECTOR FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION=

US DEPT OF JUSTICE PENN AVE AT NINTH ST NORTHWEST WASHN

BREKID UNIDENTIFIED INDIVIDUAL SLAIN NEAR WILLOWSPRINGS MISSOURI TODAY AFTER HOLDUP POPLARBLUFF MISSOURI REPORTED SIMILAR DESCRIPTION HARRY CAMPBELL STOP DISPATCHING AGENT TO CHECK PRINTS WILL ADVISE=

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BREKID ADVISE IMMEDIATELY WHETHER INDIVIDUAL KILLED AT WILLOW SPRINGS HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED AS HARRY CAMPBELL

HOOVER

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RE ABOVE FINGERPRINTS UNIDENTIFIED CORPSE WILLOW SPRINGS MISSOURI NOT IDENTICAL SUBJECT CAMPBELLS

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