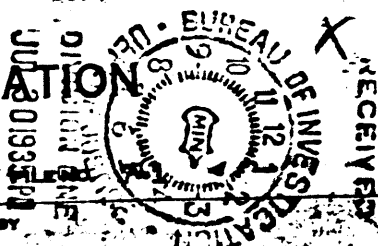


# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION



Form No. 1  
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Cincinnati, Ohio**

**Cleveland**

REPORT MADE AT <b>Cleveland, Ohio</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>7/27/35</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>7/22 to 26, inc./35</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>R. D. BROWN</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218; et al EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Mrs. William J. Siek, former neighbor of subjects Campbell, Burdett and Harrison, Point Place, Toledo, Ohio, believes she saw Campbell driving small coupe downtown Toledo month ago. Pinkerton's Detective Agency informant claims he will advise representative that agency exact present location Karpis and six companions whom he claims are residing on lake near Toledo. Name of informant not yet furnished by Pinkerton's Agency. Informant advised Pinkerton's Agency on 7/26/35 that he has not as yet been able to make contact. Edith Barry, Toledo, reported as close associate of Ted and Bert Angus. Mildred Kuhlman, former paramour of "Doc" Barker, reported to have first met "Doc" Barker at Edith Barry's "call house", 524 Southard Street, Toledo. Informant A, Toledo, recently talked with Bert Angus and Rene Holst, but failed to obtain information as to location of Karpis, Campbell, and Harrison, but expects to see them again Sunday, July 28, 1935. All banks, Cleveland Bureau office territory circularized for information concerning \$1,000 bills Nos. F-00022451A to F-00022500A.

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**REFERENCE:**

Reports of Special Agent R. D. Brown, Cleveland, dated 7/13/35 and 7/15/35.

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DETAILS:

AT TOLEDO, OHIO

On July 10, 1935 Special Agent B. M. Hirsh, resident Agent at Toledo, Ohio, was advised by Mr. G. F. Wink of the office of the Superintendent of Mail, Toledo, Ohio that his daughter is engaged to the son of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Siek, who reside at 2823 131st Street, Point Place, Toledo, Ohio. Point Place is located just north of the city of Toledo. He informed Special Agent Hirsh that Harry Campbell, Wynona Burdett, and William J. Harrison resided in a house next door to the house occupied by the Sieks, 2823 131st Street, Point Place, during the late spring and early summer of last year; that these people were quite neighborly with the Sieks. Mr. Wink stated that his daughter was recently informed by Ralph Siek, son of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Siek, that his mother recently saw Harry Campbell on the street of Toledo; that she readily recognized him as being the individual who formerly resided next door; that Campbell at first appeared as if he were going to speak to Mrs. Siek as he passed, but evidently changed his mind and did not do so.

Previous reports of the Detroit Bureau office show that subjects Campbell, Burdett, and Harrison did reside in a house at 2825 131st Street, Point Place, Toledo, Ohio, during the late spring and early summer of 1934.

On July 23, 1935 the writer, accompanied by Special Agent Hirsh, proceeded to 2823 131st Street, Point Place, where Mrs. Siek and her daughter Myrtle were interviewed. They furnished the same information concerning the residence of Campbell, Wynona Burdett, William J. Harrison and "Doc" Barker in a house located next door to their home, as has been previously furnished by them and reported in reports by Special Agent D. E. Hall of the Detroit Bureau office. However, they had not seen a photograph of subject William J. Harrison. They readily identified this photograph as being Harrison and stated they knew this man as only, "The Clown"; that this man did all of the cooking while residing next door to them; that he frequently came over to the Siek home and played with the dogs. They stated that all persons occupying this house were unusually friendly, but would never permit anyone to enter their house. Mrs. Siek stated she does not believe she has ever seen Alvin Karpis, although he may have been a tall young man whom Wynona Burdett called, "Slim", who called to visit these people on one or two occasions. She stated that she and members of her family became very well acquainted with Harry Campbell, Wynona Burdett and William J. Harrison and had often seen subject Arthur "Doc" Barker at this house. Mrs. Siek then went on to relate



that approximately one month ago, while shopping in downtown Toledo, she saw a man whom she immediately recognized as being subject Harry Campbell, riding in a small coupe on St. Clair Street near a place known as Jimmy Hays' (a beer parlor and gambling joint). Mrs. Siek was closely questioned as to the automobile driven by Campbell, but was unable to furnish any further information with the exception that it was a small coupe, probably a Ford, Plymouth, or Terraplane. She stated that Campbell appeared to be about to speak to her, but apparently changed his mind and continued down the street at a slow rate of speed. Mrs. Siek was reasonably certain that the man she saw was Harry Campbell, who lived next door to her for a period of over two months during early summer of 1934. She was furnished with the telephone number of the Cleveland Bureau office and agreed to immediately call this number collect should she again see this individual in Toledo or Point Place.

Special Agent B. M. Hirsh was advised, on July 9, 1935, that one of the stenographers in the office of the United States Attorney at Toledo had received a telephone call from an individual who called himself McGrath of Point Place, who requested information as to whether or not the Department of Justice had been making inquiries concerning him. Special Agent Hirsh advised he had made no inquiries concerning McGrath and did not know his identity.

It will be noted from the previous reports submitted by the Detroit Bureau office that McGrath is a Deputy Constable at Point Place and a former neighbor of Ted Angus. Mrs. Siek was questioned concerning the identity of McGrath and she stated that this individual is John McGrath, a Deputy Constable at Point Place, who is a truck driver and who is considered by reliable people at Point Place to be more or less mentally deficient and quite unreliable. Due to this information no effort was made at this time to locate and interview McGrath.

[redacted] was again interviewed on the evening of July 22, 1935 and the afternoon of July 23, 1935. He stated that [redacted] b7c b7d

during which time Bert Angus became quite friendly and talkative and discussed members of the so-called Barker-Karpis gang. Informant stated that Bert Angus told him that the members of this gang were not really as bad as people had painted them, but were in fact gentlemen. Informant stated that [redacted]

but were unable to secure at that time any further information relative

to the present whereabouts of Karpis, Campbell, and William J. Harrison. He stated that he believes he could have obtained further information had it not been for the presence of Bert Angus' wife; that Bert Angus will not discuss confidential matters with reference to members of the gang in his wife's presence as he does not trust her with secrets. [REDACTED] b7c b7d

[REDACTED] at which time he is confident he will have a better opportunity to talk with Rene Holst, who, according to informant, should be best informed as to remaining members of this gang. He advised that Thelma Holst has left Toledo and is now employed somewhere in Philadelphia.

Informant stated that he had been unable to obtain any further information relative to Edith Barry, referred to in reference report of July 15, 1935, but that he is attempting to secure information concerning this woman through a prostitute [REDACTED]

On the night of July 15, 1935 the writer called at the New Casino Club operated by Bert and Ted Angus, which club is located on Lint Avenue across from the Dura Manufacturing Company on the outskirts of Toledo. The place was found to be rather well filled with people who appeared to be members of the working class in that section of the city. The New Casino Club is a one-story, wooden structure approximately 200 feet square. A cheap floor show is shown two or three times during the evening, and the remainder of the evening is spent in dancing and drinking. Both Ted and Bert Angus were present at the Club during the entire evening. In the rear of the dance floor there are located two small rooms partitioned off from the main room, in which some gambling is done. Due to the large number of people who frequent this place, it is not difficult to spend considerable time here without attracting any undue attention, should an Agent participate in an occasional glass of beer and converse with the various patrons in an undercover manner. No one entered the Club during the period from ten P. M. to one A. M. the following morning, who resembled any of the subjects being sought.

Early in the evening of July 15, 1935 and early in the morning of July 16, 1935 the writer lingered in the vicinity of the "call house" operated by Edith Barry, 524 Southard Street. From appearances there is very little activity at this house at this season of the year and it is presumed that many of the girls who frequent this house are filling their dates at lake cottages. A woman, ap-

parently Edith Barry (from the description already obtained) was seen entering this house at approximately eight P. M. on the night of July 15, 1935. She was accompanied by a well-dressed man about forty years of age, but who in no way resembled subject Harrison or other subjects.

On July 19, 1935 a letter addressed to the writer from Mr. Frazier Reems, prosecuting attorney, Lucas County, Toledo, Ohio, was received at the Cleveland Bureau office, attached to which was a report submitted to Mr. Reems by two investigators connected with his office, whom Mr. Reems claims to be absolutely reliable. Their names were not given by Mr. Reems. He has promised to introduce the Agents of the Cleveland Bureau office to these two men when this is desired. In his letter Mr. Reems advised that he was leaving for a vacation of two or three weeks and that in his absence Mr. Joe S. Rhinefort, his first assistant, would be in charge of his office and could be depended upon to furnish any assistance. Mr. Reems further advised that he had received information to the effect that Bert and Ted Angus were interested in a place known as Middle Island, located due south of Pelee, Ohio and just north of the international boundary line; that there has been some activity between Middle Island and Toledo during the past month. In connection with Edith Barry, Mr. Reems advised he had conducted a discreet investigation and had learned that this woman is well to do financially and that an offer or a reward for the location of the remaining members of this gang, to her would probably be without results.

On the occasion of the writer's conversation with Mr. Reems on July 12, 1935, Mr. Reems stated that former members of the Licavoli gang of Toledo, namely Russell Syracuse, Ernest Joseph LaSalla, and John Mirabella might be now associated with Alvin Karpis, William J. Harrison, and Harry Campbell. Mr. Reems enclosed photographs of these three men, together with descriptions and fingerprints. The same will become a part of the Cleveland Bureau office file in this and should any information be developed indicating that these men are presently associated with Karpis and others, efforts will be made to locate them.

The report of Mr. Reems' investigators states that Ted Angus owns a Dart speed boat, twenty-six feet in length with six foot beam, United States Customs registration #N3197, which is housed at Bayview Yacht Club, Toledo, Ohio; that he sometimes uses a speed boat owned by Joe Roscoe (previously mentioned in this file as being another contact of members of this gang, who lives at 1841 Wildwood Boulevard). The Customs registration for this boat is #N2333 and is housed in a lagoon which is located at the fourth lagoon from the Kris-Kraf repair and sales agency on the road toward Bayview Yacht

Club from Toledo, Toledo Yacht Club. The report states that one Charlie Becker, a trusted employe of Ted Angus, operates this boat for him and takes care of it. It will be noted from previous reports that Charlie Becker has been interviewed by Bureau Agents and has promised to cooperate. However, in view of the close association between him and Ted Angus, it was not thought advisable to again interview him at the present time due to the possibility that an informant of the Pinkerton's Detective Agency, Cleveland, Ohio, may disclose the present whereabouts of members of this gang in the near future.

The report of Mr. Reems' investigators further advised that Edith Barry and Theodore Angus are good friends; that the telephone number of Edith Barry's 524 Southard Avenue address is Adams 4612. The report also states that Ted Angus is friendly with one Guy Tibbles an ex-police sergeant of Toledo, who is a wholesale bootlegger residing, during the summer months on Kelly's Island, near Marblehead, Ohio; that Tibbles has speed boats and spends considerable time at Danbury, Sandusky, Port Clinton, Put in Bay, Pelee Island, Huron, Lorain, and Catawba, and has a home at Catawba Cliffs; also that he entertains the Angus brothers and others at Kelly's Island; that Tibbles is a known abetter of fugitives both from Canada and the United States.

The report further shows that Ted Angus is a known bank robber, fence, etc.; that he was recently apprehended in Indiana with the loot from a Michigan bank robbery; that he paid off and the case never came to trial.

Mr. Reems is presently on his vacation and cannot be interviewed. Upon his return further details relative to Bert and Ted Angus and Guy Tibbles will be obtained from him.

[redacted] was again interviewed on the evening of July 16, 1935, at which time he stated that he knows Ted Angus and Edith Barry are very close friends; that Doc Barker first met Mildred Kuhlman at Edith Barry's "call house" where she was occasionally answering calls. Informant stated that he will attempt, when next conferring with Rene Holst to obtain information from her relative to Edith Barry and her connections in and around Toledo. b7c b7d

Confidential informant [redacted] was again interviewed [redacted] at which time she stated that she had made two visits to the New Casino Club where she was warmly greeted on both occasions by both Bert and Ted Angus; that she had not visited this club for possibly six weeks and did not feel like she should engage in a confidential conversation

with the Angus brothers until she had made at least one more visit to this club. However, she stated that she had broached the subject of obtaining a position through Ted Angus and he informed her that he would like to see her later, indicating that possibly informant may secure a position at the New Casino Club and would thus be in a good position to obtain information relative to activities of the Angus brothers. Informant stated that she had been unsuccessful in obtaining any further information relative to Edith Barry, but that she was continuing to make contacts with girls who know about this place, and she believes she will eventually become acquainted with Edith Barry and thus may obtain some valuable information.

Agent made two calls at the home of [redacted] at her place of employment, [redacted] at which time she stated that she would be unable to give the writer an interview other than in the restaurant, until the following day. She briefly stated that she had not heard from Charles J. Fitzgerald, or his wife, Belle, and she had heard nothing whatsoever concerning William J. Harrison. She stated that she is reasonably certain that subject Harrison will call on her sooner or later, and that she will advise the Cleveland Bureau office. However, it is the opinion of the writer that [redacted] is not at this time cooperative and it is believed that contacts with her at this time may be detrimental to the investigation. b7c b7d

Several attempts were made to interview [redacted] referred to in report of Special Agent D. E. Hall, Detroit, dated April 27, 1935, as being [redacted]. Reference report indicates that it is the opinion of the writer of this report that [redacted] is entirely trustworthy and has a good informant by the name of [redacted], who secures valuable information regarding gang activities in Toledo. [redacted], who is a close associate of Ted Angus. It was found that [redacted] was on a vacation. However, he will be interviewed when the writer is next in Toledo.

#### AT CLEVELAND, OHIO

Informant Kenneth Rosing, 3845 Riveredge Avenue, called at the Cleveland Bureau office on the night of July 16, 1935. He was unable to contact the writer at this time, but Agent later that evening visited the Harvard Club, Nuberg Heights, Cleveland, Ohio, and had occasion to discreetly interview Rosing in one of the rest rooms. Rosing advised that at about seven P. M. on the night before, Frank Warner, alias Whitey, came into the Harvard Club accompanied by a man who appeared to be in a hurry; that Whitey took this man into the office occupied by "Shimmy" Patton; that when Whitey and this man came out of Patton's office, he had a good op-

portunity to view him closely and immediately recognized certain features similar to the features appearing in the photograph of William J. Harrison. He stated that this man wore a brown mustache and was dressed in a dark brown suit and wore a Panama hat and black and white sport shoes. He stated that the man compares favorably as to height, facial characteristics of Harrison, having a very red complexion and speaking in either Scottish or Irish brogue. However, he stated that the man was not as fleshy as Harrison is reported to be. Rosing advised that this man remained in Patton's office for approximately ten minutes and then departed from the club and was driven away in a Harvard Club automobile alone. On the occasion of this interview, Rosing stated he attempted to draw Whitey into conversation and would report to Agent the following morning. On the morning of July 17, 1935 Rosing was again interviewed, at which time he stated that he conferred with Whitey but was not able to obtain any information as to Whitey's visitor of the night before. Rosing further advised that on Friday, July 12, 1935, Art Heberbrandt, him to spend a day and night at his cottage located on Cedar Point, approximately fifty miles from Cleveland. He stated he accepted the invitation and found that Heberbrandt has rented a two-story bungalow on Cedar Point where his wife and child are spending the summer. He stated he was unable to obtain any information relative to suspicious persons being in contact with Heberbrandt at this time. Rosing stated he will continue to occasionally observe callers at the Harvard Club and will make further attempts to secure information from Frank Warner, Art Heberbrandt, and "Shimmy" Patton. In this connection he stated he thought it unusual when, on the evening of July 15, 1935, on the occasion of the visit of the person whom he thought to be William J. Harrison at the Harvard Club, "Shimmy" Patton failed to come to the club that evening; that Art Heberbrandt failed to call at the Harvard Club until very late that night.

On July 15, 1935 the writer again interviewed Mr. Edward S. Clark, Pinkerton's Detective Agency, 1053 Leader Building. It was learned through conversation with Mr. Clark that he is not the director of the Cleveland office of that agency, but is district director, covering the Pinkerton offices at Cincinnati, Detroit, Indianapolis, and Cleveland. Mr. Clark was questioned as to whether or not he had been in touch with his informant, who, as is reported in report of the writer dated July 15, 1935, stated that he had been in contact with Karpis and three other men and a woman. Clark advised he saw his informant on Saturday, July 20, 1935, at which time he had a long conversation with the informant, during which conversation Mr. Clark advised him of the rewards which would be paid by the United States Department of Justice for information leading to the apprehension of Karpis, Campbell, and Harrison. Mr. Clark stated

his informant appeared to be very much interested in these rewards, but was fearful of turning subjects in, as underworld characters would probably label him a "rat". Mr. Clark advised the writer that his informant on this occasion stated that Karpis and seven other unknown individuals and one woman have been residing in a good sized, expensive house near Sandusky, Ohio, located on Lake Erie; that members of this gang had machine guns and a quantity of money which they wanted to have changed; that they approached his informant with the proposition to change this money, offering 40¢ per dollar for the changing. Clark stated he advised his informant to take some of the money and the same could be readily identified should it be kidnap money. Mr. Clark also informed that his informant stated that he had been fishing with Karpis and the other men at night; that some man from Toledo had taken him (the informant) to this place and that he had been driven around for several miles before actually going to the house where the men were residing; that the house is located on the lake at a point where there are no houses on either side for a considerable distance. Mr. Clark stated further that he questioned his informant relative to the facial characteristics of Karpis and showed him a large number of photographs, including the photographs of Harry Campbell, William J. Harrison and Alvin Karpis.

Mr. Clark stated that his informant advised that Karpis is somewhat fleshier than he appears in the photograph; that informant brought out the fact that Karpis is noticeably stoop shouldered but informant failed to notice any scars on Karpis' face. Mr. Clark advised that his informant picked the photographs of William J. Harrison and Harry Campbell from the group of photographs shown him, and stated that they resembled two of the men in the group occupying the house in question; that informant told him that these men spent only part of their time in this house and have recently moved to another place which is also located on Lake Erie, a distance requiring a 15¢ charge on a telephone call from Toledo. Mr. Clark stated he questioned the informant as to his failure to get the telephone number and location of this new place, and informant advised him that at the time he was not interested in obtaining this telephone number as he did not want to become associated with these people in any way, knowing their character and that he has not yet visited the place where members of the gang are now located. Mr. Clark further stated that his informant told him that the man whom he contacts in Toledo, who knows the present whereabouts of the gang, has advised him of this new location, but has not given him the definite place. Mr. Clark's informant agreed to go to Toledo at once, contact the man in Toledo, who had recently taken him to Karpis, and attempt to obtain the exact present location of the place where these men are hiding and will immediately telephone Mr. Clark. Mr. Clark stated that his informant agreed to call him by



telephone on or before Wednesday night, July 24, 1935.

On July 24, 1935 the writer again interviewed Mr. Clark, at which time Clark stated that he had not heard from the informant, but would immediately advise the Cleveland Bureau office should he receive a call.

On the occasion of this conversation with Mr. Clark, he agreed to furnish the writer the name of the informant, and possibly introduce the informant to the writer, should his informant fail to get in touch with him before three P. M., Friday, July 26, 1935. On July 25, 1935 Mr. Clark telephonically communicated with the writer advising that on the evening before he had contacted an associate of his informant by telephone, requesting information as to where informant could be located; that this person had informed him that he had just received a letter from informant postmarked, "Toledo" advising that he had not visited Toledo until Tuesday, July 22, 1935, but had contacted the man who had previously taken him to members of the gang and that he was then going up into Michigan with this man, presumably for the purpose of again visiting Karpis and others. Mr. Clark also stated that this person also informed him that in the letter he had received from the informant, the informant had mentioned something about an attorney. Mr. Clark advised that he expects to hear from his informant before Friday, July 26, 1935 when he, Mr. Clark, expects to leave Cleveland for a vacation at Atlantic City, New Jersey. Mr. Clark again promised he would furnish the name of his informant before leaving the city. Mr. Clark stated that he believed it desirable to wait until July 26, 1935 and give his informant further opportunity to furnish the desired information before furnishing his name, as he believed that his association, which was of a highly confidential nature with this informant, would be productive of better results at the present time rather than for a Bureau Agent to interview him.

On Friday morning, July 26, 1935 Mr. Clark communicated with Special Agent in Charge J. P. MacFarland by telephone and advised that he had just received a postcard from his informant advising that he had not yet made contact with the parties in question.

Mr. Clark was interviewed on the afternoon of July 26, 1935 by the writer and showed the postcard he had received from the informant. This was a plain postcard addressed to Mr. Clark, on the back of which appeared, "Dear Ed: Have been unable to make contact with parties but hope to soon and will let you know." The postcard was unsigned. Mr. Clark stated that the card indicates to him that the informant is serious about locating Karpis and others.

and will do so in the near future. Mr. Clark was then further interviewed in the presence of Mr. Graham, who is superintendent of the Pinkerton Cleveland office. Mr. Clark is divisional manager of the offices at Detroit, Cincinnati, Indianapolis, and Cleveland. Mr. Clark advised that he was going on a vacation at 3:30 P. M. on the date of this interview and that Mr. Graham, who is also acquainted with the informant and contacts of the informant could take care of the matter in his absence; that Mr. Graham would be in telephonic communication with him at all times and would keep him advised of the developments in this matter. Both Mr. Graham and Mr. Clark were requested to furnish the name of their informant. They both stated that they have known this informant for some years and thoroughly understand his characteristics and believe it inadvisable at this time for Bureau Agents or anyone strange to the informant to interview him or to make any attempt to follow his movements. They respectfully declined to furnish the informant's name at this time, but advised that the Federal Bureau of Investigation can be certain that they will cooperate in every possible way and will immediately turn over information that they hope to receive from the informant in the very near future. Both stated that their informant usually spends his week ends in Cleveland where he has a wife and child; that they expect the informant to arrive in Cleveland some time Saturday or Sunday, July 27th or 28th, at which time they believe he will immediately contact Mr. Graham, in the absence of Mr. Clark.

There was a certain amount of friction between the writer, Mr. Clark and Mr. Graham when they declined to furnish the name of the informant, but at the conclusion of the interview it is believed that they were in a friendly and cooperative mood. It is the opinion of the writer that Mr. Graham will cooperate fully in the absence of Mr. Clark and that the Cleveland Bureau office will be immediately informed when information is obtained by Mr. Graham from the informant.

Mr. Harry Coopland, manager of the Allerton Hotel, has been interviewed from time to time concerning possible presence of subject William J. Harrison at the Allerton, where he might be associating with Frank Warner, alias Whitey. On the occasion of the last interview with Mr. Coopland, which was July 26, 1935, he stated that he had not seen Warner for approximately ten days, but that Warner is still residing at the Allerton. He stated that should the Cleveland Bureau office Agents desire a room adjacent to the room occupied by Warner, he will make this arrangement at any time suggested. He stated he did not believe it practical to route calls received by Warner or made by him from his room to a room occupied by Bureau Agents, as he is not at all certain as to the absolute reliability of the telephone girls. He was requested to furnish a list of any long distance

incoming or outgoing calls from Warner. He advised same will be furnished in the very near future as soon as he is able to obtain them without causing suspicion.

At the Silver Grill, 2801 Detroit Avenue, thought to be a former meeting place of members of the gang and "Shimmy" Patton, the writer made further casual inquiries while assuming an under-cover role, concerning a woman named, "Anne", who, as is stated in report of reference dated July 15, 1935, frequently talked over the telephone located at this address with Mrs. "Shimmy" Patton. It was not possible to vigorously question either of the bartenders, and no information could be obtained from either of them relative to the identity of "Anne" and they both disclaimed knowing her.

Mail carrier Newman, Station A, 25th and Kay Streets, who delivers mail to the address, 2801 Detroit Avenue and vicinity, was again interviewed and stated he had made casual inquiries of persons employed at the Silver Grill and also of neighbors, but had been unsuccessful in obtaining any information concerning "Anne". He also stated that he had kept a close watch of this place when delivering mail in this vicinity twice each day, but had not seen anyone resembling photographs of William J. Harrison, Alvin Karpis, and Harry Campbell. He stated that there was very little activity at this saloon during the day.

At the Ohio Bell Telephone Company, Mr. R. P. Bunyan, General Plant Superintendent, Room 1702 Bell Telephone Building, was interviewed. He was requested to furnish a list of toll calls from the telephone number Prospect 9433, the telephone of the Silver Grill. It will be noted in previous reports submitted by the Detroit Bureau office that Mr. Bunyan has cooperated with the Bureau in the past, but always emphasizes the importance of keeping information furnished by him in the strictest confidence. The only toll calls made from the above listed number during the past three months were as follows:

Gates Mills, Ohio No. 364	5/24/35	10¢
Lorain, Ohio No. 61783	6/26/35	25¢
Telegram sent from this telephone on 6/22/35 to Cherry 1700, number of the Postal Telegraph, Cleveland, for telegram costing 31¢.		

At the writing of this report these telephone numbers have not been checked, but same will be given attention in the near future.

On July 1, 1935 a circular letter was dispatched by the Cleveland Bureau office to all banks located within the Cleveland office territory, requesting information concerning \$1,000 bills issued by the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, bearing serial Nos. from F00022451A to and including F00022500A. No replies have yet been received as a result of this circular letter.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS

The CLEVELAND OFFICE at Westover, Ohio will ascertain the identity of J. E. Benham, and will ascertain if he still has in his possession a 1935 Ohio license plate YP 329.

At Elyria, Ohio will make inquiries concerning L. P. Kaiser and determine if he is still in possession of 1935 Ohio license plate YP 328. This information has been requested in the report of Special Agent S. K. McKee, Cincinnati, dated July 9, 1935. This angle of the investigation will receive immediate attention.

At Elyria, Ohio will determine to whom telephone number Lorain 61783 is issued in an attempt to learn if the person having this telephone number at Lorain is in any way connected with the Silver Grill or a subject being sought.

At Gates Mills, Ohio will ascertain to whom telephone number 364 is issued and determine what connection this person has at the Silver Grill located at 28th and Detroit Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.

At Toledo, Ohio will keep in close contact with [REDACTED] Frazier Reems, prosecuting attorney, Lucas County. b7c b7d

At Cleveland, Ohio will keep in close touch with Informant Rosing concerning possible future appearances at the Harvard Club of subject William J. Harrison, and obtain from him any information he is able to secure relative to the activities of Art Heberbrandt, "Shimmy" Patton and Frank Warner, alias Whitey.

Will again interview Mr. Harry Coopland, manager of the Allerton Hotel and obtain information as to any long distance telephone calls emanating from the room of Frank Warner, alias Whitey, or received at that room.

Will keep in close touch with Mr. Graham, superintendent of the Cleveland office of the Pinkerton's Detective Agency, Leader Building, concerning his informant who, he claims, is at this time making an effort to contact subject Karpis and persons with him at this time.

At the Postal Telegraph Company will attempt to obtain a copy of the telegram dated June 22, 1935 which was charged to telephone number Prospect 9433 and sent at a cost of 31¢ for the purpose of determining whether or not this message refers in any way to the activities of members of the gang being sought.

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**RECORDED**

**Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases -  
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218; ET AL;  
Edward George Bremer - Victim.  
KIDNAPING.**

Dear Sir:

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent E. D. Brown, dated at Cleveland, Ohio, July 27, 1935, in the above entitled case, wherein on page five it is recorded that Russell Syracuse, Ernest Joseph LaSalla and John Mirabella, members of the Licavoli gang of Toledo, are now associated with Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell and William J. Harrison. It is noted that Mr. Frazier Reems, prosecuting attorney of Lucas County, Toledo, Ohio, furnished Special Agent Brown with photographs, descriptions and fingerprints of Syracuse, LaSalla and Mirabella, which have been placed in the files of the Cleveland Bureau Office.

You are instructed to forward to the Bureau copies of the fingerprints and photographs above referred to, with the request that your office be notified in the event any information is received by the Bureau concerning these individuals.

Very truly yours,

**John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.**

cc Chicago  
Cincinnati  
St. Paul

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# U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice  
P. O. Box 709  
Portland, Oregon

July 26, 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.  
Portland File 7-24

Reference is made to your letter of July 17, 1935 pertaining to information furnished by Mrs. Sarah Scott in the above entitled case. Please be advised that Special Agent W. K. Bowling interviewed Mrs. Scott and obtained the following information.

Mrs. Sarah Scott who formerly resided at 625 Pleasant Street, Bremerton, Washington, who now resides at the Colonial Hotel, First and Seneca, Seattle, Washington upon interview advised that sometime during the last of February or first of March, 1935, she was residing in Long Beach, California; that during an afternoon, the exact date she does not recall, she went to Rhodes Grocery Store on East Broadway near Temple Avenue, Long Beach, and she noticed in the store a man and woman who attracted her attention because of the fact that they were extremely well dressed for that neighborhood; that the man carried a large size brief case or possibly may have been a sample case; that she walked right by this man who seemed to stare at her and from the way he looked at her, she felt that something was wrong; that this man and woman left the Rhodes Store before she did, but she did not see where they went. That a couple of months later, she was reading the May issue of Startling Detective and a picture of Harry Campbell

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appeared therein and it immediately came to her that was the same man she saw in Rhodes Grocery Store in Long Beach, California. Mrs. Scott described the man she saw in Rhodes Grocery Store as follows:


Age	30 to 35
Height	5'10" to 6'
Weight	180 to 190
Eyes	Blue or Grey
Complexion	Ruddy
Extremely well dressed	
Build	Medium heavy
Wore large overcoat, rather heavy material, collar turned up around neck.	

It will be noted that the above description in no way fits Harry Campbell; neither could Mrs. Scott pick out the photograph of Harry Campbell shown her with other photos appearing on I. O.'s.

Mrs. Scott described the woman she saw with the party she thought was Campbell as follows:

Age	22 to 25
Height	5'5" or 5'6"
Weight	120
Complexion	Brunette
Build	Small
Well dressed.	
Wore large hat.	

Very truly yours,

  
C. C. SPEARS, SAK  
Special Agent in Charge.

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CC Los Angeles  
Chicago  
St. Paul  
Cincinnati

414 Philadelphia Saving Fund Bldg.  
Philadelphia, Pa.

July 29, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,  
New York City, N.Y.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases-  
FUGITIVE, I.O. 218, et al  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER-Victim  
Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

Confirming telephone conversation between Special Agent T.J. Dunigan and Special Agent A. Schroeder of this office, on July 27, 1935, may I inform you that the photograph of James Felton forwarded to this office by the New York Office is identical with the James Felton, who appeared at the Philadelphia Office in 1934, and also at the Washington Field Office in the same year, and gave fictitious information relative to the whereabouts of Baby Face Nelson.

This negro is entirely unreliable and  
confidence should be placed in his statements.

Very truly yours,

R.G. Harvey,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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REPORT MADE AT <b>Atlanta, Georgia.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>7-26-35</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>7-23, 24, 25-35</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>A. Hale Watkins</b>
TITLE <b>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.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <b>EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM</b>			
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Henry Grady Hotel, Atlanta, Georgia, has no registration records of C. E. Carter or William E. Meade during 1934 or 1935 and photograph of Meade not identified by employees at this hotel. Information received that Meade is identical with George Brown, Fugitive, of Caney, Oklahoma. Information also received that person by the name of William E. Meade may be presently associated with Raimon Laboratories, of Buffalo, New York, or located in Tampa, Florida.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P.</p> <p>REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent J. M. Jones, Chicago, Illinois, July 18, 1935.</p> <p>DETAILS: <u>AT ATLANTA, GEORGIA.</u></p> <p>James F. de Jarnette, Vice-President and Manager, Henry Grady Hotel, Atlanta, Georgia, stated that he had caused a search to be made of the registration records of his hotel from January, 1934 until the date of this investigation, which search resulted in the information that no such person as C. E. Carter or William E. Meade had registered at this hotel during this period.</p> <p>Mr. de Jarnette was given a double full view photograph of William E. Mead, wanted for questioning in instant case, which after exhibiting to employees of the Henry Grady Hotel, de Jarnette stated that none of them recognized these photographs as being those of any known guests at this hotel. de Jarnette further</p>			
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advised that none of his employees could identify these photographs.

T. M. Smith, 461 Pulliam Street, S. W., Atlanta, Georgia, called at the Atlanta Bureau Office on July 23, 1935, at which time he stated that he had seen a photograph of William E. Meade in an Atlanta paper and that the accompanying article stated that this man was wanted by the Department of Justice.

Smith then advised that he was certain Meade was identical with one George Brown of Caney, Oklahoma, which town is near Atoka, Oklahoma.

Smith further advised that he had visited in Caney, Oklahoma on a number of occasions and was thoroughly familiar with the local conditions at that place. Smith then stated that Brown was convicted of Train Robbery in 1906 or 1907 at Caney, Oklahoma, at which time he served a sentence of seven years in the Oklahoma State Penitentiary. The place where this Penitentiary is located is not known to Smith.

Smith further advised that in 1913 Brown was released from the Oklahoma State Penitentiary and shortly thereafter shot and killed a constable by the name of Ben Pearson who had attempted to arrest Brown. After this shooting, according to Smith, Brown escaped from Caney, Oklahoma and has never been seen at that place since that date.

Smith also stated that Mrs. Minnie Rice, a niece of his who presently resides with him in Atlanta, Georgia, formerly lived in Caney, Oklahoma, and that she knows Brown quite well. Mrs. Rice, according to Smith, stated that Brown was an old "fiddle" player and had played at a great number of dances which she, Mrs. Rice, had attended in Caney, Oklahoma prior to 1906.

Smith described Brown as follows:

Name	George Brown
Race	White
Nationality	American
Present age	60-65
Height	5' 8"
Build	Stout
Scars	Right side of face and left shoulder
Peculiarities	Right side of face larger than left.

It should be noted that this description does not fit William E. Meade. However, when exhibited a double full length photograph of Meade, Smith advised that he was certain this was the same man.

Roy G. Booker, 1314 Rhodes-Haverty Building, Atlanta, Georgia, a manufacturer's Agent, called at the Atlanta Bureau Office on July 23, 1935, at which time he stated that he had seen a photograph of William E. Meade in an Atlanta paper with an accompanying article advising that Meade was wanted by the Department of Justice.

Booker then stated that he knew a person by the name of William E. Meade who might possibly be identical with the Meade being sought for questioning in instant case. Booker then advised that he had met a William E. Meade during 1925 at Miami, Florida, at which time he and Meade had become quite friendly. At that time Meade, according to Booker, was working as a manufacturer's Agent for several over-all companies of Ohio, Meade having his offices in Columbus, Ohio.

Booker then advised that during a period of a week or more that he had contact with Meade, Meade was in possession of a great amount of money and stayed drunk a great deal of the time, buying expensive liquors and giving expensive parties.

At this time Meade stated, Booker continued, that he, Meade, had a wife and twelve year old daughter living in Columbus, Ohio.

Booker described Meade as follows:

Name	William E. Meade
Height	5' 10"
Present age	53
Weight	175
Peculiarities	Stuttered when excited.

Subsequent to the acquaintanceship with Meade in Florida during 1925, Booker stated he had had personal correspondence from Meade during 1934, which correspondence was on the stationery of the Raimon Laboratories, 70-86 West Chippewa Street, Buffalo, New York, the last of these letters being written by Meade on October 14, 1934. These letters were exhibited to this Agent and indicated that Meade was quite prosperous and was attempting to interest Booker in some sort of a stock development scheme.

Booker further stated that in January, 1935, a Collect Telegram and a Collect Day or Night letter was received at his office from William E. Meade, Tampa, Florida, requesting a loan of \$50.00. At the time of the receipt of these telegrams, Booker advised he was not in his office and they were received by his Secretary. Booker then stated that he was of the opinion that a check with the telegraph company, which was the Western Union Telegraph Company, at Tampa, Florida, would reveal the local address of Meade in view of the fact that Meade was expecting an answer to these telegrams and would no doubt have left his local address with the Western Union Company at Tampa.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

The OKLAHOMA CITY Office at Caney, Oklahoma will make the necessary investigation regarding George Brown of that place as suggested in the body of this report.

The BUFFALO OFFICE at Buffalo, New York will make discreet inquiry at the Raimon Laboratories, 70-86 West Chippewa Street, to locate and establish the identity of William E. Meade as suggested in the body of this report.

The JACKSONVILLE OFFICE at Tampa, Florida, through the offices of the Western Union Telegraph Company, will attempt to locate and interview William E. Meade who may be the Meade sought for questioning in this case. It should be noted that William E. Meade sent a Collect Telegram and a Collect Day or Night letter during January, 1935, to Roy G. Booker, Rhodes-Haverty Building, Atlanta, Georgia, requesting a loan and it is thought that Meade at that time would have left a local address with the telegraph company.

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July 26, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Fugitive,  
I. O. #1218, et al; EDWARD GEORGE  
BREMER - VICTIM; KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

There has been received at the Bureau a clipping from the Wisconsin News, dated July 10, 1935, reflecting the arrest of Clarence Hubbard at Burlington, Wisconsin, who was identified from fingerprints as Clarence (Doc) Eaton, former Minnesota convict. This individual is a former husband of Myrtle Eaton, subject of Identification Order #1241.

Hubbard has been previously interviewed with negative results concerning the whereabouts of Myrtle Eaton. It is suggested that he be interviewed again inasmuch as investigation conducted in the above entitled case reflects that Myrtle Eaton, accompanied by William Weaver, subject of Identification Order #1238, called at the home of Hubbard at Burlington, Wisconsin, where she found her niece and took them to Sandusky, Ohio.

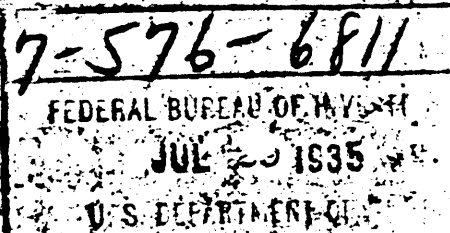
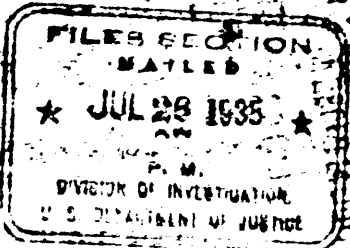
The Bureau desires that continued attention be given to Clarence Hubbard, with a view to developing an active lead as to the present whereabouts of Myrtle Eaton and William Weaver.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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## Ex-Convict

### Held Here as Still Ring Member

A man who insisted his name is Clarence Hubbard, Burlington, but who has been identified from fingerprints as Clarence (Doc) Eaton, former Minnesota convict wanted at one time for bank robbery and murder, was held in \$2,000 bond today by United States Commissioner Floyd Jenkins. He was charged with being a member of a ring operating unlicensed stills in Kenosha and Racine counties. The hearing was continued to July 11.

WISCONSIN NEWS  
JULY 10, 1935

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This is a conference call to all offices,  
except Buffalo and Pittsburgh, from Cleveland.

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THIS CAR REGISTERED UNDER NAME OF NORMAN C. KLINCK 124 ROHR AVENUE  
OR STREET BUFFALO NEW YORK. ENDEAVORING TO EFFECT POSITIVE  
IDENTIFICATION OF SUBJECTS IN CONNECTION WITH SAID CAR. BUFFALO  
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P. O. Box #766  
Cincinnati, Ohio

July 30, 1935.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Aberdeen, S. D.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases -  
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218 et al.,  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.  
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES;  
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE;  
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Reference is made to letter addressed by the Cincinnati Office under date of June 21, 1935, to the Director, copy of which was directed to all Field Offices, in which request was made that all banks be circularized with the numbers of \$1,000.00 bills issued by the Atlanta Federal Reserve Bank beginning with number F 00022451 A and ending with number F 00022500 A, for the purpose of securing information as to the location of these bills and having stop orders placed against them in the various banks.

The file of the Cincinnati office does not contain advice that banks in your district have been circularized as requested. A copy of this letter is being directed to all field offices which have not as yet advised of the circularization of the banks in their districts with the request that such action be taken immediately and advice furnished.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge

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Post Office Box 2118  
Detroit - Michigan  
July 30, 1935

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, et al; FUG. I.O. 1935;  
EDWARD G. BREMER - VICTIM  
KIDNAPING.

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

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith a letter written by  
Dolores Delaney, an inmate of your institution, to her  
brother, Robert Delaney.

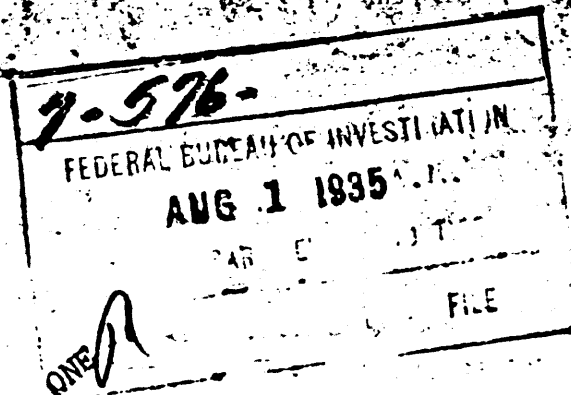
This letter has been scrutinized very care-  
fully by this office and has been found to contain no  
information of value.

Thanking you for your cooperation in this  
matter, I am,

Very truly yours,

D. L. Nicholson  
Special Agent in Charge

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July 27, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. RICHARDS.

I am transmitting herewith,  
for Mr. Newby's attention, a copy of  
the original record as appearing in  
the files of the Identification  
Division of Bruno Putas, our file  
#FBI-922509.

Respectfully,

L. C. Schilder.

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

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July 27, 1935.

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Division of Bruno Putas, our file  
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Respectfully,

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Alvin Karpis with aliases -  
Fugitive, I. O. 1218, et al.;  
Edward G. Bremer - Victim, Kidnaping.

One card on which is written "Mr. Campbell Mr. Karpis Chester  
Arms".

Philadelphia Bureau Office.

July 22, 1935.

Handwriting and Fingerprint.

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The handwriting could be that of Alvin Karpis but it probably is not because there are differences in inconspicuous characteristics when compared with the signatures on his fingerprint cards. Because of the fact that there are so few letters which can be compared, the examination would be of value only as a lead in attempting to identify the suspect.

A report on the fingerprint examination will be submitted separately.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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 Bureau July 22, 1935.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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REPORT MADE AT <b>WASHINGTON, D. C.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>7/25/35</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>7/13/35</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>H. H. McKEE HEMK:KP:LC</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. #1218, FUGITIVE; ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>
<p><b>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</b></p> <p>Arrangements have been made to have inserted in the magazine of the <u>American Urological Association</u> data concerning Alvin Karpis, I. O. No. 1218; also to have Identification Orders on Alvin Karpis addressed and mailed by this Association to all members of its mailing list.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- P -</p> <p><b>REFERENCE:</b> Report of Special Agent G. V. Doherty, dated at Buffalo, New York, May 24, 1935.</p> <p><b>DETAILS:</b> <u>AT BALTIMORE, MARYLAND</u></p> <p>Special Agent M. D. Traub on July 2, 1935, submitted the following memorandum:</p> <p>"Pursuant to instructions received from Special Agent in Charge D. M. Ladd, Agent conducted an investigation at Baltimore, Maryland, requested in the report of Special Agent G. V. Doherty of the Buffalo Office dated May 24, 1935.</p> <p>Agent in the absence of Dr. Hugh Young, Editor in Chief, Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, Maryland, interviewed his secretary, Miss Bertha Trott. Miss Trott stated Dr. Young is now in Hawaii and will not return until September, but that she knows he is</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>J. M. Keith</i> or		SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	
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is willing to cooperate with the Bureau in every way and that she personally has charge of Dr. Young's contributions to be placed in the publication of the American Geological Association's Bulletin. Miss Trott, in the presence of Agent, communicated by telephone with Mr. E. B. Williams, Advertising Manager of Williams and Wilkins, Publishers, Mt. Royal at Guilford Avenue, and made an appointment for Agent with Mr. Williams.

Agent interviewed Mr. E. B. Williams at his office, Mt. Royal and Guilford Avenue, who was very cooperative and stated he is only too glad to assist the Bureau in apprehending subject and other criminals, and stated he will furnish space and see that an advertisement is placed in his publication without cost to the Government providing that the Bureau gets up whatever copy is necessary with a good sharp photograph of subject, and that the same be turned over to him. He stated that the arrangement of space in this publication would have to be made up by him and the advertisement inserted at a spot to be selected by the publishers. Mr. Williams stated he will be glad to give his permission for the use of the addressograph machine and that in fact the stencils already made up could be used to circularize doctors, and that this work will be done gratis by his employees. He stated his mailing list contains about 1813 names and suggested that this number of identification orders and an additional amount for spoilage, and the same amount of penalty envelopes, be turned over to him and that the same would be acted upon promptly.

Mr. Williams stated that if copy was in his hands not later than July 13, 1935, an effort would be made to insert the ad in the next edition of this publication.

Mr. Williams suggested that two other publishers who have a large circulation in the West and Mid-west might be contacted by the Bureau if advisable. He stated that the publication "Urologic and Cutaneous Review" is published at St. Louis and that the "American Journal Syphilis" is also published in St. Louis by C. V. Mosby.

Agent furnished Mr. Williams the address of the Washington Field Office and the local address of Agent and was advised that he would be contacted undoubtedly again in the near future by this Agent or another Agent relative to making arrangements for the placing of an advertisement and the

"Circularizing as indicated above in this memorandum.

No report is being made at this time in the matter at the request of Mr. Ladd who stated that a report should be written when the arrangements have been completed in this matter."

On July 11, 1935, there was received by reporting Agent while he was in Baltimore, approximately 1800 identification orders No. 1218, of which Alvin Karpis is the subject; these identification orders to be taken to Mr. Williams in order that they might be placed on his addressograph machine and mailed to all persons appearing on his mailing list.

Agent proceeded to the office of Mr. E. B. Williams, Mt. Royal and Guilford Avenue, and there gave to him these identification orders and also a copy of the contents of Bureau letter dated July 10, 1935, dealing with data concerning Alvin Karpis, which was to be printed in the magazine of the American Urological Association. Mr. Williams stated that he would be glad to print this information and also would try to have his clerks address the identification orders in order that they might be mailed. He stated that the identification orders would be mailed as soon as possible and that the data concerning Alvin Karpis would be published in the next edition of the magazine, which would be published during the first part of August, 1935. It was also stated that a copy of this magazine would be in his office for the disposal of the Department of Justice and that his department was always glad to cooperate with the Department of Justice in any manner possible.

A letter is being written to Mr. E. B. Williams thanking him for his cooperation in this case.

UNDEVELOPED LEAD:

THE WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE AT BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

Will contact Mr. E. B. Williams, Mt. Royal and Guilford Avenue, who is the Advertising Manager of the Williams & Wilkins Publishers, and obtain from him a copy of the magazine in which there appeared data concerning Alvin Karpis.

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P. O. Box #766,  
Cincinnati, Ohio

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July 29, 1935

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#7-43

Special Agent In Charge,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: Alvin Karpis with aliases, et al;  
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1818, et al;  
Edward George Bremer, Victim;  
KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:-

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent  
E. Brennan, St. Paul, Minn., dated July 24, 1935, which contains  
information furnished by Bryan Bolton relative to one Jimmy "The Swede"  
Moran, also an undeveloped lead suggesting that Moran be located for  
interview as to subject William J. Harrison.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent  
V. W. Peterson, Chicago, Illinois, dated August 23, 1934, in the file  
entitled John Herbert Dillinger with aliases, deceased, et al;  
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act; Obstruction of Justice; Harboring  
of Fugitives, and to pages 59 to 61 inclusive, which covered an  
investigation conducted by Special Agents J. V. Murphy and S. K. McKee,  
as to one James Morand who was known as "The Swede" and who admitted  
being connected with the Capone syndicate. Although this report does  
not reflect same, it is the recollection of Agent McKee that finger  
print impressions of Morand were taken at the time he was brought to  
the Chicago Bureau Office for questioning.

It is thought that Morand is identical with Jimmy  
"The Swede" referred to by Bolton and this data is for that reason  
being furnished the Chicago Bureau Office.

Very truly yours,

7-576-6817  
E. J. CONNELLEY,  
Special Agent In Charge.  
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

**Federal Bureau of Investigation**

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

August 7, 1935.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. EDWARDS.

In compliance with the request of Mr. Newby, I am transmitting herewith two copies of abstract of criminal record as appearing in the files of the Identification Division of James Morand, who is possibly identical with the Jimmy Moran whose record Mr. Newby requested.

Respectfully,

*L. C. Schilder*  
L. C. Schilder.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

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August 7, 1935.

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The following is an abstract of the fingerprint record  
of one James Morand on file in the Federal Bureau of Investi-  
gation:



The following is the description of this individual  
appearing on the above print:

Age, 28 years; height, 5 feet, 10 $\frac{1}{2}$  inches; weight,  
160 pounds; build, medium; hair, light brown; eyes,  
blue; complexion, ruddy; nationality, Irish-American.

The following Bureau File Number appears on the finger-  
print card of the above subject:

#62-29777-3607.

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FROM: DIVISION #1 & DIVISION #2

8-2-1935.

TO: Director  
Mr. Nathan  
Mr. Tolson  
Mr. Edwards  
Mr. Quinn  
Mr. Tamm

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Mr. Foxworth

Typists, Room 4737

Miss McCarthy

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See Me

Send file

Do you have record on the  
Moran referred to in this  
communication? Note suggestion  
prints taken by Chicago office

R. NEWBY

Supervisor.

P. O. Box #766,  
Cincinnati, Ohio

July 29, 1935

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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 S. K. McKee, Cincinnati, Ohio, dated July 9, 1935, in which mention was made of Attorney John E. Egan of Dayton, Ohio, who had written to the Clerk of the U. S. District Court, Miami, Florida, for information concerning sentence imposed on Dolores Delaney and the fact that Egan, upon interview had stated he made this inquiry merely through personal curiosity, also that further investigation was being conducted as to Egan, and that a mail cover was being placed on him.

As a result of this mail cover it was learned that Egan received a letter, postmarked Chicago, Illinois, July 23, 1935 which bore the return address of second apartment, 4025 Sheridan Road, Chicago.

It is felt desirable to ascertain the identities of the persons who occupy the above apartment. Your office is, therefore, requested to conduct the necessary investigation for the purpose of ascertaining if possible the name of the person who wrote the letter in question to Egan, and if this person could have any connection with the instant investigation. The occupants of this address should not be approached, however.

Very truly yours,

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E. J. CONNELLEY,  
Special Agent In Charge.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

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U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

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July 29, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. EDWARDS.

In compliance with the request of Mr. Newby, I am transmitting herewith three copies of abstract of criminal record and one hundred and fifty copies of photograph as appearing in the files of the Identification Division of Harold R. McBride, Police Department, Miami, Florida, #7421, our file #FBI-21103.

Respectfully,

*L. C. Schilder*  
L. C. Schilder.

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PHONE - BREKID. JAMES FELTON COLORED 2828 8TH AVENUE NYC STATES THAT WHILE IN JERSEY CITY NEW JERSEY HE SAW FOUR MEN AND A WOMAN IN NEW BUICK SEDAN BEARING OHIO PLATES, THE NUMBERS OF WHICH HE WAS NOT CERTAIN OF, AND STATES THAT INSIDE CAR WERE ILLINOIS AND MICHIGAN LICENSE PLATES AND MACHINE GUN, SHOT GUNS AND MACHINE GUN CLIPS. FELTON STATED PEOPLE IN CAR [REDACTED] PURCHASED FROM HIM FLOWERS WHICH HE WAS SELLING AT THIS PLACE AND THAT A FORD SEDAN BEARING NEW JERSEY PLATES DROVE UP TO THE BUICK AND FROM CONVERSATION HEARD MAN IN FORD INVITED PEOPLE IN BUICK TO HIS APARTMENT. FELTON STATES HE SAW PEOPLE IN BUICK AND FORD GO INTO AN APARTMENT IN THE VICINITY. WILL BE ABLE TO LOCATE SAID APARTMENT IF BROUGHT TO PLACE. INFORMANT IDENTIFIED PHOTOGRAPH OF HARRY CAMPBELL AS DRIVER OF BUICK AND ALSO POSITIVELY IDENTIFIED PHOTOGRAPH OF FRANKIE FOSTER AS PASSENGER IN BACK SEAT OF BUICK. INFORMANT STATED THAT HE HEARD NAME FRANKIE MENTIONED IN [REDACTED] CONVERSATION BETWEEN PEOPLE IN BOTH CARS. TWO AGENTS FROM NY ATTEMPTING TO LOCATE APARTMENT IN JERSEY CITY IN EFFORT TO LOCATE INSTANT BUICK CAR

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\* 28th Ave. 2nd floor*

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Post Office Box 2118  
Detroit - Michigan  
July 29, 1935

Re-ALVIN KARPIS, wa, FUG, I.O. 1218  
etal; EDWARD G. BREMER-Victim.  
Kidnaping.

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

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is letter written by Dolores Delaney, an inmate of your institution, to her mother, Mrs. Helen Delaney. It will be noted that although the envelope is addressed to Mrs. Helen Delaney, 365 Maria Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, the name of the city is evidently in error as previous communications have been addressed to St. Paul, Minnesota.

This letter has been scrutinized very carefully by this office and has been found to contain no information of value.

Thanking you for your cooperation in the matter, I am,

Very truly yours

D. L. Nicholson  
Special Agent in Charge

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612 MARINE TRUST BLDG.  
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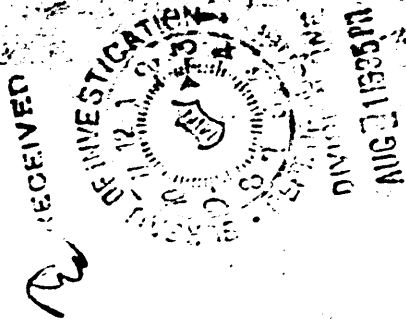
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JULY 24, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Sir:

IN RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE,  
I.O. No. 1218; ET AL;  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM  
KIDNAPING.

Reference is made to Identification Order Number 1218 on Alvin Karpis, which sets forth that that Subject, as A. Karpis, number 1609, was arrested by the Police Department at Okmulgee, Oklahoma, on June 10, 1931; sentenced September 11, 1931 to four years in the State Penitentiary, McAlester, Oklahoma; paroled.

Special Agent in Charge E. E. Conroy and Special Agent D. A. Bryce had certain inquiries made through Acting Special Agent in Charge J. B. Little, at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, on July 15, 1935, as reflected by report of Special Agent in Charge Conroy, at Kansas City, Missouri, on July 22, 1935, which reflected a possibility that Karpis may have been at the penitentiary but that the record may have been destroyed.

It is suggested that your office make appropriate inquiries at the State Capitol, at Oklahoma City, and at the office of the Clerk of the Court at Okmulgee, Oklahoma, and possibly further inquiries at the State Penitentiary at McAlester, Oklahoma to determine the exact status of the parole of Karpis, and whether he was ever actually committed to the Oklahoma State Penitentiary.

Very truly yours,

E. E. CONROY  
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

cc - Bureau  
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Division of Investigation

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Post Office Box 2118

Detroit - Michigan

July 29, 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. O

Dear Sir:

In accordance with Bureau letter dated July 27, 1935, there are enclosed herewith copies of letter written by Dolores Delaney to her mother, Mrs. Helen Delaney, the original of which has been returned to Superintendent John J. Ryan, United States Detention Farm, Milan, Michigan. Copies are also being sent to the St. Paul, Chicago and Cincinnati Offices, as instructed.

Very truly yours

*D. L. Nicholson*

D. L. Nicholson  
Special Agent in Charge

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Friday - July 5 - 1935.

Dearest Mother,

Am sitting here just waiting for your monthly letter and wondering what you are doing. I got the birthday cards you and Babe sent me and also one from Bud. I loved the other cards but oh, Mummy, your card made me feel something I just can't explain. I think that was the most beautiful verse I ever read. It made me want to cry. Yesterday a bunch of the girls ambushed me and each of them gave me twenty good hard smacks. Almost all of the girls are awfully sweet to me. Wynona reads all my letters and cards and is just about as excited when I get anything as I am. She's a grand girl, darling, and she has helped me over more than one hard bump.

How is Babe and Bobby? Will you please send me some pictures of yourself, Babe & Bobby? The one I had of Bobby was in my bag when I came here and I can't have anything like that - that I had when I came in. If you send me any more though I can have them.

I just got a letter from Mr. Karpis and he said none of my family had been over to see Raymond for quite awhile. They don't seem to be very interested in him, do they? I do wish you were where you could drop in and see him often and I know you do, too.

Monday - July 8, 1935.

Well, will drop you a few more lines this evening. I wonder what you are doing right now. Sometimes I can almost see you going about your work during the day and I wonder if you're really doing those things as I see them. How are you getting along? I hope everything is okay. I have a dreadful cold and I cough all the time. I've taken quite a few cold tablets but they haven't helped so far tho' I'll probably be okay after a good nights sleep.

Have you heard from Bud or Mugs lately? Mugs said she was coming to see me as soon as her probation was up but she hasn't been here yet. I do wish she would cause I have so much to tell her. I'd love to have you come, too, but I realize how hard that would be for you.

In Bud's last letter he said that Dad was somewhere in Wisconsin. He is going to send me his address as soon as he can get it. I would like to hear from him but it really does look like he would rather not write.

Mother just think, that little "tyke" of mine has two teeth already and more on the way. He weighed 16.4 before he was quite five months old. Don't you think he's doing good? He is going to be a big tall boy, just wait and see. Mr. Karpis said that they are going to have some more pictures made

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of him and send them to me just as soon as those teeth that are on the way get here. I am going to make him some rompers and send them to him as soon as possible. They won't be so swell cause we can only buy certain kinds of material but I do want to have him wearing something I made for him. It will make me feel better.

Tuesday - July 9 - 1935.

Boy do I feel like the very dickens. I've been really sick all day today. My throat is terribly sore. You know, I've had my tonsils removed three times in less than two years and each time they grow back in on me. They are just as big as life again and starting to trouble me like they used to. Remember all the trouble I had with them? Boy, you should see me - I'm a sight. My nose is red and my eyes are all swollen and red, too. I have been wearing glasses for quite some time for my reading and sewing and things like that. I had my eyes operated on about a year ago 'cause everything started looking so blurry to me and the doctor said I was losing my sight. They have improved quite a bit since then but they are still weak.

July 15, 1935.

Am still waiting for that letter. It seems late this month. Hurry up, darling, I'm getting impatient.

Got a birthday card from Mugs - it was a bit late but I was awfully glad to get it. She told me she was writing the next day but I haven't got it yet. I may get it tomorrow. I hope so.

I made an awfully sweet hanky today. I rolled the hem (that's quite a job by hand) and put a tiny basket with flowers in the corner. It is really cute.

Do you remember the belts Lois and Leslie used to make out of cellophane? Well, I have made two of the cutest picture frames in almost the same way. One of them is white with a bit of red in the corners and I have Ray's picture in it - in the most prominent place in my cell. The other one has amber corners and it is on one of the small pictures of Ray I have. It is in Wynona's cell. I have pictures of some of the cutest babys on the wall. Everytime I find a cute one - up it goes - I have every one of them named. There is one here especially that makes me think of Bud when he was a little old kid. Cutest little old freckle-face!

What is Babe doing? Hope she is still working and is feeling okay. Does she hear from Pat Often? Tell her to give him my love and wish him luck for me.

I'll say goodbye for now as I've worked hard all day and I'm tired. Won't write any more till I get your letter as we're only allowed three pages and it's close to that now.

July 25, 1935.

Just got your letter and was I tickled to get it. Yours and Mr. and Mrs. Karpis are the only one's so far this month. You know, Mummy, I don't feel a day over fifty. I really am getting old tho' - am I not.

I hope that Frances will be okay again soon. I worry about her such an awful lot and I do wish I could do something for her. I sure am when I get out of here.

Are you going to move to Chicago? In your last letter you said you weren't. Which is it now, darling, make up your mind. I want to go there when I get out of here and still I want to be where you are so even if you don't go now I hope you will before I get out. I haven't heard from Margaret and on that card she sent me she said she was writing the next day. I guess she is just awfully busy tho' and I'll probably hear in a couple of days. We aren't allowed any food or anything sent in except at Christmas or on birthdays with special permission. On Christmas I can have 2 - 2 lb. pkgs. of certain things. I don't know just what yet but I'll write and let you know when I find out - I would sure have loved to have seen Bobby win that race. Golly, I'll bet he was as proud as a peacock. Give him a hug & kiss for me, too.

The weather has been dreadful here. It's terrible in the kitchen when you have your hands in that awfully hot water. My hands sure aren't what would be called nice looking any more. Sorta rough and red. No - Mummy - I didn't see the eclipse. You see we're locked up at 9 o'clock and anyway from our roof we wouldn't have seen it so hot and that is as close to the outside as we ever get. I, too, hope that whatever change you make will be for the best. I'll say goodbye now, Honey, and please write soon. Loads of love to you, Babe & Bobby.

Dolores

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Chicago  
Cincinnati  
Detroit

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

July 29, 1935

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

NEW YORK CITY  
LITTLE ROCK  
CHICAGO

Transmit the following message to:

BREKID SPECIAL AGENTS JOHN L. MADALA AND R. P. SHANAHAN ARE  
INSTRUCTED TO REPORT TO THE CHICAGO BUREAU OFFICE AUGUST 2, 1935  
9 AM FOR PURPOSE OF CONFERRING WITH COUNTY ATTORNEY GEORGE A. SKULTETZ,  
FAIRBURY, NEBRASKA REGARDING CASE AGAINST JESS DOYLE.

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Mr. Nathan .....  
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Indianapolis, Indiana, July 27, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR ALL SPECIAL AGENTS:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE,  
I. O. #1218; et al;  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, victim.  
Kidnaping; Harboring of Fugitives;  
Obstruction of Justice;  
National Firearms Act.

Subsequent to the mailing of another memorandum this morning on this case, in which there was quoted a message from the Cleveland Office, requesting efforts to locate a certain Auburn Roadster, which it was thought subjects might be using, a second teletype message has been received from the Cleveland Office, stating that the car in question has been located and occupants have no connection with this case. You may, therefore, disregard previous instructions to look out for the car in question.

Very truly yours,

H. H. Reinecke,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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# Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

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

HW:PS  
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July 30, 1935.

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

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases  
I. O. #1218; ET AL  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER -  
Kidnaping

Mr. Nathan	
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Mr. Joseph	
Mr. Keith	
Mr. Lester	
Mr. Quinn	
Mr. Scheidt	
Mr. Schilder	
Mr. Tamm	
Mr. Tracy	
Miss Gandy	

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to my previous correspondence concerning information furnished by Ike McNally of the New York Post concerning Luciano, alias "Lucky", well-known New York racketeer, who has indicated to McNally his desire to contact me and McNally's belief that Luciano and his associates might have in mind furnishing some information concerning Karpis.

McNally advised me today that he saw Luciano last night and asked him why he avoided meeting me at the Empire Racetrack Saturday, July 20, 1935, and who the "gaze" was that Luciano referred to as the reason he avoided the meeting. McNally states that Luciano informed him that Frank Costello was the party he referred to; that Costello "hates all cops"; and that he, Luciano, did not want Costello to see him meet me.

This explanation on the part of Luciano is inconsistent, since he is known to be one of Costello's close associates and it is certain that any activity of importance which Luciano is engaged in is being directed by Costello.

McNally states that during his conversation with Luciano last night, the latter informed him that "Bugs" Moran is now in New York. He also advised McNally that Frank Costello wanted to see him. McNally states that he called Costello's apartment this morning; that Mrs. Costello advised him that her husband had been out all night, was sleeping, and suggested that McNally call later.

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I am still at a loss to know just what these racketeers might have in mind, and McNally is in the same position. However, it appears that they have something definite in mind and that they are trying to be extremely cautious and indefinite in connection with their plan, whatever it is. McNally will inform me of any developments, and I will keep the Bureau advised.

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cc: St. Paul

Very truly yours,  
R. WHITLEY  
Special Agent in Charge

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

# Federal Bureau of Investigation

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. EDWARDS.

In compliance with the request of Mr. Newby, I am transmitting herewith seven copies of abstract of criminal record and ten copies of photograph as appearing in the files of the Identification Division of Rocco De Grazia, United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, #46290, our file #FBI-389499.

Respectfully,

*L. C. Schilder*  
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Special Agent in Charge,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

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

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith copies of an abstract of criminal record and photographs of one Robert DeGrasia, FBI #389499, who is reported to be a nephew of Louis "Doc" Staechel.

It appears from the record that DeGrasia is presently serving a sentence of eighteen months at the United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, and it is desired that the correspondence and record of visitors be obtained and forwarded to the offices indicated below for their information.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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REPORT MADE AT: Chicago, Illinois	DATE WHEN MADE: 7/29/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 7/12-26/35	REPORT MADE BY: D. P. SULLIVAN DPS:GEC
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, with aliases, I.O. 1241, et al. SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
<p>John Karpavicz, father of Alvin Karpis, returned to Chicago from Topeka, Kansas on July 15, 1935. Cover placed on mail of Mrs. Robert Venute, sister of Alvin Karpis, 525 North Wood Street. Surveillance made at Arlington Race Track on July 20, 1935 to locate fugitives in this case unproductive. [REDACTED] suspect in the Gaylor Kidnaping. [REDACTED] Information set out regarding murder of Officer Myles Cunningham, Chicago, on September 22, 1933. [REDACTED] states that former nurse of Dr. Joseph P. Moran saw him a few months ago at the home of one of his relatives in company with his sweetheart, Betty Tracy, Foxhead Inn, Elmhurst, Illinois, reported formerly frequented by Karpis and Volney Davis, now closed. Adjoining book making establishment now operated by Al Wilde, who formerly operated a book at Kahn's Tavern. Melrose Park Police have no information that persons who fired on two local Police were connected with Karpis-Barker gang. Louis Alterie, reported acquaintance of Karpis-Barker gang, slain in gang murder at Chicago on July 18, 1935.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- P -</p> <p>DETAILS:</p> <p>REFERENCES: Teletype from Kansas City dated July 12, 1935. Bureau letter dated July 8, 1935. Letter from the Chicago Office to the Bureau dated July 20, 1935. Report of Special Agent D. P. Sullivan, Chicago, Illinois, dated July 3, 1935. Report of Special Agent J. L. Madala, Chicago, Illinois, dated July 12, 1935. Letter from Chicago to the Bureau dated July 11, 1935.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES</p>			
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On the afternoon of July 12, 1935, Special Agent A. E. Johnson of the Chicago Bureau Office received a telephone call from one [redacted] an informant in this matter, who informed Agent Johnson that he was meeting several men coming in from St. Louis at the Norford Hotel, 1508 North Crawford Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, and that one of these men would be John Russell Moran, alias "Bad" Moran, alias Babe, St. Louis PD #21181. No time was mentioned as to when [redacted] would meet these persons or in fact did he give any information that the meeting would take place on July 12. b7c b7d

Special Agents J. B. Dickerson and W. J. Devereux went to the Norford Hotel at 1508 North Crawford Avenue on July 12, 1935 and Agent Devereux made discreet inquiries at the hotel and ascertained that no one had checked into the hotel on July 12, 1935. The hotel was kept under surveillance for several hours and no groups of persons were seen leaving or entering the hotel. In view of the meager information furnished by [redacted] it was not believed advisable to continue said surveillance.

On the afternoon of July 12, 1935, the Chicago Bureau Office received a teletype message from the Kansas City Bureau Office to the effect that John Karpavicz was presently leaving Topeka, Kansas, on Route #4 to St. Joseph, Missouri, on Route #36 to Springfield, Illinois, and on Route #66 to Chicago, driving straight through in a Buick coach, pea green color; aluminum spot light, left front; small green sunshade, center of windshield; spare tire on rear; Illinois, 1935, license #719-755.

In discussing the advisability of taking action on the information with Special Agent in Charge D. M. Ladd, it was decided that in view of the indefiniteness of the message as to when John Karpavicz was leaving Topeka, Kansas, it would not be advisable to cover Route #66 into Chicago inasmuch as the trip from Topeka, Kansas, to Chicago would take at least twelve hours and if the person involved had left Topeka, Kansas about three o'clock he would not arrive in Chicago until about 2:30 o'clock on the following morning.

On the morning of July 13, 1935, Special Agents Dickerson and Devereux proceeded to the home of Mrs. Koehler, 2846 North Francisco Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, which person resides next door to the building where John Karpavicz and his wife live, which address is 2842 North Francisco Avenue.

Mrs. Koehler, who has been contacted in the past regarding the Karpavicz family in the building next to her, informed Agent that John Karpavicz had not returned to his home since he left it on June 28, 1935; that at the time he left he was driving his green Buick automobile and seemed to be taking extraordinary precautions to hide a bundle wrapped in white which he placed in the car. Mrs. Koehler stated that Mr. Karpavicz arranged the rugs in the back of the car to conceal the bundle; that he placed the bundle therein and rearranged the rugs a number of times until he was satisfied that no one looking into the car could see what was contained in the back.

Mrs. Koehler stated that as she has promised Agents in the past she would immediately telephone the Chicago Bureau Office in the event that anything of interest transpires at the home of John Karpavicz and that she and other members of her family are taking an unusual interest in watching every movement of the Karpavicz family who live in the building at 2842 North Francisco Avenue.

As has been noted before the Koehler people are ideally situated to watch all activities in the Karpavicz building.

On the afternoon of July 13, 1935, Mrs. Koehler telephoned the Chicago Office and advised that Mr. Karpavicz, father of Alvin Karpis, had just returned to his home.

On July 17, 1935, Agent Crews of the Kansas City Office telephonically communicated with Special Agent in Charge, D. M. Ladd, and requested that information be immediately obtained to determine whether John Karpavicz was still in Chicago or had recently left Chicago; that it was essential to obtain this information at once inasmuch as Special Agent in Charge Conroy was then conducting an investigation in this matter. In accordance with the above, Special Agent D. P. Sullivan telephonically communicated with Mrs. Koehler, who advised that Mr. Karpavicz and his family were still at their home and had not left it since he had returned from Tokepa, Kansas; that his automobile was at the time Agent conversed with Mrs. Koehler parked in the rear of the apartment building.

The following portion of this report was dictated by Special Agent M. J. Cassidy, and covers the investigative activity of that Agent and Special Agent L. A. Beckstead:

The Chicago office is in receipt of a telegram from the Kansas City office dated July 11, 1935 to the effect that a special delivery letter had been received by subject Karpis' father in Topeka, Kansas from 1535 or 535 Wood Street, Chicago, Illinois, and contained a request that this matter be investigated and that office advised.

Contained in the files in this case in the Chicago office is the information that Mrs. ROBERT VENUTE, sister of subject Karpis resides at 525 North Wood Street, and it was thought because of the fact that the Kansas City office was not certain as to the address from which the special delivery letter was sent, that in all probability the letter had been sent by Mrs. Venute to her father. Accordingly Agents proceeded to the vicinity of 525 North Wood Street where a surveillance was made of the home of Mrs. Venute and the surrounding neighborhood, but no unusual activity was observed, nor were there any cars parked in the vicinity of the Venute home.

At the Wicker Park Branch Post Office, 1225 North Paulina Street agents conferred with Superintendent of Mails Walter Mackowski, who advised that covers had been placed at various times on the mail of Robert Venute and family at 525 North Wood Street and that instructions had been given by him to the carrier to be on the lookout for anything of a suspicious nature occurring at that address.

Carrier William Rodgers of the above station advised that he has been keeping a sharp lookout for any suspicious circumstances or any indications that subject Karpis might be visiting the Venute family at 525 North Wood Street, but he stated that to date he had not seen any that he considered worthy of reporting to the Chicago Bureau office. Carrier Rodgers advised that Robert Venute and family reside in the front flat on the second floor at 525 North Wood Street and all mail destined for them has been brought to the Superintendent of Mails; that a brother of Robert Venute, whose name is either Michael or Raphael Venute, resides at 529 North Wood Street, which is a one family dwelling, and the mail going to that address has also been scrutinized closely but there is no indication that any mail is being received from subject Karpis at the latter address.

With reference to the address 535 North Wood Street, as contained in the telegram from the Kansas City office, carrier Rodgers advised that the premises at 535 North Wood Street are occupied by Joseph Sernel and family who own the building which they occupy, as well as the building at 541 North Wood Street; that the Sernel family has resided in that neighborhood for the past thirty years and is considered highly respectable, and not given to associating with the neighbors. It was carrier Rodgers opinion therefore that the Sernel family would not consent to receive or send mail for the Venute or Karpis family.

While in the Wicker Park Branch Post Office the agents' attention was called to a letter which had just been received in that post office which bore the postmark Topeka, Kansas 10.30 A.M. July 11, 1935, addressed to Mrs. Clara Venute, 525 North Wood Street, Chicago, Illinois and bearing the return address of E. Grooms, 34 North Monroe Street, Topeka, Kansas.

It appears that the special delivery letter received by Karpis' father and the mailing of the letter described above is in the nature of an ordinary exchange of mail between father and daughter and no doubt this exchange of letters is occasioned by the fact that the sister Karpis was contemplating a trip to Chicago at the time the letter was written. The Kansas City office was advised by teletype that there was no indication that subject Karpis was presently at 525 North Wood Street, and that office was also advised of the letter received by Mrs. Clara Venute at 525 North Wood Street.

A cover was placed on all first class mail and special delivery letters addressed to Robert Venute and family at 525 North Wood Street, Chicago, Illinois, and results of this cover will be noted in subsequent reports.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent F. M. Headley on July 16 and 17, 1935; in connection with a teletype message from the Bureau on July 16, 1935, requesting that it be ascertained whether 1934 Ford V8 sedan motor number 18-763750 had been reported stolen:

Sergeant S. J. Downs of the Stolen Auto Detail of the Chicago Police Department advised telephonically on July 16 that the records of the local department did not indicate that a 1934 Ford V 8 sedan Motor Number 18-763750 had been reported stolen. This information was teletyped to the Director on the evening of July 16, 1935.

Mr. C. W. Rigoll of the Automobile Protective and Information Bureau, 166 West Van Buren Street, room 1717, Chicago, Illinois informed Agent Headley that their records did not indicate that a 1934 Ford V 8 bearing the above motor number had been reported stolen.

This information was also teletyped to the Director on July 17, 1935.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents Sullivan, Cassidy and Jones on 7/20/35.

It was deemed advisable, and with Special Agent in Charge D. M. Ladd's permission, the above mentioned Agents visited the Arlington Race Track, Arlington Heights, Illinois, in an effort to locate William J. Harrison, who is known to frequent horse and dog race tracks. The above agents visited the race track and covered the \$10.00, \$20.00 and \$50.00 betting windows between races and made a surveillance of the grand stand during the races. Agents observed an individual in one of the boxes who resembled a description of Harrison and it was thought advisable to definitely establish the suspect's identity. The suspect was in the company of what appeared to be a man, his wife and two children and at the conclusion of the races suspect and his party left the track and boarded a Chicago and Northwestern train for Chicago.

Agents Sullivan and Cassidy proceeded to Chicago by automobile and Agent Jones boarded the train with suspect and his party. While on the train Agent Jones recognized Special Agent J. H. Heilker, who had attended the races. At the Chicago terminal Agent Jones spoke to Agent Heilker and advised him of the individual's suspected identity. The suspect boarded a taxi and proceeded to Dearborn Street, between Madison and Monroe, where he and his party entered the 13-13 Restaurant. About ten minutes later suspect left the restaurant and visited two shoe stores on Dearborn Street and then entered the Hamilton Club. Upon entering the Club, suspect greeted the doorman and was recognized by the doorman. As the suspect had been recognized by the doorman and seemed to have been known, Agent Jones deemed it advisable not to conduct any further investigation at that time and proceeded to the office and reported the above facts to Special Agent in Charge D. M. Ladd.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent J. H. Heilker at Chicago.

On Saturday, July 20, 1935, Agent Heilker was in the company of a personal friend, former Special Agent William I. Conway, Chicago attorney. Upon alighting from the train at Chicago, Agent noticed that Mr. Conway spoke to a person who left the train at the same point. This person, as Agent found out later from Special Agent Jones, was the suspect whom he was following. Agent inquired of Mr. Conway as to whether he knew this individual and Mr. Conway said that he thought it was a Chicago attorney by the name of Johnson, although he was not positive. It was too late at this time to notify Agent Jones of this fact.

Agent thereafter called the Chicago office and learned that the suspect had gone to the Hamilton Club, which is the Republican Club of Chicago. Mr. Conway is associated in the law business with Mr. Oscar Carlstrom, who is president of the Hamilton Club here.

Upon being requested by Special Agent Sullivan to make certain of the suspect's identity, this Agent accompanied by Mr. Conway went to the Hamilton Club and requested Mr. Carlstrom to identify the man. Mr. Carlstrom was unable to do so at this time, but said that one of the assistant managers of the club, Mr. O'Grady, would be able to establish the person's identity. The suspect at this time was in the main dining room of the club in the company of two other men and a woman. Mr. O'Grady went to the dining room and upon seeing the man stated that he was Morris T. Johnson, Chicago attorney with offices at 7 South Dearborn Street. His records reflected that Mr. Johnson lives in Woodstock, Illinois and that his club membership number is 4428.

The identity of the suspect having been established, no further investigation was made.

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With reference to Bureau letter dated July 6, 1935, requesting information concerning the identity of [redacted] and her associates, with the request to ascertain whether she was related to [redacted] suspect in the Gaynor Kidnaping, Special Agent John L. Madala consulted Sergeant Charles O'Regan of the Detective Bureau, Chicago Police Department for information concerning the kidnaping of Thomas A. Gaynor, and with particular reference to [redacted] but was advised that John L. Sullivan, Chief of Detectives, was more conversant with this case than any other person connected with the Chicago Police Department, inasmuch as he personally worked on the case, and in view of this he suggested that an Agent interview Chief Sullivan upon his return from his vacation on July 13, 1935.

On July 8, 1935 Agent John L. Madala discreetly ascertained from confidential informant [redacted] that [redacted]  
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She further advised that she distinctly recalled the Gaynor kidnaping case and that in her opinion the following persons were implicated in the case: Harold Conliff, Vincent Conliff, Harold Allderton and persons whom she knows only as Sheeney Alberts, Gee, Harry and Joe; that to the best of her knowledge Thomas Gaynor was held captive in Joe's house at Cary, Illinois; that on one occasion when Gaynor became ill as a result of being held in an ice box for a long period of time, Harold Conliff's mother visited the hideout and gave Gaynor medical care. [redacted] further stated that she believes that the ransom paid in this case was fifty thousand dollars and that to her knowledge none of the above mentioned persons were ever convicted of this crime.

The informant advised that approximately a year following the Gaynor kidnaping Harold Conliff who was being sought by the Police [redacted]

[redacted] that the next day this automobile was found submerged in the drainage canal near Joliet, Illinois with [redacted] the knotted around the steering wheel. [redacted] stated that the general rumor is that [redacted] was put on the spot in this fashion by his enemies, although his body was never found, and she personally believes that [redacted] is alive and together with Gee is operating a tavern in St. Louis, Missouri. She claims to have no definite information along this line however. She also stated that she knows that Sheeney



Alberts is operating a book making game in or around Chicago, but does not know the exact location.

[REDACTED] also advised Agent Madala that Harold Conliff formerly sold bootleg liquor in and around Bensenville and that he had strong connections with the Capone syndicate of Chicago; that he was very well acquainted with Fred Goetz, Byron Bolton, Harold Allderton and Elmer Farmer. b7c b7d

Regarding reference letter of the Bureau dated July 8, 1935, requesting that the files of the Coroner's Office in Chicago be carefully examined for further information concerning the killing of Officer Myles Cunningham at Chicago, Illinois, on September 22, 1933, inquiry was first made at the Chicago Police Department and the following information was obtained by Special Agent D. P. Sullivan:

Shortly before midnight September 21, 1933, two messengers and two guards of the Federal Reserve Bank, Chicago, Illinois, were carrying three mail bags from the Post Office to the Federal Reserve Bank in Chicago. On the corner of the intersection of Jackson Boulevard and LaSalle Street, five men, sitting in two automobiles, held up the men transporting the above mentioned mail bags with machine guns. One of the cars described as a Hudson Sedan set up a smoke screen. The men thereupon got into the Hudson Sedan, abandoning a 1933 Dodge Sedan, motor #DP2600 at the scene of the holdup. This Dodge Sedan was checked and it was ascertained that it had been stolen two months before from Stanley Skiehuit, 5440 South Sawyer Avenue, Chicago. At approximately 12:25 a. m. the same night, being September 22, 1933, the above mentioned Hudson Sedan collided with another car at Adams and Halsted Streets, Chicago. The occupants of the car, five men, were described by witnesses as follows:

NUMBER ONE

Age:	30 years
Height:	5' 8"
Weight:	160 to 170 lbs.
Manner of dress:	Dark suit, gray hat.

NUMBER TWO

Age: 27 to 28 years  
Height: 5' 10 or 11"  
Weight: 160 lbs.  
Complexion: Light  
Hair: Blond  
Manner of dress: This man was wearing a dark gray suit and gray hat.

NUMBER THREE

Age: 30 to 35 years  
Height: 5'  
Weight: 140 lbs.  
Build: Medium  
Complexion: Dark  
Manner of dress: This man was wearing a dark suit, light hat.

NUMBER FOUR

Age: 30 to 35 years  
Height: 5' 6"  
Weight: 160 lbs.  
Manner of dress: Dark suit, gray hat.

NUMBER FIVE

Age: 27 to 28 years  
Height: 5' 6"  
Weight: 170 to 180 lbs.  
Manner of dress: Dark suit, gray cap

All five of these men wore handkerchiefs over their faces. Officers Cunningham and Fitzgerald were standing on the corner and proceeded towards the two automobiles that had collided to investigate. The five men in the Hudson Sedan got out and immediately began firing at the two Officers, Cunningham being killed almost immediately at the outset of firing. Three of the men, according to witnesses, were believed to have had machine guns; the other two men carried brief cases and bags. One of the men wore a chauffeur's cap. The five men then abandoned the Hudson Sedan in which they had been riding and commandeered a Buick Sedan which happened to be passing, and drove away. This Buick Sedan was later abandoned. The Hudson Sedan abandoned at the scene was a 1933 model, black in color, bearing

serial #251172, motor #63752, and bore Florida license plates #112-185. Investigation of the above mentioned license plates by the Chicago Police Department resulted in ascertaining they were issued to Dan Burke, care of the Billboard, 281 West 42d Street, New York, New York, for a Chevrolet Sedan, motor #2226444. A duplicate license was issued on March 31, 1933 to Dan Burke for this same car. The New York Police Department checked same, but could not locate Burke. The issuance of the duplicate license plates indicates that the plates originally issued to Burke may have been stolen. In the Hudson Sedan abandoned by the bandits was found:

A tan leather brief case containing a .45 caliber Thompson Sub-machine gun drum #3308, and five clips for a 401 caliber automatic rifle,

3, .45 caliber clips containing 25 cartridges for use in a Thompson Sub-machine gun,

A First-Aid Kit

A Chicago Vehicle Tag #B5897, and the following sets of license plates:

1933 Georgia plates #34243  
1933 Minnesota plates #B-139930  
1933 Minnesota plates #B141186  
1933 Minnesota plates #B287166

Likewise found in the car was a set of 1933 Illinois plates #699494 issued to J. J. Rosenberg, 3818 West Roosevelt Boulevard on a Buick Sedan. A bill of sale was likewise found in the car for the above mentioned Buick Sedan, which had been traded in on April 29, 1933, for the Hudson Sedan abandoned by the bandits. This car had been purchased by J. J. Rosenberg from the Broadway Hudson-Essex Company, 5657 Broadway.

Investigation at 3818 West Roosevelt Road failed to elicit any information concerning J. J. Rosenberg, who was unknown at that address.

1933 Georgia plates #34243, above mentioned, were issued to Henry J. Miller, 468 West Peachtree Street, Atlanta, Georgia. The Atlanta Police Department checked, but could not locate Miller, who

left no forwarding address.

1933 Minnesota plates #B141186 were issued to Nell B. Condict, 1726 East First Street, Duluth, Minnesota, for a Ford Coach. Duplicate plates were issued for this car, indicating that the original plates had been stolen. These plates, according to the Chicago Police Department file, were identified as being the same plates on an automobile used in the payroll robbery at South St. Paul on August 30, 1933, in which a Police Officer was killed.

The remaining Minnesota plates mentioned above were likewise checked by the Chicago Police Department, and it was ascertained that these plates had been stolen.

Two Colt revolvers with 4-inch barrels, serial numbers 153654 and 145098, in the possession of the Federal Reserve Guards at the time of the stickup, were taken from them by the bandits. The above mentioned Hudson Sedan was found to have a siren and apparatus for making a smoke screen, a bullet proof glass in the left front door beside the drivers seat, and in the rear window steel armor plate had likewise been installed around the sides of the car. Further check resulted in information that this equipment had been installed by Joseph Courtney, 4501 Washington Boulevard, owner of the West Town Auto Body Company, 4610 West Washington Boulevard at the request of Joe Miller, salesman of the Bergl Motor Sales Company, Cicero, Illinois. Miller could not be located, and Bergl, when interviewed by the Police, denied that he knew or had any information concerning the installation of the siren, the smoke screen, or the armor plate on above mentioned car, stating that if it had been done at the request of one of his salesman, it was without his knowledge. In the abandoned Hudson Sedan was found the name and address of Elmer Howe, residence 6214 North Washtenaw Avenue, telephone Sheldrake 7993, who operates a garage at 2747 Lawrence Avenue, telephone Sunny-side 1601. Howe was interviewed, but denied having any information concerning the identity of the bandits. It is to be noted, however, that the name Elmer Howe was an alias used by William J. Harrison in January of 1935 at the time that Mildred Kuhlman was residing at the Morrison Hotel, Chicago. It is possible that Harrison may be acquainted with the above mentioned Elmer Howe.

The Chicago Police Department files in this case indicate that some shells and fragments of bullets had been recovered

at the scene of the shooting, but that these exhibits were in the Coroner's Office, Cook County. The killing of Officer Cunningham has never been solved.

At the Coroner's Office, Cook County, Illinois, the following described bits of ballistic evidence were obtained, which had been found at the scene of the killing of Officer Cunningham:

- 3 - .45 caliber A. P. C.
- 1 - .45 caliber A. P. C. fired bullet
- 1 - .45 caliber A. P. C. bullet pore
- 1 - .380 A. P. C. fired cartridge case
- 1 - .45 caliber A. P. C. bullet core
- 1 - .45 caliber A. P. C. bullet core
- 1 - .45 caliber fired bullet
- 1 - fired bullet, caliber unknown.

Interview was had with the Chief Deputy Coroner, who advised that inasmuch as the Cunningham murder had not been solved, it was still considered an open case; that for this reason it was desired to retain custody of the above mentioned ballistic evidence, but permission was obtained to forward the above fired cartridges and shells to the Bureau laboratory at Washington for comparison with the exhibits now on file at the laboratory. A request was specifically made, however, that these exhibits be returned immediately upon completion of the laboratory comparison. On July 20, 1935, the above mentioned exhibits were forwarded to the Technical Laboratory.

[REDACTED] has been interviewed on several occasions. On July 19, 1935, she was interviewed and advised that she had been in communication with Postmaster Bartholomew of the Bensenville Post Office and with Mike Marino, hoodlum frequenting Melrose Park since last contacted by Agent J. L. Madala, who has since that time been transferred from the Chicago office.

She advised that on July 18, 1935, Marino called at her house and during the course of the conversation stated that he and his wife were going to have dinner with some friends at Berwyn, Illinois. In a half-joking fashion, Marino asked [REDACTED] if she desired to accompany him. She replied that she did not desire to go because she did not know any one in Berwyn, Illinois, whereupon, Marino passed the remark that she might be surprised if he told her who he was to have dinner with. Several half-joking remarks were passed after that, Marino indicating that she did know the persons that he was to see, but did not volunteer any information as to their identity. It was [REDACTED] opinion

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that the persons referred to by Marino were some members of the Karpis-Barker gang. In this connection, [redacted] stated that when Postmaster Bartholomew asked her if she wanted to see some of the "boys" about three weeks ago, he indicated to her that Harry Campbell was one of the fugitives he was speaking about, and stated upon questioning that they were residing at Berwyn, Illinois, not Burnham, Illinois, as previously reported, and were residing on the same street Fred Goetz, alias "Shotgun" Zeigler, formerly lived on. It is known that Fred Goetz prior to his assassination at Cicero, Illinois, in March of 1934, lived with Irene Dorsey at 2141 Gunderson Avenue, Berwyn, Illinois.

[redacted] stated that the car that Willie Harrison was driving on the occasion when he visited her and requested her to take a message to Harry Sawyer at St. Paul, Minnesota, was a 1935 model blue coupe, make unknown. Agent pointed out to her various automobiles and from her description, she finally selected a 1935 Dodge Coupe as being the make and type of car that Harrison was driving.

Cecilia Nieland, who is employed at the gas station operated by Ruth Heidt's father, 6000 West 5th Avenue, Gary, Indiana, during an interview, advised that about six weeks ago while standing on a street corner at Gary, Indiana, a man driving a 1935 blue Dodge coupe passed by with two young women in the car. This man wore dark glasses and his hair was black, but Miss Nieland emphatically stated that she was certain that the man driving the car was Alvin Karpis. It is to be noted that Karpis has visited the gas station operated by Ruth Heidt's father at Gary, and Miss Nieland has seen him. She was quite positive in her identification. She stated that she was unable to get the license numbers of the car, but believes that they were Indiana plates on the Dodge coupe.

[redacted] further stated that in April 1935 Constance Copeland, sister of a former nurse employed by Dr. Joseph Moran, visited the home of an aunt of Betty Tracy. While there she met Betty Tracy, and her sweetheart, Dr. Moran. [redacted] stated that Constance Copeland is residing at Kankakee, Illinois. Arrangements will be made to interview Constance Copeland [redacted] in a discreet fashion to ascertain more definite information concerning this report.

[redacted] further stated that in connection with the apparent close connection of Postmaster Bartholomew with members of the Karpis-Barker gang, she would not be surprised if they did not receive mail through the Bensenville Post Office. [redacted] is well acquainted with a young clerk, Rose Robey, who has been employed at the Bensenville Post Office for the past six years. Inasmuch as Bartholomew himself spends little time at the Post

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Office, she is actively in charge [redacted] stated that Rose Robey has little male companionship, but it is [redacted] opinion that if approached properly Rose Robey would disclose any information that she might have in her possession to an Agent who became friendly with her without disclosing his identity.

Arrangements were made whereby Special Agent M. J. Cassidy and the writer on the evening of July 25, 1935, made an arrangement with [redacted] and Rose Robey and spent several hours of the evening together. Further contact will be made by Agent Cassidy with Miss Robey and it is felt that she will disclose any information she might have concerning fugitives not yet apprehended in this case.

Chief William Higgins, Villa Park, Illinois, was interviewed, and he advised that [redacted] was the informant who stated he had seen Alvin Karpis at the Foxhead Tavern located on Lake Street near the Elmhurst Air-Port a week or more before Volney Davis was apprehended. With Chief Higgins [redacted] was interviewed and shown all photographs of members of the Karpis-Barker gang, which he failed to recognize except the photograph of Karpis. He stated that he was in the Tavern and book making establishment mentioned above, which was operated by Ed Schweppe, and a man named Knicker, and noticed Karpis, but could not recall where he had seen the man or his photograph before. He said he studied the man closely and later when shown a photograph of Karpis by Chief Higgins, immediately identified him.

Agent ascertained later that this Tavern and book making establishment has been closed since July 1, 1935. [redacted] further stated that Elmer Farmer immediately before he was apprehended by Bureau Agents, had an apartment on Duane Street, Glen Ellyn, Illinois; that he had been so informed by L. L. Hare, local real estate man.

Agent and Chief Higgins proceeded to the Foxhead Tavern, which from the description is identical with the tavern mentioned by F. Worchol in report of D. P. Sullivan, Chicago, Illinois, dated July 3, 1935, as the place where he had seen Volney Davis some months ago, and the tavern mentioned in the report of J. L. Madala, Chicago, Illinois, dated July 12, 1935, page 24, covering the information provided by [redacted] This tavern is located at the Western end of the Elmhurst Air-Port. At the Eastern end of the Air-Port Agent ascertained that a book making establishment had

just recently opened and is being operated by Al Wilde, who formerly operated a book making establishment at Kahn's Tavern before the Kahn family left for Germany. Agent ascertained that an old man named Metz is employed and taking bets at this book making place. Immediately across from this joint is located the Log Cabin Gas Station. Interview was had with rural mail carrier Heineman of the Elmhurst Post Office, who advised that this gas station was run by Monroe Fisher; that Fisher was reputable and dependable.

Monroe Fisher, the Log Cabin Gas Station, was interviewed and was shown photographs of the members of the Karpis-Barker gang, which he failed to recognize.

Chief Higgins stated that he would keep this book making establishment operated by Wilde under surveillance and would immediately notify this office should he notice anything suspicious about the place.

L. L. Hare, real estate, Villa Park, was interviewed, and he stated that a few days before Bureau Agents arrested Elmer Farmer in January past, Elmer Farmer came to him seeking an apartment and stated that he wanted an apartment of four or five rooms in an apartment building where people would not notice occupants who would be gone for a week or more. He indicated that an apartment he had on Duane Street, Glen Ellyn, Illinois, was not large enough.

Agent interviewed Mr. Tauber who operates a meat market on the corner of Main and Duane Streets, Glen Ellyn, Illinois, and an apartment located over the meat market, and likewise interviewed V. J. Spaulding, real estate, Main Street, who manages the only other two apartments located on Duane Street, and showed them photographs of all members of the Karpis-Barker gang, which they both failed to recognize as any persons who had ever occupied any of their apartments.

Chief Higgins stated that Harrison had played at the Butterfield Golf Course, Villa Park, Illinois, last summer. With Chief Higgins Agent interviewed Bob Bennett, caddy master at this club, and Mervin Johnson, Assistant Professional, and showed them photographs of Harrison. Bennett could not identify Harrison's photograph, but Johnson stated that he felt certain that Harrison had played golf at this course last summer. Both of them advised they would notify Chief Higgins should Harrison again appear at this golf club.



Higgins further stated that Jack Frost, former Chief of Police at Bensenville, Illinois, was now employed as a Policeman at Lombard, Illinois; that he had information that Frost up until the past month was residing with Myrtle Eaton. Chief Higgins would not disclose the source of his information, stating that it was confidential. Further investigation will be made in this matter.

With reference to Bureau letter dated July 17, 1935, Agent interviewed Chief Leeseberg, Melrose Park Police Department, with regard to newspaper report that two of his Officers had engaged in a gun battle with what were believed to be members of the Karpis-Barker gang in Melrose Park in the early part of July 1935.

Chief Leeseberg stated that on the evening of July 5, 1935, Officers Dan Boni and W. E. May, while cruising in a squad car noted four or five men in a 1924 Ford V-8 Sedan, black in color with red wire wheels bearing a trunk on the back and two tail lights. The two Officers attempted to overtake this car, which pulled away. They chased the car to the outskirts of Melrose Park. At 23d Avenue, the car stopped and the occupants got out and began firing at the Police car, placing 20 bullet holes in it. The Officers took cover and the assailants escaped. Chief Leeseberg stated that there had been several holdups of golf clubs in the vicinity of Melrose Park in the last few months; that he believed the men responsible for these holdups were identical with the men firing upon his two Officers and he had no information indicating that the above assault was perpetrated by members of the Karpis-Barker gang, but local newspaper men attempted to make a story out of it by placing the responsibility on members of the Karpis-Barker gang for the shooting. Two 12-gauge kleanbore nitro long range express shot gun shells, a .30 caliber luger Remington U. M. C. cartridge shell, and eleven bullet fragments picked up at the scene of the shooting, were turned over to Agent by Chief Leeseberg. On July 23, 1935, these exhibits were forwarded to the Technical Laboratory of the Bureau for comparison with shells, cartridges, and bullets believed to have been fired by guns in possession of the Karpis-Barker gang.

On the morning of July 18, 1935, Louis "Two Gun" Alterie, mentioned as a contact for members of the Karpis-Barker gang, was shot down in front of his residence at 922 Eastwood Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, in typical gangland fashion. A .351 rifle with telescopic sights and an automatic shotgun, later recovered in an apartment immediately across the street, were recovered by the Police.

This murder has not been solved. Several theories have been advanced, one of which is that Alterie was quite friendly with Thomas Maloy, former gangster and head of the Motion Picture Operators' Union in Chicago, who was slain during the early part of this year; that Alterie had attempted to supplant Maloy as head of the local union.

At Gary, Indiana, Agent interviewed John McGinty, care of Cassidy Brothers, 6th and Washington Streets. Mr. McGinty stated that he had made inquiry of numerous people at Calumet City, Illinois, and Hammond, Indiana, since last contacted by Agent, but had been unable to obtain any information concerning Harrison.

At Hammond, Indiana, and Calumet City, Illinois, Agent contacted Frank Moose, 300 State Street, and Herman Miller, 211 1/2 State Street, and "Pop" Snyder, owner of the Savoy Hotel, Hammond, Indiana, with negative results. "Pop" Snyder mentioned to Agent that approximately six weeks ago [REDACTED] b7c b7d

[REDACTED] stopped at his hotel with a man friend. Snyder stated he did not know the identity of this man; that he questioned [REDACTED] whether she had heard from Harrison and she stated she did not know where he is located. It is noted that the man friend of [REDACTED] during the time of this interview was Special Agent John L. Madala, which has been reported in a previous report.

A copy of this report is being forwarded to the Indianapolis office for their information.

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(Copy)

Police Dept.  
Northampton, Mass.  
July 27, 1935.

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Chief,  
Bureau of Identification,  
U.S. Department of Justice,  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir,

Your letter to the Chief of Police was brought to my attention today. I regret the fact that the fingerprints I submitted were not in the opinion of the experts of the bureau, sufficiently rolled. At the time the prints were taken Carter or Meade was protesting and giving me all the resistance he could offer. However I felt after I noted the mutilation of the fingers, that I had obtained in the prints all of the patterns left on the fingers. I am somewhat troubled now that I did not submit to the bureau better prints for I feel certain remarks more rediculas will be published in our local papers, regarding my work in trying to identify CE. Carter.

It is unfortunate that a man may be so much convinced of his own superiority that he can utter remarks of criticism publically of the service rendered by the identification bureau of the U.S. Department of Justice. I have expressed to the agent of the department who came to this city to investigate this case my personal appreciation of the service the bureau has rendered to us and also that the bureau did fine work with which I was greatly pleased in identifying Carter for us, although he had so mutilated his fingers. I can realize the work required to locate the prints in a large file when the prints submitted are like those of Carter's. Yet when I reported the mutilation of the fingers to my Chief he doubted it.

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Very truly yours,

/s/ Serg't. H.J. Kelly.

*This is a very fine letter.  
Obviously it is the Chief*

Mr. Nathan .....  
Mr. Tolson .....  
Mr. E. A. Tamm .....  
Chief Clerk .....  
Mr. Clegg .....  
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Mr. Edwards .....  
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Mr. Schmidt .....  
Mr. Schilder .....  
Mr. Tamm .....  
Mr. Tracy .....  
Miss Gandy .....

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Chief  
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Very truly yours

Supt. H. J. Kelly

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August 7, 1935.

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Sergeant M. J. Kelly,  
Police Department,  
Northampton, Massachusetts.

Dear Sergeant Kelly:

Your letter of July 27, 1935 has been received, concerning the taking of the fingerprints of one William E. Meade, alias Charles E. Carter.

I am extremely grateful to learn of the efforts which you made in endeavoring to obtain proper finger impressions of this individual as well as to have him held in custody until some information could be procured as to his identity.

The Bureau is quite appreciative of the difficulty which you experienced in taking Meade's fingerprints as an examination by the technical experts of the Identification Division disclosed that these impressions had been obliterated almost beyond identification. The fact that you recognized the mutilation was noted on the back of the fingerprint card which was transmitted to this Bureau and it was for this reason that every effort was made to effect a prompt identification of the prints.

I want to thank you for your courteous communication and to let you know that the Bureau is fully appreciative of your position in this case.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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Sergeant H.J. Kelly of the Northampton,  
Mass. Police Department writes and explains  
situation with regard to the mutilated finger-  
prints of William Wade.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

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

July 30, 1935.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. EDWARDS. *JE*

In compliance with the request of Mr. Newby, I am transmitting herewith a copy of the criminal record as appearing in the files of the Identification Division of Clarence Eaton, our file #FBI-25198, who is probably identical with the C. D. Hubbard, whose record Mr. Newby requested.

Respectfully,

*L. C. Schilder*  
L. C. Schilder.

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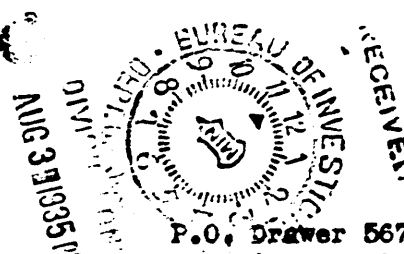
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July 27, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

AUG 5 1935

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.

On July 17, 1935, Inspector McCann, of the San Francisco Police Department, Robbery Detail, called at this office, and advised that through a confidential informant, who had possibly been in Florida, he had learned that a man by the name of Thomas, who, according to the informant is an associate of the Karpis - Barker gang, is now connected in some way with the dog races at the Golden Gate Race Track, San Francisco, California.

Inspector McCann stated that he had determined that Thomas, whose initials he did not possess, and his wife, Grace, entered California at Yuma, Arizona, May 15, 1935, driving a ~~W~~idmoblie Coupe, motor #147427, 1935 Florida license #DL2032.

Inspector McCann further advised that his informant had told him that members of the Karpis - Barker gang had rented a house from Thomas, in Miami, Florida, in November or December, 1934, and furnished him considerable information concerning the arrest of Adams, Randall, and others, in connection with the Bureau's investigation. He suggested that this informant might have obtained these details from newspaper accounts, or might have been in Miami, Florida, at the time of the investigation.

A review of the report of Special Agent in Charge J. H. Hanson, Jacksonville, Florida, dated February 20, 1935, discloses that apparently Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Thomas cooperated with the Bureau during the time the investigation was being conducted at Miami, Florida, in connection with this case, and it does not appear from the files of this office that Thomas is wanted by the Bureau.

Inspector McCann advised that if Thomas was wanted by the Bureau, his Detective would place him under arrest. However, Inspector McCann was advised that this individual was not wanted.

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He stated that his Detectives had Thomas under surveillance, but to date had noticed nothing suspicious in his actions. However, a limited surveillance would be continued, and unless further information was obtained, Thomas would not be taken into custody by the San Francisco Police Department.

No further action is being taken in connection with this matter by this office, unless advised to the contrary.

Very truly yours,

JAY C. NEWMAN,  
Special Agent in Charge.

S.C. Bureau.  
S.C. Cincinnati.

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**U. S. Department of Justice**

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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, wa - FUGITIVE,  
I.O. #1218; et al;  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim  
KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

In accordance with Bureau letter dated July 27, 1935, there are enclosed herewith copies of a letter written by Dolores DeLaney to her brother, Robert DeLaney, the original of which has been returned to Superintendent John J. Ryan, United States Detention Farm, Milan, Michigan.

Copies of this letter are also being sent to the St. Paul, Chicago, and Cincinnati Offices, as instructed.

Very truly yours,

*D. L. Nicholson*

D. L. Nicholson *HLR*  
Special Agent in Charge

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July 27-1935.

Dear Bud,

Received your letter yesterday and was really glad to get it. I got one from Mother the day before yesterday - it was awfully sweet. She said she had watched the eclipse on the moon and had a crick in her neck all the next day. She said it served her right for watching "The man in the moon".

I got yours and Mugs cards and also one from Mother and one from Babe. They were all sweet but Mumsy's had the most beautiful verse you have ever read. I am enclosing a copy of it and I want you to show it to Mugs, too. Thanks a lot for yours it made me feel swell and forget about that money, Buddy, 'cause I can get along without it. You need it much worse than I do.

Mumsy said in her letter that she was thinking about moving in with you but she hasn't made up her mind yet. I hope she does as I am coming to Chicago when I get out. Of course that's a long ways off yet - but it will come some day. What a day that will be! We will really have to celebrate. Won't we, huh? I would love to have you, Mugs, Babe, Bobby, and Mother and Dad altogether then. I'd like to have Frances, too, but I guess that's the next thing to impossible. Do you think you and I could ever manage to get them all together in the same place - at the same time? It's been a long time since that's happened, hasn't it?

I had a letter from Mr. and Mrs. Karpis the second of the month and answered it the next day. They said "Little Ray" has two teeth now and more on the way. What do you think of that? Pretty swell, isn't it? He's going to be a real man when he grows up. Just wait and see.

I was feeling pretty bad the first part of the month but I am feeling a great deal better now. I had a dreadful cold and sore throat. You would think that after having my tonsils removed three times that my throat wouldn't bother me any more. But it does 'cause they have grown back in each time. That's rather a record - don't you think?

I hope you will be able to come and see me soon. It would be grand to see you. Has Mugs said anything about coming? She told me in her last letter that she was coming as soon as her probation was up and that's been quite awhile now. I haven't had a letter from her yet this month and if it doesn't come within the next four days I won't get it in this months mail at all. Tell her to hurry, will you?

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I am still working in the kitchen and in this hot weather it's no picnic either.

That picture you sent me was sweet. The eyes, forehead and nose looked like you but your mouth and chin has changed since I saw you - or was that just the picture?

Mr. & Mrs. Karpis said they are going to send me some more pictures of Ray just as soon as those teeth that are on the way get here. I can hardly wait to see how he has changed since I saw him. Do you think he has changed much in the last few months? Just think - he will be six months old the 1st of next month. Do you have any pictures of him at all? I do wish you could get one and send it to Mumsy. Every time she writes she asks for one. How about it - will you? Please.

How do you like Mr. & Mrs. K? They are pretty swell - don't you think? What do you think of Emily (Mrs. Mewbold - Alvin's sister)? Do you see them often? I have a picture here of Betty Jane Mewbold. Have you ever seen her? She is a cute little kid.

Well, goodbye for now, darling, and don't forget to write again soon.

Love - Dolores.

P.S. You haven't told me anything about your girl friend (or is it girl friends?)

(copy of card from Mrs. Delaney)

Heres It Is.

On My Daughters Birthday

Once there was a little girl  
But somehow she was grown  
Until I scarcely recognize  
The daughter I have known

And as birthdays come to greet her  
I am sending wishes true  
To the bigger girl who used to be  
The little girl called you.

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August 7, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases -  
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EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.  
Kidnaping.

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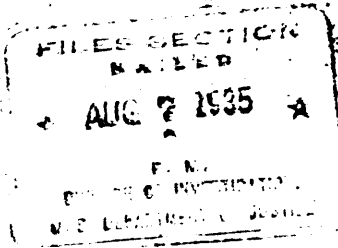
Reference is made to the letter from the Detroit Office, dated July 30, 1935, in the above entitled case, with which were transmitted copies of a letter written by Dolores Delaney to her brother, Robert Delaney, copies of the letter having also been furnished to the offices indicated below.

It is noted in the letter written by Dolores Delaney that she expects to receive a photograph of her son, Ray, who is being cared for by the parents of subject Alvin Karpis. In this connection, it is suggested that some effort be made through the confidential informants residing in the apartment with the parents of Alvin Karpis to ascertain the manner in which mail is sent by Mr. and Mrs. John Karpovics, with a view to possibly detecting mail being sent to Alvin Karpis through the medium of some relative. It is possible that an attempt will also be made to send photographs of the baby to subject Karpis.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

cc Cincinnati  
Detroit  
St. Paul



# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

FILE NO. 7-30-LEE

REPORT MADE AT BOSTON, MASS.	DATE WHEN MADE 7/29/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 7/22 to 7/27/35	REPORT MADE BY PAUL M. PLUNKETT
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.
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: William E. Meade ascertained to have stayed at the Miles Standish Hotel, Boston, on 5/20 and 5/21 and 6/28 to 7/1/35. Herbert F. Callahan states obtained release of Carter on bond without knowing him to be Meade; admits previously knowing Meade. Meade apparently held 1935 Oklahoma license plates 105A907. Meade not known at office of both "The Nerva" or at the Bradford Hotel, Boston. Further leads set out.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- P -</p> <p>REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent P. M. Plunkett, Boston, Mass., dated 7/20/35.</p> <p>DETAILS: At the Roxbury Crossing Motor Mart, Boston, Mass., this agent contacted Charles Nenn, Proprietor, with reference to the inspection tag found on the automobile of William E. Meade, as described in the report of reference. After a search of his files Mr. Nenn found that this had been issued by him to C. E. Carter on May 21, 1935; that at the time of this issuance the automobile had borne Oklahoma license plates 105A907. His files contained no other information except that the car had been found to have faulty brakes and that this had been corrected at a charge of \$1.00. Mr. Nenn did not recognize the picture of Meade displayed to him and said that he had a very vague recollection of the issuance of this sticker. However, he said he had a strong impression that the car was not a Ford.</p> <p>At the office of the New England Road Builders Association, agent spoke with Frederick Hoitt, Editor of "The Nerva". Mr. Hoitt stated that this magazine is published for the benefit of the New England contractors and is distributed to every subscribing member, having no outside sale. He stated, however,</p>			
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COPIES OF THIS REPORT Bureau - 3 Cincinnati - 2 Oklahoma City - 2 Charlotte - 2 Atlanta - 2		<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div> <p>7-1576-6831</p> <p>AUG -1 A.M.</p> <p>STAT. SECT.</p> </div> <div> <p>AUG 1 1935</p> <p>AUG 17 1935</p> </div> </div>	



that it would be relatively simple to get a copy of this magazine either from a subscribing contractor or by direct application at his office at 89 Broad Street, Boston. Mr. Hoitt was shown a photograph of Meade as was his secretary and only employee. Neither of them recognized him nor did the files of the office show a listing of his name as a contributor. The agent has obtained another copy of the May 4th issue of "The Nerve" containing a list of the contractors mentioned in the report of reference. This copy is being retained in the files of the Boston Office.

Mr. A. R. Doyle, contractor at 44 Perkins, Boston, when contacted by this agent did not recognize the photograph of Meade and stated that outside of occasional telephone calls by magazine agents no one unknown to him has approached him with any sort of proposition within the last six months.

This agent called on Herbert F. Callahan at his office at 43 Tremont Street, Boston. Mr. Callahan as has been previously stated is one of the outstanding criminal lawyers in this city. In reply to agent's questions he was most deliberate. He stated that he had not known when he obtained the release of C. E. Carter that Carter was identical with William E. Meade. He denied that he had received information concerning Meade's arrest from any source except one. His activities he stated as follows:

He had been called at his home in the afternoon of Saturday July 13th by one who introduced himself as Frank Sweeney who had given him briefly the story that C. E. Carter was under \$200.00 bond at Northampton, Massachusetts for improper registration of an automobile. At Sweeney's request Callahan had telephoned Northampton to verify this fact subsequently meeting Sweeney at the Cocoanut Grove (a night club in Boston) where Sweeney had given him the cash and requested that Callahan arrange for Carter's release. He had wired the cash to James Mahoney, a Springfield, Mass. lawyer after telephoning the latter and requesting him to arrange the details at Northampton. He states that he only heard that Carter was identical with Meade after his release. He stated further that he has never done any previous business with James Mahoney nor with Frank Sweeney although he says that he has seen Sweeney at various places in Boston previously. He stated that he was unable to give any information which would help locate Sweeney. Under persistent questioning he gave agent a meagre description of Sweeney as follows:

Age: 38 to 40.  
Height: 5 feet 9 inches.  
Weight: 170 lbs.  
Does not wear glasses.  
Smooth shaven.

He stated further that he has not seen Sweeney since and that it was his impression that Sweeney was driving to Northampton immediately to bring Carter back to Boston. Callahan did admit that he has previously met William E. Meade in Boston. He says that this was a little over a year ago when Meade came into the office to discuss the facts of a case in Florida pending against him involving his operation of a "confidence" game. Callahan refused to

discuss what Meade had said to him in that connection and stated that he had done nothing about that case. He stated that this was his only contact with William E. Meade. Callahan will be contacted further in the course of this investigation and questioned again as to the details of this transaction since it is felt by the agent that his story is not true. It may be noted here that an independent investigation of Callahan as well as of James Mahoney of Springfield in this connection is being conducted by the Boston Office, the facts of which will be set out in a separate report.

This agent contacted Jack Dalton, employee of the Charlesgate Garage, Boston, stationed at the Kenmore Hotel, Kenmore Square, Boston. Dalton had previously telephoned the Bureau Office that he was acquainted with Meade whose picture had appeared in the papers. On interview he stated that he resides at 80 Wood Street, Mattapan and that in the course of his duties at the door of the Kenmore Hotel he had met Meade first on June 30, 1935 when Meade had asked him to get some girls and go on a party with him. Dalton had said that he would make the arrangements if Meade would supply the money whereupon Meade said that money was no object and that he had plenty of it. He gave Dalton no name telling him that he could be reached at the Miles Standish Hotel in Room 713 and that at that number he could ask for "Henry". A week later Dalton had been called on the telephone by Meade who stated that he was now at the Bradford Hotel in Boston. Meade again requested Dalton to make the arrangements for a party but Dalton neglected to do so because he was somewhat suspicious of Meade's ability or intention to pay the expenses. He confirmed the identification from a photograph shown him by agent. He stated further that apparently Meade's main interests were liquor and women and that he spoke of little else except when he mentioned on the first occasion that he was planning a fishing trip in New Hampshire as soon as a companion arrived in Boston.

At the Miles Standish Hotel, Boston, agent interviewed Mr. Newton, manager. Mr. Newton had not been in his office on the occasion of the first interview by this agent of Miss McDuffy, the Night Clerk. Mr. Newton did not recognize the photograph of Meade and at first stated that his records did not reflect that any C. E. Carter was registered at that hotel. However, when the occupants of Room 713 were checked it was discovered that that room had been occupied by C. E. Carter whereupon a further search showed that the papers in this connection had been filed incorrectly under the letter "D". The registration card (in the possession of the Boston Office) reflects that C. E. Carter registered at that hotel on June 28, 1935, was assigned to Suite 713 at \$3.00 a day and checked out on July 1, 1935. A notation on the register showed the total bill to be \$9.10, the 10¢ for a telephone call. Mr. Newton stated that the number called is no longer of record since it is destroyed after the guest has paid the bill. The register of the hotel also shows a previous registration for C. E. Carter on May 20, 1935 when he had occupied Room 309 at \$2.50 a day. He had given his address on this occasion as the Henry Grady Hotel, Atlanta, Georgia. On the occasion of June 28th he had written his address as the Atlanta-Biltmore Hotel, Atlanta.

Agent interviewed Bellboy Joseph Leonard at the Miles Standish Hotel, who recognized Meade's picture and stated that he had seen a woman go into Meade's room on five or six occasions. From her appearance he judged her to be an ordinary hotel prostitute. He further described her as about thirty years of age; five feet seven inches in height, and weighing about 125 pounds, blonde hair and blue eyes.

Richard Snell, bellboy at the same place, recalled that he had shown Carter to his room and believes that Carter had only one suitcase as baggage. He stated that on one occasion a woman had been brought to the hotel by a taxidriver, which woman he described as being five feet nine inches, 150 pounds, of heavy build, black hair and aged about thirty-five. Snell believes that this woman could be located through the taxidriver and states that when that driver appears at the hotel again he will take his number and phone it to this office. Snell has been contacted several times since but reports that he has not as yet seen the driver.

Fohn J. Lundergan, Desk Clerk, also recognized Meade from his photograph and stated that he believed Meade to be the owner of a Rolls-Royce Touring Car of faded sand color with Georgia plates which had been parked near the hotel during the time that Meade had been registered there as C. E. Carter. Agent has contacted garages in the vicinity of the Miles Standish but is unable to find that any Rolls-Royce touring car was in those garages within the last two months.

At the Hotel Bradford, Boston, agent contacted Mr. James B. Wells, Assistant Manager. Mr. Wells searched through his registrations for the months of June and July but was unable to find any record of Meade's registration. The photograph of Meade was shown to both hotel detectives, to the desk clerks and to bellboys of the hotel. None of them recognized him. Further efforts are being made at the Bradford to locate the registration of Meade under his other aliases. It is impossible to check at that place for the handwriting of this individual since registrations after the departure are filed alphabetically with other previous registrations for the past year.

Sergeant Kelly of the Northampton, Mass., police has advised this office that he has received a letter from Charlie Stalder of Mt. Gilead, North Carolina, which letter requests that the Northampton police forward a photograph of the Carter recently arrested in that city to Stalder; the letter is dated July 16, 1935, and enclosed a self-addressed stamped envelope for reply. It may be noted here that C. Fine, a Springfield, Mass., attorney, is seeking to recover Meade's automobile from the Northampton police and has presented a bill of sale for the same from Carter to James Mahoney the Springfield attorney mentioned previously. The investigation of this phase of instant case will be reported separately.

For the information of the Atlanta and Charlotte Offices, William E. Meade, as C. E. Carter, was arrested by the Northampton, Mass., police at Northampton July 12, 1935 on the charge of improper registration of an automobile. While his identity was still unknown he was released on

bond of \$200.00 which he has subsequently defaulted. This person is wanted by the U. S. Marshal at Jacksonville, Florida for a bond forfeiture, by the U. S. Post Office Department at New York City and by this Bureau for questioning in connection with the Bremer case. His aliases are as follows: J. W. Reed; J. H. Parker; John Henry Foster; J. W. Barker; John H. Foster; William E. Meade; "Christ Kid"; J. H. Foster; Edwin Elza Gaynor; E. E. Laird; Edward E. Gaynor; "One Clark"; W. Elmer Meade; W. E. Meade; Wm. E. Meade; William Elmer Meade (#C-51004 PD, Chicago, Ill.) Fug. Index #5980, Bu. File #62-28915, O.O. St. Paul; and E. E. Gaynor

Request is being made of the Bureau today by the Boston Office that photographs of Meade be forwarded for the use of these offices.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS: THE BOSTON OFFICE will continue the investigation as set out in the report of reference.

Will re-interview Herbert F. Callahan for further details with respect to the story he gave agent on the occasion of his first questioning.

Will continue investigation at the Bradford Hotel in Boston in an effort to locate Meade's registration at that place.

Will continue efforts to locate the woman or women with whom Meade consorted while at the Miles Standish Hotel.

THE ATLANTA OFFICE at Atlanta, Georgia will conduct appropriate investigation at the Henry Grady Hotel and at the Atlanta-Biltmore Hotel for any information concerning William E. Meade.

THE OKLAHOMA CITY OFFICE will investigate Oklahoma 1935 license plates 105A907 for information relative to William E. Meade.

THE CHARLOTTE OFFICE at Mt. Gilead, North Carolina will contact Charlie Stalder, showing him a photograph of Meade and obtain whatever information he may have concerning that individual.

P E N D I N G

July 29, 1935.

Alvin Karpis with aliases -  
Fugitive, I. O. 1218, et al;  
Edward G. Bremer - Victim,  
Kidnaping.

7-576-6770

E 7-576-6770 A. First of two page original letter written with pencil on one side of white paper with blue lines beginning "Dear Son: I'm feeling fairley will" and ending "so I can get to".

7-576-6770 B. Second page of letter beginning "see you often" and signed G. E. Barker.

7-576-6770 C. Envelope addressed to Mr. Arthur Barker and postmarked "Neosho, Missouri, July 8, 1935, 10:30 A. M.".

7-576-6770 D. One page letter written in longhand with pencil on (Specimens continued below)

Kansas City Bureau Office.

July 27, 1935.

Code deciphering - indented writing

(Specimens continued):

C. A. Appel

one side of white with blue lines with letter head "Post Office Box 7, Leavenworth, Kansas", beginning "Dear Dad I will anser your most welcome letter" and signed Arthur Barker.

7-576-6770 E. Envelope addressed to Mr. G. E. Barker, unpostmarked with return register No. 46928.

On the first page of the letter of the father, specimen 6770 B. the word "them" was indented but this was apparently inadvertent inasmuch as it is in the exact place and in the exact form of the word "them" which occurs in the middle of the message on the first page.

No hidden messages were found in any of the letters and the letters will be returned as soon as they are photographed.

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July 30, 1935.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

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 Bureau July 27, 1935.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

Enclosure: 1589841.

CC - Chicago.  
Cincinnati.  
St. Paul.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box #2344  
Boston, Mass.

July 30, 1935

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

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:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent Paul M. Plunkett at Boston in the above entitled case dated July 29, 1935. It will be noted that it is stated in this report that photographs of subject Meade will be forwarded by the Bureau to the offices at Atlanta, Georgia and Charlotte, North Carolina. Further information relative to Meade is contained in a report by the same agent dated July 20, 1935.

It is therefore requested that the photographs of Meade be forwarded to the offices at Atlanta and Charlotte for their use in conducting the investigation.

Very truly yours,

*C. D. McKean*

C. D. McKEAN  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Cincinnati  
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PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE TO AVOID  
PAYMENT OF POSTAGE \$300

PHOTOGRAPHS OF WILLIAM E. MEADE.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
WASHINGTON, D. C.  
OFFICIAL BUSINESS

*envelope empty*



REN:GJ  
7-576-6833

August 3, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Boston, Massachusetts.

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

Dear Sir:

In response to the request contained in your letter dated July 30, 1935, there are being forwarded herewith, and to each of the offices indicated below, photographs of William E. Meade, who was arrested at Northampton, Massachusetts on July 13, 1935 and released before his identity could be established, as reflected in the report of Special Agent Paul M. Plunkett, dated July 29, 1935.

It is noted that a copy of your letter was not furnished to the offices indicated below.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

Encl. #315621

CC - Atlanta  
Charlotte  
Cincinnati  
Chicago  
St. Paul

Encls. (copies of photograph of William E. Meade  
to each office)

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July 27, 1935

ALVIN KARPIS with aliases-Fugitive, I. O.  
#1218, et al.;  
EDWARD G. BREMER-Victim;  
KIDNAPING.

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- 3- .45 A. P. C. fired cartridge cases.
- 1- .45 A. P. C. fired bullet.
- 1- .45 A. P. C. bullet core.
- 1- .380 A. P. fired cartridge case recovered by Patrolman F. McCormick.
- 1- .45 A. P. C. bullet core recovered by Officer Gapinski.
- 1- .45 A. P. C. bullet core recovered by Officer Fleming.
- 1- .45 A. P. C. fired bullet, recovered at 201 1/2 South Halstead Street.
- 1- fired bullet, recovered by Walter Heim.

Chicago Bureau Office.

7/23/35.

Ballistic

*Harrington*  
E. A. Harrington

All of the above specimens have been examined and those bearing the mark of the individual weapon from which they were fired have been compared with all specimens of their respective types recovered from scenes of crimes and maintained but no identification was made. The lead bullet cores bore no individual marks by which they might be identified with the guns from which they were fired.

Further comparison will be made with all test specimens from recovered guns of the types represented by those specimens and a supplementary report will be submitted in a few days.

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July 30, 1935

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Chicago, Illinois.

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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 Bureau July 23, 1935.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

Enclosure: #312471.

cc- St. Paul  
Cincinnati

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Copy of teletype message sent to SAC, St. Louis, 7-31-35, at 11:15 A.M.

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PHONE BREKID TAG MENTIONED YOUR WIRE LAST NIGHT ISSUED  
JOS D FINNEGAM AMBASSADOR HOTEL MIAMI BEACH FLA FOR  
DODGE BROUGHAM ENGINE NO SDR 58944 FLORIDA TITLE ISSUED  
SAME PERSON. ADVISE IF ANY ADDITIONAL INVESTIGATION  
DESIRED.

ALT.

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PLEASE REPEAT MOTOR NUMBER

SDR 58944

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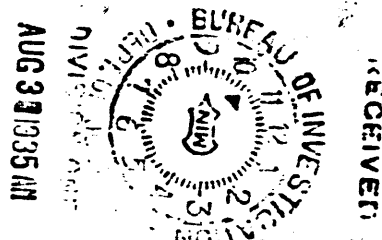
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

July 29, 1935.

REN:BN

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

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

During the week ending July 27, 1935, an Auburn automobile, reported to have been occupied by individuals resembling Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, at Cleveland, Ohio, was traced to individuals identified as reputable citizens of Albany, New York.

The information furnished by informant John Hagan has been thoroughly investigated by the Kansas City Office, with negative results.

Respectfully,

*R. E. Newby*  
R. E. Newby

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Mr. Nathan	
Mr. Tolson	
Mr. E. A. Tamm	
Chief Clerk	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Coffey	
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Jacksonville, Florida.



Special Agent in Charge,  
St. Louis, Mo.

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July 31, 1935.  
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Dear Sir:- RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218; et al.  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.  
KIDNAPING.

In reply to your telegram of July 30, 1935, requesting to be advised the type of car and party to whom 1935 Florida license No. 45251 was issued, we forwarded a teletype this morning advising that the tag mentioned was issued to Jos. D. Finnegan (should be Finnegan), Ambassador Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida, for Dodge Brougham, Motor No. SDR-58944, and that Florida title had been issued to the same person, requesting to be advised whether you desired additional investigation. Simultaneous with the dispatch of this teletype your Office informed that no further investigation was necessary.

With reference to the aforementioned tag, please be advised that on April 22, 1935, telegraphically the Chicago Office requested the Jacksonville Office to ascertain the identity and reputation of the owner, and make of car to whom Florida 1935 license 45251 was issued.

At that time the Chicago Office was advised that investigation disclosed that J. D. Finnegan was a Chicago gambler, residing at the Ambassador Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida, from November, 1934, to January, 1935; that he was last employed as a dealer in George Carter's gambling place and bar at Miami Beach, and that he returned to Chicago about the 1st of April, 1935, address in latter city unobtainable; that in Miami he bore a good reputation among gamblers, with no police record and was reputed to be an acquaintance of Willie Harrison, and other hoodlums, but not believed associated with Harrison or others in this mob. He has a wife and one child in Chicago.

We also advised the Chicago Office that 1935 Florida tag 45251, was issued for the Dodge Brougham aforementioned.

Very truly yours,

cc - Bureau  
Cincinnati,  
Chicago.

AUG 5 1935

R. A. ALT,  
Special Agent in Charge.

AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY.


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REPORT MADE AT <b>DENVER, COLORADO</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>7-28-35</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>7-12-35</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>E. P. GUINANE TF</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE I.O. 1218</b> <b>DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232</b> <b>HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. 1236</b> <b>WILLIAM C. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. 1238</b> <b>WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. 1239</b> SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <b>MYRTLE RATON, with aliases,</b> <b>I.O., 1241; et al.</b> <b>EDWARD GEORGE BREMER—Victim</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING</b> <b>HARBORING OF FUGITIVES</b> <b>OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE</b> <b>NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT</b>
<div style="float: right; text-align: right;"> <p>G. Reynolds not known at Casper, Wyo., unless the J. Reynolds referred to is A. T. Davis now confined in the Wyoming State Penitentiary, Rawlins, Wyoming, or another person, name unknown, who was associated with Campbell at Casper, Wyoming, and who was subsequently arrested with Campbell at Oklahoma City on a robbery charge.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P.</p> <p>REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent S. L. Fortenberry, Detroit, Michigan, dated June 27, 1935.</p> <p>DETAILS:</p> <p><u>AT CASPER, WYOMING</u></p> <p>Special Agent Shiley contacted Sheriff R. Jack Allen, Undersheriff Bob Owens, and Captain William Dave Miller, Casper, Wyoming, and none of them with the exception of Undersheriff Owens, had any recollection as to any J. Reynolds ever having been at Casper, Wyoming. Undersheriff Owens advised that he faintly recalls a man having been in trouble at Casper in 1928, and, if his memory serves him, this man's name was Reynolds. He further advised that this party,</p> </div> <div style="clear: both;"></div>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED  SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE		DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <span><b>7-576-1838</b></span> <span><b>AUG 1 1935</b></span> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <span><b>AUG -1 P.M.</b></span> <span><b>AUG 2 1935</b></span> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <span><b>ONE</b></span> <span><b>STAT. SECT.</b></span> </div>	
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if his name were Reynolds, got in trouble along with Harry Campbell in this case, when they robbed the Prestolite Company at Casper, and that they fled from Wyoming to Oklahoma City, where they were picked up after a robbery at Oklahoma City.

Undersheriff Owens further advised that the party with whom Campbell was at that time could be further checked by setting out a lead for the Oklahoma State Penitentiary, as both parties received substantial sentences for their crime in Oklahoma.

It should be mentioned in this connection that J. Reynolds is one of the aliases used by A. T. Davis, now confined in the Wyoming State Penitentiary, Rawlins, Wyoming, who is said to be closely acquainted with William J. Dainard with aliases of the Weynap case. When interviewing A. T. Davis in regard to the Weynap case, Agent asked him if he were acquainted with Harry Campbell and he advised that he did not know who he was, nor did he know Karpis. This, it is thought, is a gross exaggeration, but A. T. Davis refused to divulge any information concerning Karpis or Campbell and stated that they were too "big shots" for him.

Captain William Miller, Casper Police Department, advised that he had been working on the Bremer case since Agent Mann had contacted him some time in the early part of 1935, and that he had received information from an informant, whom he did not care to name, that Karpis and Campbell were associated with a Jimmie Lovewell of Cody, Wyoming. Captain Miller had little information in regard to this other than the fact that his informant had told him that, in all probability, Lovewell would know something in regard to Karpis' and Campbell's activities around Casper, Wyoming. Captain Miller further stated that Lovewell works for a refinery at Cody, Wyoming, and that he, Miller, could not suggest any one to contact there who might be acquainted with Lovewell.

Sheriff R. Jack Allen, Undersheriff Bob Owens, and Agent called on Mrs. Sullivan, Postmistress, Evansville, Wyoming, which is a little town about two miles east of Casper. Mrs. Sullivan has been frequently contacted by Agents of this office in regard to one Oscar Felt, with whom Sheriff Allen stated that Karpis and Campbell stayed while they were there in August and September, 1934. This matter is covered by a previous report made by this office.



Sheriff Allen further stated that a short time ago Felt left for Detroit, Michigan, under the presumption of going to his mother's funeral there. Sheriff Allen advised that in view of the fact that Karpis and Campbell are believed to have connections at Detroit, he, Allen, was suspicious of Felt and did not believe he was going to Detroit for the purpose asserted. Sheriff Allen advised that he immediately got in touch, at that time, with Special Agent in Charge Newman, who was in charge at that time of the Denver office, and that he supposed Newman covered the matter through the cooperation of our Detroit office. In this connection it is noted that Oscar Felt was interviewed in Detroit by Special Agent Meekins in April, 1935.

Captain Miller also advised the writer that he had heard a party bragging on the street one evening about having been in a fight with Harry Campbell. Captain Miller advised that he appeared to be disinterested in the matter at that time as he intended to make a thorough check in a more discreet manner. This party's name, Captain Miller stated, was A. W. Westbrook, and witnesses to the alleged fight were supposed to be Pat Gillhan, Red Fonda, and Paul Lowrie, all pipe linemen around Casper. Captain Miller advised that he would look into this matter and no doubt have some information for the Denver office the next time an Agent is in the vicinity of Casper.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE OKLAHOMA CITY OFFICE at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, will determine from the Oklahoma City Police Department the name of the party who was picked up in connection with the robbery with Subject Campbell, and will furnish the Denver office with the name, description, criminal record, and latest information regarding the whereabouts of this individual. It is noted that the criminal record of Campbell shows he was arrested at Tulsa, Oklahoma, and it may be that the information above refers to Campbell's arrest at Tulsa, Oklahoma rather than Oklahoma City.

THE DENVER OFFICE, will keep in contact with the Police and Sheriff's office at Casper, Wyoming.

At Cody, Wyoming, will make a proper contact to obtain further information regarding Lovewell and any associates he may have had.

Indianapolis, Indiana  
July 27, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR ALL SPECIAL AGENTS:

The following teletype was today received from the Cleveland office:

PHONE BREKID INFORMATION RECEIVED TO THE EFFECT THAT SUBJECTS KARPIS AND WILLIAM HARRISON IN POSSESSION OF 1935 AUBURN SPEEDSTER ROADSTER COLOR BLACK WITH NICKEL PLATED EXHAUST PIPES OUTER HOOD THIS CAR REGISTERED UNDER NAME OF NORMAN C. KLINCK 124 BOHR AVENUE OR STREET BUFFALO NEW YORK. ENDEAVORING TO EFFECT POSITIVE IDENTIFICATION OF SUBJECTS IN CONNECTION WITH SAID CAR. BUFFALO AND PITTSBURGH ADVISED TELEPHONICALLY.

Pending Cleveland's efforts to effect a positive identification with reference to this car, this matter should be kept strictly confidential by you, but I desire that you, of course, during your travels and investigative work, be on the alert with reference to this.

Very truly yours,

H. H. REINECKE,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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TITLE: <b>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. 2141; et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRU- TION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p style="margin-left: 40px;">James Briggs, Kenneth Finkle and Walter Castell, all connected with the Colonial Hotel, Sterling, Illinois, were shown photograph of subject Charles Carroll and all declared that same was not a likeness of the man who registered at said hotel as W.E. Winter.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P</p>			
REFERENCE: <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Bureau letter dated June 24, 1935.</p>			
DETAILS: <p style="margin-left: 40px;">A photograph of subject Charles Carroll was shown to James Briggs, son of the proprietor of the Colonial Hotel, Sterling, Illinois, Kenneth Finkle and Walter Castell, clerks at the said hotel, all of whom stated that the said photograph was not a likeness of the man who registered at the hotel as W. E. Winter.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">James Briggs stated that his father F. D. Briggs, is in Montana on a vacation and will be absent for another month. His address is care of D.A. Galt, Dillon, Montana.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">In view of the fact that the three persons above interviewed, advised that Carroll was not the man who registered at the hotel, no lead is being set out to have F. D. Briggs interviewed at Dillon, Montana.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P E N D I N G</p>			
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Post Office Box 2118

Detroit - Michigan

July 31, 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

Dear Sir:

In accordance with Bureau letter dated July 27, 1935, there are enclosed herewith copies of a letter written by Dolores Delaney to her sister, Margaret Delaney, the original of which has been returned to Superintendent John J. Ryan, U.S. Detention Farm, Milan, Michigan.

Copies of this letter are also being sent to the St. Paul, Chicago, and Cincinnati Offices, as instructed.

Very truly yours,

*D. L. Nicholson*

D. L. Nicholson *HLR*  
Special Agent in Charge

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Dear Mugs,

Well, darling this is an anniversary for me. I have been here four months today and only have fourty more to do. I don't know why I feel so funny lately - getting the short time fever - I guess - ha! ha! It doesn't seem like I have been here so terribly long in one way - but in another it seems like a young lifetime.

Say, Marge, were you up here to see me? They called me up from downstairs and asked where you had been probated from and naturally I told them Alderson. They said then that I wouldn't be allowed to see you 'cause you had served time. Isn't that awful? I'm going to see what I can do about it later but right now nothing can be done. I thought probably you had been planing on coming to see me and that was why you hadn't written. Then when they called and asked me that - I was almost sure. Was I right?

I got a sweet letter from Mumsy and it rather looks like she has it in mind to move to Chicago after all. I told her I wished she would - at least by the time I get out of here - 'cause I want to go there and I would sure like to be with her, too. Don't you think it would be nice if us kids and Mother could finally get together - at least in the same town. Maybe we might even fiddle around enough and get Dad there, too. (I believe in miracles) You have heard that song, haven't you? Well, it's my "theme song" now. Where there's life there's hope - but there's not much life left -

I wrote to Bud and sent him a copy of the verse from the birthday card Mumsy sent me. I want you to read it 'cause it's really beautiful. It made me feel like crying - and if I hadn't forgotten how I probably would have. Your card and Bud's were really sweet and it made me feel so good to know that you remembered. I got one from Babe - a fortune telling card - There is a little wheel, with an arrow on it, with letters around it - you turn the wheel until the arrow points to the letters in your name - More fun! Here is how mine goes - D - Don't do it! (I don't know what) O - others admire you - L - Legal matter of importance (I can't imagine what) O - same as other O - R - Rainbow will follow storm (Let's hope so) E - Eventually you'll succeed (that's another thing we'll hope for) S - Success be yours (When?) Isn't that a swell fortune. I hope it's right. Here's yours - M - Mysterious adventure (what's that, honey?) A - a bright future looms ahead (I'll pray for that, Mugs) R - Rainbow follows storm (You and I both) G - Go slowly - sharp curve ahead! (Careful Mugs) A - same as before - R - same - E - eventually you'll succeed (We

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seem to have about the same) T - This is your lucky month (Is it?) You can tell Bud what his name means. All the letters in his name are already here except the B and that means - Beware of a Blonde - tell him not to forget that.

Mr. & Mrs. Karpis wrote to me the first of the month and said that they hadn't seen or heard from any of my family for quite awhile. What's the matter - not interested? I do wish you would stop over there once in awhile Mugs and see how things are. When Bud wrote he said he had been over - that was after I heard from Mr. Karpis.

How about those pictures you were going to send me? I am trying to wait just as patiently as possible but I do so want to see if you have changed any. I want to see if Dick looks the way I remember him, too. How about sending me a few scenery pictures, too. I am developing an awfully good imagination and I figured I could look at them and imagine myself there - wherever it is. Take some in Jackson Park and on South Shore Drive.

Have you heard any kind of news lately? Write and tell me anything you know, will you? Haven't heard anything new in so long - it's pitiful.

What have you been doing lately? Do you go to any dances? I asked Mumsey if she did and she said she hadn't gone hardly any place since she went to see you at Madison. I do wish she would snap out of it and try to enjoy herself some. That is another reason I want her to move to Chicago. I figured you and Bud might be able to help her. Hey, have you and Dick fixed anything up yet? I sure would like to know if you're really planing on being Mrs. Dick, or what?

I am making some rompers for Ray. They aren't so terribly nice but I want him to wear something I have made for him. I don't know when I will be able to send them to him or anything but I think they will let me send them Christmas. I am making them for a year old baby so I guess that will be just about right.

Pat says to say "hello" and asks how you are. She hasn't been feeling well lately at all. You remember I told you she had an operation - well - that is hurting her and she gets some awful cramps. She's in pretty bad shape.

We have twenty girls here now and when I came there was only thirteen besides myself. We are filled up now but one of the girls is going home a week from Wednesday. She's done a three year sentence

and is she excited! Boy, I don't blame her I would be , too. I don't think I could eat or sleep or anything. Helen is the next to go then. She goes in September - the latter part. I think she has the short time fever, too. Seventeen of the girls in here will leave before I do and there will probably be a bunch of others come in and go out between now and then.

What kind of a place do you live in? Why don't you send me a picture of that, too? Does Dick still have the same car he had when I saw him? I think it was a roadster, wasn't it? Send me pictures of everything and anything, will you? This looks more like a questionnaire than a letter but there are so many things I want to know.

Has Mumsy told you that Frances wasn't so well? It made me feel so bad to hear that 'cause Fritzie has never had any real happiness and I want to do something for her when I get out. I do hope it won't be too late.

Don't forget the pictures. I want Wynona to see what you look like.

Goodbye for now and write soon.

Loads of love.

/signed/ Dolores

P. S. Give Ray a kiss for me. - a big one.

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326 1/2 Post Office Building  
New Orleans, Louisiana.  
August 9, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Re: WILLIAM BAKER, aliases;  
FREDERICK BOMBARD; HAROLD B. McBRIDE;  
JOE GRANT; M. SNYDER; GEORGE S. CARREL;  
MILTON SNYDER; EDWARD BRAMBITT;  
NARCOTIC PROBATION VIOLATOR.

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Dear Sir:

Captain Malone, of the New Orleans Police Department, early on the morning of July 25, 1935, telephonically advised me at my residence that he had arrested the above entitled individual whom he suspected of being Harry Campbell, of the Bremer Kidnaping case, or someone closely allied with the subjects in that case.

The writer proceeded to the New Orleans Police Department, Detectives' Headquarters, and there interviewed subject Frederick Bombard, who advised that that was his correct name; that he was born at Ware, Massachusetts, on February 24, 1903. He stated that he served in the Massachusetts State Reformatory as Frederick Bombard, #22941, and his photograph and fingerprint classification were found from this institution at the New Orleans Police Department, which are identical with those of subject. Subject Bombard states that he served in the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, #39727, as William Baker, on a Dyer Act charge from El Paso, Texas, in October or November 1930; was released during January or February 1932 or 1933. Frederick Bombard states that he was in Florida about the time that Karpis and Barker were known to have been there and claims that although he had no connection with these individuals he was informed that he was wanted for questioning. He stated that he appeared in Washington, D. C. for personal interview with Honorable Homer Cummings; that at Washington, D. C., he was referred to, he believes, Inspector E. E. Tamm for interview. Frederick Bombard admitted a larceny sentence in the State of Kansas and states that he served time in the Kansas State Penitentiary at Lansing, Kansas, as M. Snyder, and while there, for a time, was a cell mate of subject Karpis. He denied having any connections with or information concerning any of the Bremer kidnapers.

Frederick Bombard stated that he may be wanted in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, for Embezzlement of Government Funds, as he had been an informant for the Narcotic Department there and had skipped out with a certain amount of cash given him to use for "buxes".

*Dr. Indefinite  
this serial only  
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Arrangements were made with the New Orleans Police Department to detain this individual until advice is received from the Bureau relative his identity and whether he is wanted.

I am transmitting with Bureau copy of this letter one set of fingerprints of this individual arrested at New Orleans, Louisiana, PD #25494, on July 25, 1935, as Harold B. McBride.

Description of this individual is as follows:

Name:	FREDERICK BOMBARD, with aliases -
Age:	32 (Born Ware, Massachusetts, 2-24-1903)
Height:	5'9"
Weight:	151 pounds
Build:	Slim
Eyes:	Blue
Hair:	Blonde - thin on top.
Complexion:	Florid
Occupation:	Gambler and dealer.

This individual, as William Baker, in New Orleans Office of Origin National Motor Vehicle Theft Act case, New Orleans File 26-1791, was sentenced at El Paso, Texas, on October 9, 1931, to serve twenty months in the Leavenworth Penitentiary for violation of the National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

This individual did not have an automobile in his possession while at New Orleans, Louisiana.

A telegram was directed to the Bureau on July 25, 1935, requesting advice whether this individual was wanted. The Bureau was furnished arrest numbers and fingerprint identification. Bureau teletype message of the same date indicated that this individual was possibly identical with Milton Snyder, mentioned in Detroit Bureau Office letter dated July 21, 1934, on the John Dillinger case, copies of which were furnished all field offices. This teletype message indicated that subject as Harold B. McBride, was sentenced March 6, 1935 to eighteen months, suspended sentence, placed on probation for five years, for absconding with evidence funds in a Narcotic Bureau case at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, but that no Wanted Notices were posted against the record of this subject in the Identification Division.

The Philadelphia Bureau Office teletype message of July 29, 1935, advised that the United States Probation Officer at Philadelphia would contact the United States Probation Officer at New Orleans, Louisiana, with a view to having subject held as a Probation Violator, and that the United States Probation Officer at Philadelphia advised that he would handle the matter in its entirety.

Arrangements were made with the New Orleans Police Department to hold subject under a vagrancy charge pending action of the Probation Officer at Philadelphia.

In conversation with Frederick Bombard, who recently has been using the name of Harold B. McBride, it appears that he has been working as a gambler and house man in and around St. Louis, Missouri, and East St. Louis, Illinois, at the Mounds. He claims to be well acquainted with and to have worked for Red Allen, formerly a member of the "Cuckoo Gang" in St. Louis, and stated that he intended to go to work for Red Allen, who now operates the "Riverview Club" a gambling establishment in St. Bernard Parish. He states that he has had an offer to work in New Orleans with Johnny Jones and Joe Brown, well know local gamblers at New Orleans, Louisiana.

No further investigation is being conducted on this case at the New Orleans Bureau office.

Very truly yours,

D. W. MAGEE,  
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE.

cc-  
Bureau (Enc.)  
El Paso

**Federal Bureau of Investigation**

**U. S. Department of Justice**

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

JIM:MOB

July 29, 1935

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

Re: JAMES FELTON, Informant

Dear Sir:

On July 25, 1935 one James Felton, colored, who gave his address as 2328 Eighth Avenue, New York City, appeared at the New York Bureau Office and furnished information indicating possibly the presence of members of the Barker-Karpis gang in Jersey City, New Jersey. The information obtained from this individual was transmitted to the Bureau and the Philadelphia Office by teletype on the same date.

Attention is invited to letter from this office to the Philadelphia Office dated July 26, 1935 concerning this matter, which reflects information that this individual may possibly be the same person who appeared at the Philadelphia Bureau Office last Fall and supplied information relative to Lester Gillis alias "Baby Face" Nelson, which proved to be unfounded. It is also understood that this same individual likewise furnished unwarranted information to the Washington Field Office about that time.

A search of the files in this office reveals that in 1931 one James Felton, colored, complained to agents of this office that he was held in a condition of peonage by A.E. Hamilton in the vicinity of Vicksburg, Mississippi. An investigation based on this complaint was instituted by the New Orleans Bureau Office but no trace of Hamilton was found indicating that he never resided in or around Vicksburg, Miss. Further developments in this case disclosed that

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Re: James Felton, Informant.  
July 29, 1935.

Felton furnished a fictitious address when interviewed, and it was later ascertained that shortly after he made the complaint in this case he was confined to the Central Islip State Hospital for the Insane, Islip, Long Island, N.Y. The foregoing information is contained in the case entitled "A.H. HAMILTON alias A.F. HAMILTON - PRONAGE", N.Y. File No. 50-2. 50-1033

Inasmuch as it is believed that possibly James Felton who contacted this office on July 25, 1935 is the same person in the above entitled case, it is respectfully requested that the Bureau furnish this office with the complete known criminal record of this individual. The fingerprints and photograph of James Felton attached hereto were taken at the New York Bureau Office on July 25, 1935.

Very truly yours,

*R. Whitley*  
R. WHITLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

Encl.

cc Philadelphia  
cc Washington Field  
cc Trenton  
cc NY File 50-2  
cc NY File 7-120

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice  
Post Office Box 515,  
Saint Paul, Minnesota

July 30, 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.

Reference is made to Bureau letter of  
July 26, 1935, relating to Belle Born, Mankato, Minnesota.

In this connection reference is also  
made to report of Special Agent T. G. Melvin, St. Paul, April  
22, 1935, relating to previous investigation at Mankato and  
containing a description of the property of this woman. It  
would appear that a bad situation exists with respect to the  
character of persons residing in the vicinity of Belle Born's  
home; however, such persons as are considered trustworthy have  
been contacted and arrangements have been made that they noti-  
fy this office in the event this woman returns to Mankato.

In this connection when Special Agent in  
Charge Connelley came to this office with agents from Chicago  
and proceeded to Mankato in response to notification of the  
presence of Belle Born in Mankato, as reflected in the report  
above referred to, no expression was obtained from Mr. Connelley  
as to what he intended to do in the event she was found in Man-  
kato. Upon his return to St. Paul he agreed that due to its  
location, her home would be exceedingly difficult to cover.

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I am, of course, informed of the association  
of this woman with CHAS. FITZGERALD in California, Ohio, and else-  
where, and of the fact that FITZGERALD has been known to have been  
in contact with various members of the Karpis-Barker gang before  
and subsequent to the Bremer Kidnaping; however, I would appre-  
ciate any suggestions the Bureau may have to offer as to a course  
to follow in the event this office receives information indicat-  
ing the return of Belle Born to Mankato.

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Very truly yours,

H. E. ANDERSEN,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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August 7, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
FUGITIVE, I.O. 51218, et al;  
Edward George Bremer, Victim,  
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated July 30, 1935 in the above entitled case, requesting what action should be taken in the event BELLE BORN again puts in an appearance at Mankato, Minnesota.

The file in this case reflects that Belle Born has for some time been living with Charles J. Fitzgerald, a known associate of the Barker-Karpis gang and the Bureau has for some time been endeavoring to locate Fitzgerald, in order that a surveillance might disclose the whereabouts of the remaining fugitives in this case. It would appear, therefore, that the proper procedure to follow in the event Belle Born again puts in an appearance at Mankato, Minnesota would be to make a strenuous effort to follow her to the place of her present residence and in that manner possibly locate Fitzgerald.

This matter should receive very close supervision by you personally.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

cc-Chicago  
Cincinnati

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August 1, 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.

There are transmitted herewith copies of a memorandum prepared by Mr. Walter L. Barlow, Special Assistant to the Attorney General, and approved by Assistant Attorney General Keenan, dated July 30, 1935, requesting the presence of Special Agent S. K. McKee at Havana, Cuba on August 19, 1935 to assist Mr. Barlow in taking depositions from certain witnesses located in Cuba.

In accordance with the request of Mr. Barlow, Special Agent S. K. McKee is instructed to proceed to Miami, Florida, where contact can be had with Mr. Barlow at the office of the United States Attorney, on August 17, 1935.

Very truly yours,

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July 31, 1935.

Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St., 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:

There are transmitted herewith, for the Bureau's information, copies of memorandum dated July 31, 1935, prepared by Special Agent John L. Madala relative to [REDACTED] who is an informant in the above entitled case.

Copies of the memorandum are also being forwarded to the Chicago and Cincinnati Offices, and Agent Madala will discuss the situation outlined in his memorandum with Agent in Charge Ladd the latter part of this week, in order that a definite plan of procedure might be worked out.

Very truly yours,

R. WHITLEY  
Special Agent in Charge

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MEMORANDUM FOR SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE,  
I. O. #1218, et al.  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.  
Kidnaping; Harboring and Obstruction  
of Justice; National Firearms Act.

While in St. Paul, Minnesota for the trial of Arthur  
"Doc" Barker, et al., I became acquainted with [REDACTED] b7c  
[REDACTED] Elmer Farmer, who received a twenty year sentence for his b7d  
participation in the above entitled kidnaping.

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[REDACTED] while in St. Paul, Minnesota attending  
the trial, resided at the Lowry Hotel, which is the same hotel at  
which I stayed. I saw her almost every day in the courtroom and  
in the lobby of the hotel and as a result, sprang up a speaking  
acquaintance with her. In my early conversations with this girl,  
we talked about the trial and St. Paul, Minnesota generally. During  
one of these conversations, she indicated that she was personally  
acquainted with William J. Harrison, one of the subjects in this  
case and that she has known Byron Bolton and Fred Goetz for approx-  
imately six or seven years. Believing that she was in a good  
position to assist the Bureau in the location of the remaining  
members of the Barker-Karpis gang, I began dating her in an effort  
to gain her confidence. On the day I left St. Paul for Chicago,  
I had a long talk with [REDACTED] at which time she stated that

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she believed she could locate Willie Harrison for me. I promised that I would contact her upon her return to Bensonville, Illinois, which is only a few miles from Chicago, Illinois.

Two days after my return to Chicago I received a letter from her from St. Paul, Minnesota, in which she stated that she contemplated leaving St. Paul in two or three days and that I should not forget to call her upon her arrival in Bensonville. I, however, neglected to telephone her and about a week later she called me at the office and I met her that same day on the West side of Chicago at her request. She advised that she had recently heard that Willie Harrison was in Havana, Cuba, where he was teaching golf. She likewise furnished other information in connection with this case, all of which was promptly submitted in a report.

In the weeks that followed, I contacted her at an average of once a week and as our meetings became more frequent, she allowed herself to be more confidential with me. I wish to mention at this point that Special Agent in Charge M. H. Purvis and Special Agent Suran of the Chicago office who supervised the Brekid case in Chicago around this time had complete knowledge of my contacts and meetings with this girl. The pertinent information supplied by her was always promptly submitted to the Bureau so, therefore, the Bureau likewise was fully aware of this contact.

At no time did [redacted] ask for any monetary consideration in exchange for her information, nor did she ever indicate to me that she was furnishing same for the purpose of gaining leniency for Elmer Farmer. On the contrary, she repeatedly expressed her hatred for both Elmer and Jim Farmer, stating that they have caused [redacted] nothing but heartgriefs. The only explanation I could exact from [redacted] for her assistance and interest in this case is that she was doing it for me personally and in this connection stated that it was not her intention or desire to cooperate with the Bureau in any way. She repeatedly advised that were it not for the fact that I was assigned to the case, she would not, under any conditions, offer any assistance or information.

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During the early part of July, she received word from one Bartholomew, who was recently appointed Post Master at Bensonville, Illinois, to the effect that he talked with Harry Campbell and that Campbell wanted him to bring her, [redacted] to Berwyn, Illinois, as he wanted her to do something for him. She at first refused to

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go, having in mind to talk to me concerning what she should do. I discussed this matter with Mr. Purvis and I suggested to her that she make the contact and then immediately call me, advising of his whereabouts. To date, Bartholomew has not as yet again approached her in this regard.

The following week [redacted] advised me that Willie Harrison contacted her personally at her home in Bensonville, Ill. and remained with her for about an hour. He informed her at this time that they wanted her to go to St. Paul, Minnesota to deliver a message to Harry Sawyer at the Ramsey County Jail. She told them that she would think it over and then let him know in a few days. [redacted] endeavored to reach me at my home that same day but was unsuccessful and on the following morning she telephoned me at the office and when I later met her she related to me the incidents of the preceding day. She asked my advice as to what she should do in the matter and after talking same over with Mr. Purvis, it was arranged that she agree to go to St. Paul as requested but that she should reveal the message to me, if possible, before leaving Chicago. All of the above information was transmitted to the Bureau by teletype message and the details of same were subsequently submitted in a report.

About a week after I received my transfer to New York, I informed her that I was leaving Chicago permanently but hoped that the change would not affect the then present arrangement. She, however, at this time firmly refused to work with another agent on the case and reiterated that her only reason for her assistance is that she wanted me to receive credit for whatever she does in this connection with this case. However, after much persuasion she finally agreed to contact another agent of the Chicago office should Willie Harrison again contact her or should Bartholomew take her to the hideout of Harry Campbell.

On the day I left Chicago for New York City, I brought her to the Chicago office and introduced her to Mr. Purvis. This was the first time she appeared in our Chicago office and it was accomplished only after much persuasion. At this time Mr. Purvis and I went over the entire matter with [redacted] and it was arranged that she call Mr. Purvis should she again hear from either Willie Harrison or Harry Campbell; that in the event Mr. Purvis was absent from the office she was to talk with Special Agents D. P. Sullivan or W. J. Devereaux. Upon my departure from Chicago, I promised to correspond with [redacted]

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On July 24, 1935, I received a lengthy letter from [REDACTED] in which she stated that Special Agent Sullivan had contacted her on several occasions for information and although she endeavored to assist him in this respect she in the future does not desire to continue under the present circumstances.

The following excerpts taken from her letter will clearly show her attitude in this connection:

" I was rather surprised when I read about Mr. Purvis resigning and did feel funny about things. -- On the following Tuesday after you went away, Mr. Sullivan called me and asked me to meet him. I did not want to, but remembering what you had told me and not wanting to displease you in any way, went to meet him. He took me for a ride up North and parked the car. I never knew anyone who could ask so many questions. However, he did not get very far as, after all, I was not in custody. He brought me to the Depot after about two hours and I went home. He asked me to meet him Friday night and I was not going to and was going to stand him up, but again knowing you would disapprove of me doing that, consented.

" Sullivan wants me to get that girl from the Post Office and arrange a double date for him and I and another agent he has selected by the name of Cassidy and go out, then have other dates, and Cassidy is to try and get her to fall for him and pump her for information in regards to the Post Office. Johnny, must I do that? You started out with me on this case. Why can't you continue. Everything I told you I told you voluntarily for the simple reason I wanted to help you and the only reason I have bothered to do whatever Sullivan told me was because I thought you would want me to, but Johnny, if it means helping him I am afraid I am going to stop. I would do anything for you and follow any instructions you give me, but for you only. He wants me to show him where the Syndicate have their 'Book' in Melrose Park and he wants me to do a lot of things that I am not going to do. He just thinks I am, but he is going to be fooled. I was

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"supposed to go to work today for [redacted] but Mr. Sullivan begged me to wait so I will until the first of next week. I cannot be waiting - you know, Johnny, the circumstances after all - I don't want to go broke. I am perfectly frank with you and I told you a lot of things. b7c b7d

" I will be in Bensonville until Saturday or Sunday and then I will be in the city but will let Bartholomew and Mike (Mike Marino) know where I am at and try and arrange things and Johnny, I will let you know all developments on the case. I heard you were no longer connected with this case so all in all was going to fold up but now that I have heard from you -- when you write to me again send me instructions what to do about Sullivan, just what you think I should do and I will follow them. "

I did not answer [redacted] above letter and on July 26, 1935 I received another letter from her. The following excerpts were taken from this letter:

" I thought I would hear from you this morning, but I did not, so wanted to scribble you a note. -- I was waiting until I heard from you before arranging a double date with the girl from the Post Office, Cassidy and Sullivan and I. You know, Johnny, I was not so keen about going out like that, after all I did not understand that I had to be dating Sullivan when I promised you I would do what I could for you. Sullivan and Cassidy had a lot of things they want me to do and, Johnny, I am getting tired of it. I cannot be doing all the things they want me to as I have to go to work. Honestly, I do.

" I told you how things were out here and that I had planned on moving soon [redacted] so if I go to the city and I am working, I won't be running around with Sullivan. -- I can find out things for you and will do just as you told me to do and will keep in touch with Bartholomew and Mike and all the connections. -- It will not make a bit of difference if I live in Bensonville or not, so don't be alarmed, just continue to write

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"to me. -- I went to the city the other night, Wednesday to be exact and drove in with my sister and her boy friend and as we passed Bartholomew's house there was a dark haired man sitting on the porch with him. He was a stranger to me. However, he waved and Bartholomew did too. I do not know if that means anything or not.

" You know I prefer working with you and no other agent and would rather keep you informed but how am I going to get rid of Sullivan. You got me into this, now you get me out. If those people are captured you won't get any credit at all and all this is being done for you. If it had not been for you, I would never have tried to help anyone else. What do I care about them. Let them find them themselves."

From the above portions of her letters, it is obvious that she is unwilling to assist in any way under the present conditions and it is feared that a continuance of same will antagonize her to a point where she will not furnish information under any circumstances.

I am unable to understand why neither Willie Harrison nor Harry Campbell have not made any further efforts to contact her. I do not think she has any ulterior motive for furnishing false information and wish to state that whatever she has given us in the past proved to be correct. Some of this information was new and some was already contained in our files as obtained from other sources. At no time did she ever question me about this case, nor did I in any way advance information to her.

I sincerely believe that [redacted] has been reliable and valuable as an informant in the past, and in view of her connections and relationship with Jim Farmer, it can readily be seen that she is in a very excellent position to further assist the Bureau in the location of the remaining members of the Barker-Karpis mob. For this reason I believe it highly inadvisable to further antagonize her and suggest that we comply with her request and not have another agent from the Chicago office contact her again.

I talked this matter over with Assistant Special Agent in Charge J. H. Hanson the other day and informed him of [redacted]

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attitude and he agreed with my suggestion that arrangements be made with her to telephone me at this office collect, should Willie Harrison or Harry Campbell again contact her and if she received any information which does not require immediate investigative attention, she should furnish same to me by air mail, special delivery letter.

I outlined the above arrangements to her in a letter last week and she expressed willingness as noted in her last letter dated July 26, 1935 to follow out this plan. However, if you deem this procedure inadvisable I believe I can effect other arrangements with her whereby she will call the Chicago office direct in the event Willie Harrison or Harry Campbell again contact her and write to me should she receive anything which does not require immediate attention.

I will be in Chicago on Friday, August 2, 1935, for a conference with the County Prosecutor of Fairbury, Nebraska, in connection with the case JESS BOYLE and with your approval I will discuss this matter with Special Agent in Charge D. M. Ladd and Agent Sullivan. I will also arrange to see [redacted] and I am quite certain that she will do anything that I suggest. b7c b7d

This information is being called to your attention in order that you may be fully informed and for advice in the matter.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN L. MADALA,  
Special Agent.



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August 9, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Chicago, Illinois.

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

Dear Sirs:

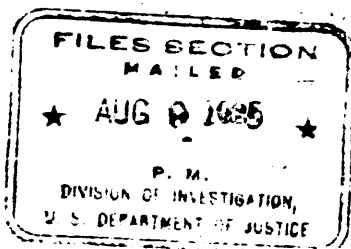
Reference is made to the letter of the New York Office addressed to the Bureau under date of July 11, 1935, in the above entitled case, with which there were transmitted copies of a memorandum of the same date prepared by Special Agent John L. Madala concerning confidential informant [REDACTED] b7c b7d

It is noted in this memorandum that confidential informant [REDACTED] was brought to the Chicago Office and introduced to former Special Agent in Charge M. E. Purvis. The Bureau deems it extremely inadvisable to permit confidential informants to be interviewed in the Bureau Offices or in the vicinity of the Bureau Offices, in view of the possibilities that they might be observed and their usefulness as informants will be impaired.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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St. Paul  
New York



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July 30, 1935

Alvin Karpis with aliases - Fugitive,  
I.O. 1218, et al.; Edward G. Bremer -  
Victim, Kidnaping.

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Two 12 gauge Kleanbore nitro long range express shotgun shells.  
One .30 calibre Luger Remington U.M.C. cartridge shell.  
Eleven bullet fragments.

Chicago Bureau Office

July 29, 1935

Ballistic

E.A. Harrington

The two 12 gauge Kleanbore shotgun shells and the .30 calibre Luger cartridge shell have been compared with all specimens of those types contained in the files of the Bureau's Laboratory, but no identification has been effected. The ten lead bullet cores did not bear any characteristic marks by means of which they might be identified with the gun from which they were fired.

One fragment submitted for examination was of iron or steel, perhaps from the automobile from which the bullet fragments were extracted.

All evidence specimens submitted for examination will be filed in the Bureau's Laboratory.

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2-Chicago  
1-Laboratory  
1-St. Paul  
1-Cincinnati

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Special Agent in Charge  
Cleveland, Ohio

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AUG 5 1935 PM  
Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, 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 of July 24, 1935, requesting the Chicago Office to conduct further investigation for the purpose of ascertaining definitely whether or not the individual known as "Ernie" is Ernie LaSalla, who is wanted by the Lucas County Prosecutor's Office for murder.

Please be advised that Special Agent A. Dickstein of this office interviewed the person known as "Ernie" at A. E. Fleming's Hardware Store, 1943 Central Street, Evanston, Illinois, at which place he is now employed, his true name being Ernest Henry Burmeister.

Mr. Burmeister is a man about fifty-three years of age, bears an excellent reputation at Evanston, Illinois, is married and has two married daughters, twenty-five and twenty-three years of age. Mr. Burmeister has been employed by the A. E. Fleming Hardware Store for the past eight years and prior to such employment, worked for Mr. Rake for eight years, Mr. Rake having sold the Hardware Store to Mr. Fleming.

Mr. Burmeister is a mechanic and he drives a 1927 Chevrolet coach, motor #3117633, 4-cylinder with overhead valves. The instant car is gray in color, black fenders, disk wheels painted red, and bears 1935 license plates #467-618. Mr. Burmeister further stated that the instant plates had been transferred from an old model-T Ford about three months ago to the 1927 Chevrolet coach. This

Chevrolet coach was bought by Mr. Fleming about three months ago at Evanston, Illinois, and he, Mr. Burmeister, was the only person driving this car, and the car has never been driven out of Evanston, Illinois. Furthermore, Mr. Burmeister stated that the Chevrolet coach bearing license #467-618, would not survive the trip to Ohio if it were driven to that place.

The following is a description set out of Ernest Henry Burmeister as obtained from Agent Dickstein's personal observation and interview:

ERNEST HENRY BURMEISTER

Age:	53 yrs. (born August 9, 1882 at Shelby, Michigan.)
Height:	5' 7"
Weight:	135 lbs.
Build:	Slim
Hair:	Light sandy, bald on top
Eyes:	Blue
Complexion:	Light, clean shaven
Teeth:	Gold front with bridge
Scars:	None
Eyeglasses:	Silver-rimmed bifocals
Residence:	2145 Pioneer Road, Evanston, Illinois.
Occupation:	Mechanic and general handy man
Marital status:	Married, wife Minnie, has two children, Ethel 25 yrs. and Alice 23 yrs., both married.
Race:	White
Nationality:	American
Fingerprints:	Obtained and forwarded to Cleveland Office.

To definitely establish the identity of "Ernie" mentioned above, his fingerprints were obtained from him and same are being forwarded to your office. Also there are being returned the photograph and fingerprints of Ernie LaSalle as requested by your office.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD  
Special Agent in Charge

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CC-Cincinnati  
CC-St. Paul  
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July 20, 1935.

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Alvin Karpis with aliases -  
Fugitive, I. O. 1218, et al.;  
Edward G. Bremer - Victim;  
Kidnaping.

Two small pieces of paper taken from the register of a tourist camp one of which bears the signature "G. E. Weaver" and the other the signature "G. E. Weaver and Wife".

Omaha Bureau Office.

July 27, 1935.

Handwriting and Fingerprint.

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In confirmation of the Bureau's teletype message of July 27, 1935 the examiner states that because of similarities which are found in the submitted registrations "G. E. Weaver, Topeka, Kansas" and "G. E. Weaver and Wife, Topeka, Kansas" and which are also present in the signatures W. A. Weaver, I. O. 1208, that Weaver could very easily have written these registrations. Inasmuch as the only standard writing of Weaver available for comparison purposes consists of a few signatures on fingerprint cards a more definite conclusion is not warranted.

The original specimens will be returned as soon as photographic copies have been made for the completion of Laboratory files.

A report on the fingerprint examination will be submitted separately.

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1-Detroit  
1-Chicago  
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Special Agent in Charge,  
Omaha, Nebraska.

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 Bureau July 27, 1935.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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Enclosure: 7539843.

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Detroit.  
Chicago.  
Cincinnati.  
St. Paul.

*Handwritten initials and signatures*

AK:EG  
7-576-6785

August 1, 1935.

Mr. J. A. Dowd,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
609 First National Bank Building,  
Omaha, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of July 24, 1935 transmitting two small pieces of paper taken from the registers of tourist camps, one of which bears the signature "G. E. Weaver" and the other the signature "G. E. Weaver & Wife", in connection with the case entitled Alvin Karpis, with aliases - Fugitive, I. O. #1212, et al.; Edward George Bremer - Victim; Kidnaping.

Please be advised that the specimens submitted have been examined but no latent fingerprints of value could be developed.

The original specimens submitted with your letter are being returned herewith.

Very truly yours,

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John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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cc - St. Paul  
Cincinnati  
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Enclosure #589707

REGISTERED MAIL.

P. O. Box 1276  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma  
July 29, 1935

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Special Agent in Charge  
Kansas City, Missouri

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

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Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated July 24, 1935, in the above captioned case, wherein it is suggested that inquiries be made to determine if Alvin Karpis ever served any time at the Oklahoma State Penitentiary.

This angle has been thoroughly investigated by the Oklahoma City Office and former Agent Earle M. Black personally examined the criminal appearance docket at Henryetta, Oklahoma, which discloses that Alvin Karpis, alias George Haller, on September 17, 1931, upon a plea of guilty, on a charge of burglary, before Judge J. H. Swan, sitting in the Henryetta division of the Okmulgee County, Superior Court, was sentenced to the State Reformatory at Granite, Oklahoma, and was paroled by Judge Swan from the bench on the same date, to M. M. Alexander, his attorney, who was the former Judge of the District Court at Okmulgee, there being no commitment of Karpis to the reformatory.

This record has been further confirmed by the records of the Sheriff's Office at Okmulgee, Oklahoma. The Jail Record Book #1, Page 27, shows the following entry: "Alvin Karpis; charge burglary; sentenced 3 years; paroled September 17, 1931." There is a discrepancy as to whether Karpis was sentenced to three or four years in these County Records.

The fact that Karpis was never committed to any penitentiary on this charge is further confirmed by several officers in Okmulgee County who have advised Agent Hansen, of this office, that he was never sent to a penitentiary and the reason for this is generally understood to be the fact that some restitution of the stolen jewelry was made and that Karpis and his friends made some deal with Judge Swan and the Black Jewelry Store of Henryetta, for the sentence he received.



The above facts are further confirmed by Dorothy Karpis, who was married to Alvin Karpis at the time of this robbery and sentence, and by her aunt, Carol Tankersley, the former wife of Herman Barker, who have told agent Hansen, upon numerous occasions, that Karpis was never sent to a penitentiary on this burglary charge, but received "some kind of a parole".

It is, therefore, certain that Karpis was never committed to a penitentiary on this particular charge and as far as has been developed, by the Oklahoma City Office, he was never committed to any penitentiary in Oklahoma.

With reference to report of Special Agent in Charge E. E. Conroy, Kansas City, Missouri, dated July 22, 1935, the following information was secured by Special Agent O. J. Endres, of the Oklahoma City Office, regarding James J. Kelly, with aliases, the informant mentioned in that report, said information having been secured from the Oklahoma State Penitentiary:

James J. Kelly alias J. T. Murray alias Fred  
O'Neal alias James O'Neal alias Frank Goddard  
alias Fred Murry  
Number 10072

F. P. C. 9 U II 13  
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Date received - 12/17/19

20 years - from Craig County

Stealing auto

color White

Age 39 years

Nativity Virginia

Religion Catholic

Education 16 years in school

Relatives Parents dead

1 brother

Marital status Married - Alma Murry, 407 E. 9th St.,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

Occupation Lawyer

Previous record - SP Missouri #26054; escaped 3/23/23  
Returned 1/27/29; Expiration 6/7/35.

Worked in hospital.

A photograph of Kelly was obtained and is being placed in the Oklahoma City Office files in this case. It is understood that your office has a photograph of Kelly.

Very truly yours,

DWIGHT BRANTLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge

cc. Bureau

DR. CARLETON SIMON  
50 EAST 58TH STREET  
THE BLACKSTONE  
NEW YORK

July 29th, 1935

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

My dear Director Hoover:

I desire to thank you for your detailed information of the William E. Meade fingerprint matter at Northampton, Mass. It will enable me to present your version, should occasion arise, before the New England Association of Chiefs of Police. It is my belief that this may occur if I read rightly between the lines of Chief Bresnahan's letter to me.

At the next annual meeting of the New York State Association of Chiefs of Police which takes place at Utica the end of next month, I shall request a resolution be drawn, as I will later before the New England Association, that State laws be formulated making it mandatory to hold any prisoner without bail, whose fingerprints show evidence of deliberate mutilation until such time as may be required to determine his identity.

If you have any additional suggestions along this line I will be glad to receive them.

With personal regards and my assurance of complete cooperation in this or any other matter, believe me

Sincerely yours

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Mr. Schilder  
Mr. Smith  
Mr. Tamm  
Mr. Tracy  
Miss Gandy

Dr. Carleton Simon of New York thanks  
Director for detailed information re the William E.  
Weade fingerprint matter at Northampton, Mass., states  
he will present facts before New England Asso. of Chiefs  
of Police if occasion arises; advises will introduce  
resolution at next meeting of N.Y. State Asso. of Chiefs  
of Police to make it mandatory to hold any prisoner whose  
fingerprints show mutilation, without bail until such  
time as may be required to determine identity.

P. O. Box #709  
Portland, Oregon

~~PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL~~

July 25, 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 Bureau letters of May 28 and July 3, 1935, addressed to the Chicago office, in which reference is made to Ralph J. Shaw, one Hawkins, and an informant of this party Hawkins, also W. Comfort Hawkins, and [REDACTED] b7c b7d

The value of these parties as informants and the future use of them to obtain information, I believe, depends solely upon what information they now possess as to specific cases or fugitives and this can best be determined after they have been contacted at this time and such new information that they possess obtained, and this information then associated with information they have previously furnished and the reliability, or rather the possibilities of what can be expected of these persons is dependent upon what they have furnished in the past and the value it was found to have at that time. These informants, and most informants of any value to a case, are developed in connection with specific individuals and cases, and while they may have rather definite information in the particular case in which first approached, this does not indicate they will be able to furnish valuable information in miscellaneous cases, and if such latter is the case, my experience has indicated that their possibilities in other cases are to a great extent limited. These informants sometimes, if followed up too closely, are led into becoming what are really professional informants, and in order to be retained they endeavor to obtain information in order to justify their retention and many times this information is obtained only by inquiry made indiscreetly by them to the detriment of the search being made for a particular fugitive.

As to the above indicated possible informants, I have had no personal contact with any of these and their possibilities depend solely upon what can be obtained, in my opinion, in the

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manner indicated above, and I personally would not recommend the retention of these parties as informants under a paid arrangement unless they have some definite back-ground which would assure us the possibility that they can obtain definite information on specific cases. These parties, of course, should always be encouraged to maintain their contact with the office of the Bureau in which territory they are located with the assurance that if anything develops whereby we can use them, we will take advantage of their services, paying them accordingly.

Very truly yours,

E. J. Connelley  
Special Agent in Charge

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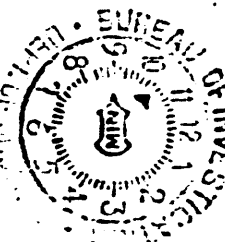
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Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
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Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St. N.W.  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

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

Receipt is acknowledged of a copy of the Bureau's letter of July 29, 1935, to the Boston Office. To this communication there were attached copies of an anonymous letter, dated at Boston, Massachusetts, July 18, 1930, and received in the Bureau on July 20, 1935, which contains information concerning ELMER MEADE and other confidence men, the Bureau requesting that appropriate investigation be conducted with a view of determining the identity of the individuals mentioned in the anonymous communication, since it appeared that the author was acquainted with the activities of these persons.

The following three persons, among others, were mentioned in the anonymous communication:

O'Dell  
Fred Flower, using the name of Farrell, and  
one Winter.

O'DELL

The Bureau's attention is invited to my report of September 26, 1933, in the case entitled VERNON C. MILLER with aliases - FUGITIVE IDENTIFICATION ORDER 1195; et al; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE ( ENDEAVOR TO DELIVER FEDERAL PRISONER FRANK NASH).

This report covers the investigation made at Tybee Beach, Georgia, near Savannah. Prior to the investigation in that report Agent Kingman, Resident Agent at Savannah, learned that there was a man at the Beach with

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a 1929 Lincoln Sedan, bearing Arkansas license tags 119 017, with Hot Springs, Arkansas, City tag 2299. It was believed that this person was connected with the VERNON C. MILLER case.

The investigation at Tybee Beach disclosed that the person under observation was one THOMAS BRADLEY. The writer associated with Bradley while under cover, for five or six hours. It was determined by all Agents assigned to this investigation that he in no way resembled any of the persons involved, but all were of the consensus of opinion that Bradley had all the earmarks of a clever and slick con man.

After the investigation with reference to Bradley was concluded, it appears that Bradley was in fact THOMAS J. O'DELL, and that he was wanted in Deland, Florida, for having swindled Henry W. Wilmont, a wealthy New Yorker, out of \$100,000.00 in the old race horse game.

Bradley, alias O'Dell in October, 1933 was arrested on an affidavit signed by Wilmont, charging that on April 22, 1933, at Deland, Florida, O'Dell obtained from him \$100,000.00, representing that he had information on a horse race. Later O'Dell was extradited from Savannah, Georgia, to Deland, Florida, where he was presented for trial and convicted by a Jury, whereupon the Judge sentenced him to serve five years in State Prison, or pay a fine of \$1,000.00. Quite naturally O'Dell elected to pay the fine, after which he was released.

It appears that this is the "kick" relative to O'Dell that the anonymous author of the communication referred to.

FARRELL

In the Jacksonville Office file #47-0 there is a memorandum, dated March 25, 1932, submitted by former Special Agent John V. Anderson, which refers to information received by the Jacksonville Office that a number of high powered confidence men were operating at West Palm Beach, Florida, among whom was one George L. Farry, who was accompanied by a tall silver haired woman, supposedly his wife; later several other women came to West Palm Beach, and Farry held them out as being his relatives. It is believed that they were confidence women, who had come to West Palm Beach to assist the gang put over their swindles.

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It also appears that at this particular time O'Dell, aforementioned, appeared at West Palm Beach. He was then driving a car, bearing 1932 New York license plates 5 Y 755, and residing at 308 Barcelona Road. Type of car was unknown.

It appears that this gang of con men were operating from Miami as far North as Stuart, Florida, the county seat of Martin County.

Our 32-0 file shows that in October, 1933, the then Chief of Police H. A. Fausett, Ocala, Florida, had informed that John Sutton with aliases Arthur R. McCune, J. R. Farrell, Frank Ford, A. R. Cune, Frank Hart, Charles Livingston and Roy John Sims, a notorious con man was then in custody of Chief of Detectives Shoemaker, Chicago, Illinois, being held for Ocala State authorities, who contemplated returning him to Ocala where he was under indictment for swindling.

Postal Inspectors at that time advised that they were of the opinion that John Sutton with aliases was the subject of an investigation being conducted by Post Office Inspector Graham, who, at the time, was en route to Jacksonville, Florida, to handle the aforementioned swindling case.

The name John Sutton appears in the criminal record furnished the Jacksonville Office, October 3, 1933, by the Bureau, its number 3116.

One Farrell is also mentioned in the anonymous communication dated February 23, 1934 at Reno, Nevada, which letter is set forth in the report of Special Agent in Charge Reed E. Vetterli, Salt Lake City, Utah, April 5, 1934, in the case entitled UNKNOWN SUBJECTS - ROY FRISCH - Victim, Kidnaping.

WINTER

The name FRANK WINTERS, a con man, is mentioned in a transcript of the criminal record of FRANK R. MORAN, Bureau # 28216, copy of which was furnished to the Jacksonville Office on August 19, 1934, in the case entitled VERNON C. MILLER with aliases - FUGITIVE, IDENTIFICATION ORDER #1195, et al; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (ENDEAVOR TO DELIVER FEDERAL PRISONER FRANK NASH).



TO DIRECTOR  
7-31-35

Investigation will be conducted in Miami, Florida, with reference to FRED FLOWER, CALLAHAN, WINTER, FRED GONDORF and UPSHAW, who are also listed in the aforementioned anonymous communication.

Very truly yours,



R. A. ALT,  
Special Agent in Charge.

cc - Cincinnati  
Boston.

Jax # 7-24

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

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Washington, D. C.

August 6, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Time - 10:15 A. M.

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

As the result of the information furnished by Mr. Nicholas, Extension 97 of the State Department, that an application for a passport has been received from one Thomas J. O'Dell through the New York Passport Office, who gave the address of 60 High Street, New Britain, Connecticut, I telephoned Assistant Special Agent in Charge J. H. Hanson of the New York office and called his attention to Bureau letter dated August 5, 1935 with which there was transmitted a photograph of William E. Meade to be furnished to E. J. Hickey, County Detective, Hartford, Connecticut, who had requested the photograph in a telegram dated August 2, 1935.

I instructed Mr. Hanson to have an Agent assigned to handle this matter, also endeavor to locate Thomas J. O'Dell, who is a notorious confidence man and is possibly associated with Elmer E. Meade. An anonymous communication received in the Bureau, postmarked Boston, Massachusetts, indicated that Meade and O'Dell had been associated together in the vicinity of Boston.

The passport application forwarded to the State Department was executed by O'Dell on July 12, 1935, indicating his desire to leave this country on one of the ships of the United States Lines. Mr. Nicholas advised that the passport had not yet been issued; that he had also communicated with the Post Office Inspectors who advised that this individual was not wanted by them.

Respectfully,

*R. E. Newby*  
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ADDRESS REPLY TO  
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WASHINGTON, D. C.

JBK:

July 30, 1935.

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Mr. Tracy	.....
Miss Gandy	.....

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. HOOVER, DIRECTOR,  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION.

In re: United States v. Joseph H. Adams,  
Nathan Heller, et al.

We are in receipt of a letter from Bart. A. Riley, Esq., Attorney representing Nathan Heller and Joseph Adams, stating that he proposes taking the depositions of certain witnesses in Havana, Cuba, the week beginning August 19th and, particularly, the depositions of the following named persons:

Dr. J. B. Gonzalez Lauzan,  
Mr. M. A. Smith,  
Dr. Radio Cremata y. Valdez,  
Dr. Ramon Zaydiny Marquez Sterling,  
U. S. Consul and U. S. Ambassador at Havana,  
Mr. Luis Mendoza,  
Eutimio Bonet,  
Luis Entrialgo,  
Ramon Madina,  
Mr. Edward A. Chester and  
J. D. Stevenson.

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In view of the fact that Special Agent Sam McKee made an extensive investigation in Havana and is well acquainted with a good many of the persons named as well as with certain others, it would be a great assistance to me in traversing the depositions if it were possible for him to be in Havana, Cuba upon the date named. Kindly advise me at your earliest opportunity whether or not it will be possible for you to comply with this request.

Very truly yours,

*Walter L. Barlow*

WALTER L. BARLOW,  
Special Assistant to the Attorney General.

Approved:

*Joseph B. Keenan*  
JOSEPH B. KEENAN,  
Assistant Attorney General.

*WLB & C. W.*  
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MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL KEENAN

Attention: Mr. Walter L. Barlow,  
Special Assistant to  
the Attorney General.

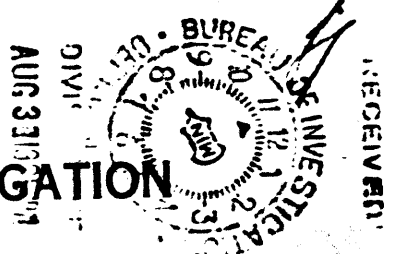
In compliance with the request contained in your memorandum of July 30, 1935, Special Agent S. K. McKee has been instructed to proceed to Miami, Florida, where he will meet Mr. Barlow on August 17, 1935 at the office of the United States Attorney, and from there proceed, with Mr. Barlow, to Havana, Cuba, to assist in taking depositions from certain witnesses located in Cuba.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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REPORT MADE AT <b>Denver, Colo.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>7/30/35</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>7/26/35</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>A. R. GERN</b>
TITLE <b>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 with aliases I.O. 1241; et al EDWARD GEORGE BREMER--Victim</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT</b>

Records of the Conoco Travel Bureau, Denver, Colo., show that C. E. Charles of the Charleston Hotel, Charleston, S.C., on 4/5/35 requested road maps of Mexico for himself and four friends who contemplated making a trip to Mexico during the summer of 1935. Inquiry of Charles, including names of his four friends destroyed on 7/25/35.

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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent P. M. Plunkett, Boston, 7/20/35.

**DETAILS:**

**AT DENVER, COLO.**

From A. P. Bradley, clerk, Conoco Travel Bureau, Conoco Building, 18th and Glenarm Sts., it was ascertained that on April 5, 1935, C. E. Charles of the Charleston Hotel, Charleston, South Carolina, requested road maps of Old Mexico for himself and four friends, whose names and addresses he furnished, stating they contemplated making a trip to Old Mexico when the highway is completed during the summer of 1935.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED <i>[Signature]</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES	
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Mr. Bradley advised that road maps of North Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Louisiana, Texas, and Old Mexico were furnished as requested to C. E. Charles and his four friends; that the original request of C. E. Charles, containing the names and addresses of his four friends was destroyed on the evening of July 25, 1935, and that there is no way of ascertaining the names and addresses of these friends. He further stated that it is the practice to destroy such incoming communications ninety days after the receipt of same, and that no record is kept of the Conoco passports issued in serial sequence.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE CHARLOTTE OFFICE: At Charleston, South Carolina, will ascertain all available information concerning Subject William E. Mead alias John Henry Foster alias W. Elmer Mead alias The "Christ" Kid at the Charleston Hotel on or about April 5, 1935. A photograph of John Henry Foster, Denver PD #8390, taken August 24, 1922, is enclosed herewith for use by the Charlotte Office in making this investigation, together with report of reference.

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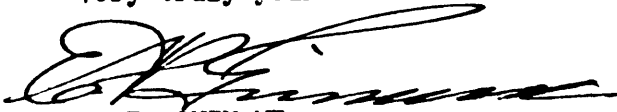
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Pennsylvania Ave. at 9th St., N.W.  
Washington, D. C.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
I.O. #1218, ET AL  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim  
KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

It is requested that 50 additional Identification  
orders #1236, on Subject Harry Campbell, be forwarded  
to this office.

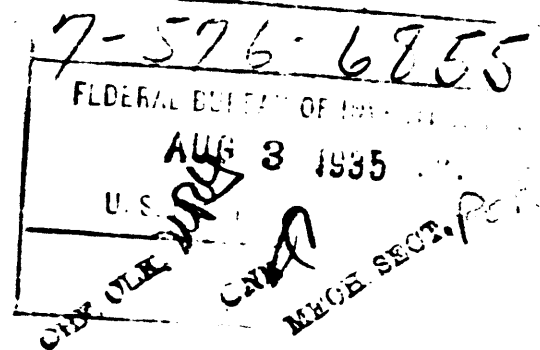
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E. P. GUINAN  
Special Agent in Charge

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Post Office Box 812  
Chicago Illinois

August 1, 1935

Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
United States Department of Justice,  
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, NW,  
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 &  
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

In connection with this case this office is interested in  
locating any available criminal records against James Morand, alias  
Jimmy "The Swede" Moran, who is reported to be an acquaintance of  
William J. Harrison, a subject in this case.

In connection with the Dillinger case Morand was inter-  
viewed at the Chicago Bureau office and his fingerprints taken late  
last summer and these fingerprints were forwarded to the Bureau.  
The file in the Dillinger case contains a letter from the Bureau  
dated September 4, 1934 advising this office that no criminal  
record could be found against James Morand.

Inasmuch as no fingerprint card for Morand can be located  
in the files of this office it is requested that a copy of Morand's  
fingerprints be forwarded to the Chicago Bureau office in order  
that a check may be made for any possible criminal record here.

Very truly yours,

*D. M. Ladd*  
D. M. LADD,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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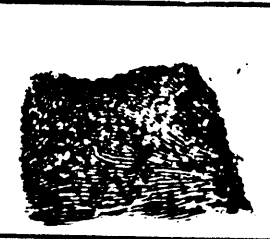
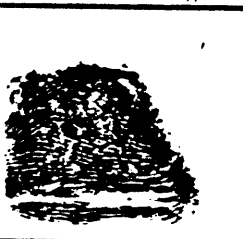
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Searched..... Verified.....

Index Card..... Answered.....

Note Amputations

Prisoner's Signature

Four Fingers Taken Simultaneously

Four Fingers Taken Simultaneously

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DIRECTOR

# Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. EDWARDS

In compliance with the request of Mr. Newby, I am transmitting herewith nine copies of abstract of criminal record, with description, and three photographic copies of fingerprints as appearing in the files of the Identification Division of James Morand, our file #FBI-965048.

Please be advised that our files do not reveal a photograph of this individual.

Respectfully,

*L. C. Schilder*

L. C. Schilder.

Mr. Tolson  
Mr. Clegg  
Mr. Glavin  
Mr. Ladd  
Mr. Nichols  
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August 14, 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 your letter dated August 1, 1935, requesting a photographic copy of the fingerprints taken by the Chicago Office of one James Morand, alias Jimmy "The Swede" Moran, when he was interviewed in connection with the Dillinger case. It is noted in your letter that James Morand is reported to be an acquaintance of subject William J. Harrison.

Photographic copies of the fingerprints of Morand are transmitted herewith for the purpose of causing a search to be made of the Identification Bureau of the Chicago, Illinois, Police Department with a view to ascertaining whether this individual has a record. No photographic copies of the fingerprints are being transmitted to the offices receiving copies of this letter.

The files of the Bureau do not contain a photograph of this individual. Therefore, in the event a photograph is located in the files of the Chicago, Illinois, Police Department, it is requested that a copy be secured and forwarded to the Bureau.

For the information of all offices receiving copies of this letter, there are transmitted herewith abstracts of the criminal record of James Morand, FBI No. 965048, which set forth the description of this individual as reflected on the only fingerprint card contained in the files of the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

Enclosure #831056

CC - St. Paul ) with copies of abstract of  
Cincinnati ) criminal record.  
1 yellow for Dillinger file

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AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

Mr. J. C. Newman,  
Special Agent in Charge,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
405 Post Office Building,  
San Francisco, California.

Dear Sir:

It is desired that Special Agent E. C. Suran be instructed to immediately proceed to Chicago, Illinois to report to Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley for a special assignment of indefinite duration. Mr. Suran's headquarters will remain at San Francisco.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

cc Chicago

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Indianapolis, Indiana.

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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 & OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL  
FIREARMS ACT.

Dear Sir:

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Referring to the report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn,  
Indianapolis, Indiana, dated July 20, 1935, requesting information  
as to the recent activities of John R. Moran and William J. Harrison and  
the possible connection between these two men and William J. Harrison,  
the following is a brief resume of the information desired:

After extensive investigation [redacted] was located at St. Louis, Missouri and  
promised her co-operation to this Bureau. Harrison, according to  
[redacted] has communicated with her on several occasions during  
the past year. On one occasion last fall she received a postcard  
from him postmarked Cuba. On or about March 25, 1935 John Russell  
alias "Babe" Moran, with whom [redacted] was previously acquainted,  
was in St. Louis, Missouri and advised [redacted] that William Harrison  
was in Chicago, Illinois and advised her that he undoubtedly could  
be located at the 25 Club in Cicero, Illinois and that he, Moran,  
had talked with Harrison just shortly before this interview.

Investigation at Cicero resulted in the information that  
the 25 Club, mentioned above, is identical with the Hy-Ho Club  
located on 48th Avenue. Joe O'Brien, an Italian, operates this  
club. O'Brien is reported to have furnished both the Dillinger  
and the Barker-Karpis gangs with machine guns in the past. Moran  
was found to have formerly been a close acquaintance of Gus Winkler  
former notorious Chicago gangster who was slain. Harrison is likewise

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reported to have been a close friend of Winkler's. Effort was made to cover John R. Moran and it was ascertained that he was a close friend of William Kerin. Both of these men drove automobiles bearing Florida license plates, which information has already been provided your office. Both appeared to be gamblers. There is no indication that Kerin is acquainted with Harrison except the inference that he may be because of his close acquaintanceship with John Russell Moran.

Moran and Kerin have, at various times, resided at the Rianzi Hotel, Diversy Parkway, Chicago, and at the Shoreham Hotel, 3818 Sheridan Road, Chicago, Illinois. An informant has advised on several occasions that he has seen Kerin and Moran in the company of a man he believed to be identical with Harrison, although this office has never been able to verify this information.

There is no definite information in the file indicating that John R. Moran is in frequent communication with Harrison, although he is known to be a close friend of Harrison's and it is possible that Harrison may contact him on various occasions.

On July 29, 1935 Special Agent Hostetter of the St. Louis office advised that a Graham Paige coupe, bearing Florida license number D5089, which car was known to have been in the possession of William Kerin, was seen at St. Louis, Missouri. It was suggested that inasmuch as Harrison's home is at St. Louis, Missouri, that the occupants of this car be kept under surveillance during the time they are in St. Louis.

On July 30, 1935 the question as to the appropriate procedure to take in regard to covering Kerin and Moran was discussed with Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, who was visiting the Chicago office at the time. He suggested that the above mentioned car be kept under surveillance while at St. Louis but that Moran or Kerin should not be constantly followed while in Chicago inasmuch as these men would undoubtedly soon become aware that they were being followed and suggested that an occasional check be made to ascertain their whereabouts.

Pending further developments and a report from the St. Louis office, appropriate leads will be set out for your office in case it is believed advisable to take further investigative action in your district in regard to Moran and Kerin.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Cincinnati, Ohio

JAX FILE NO. 7-24

REPORT MADE AT: Jacksonville, Fla.	DATE WHEN MADE: 8/1/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 7/31/35	REPORT MADE BY: J. E. Talbot, Jr.
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, IO 1218-FUGITIVE; 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 1241; et al; <del>KIDNAPING OF EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM</del>			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: No record of William E. Meade sending telegram from Tampa, Florida, to Roy G. Booker, Atlanta, Georgia, at Western Union, Tampa. Negative results at Post-Office and Classified City Directory for 1934-35 for Tampa, and Police Department.</p> <p>P.</p> <p>REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent A. Hale Watkins, Atlanta, Georgia, dated July 26, 1935.</p> <p>DETAILS: At Tampa, Florida:</p> <p>C. W. Gray, Superintendent, Western Union Telegraph Company, 503 Twiggs Street, Tampa, Florida, and the writer searched all the records of that company of telegrams emanating from that office for the month of January, 1935, with negative results as to the location of telegram allegedly sent by William E. Meade to Roy G. Booker, Atlanta, Georgia.</p> <p>DETAILS: Miss Zela Stewart, Secretary to the Postmaster, Post Office, Tampa, Florida, after searching the records of that office, stated that there was no one by the name of William E. Meade receiving mail at that office during the period from December, 1934, to the present.</p> <p>Agent searched the Classified City Directory for the years 1934 and 1935, as to William E. Meade with negative results. H. V. Murrell, Identification Unit, Tampa Police Department advised that he has no record of Meade.</p>			
<p>PENDING</p> <p>DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>[Signature]</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE		7-576-6859
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Special Agent in Charge,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE  
I. O. #1218 et al.,  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.  
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES;  
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE;  
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent  
D. F. Sullivan, Chicago, Illinois, dated 7-29-35 and to page  
nine thereof which refers to the kidnaping of Thomas A. Gaynor.  
It is noted that [redacted] has stated that one Sheeney  
Alberts was involved in this kidnaping. b7c b7d

Reference is also made to the reports of Special  
Agent R. D. Brown, Chicago, Illinois dated November 12, 1934 and  
December 17, 1934, portions of which cover investigations looking  
towards the apprehension of subject, Russell Gibson, deceased.  
Special Agent S. K. McKee recalls conversations with informant

[redacted] in which [redacted] referred to one  
Sheeney Alberts. Alberts, according to [redacted] is a hoodlum and  
at the then present time operated a florist shop near Roosevelt  
Road on a street located several blocks East of Kedzie Avenue.  
In the event it is desirable to conduct investigation with reference  
to Alberts, reliable information concerning him can be obtained  
through informant [redacted]

This data is submitted for your information.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

CC Bureau.

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July 31, 1935.

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Alvin Karpis with aliases -  
Fugitive, I. O. 1218, et al.;  
Edward G. Bremer - Victim,  
Kidnaping.

A. Photostatic copy of Automobile Registration Certificate of the  
State of Kansas for Buick Serial No. 2685631 and Engine No. 2,850,161, and  
which bears the signature of Geo. E. Weaver.

Kansas City Bureau Office

July 29, 1935.

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The signature could have been written by Weaver but because of certain  
differences in inconspicuous characteristics the examiner believes that he  
probably did not do so.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

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 Bureau July 29, 1935.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

Enclosure: #589847.

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August 2, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

When Special Agent J. L. Madala reports to the Chicago Office for assignment, he should be assigned to the investigation looking to the location of the fugitive subjects in the Bremer Case, which investigation will be conducted under the supervision of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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U. S. Department of Justice

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

August 1, 1935

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

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting herewith three vouchers in  
favor of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] in connection with the case entitled  
Alvin Karpis, with aliases, et al; Edward George Bremer,  
Victim - Kidnaping.

Vouchers covering [REDACTED] submitted  
to the Bureau and payment of same subsequently made.  
[REDACTED] and the enclosed vouchers  
cover the balance [REDACTED] over same.

Very truly yours,

*R. Whitley*  
R. Whitley,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Post Office Box #812

Chicago, Illinois

July 29th, 1935

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

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting under separate cover by Railway Express on Government bill of lading J-70929, the original and one copy of which are enclosed herewith, three packages containing rolls of wall paper originally ordered for use in searching for a kidnaping hideout.

Inasmuch as this paper is no longer needed in the Chicago Bureau Office same is being forwarded to the Bureau in order that it will be available in connection with the training school work, as requested in your letter of July 24th, 1935.

Very truly yours,

*D. M. Ladd*  
D. M. LADD  
Special Agent in Charge

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Post Office Box 812  
Chicago Illinois

July 30, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

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. 1241; et al. EDWARD GEORGE  
BREMER - Victim. KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES;  
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Dear Sir:

Complying with the request contained in your letter dated July 24, 1935, I am attaching hereto, five copies of photographs of William J. Harrison and Alvin Karpis. Likewise, attached hereto, are four photostatic copies of the letter forwarded by your office to this office, dated July 3, 1934, signed J. A. Orhood, Vermilion, Ohio, which letter was written by William Weaver.

The following photostatic copies of the above mentioned Orhood letter are being forwarded herewith as follows:

- 3 - Bureau
- 5 - Cincinnati
- 3 - St. Paul
- 5 - Little Rock

The original of the above mentioned letter is herewith attached in order that it may be returned to the Dominion Bank at Maranora, Ontario, as suggested in your letter of July 24, 1935.

Very truly yours,

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D. M. LADD,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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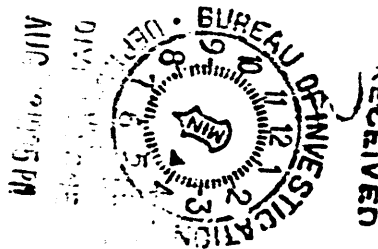
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Post Office Box 2118  
Detroit - Michigan  
July 31, 1936



Re: ALVIN KARPIS, wa, FUG. I.O. 1218;  
et al; EDWARD G. BREMER - Victim  
Kidnaping.

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

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a letter written  
by Dolores Delaney, an inmate of your institution,  
to her sister, Margaret Delaney.

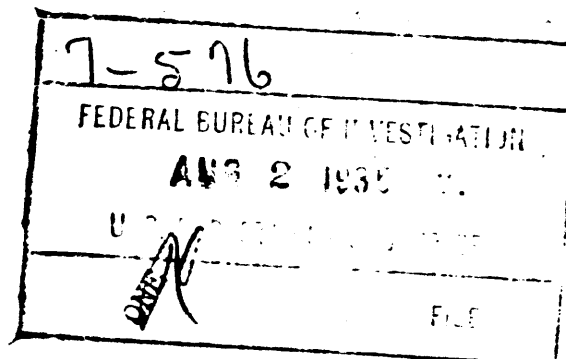
This letter has been scrutinized by this  
office very carefully and has been found to contain  
no information of value.

Thanking you for your cooperation in the  
matter, I am

Very truly yours,

D. L. Nicholson  
Special Agent in Charge

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1616 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK BUILDING  
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI  
AUGUST 3, 1935. W

F. G. Zerbst, Warden  
W. S. Penitentiary  
Leavenworth, Kansas.

Attn: K. T. Rawlings, Secretary.

Dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 30, 1935 enclosing two original letters from G. E. Barker, Joplin, Missouri, one addressed to Lloyd Barker and the other addressed to Arthur Barker.

Your cooperation in this case is very greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

E. F. CONROY  
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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In Re: <sup>0</sup>Alvin Karpis with aliases - Fug., I.O. 1218, et al  
~~Alvin Karpis with~~  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM  
KIDNAPING

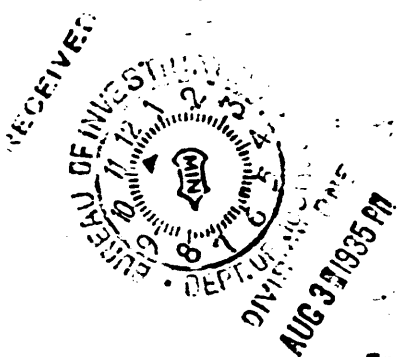
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Post Office Box 1887,  
Charlotte, N. C.



August 2, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Cincinnati, Ohio.

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:

Reference is made to letter dated July 31, 1935  
from the Cincinnati office to the Aberdeen, S. D. office,  
in the above entitled matter, relative to the circularizing  
of banks, a copy of which letter was forwarded to this  
office.

Please find attached hereto a mimeographed letter,  
dated July 22, 1935, which was directed to all banks  
in North and South Carolina.

Very truly yours,

G. H. LOWDON,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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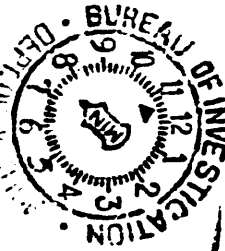
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Jacksonville, Florida.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
San Francisco, California.

Dear Sir:-

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

In reply to your letter of July 27, 1935, regarding the matter of Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Thomas being now located at San Francisco, California, and possibly having some information concerning the subjects in the above captioned case, you are advised that these persons have been fully and completely interrogated regarding their knowledge of these subjects by Bureau Agents in the State of Florida, and we feel that they have co-operated to the fullest extent in connection with our investigations.

There is no necessity for a surveillance of these people, or further questioning of them at this time. It will not be necessary, therefore, for the San Francisco Office to take any further action in this matter.

Very truly yours,

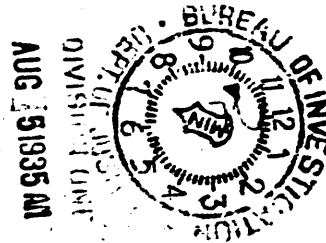
R. A. ALT,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

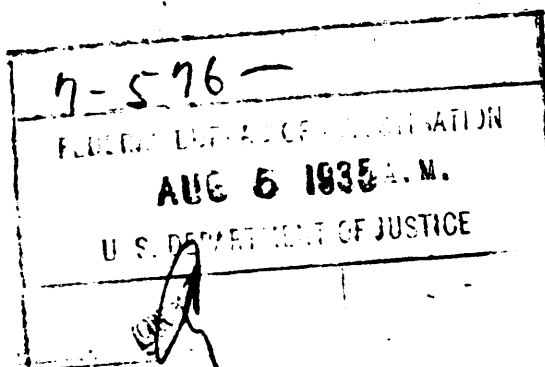
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I. O. #1218, ET AL.,  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER-VICTIM.  
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES;  
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE;  
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

With reference to your letter of July 30, 1935 addressed to the Aberdeen, South Dakota office, which refers to your letter of June 21, 1935 to the Director, concerning the \$1,000.00 bills possibly in the possession of Karpis, you are advised that all banks in this territory were circularized on June 27, 1935. No response has been received as yet indicating any information concerning the bills in question.

Very truly yours,

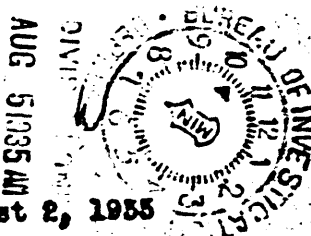
R. B. NATAN  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Post Office Box 812,  
Chicago, Illinois.

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August 2, 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.

Referring to your letter dated July 29, 1935, requesting a discreet investigation at 4028 Sheridan Road to ascertain the identity of the occupants of the second apartment at that address in connection with a return address on a letter delivered to Attorney John M. Egan of Dayton, Ohio, please be advised that it was ascertained that the above address is a rooming house. The apartment on the second floor of the above address was occupied by Martin Nielsen, who has the following roomers:

W. L. Knuth  
Thomas Ford  
Mrs. Grace Henry  
Mrs. Frances Reid

The carrier delivering mail to that address could not recall any of these parties corresponding with anyone at Dayton, Ohio. Investigation in the neighborhood and of the janitor failed to disclose any additional information other than that most of the persons residing in the above apartment had lived there for some time.

In view of the suggestion contained in your letter, no effort was made to interview these parties or anyone residing at the above address, and in view of the fact that the above is a rooming house, it was not deemed advisable to interview the owner, Mrs. Rosalie Heinsohn, 453 Wrightwood Avenue to ascertain the identity of the person contacting Attorney Egan. However, if the Cincinnati Office deems it advisable, such will be done if this Office is so instructed.

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St. Paul

Very truly yours,

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D. M. LADD, Special Agent in Charge	
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Special Agent in Charge, E.J. Connelley,  
Cincinnati, Ohio.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -  
FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218 et al,  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.  
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES;  
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE.  
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.  
Aberdeen File 7-8

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of July 30, 1935 with regard to your request of June 21, 1935 that this office circularize all banks in this district with regard to certain thousand dollar bills issued by the Atlanta Federal Reserve Bank; said thousand dollar bills containing certain specified serial numbers.

Please be advised that on June 25, 1935 this office circularized by letter, all banks in this district with regard to the above mentioned matter. To date, no information of value has been secured from any of the banks so circularized.

Very truly yours,

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION Special Agent in Charge AUG 5 1935 A.M. U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE FILE

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Post Office Box 4907,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

August 2, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Trenton, N.J.

Dear Sir:-

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

Please refer to the report of Special Agent J. R. Sharpe, dated at Philadelphia, Pa., 2-5-35, covering investigation in the above captioned matter at Atlantic City, N.J., during the month of January, 1935; especial attention is invited to pages 7 and 22 of this report, concerning the recovery of the Buick Sedan automobile, abandoned by Karpis at the Coast Garage.

There is in the process of preparation at the Jacksonville Office at the present time a summary report, and in connection with supporting certain counts in the indictment returned in the case, which is to be prosecuted at Miami, Florida, it will probably be necessary to produce witnesses who can identify Karpis as having placed this car in the Coast Garage, and also to testify as to an inspection of the car at the time of its recovery.

It would appear from the report above mentioned that three detectives of the Atlantic City, New Jersey, Police Department, whose given names are not shown, possibly inspected the car at the time it was located, and that also Special Agent H. O. Schroeder checked the motor and serial number.

From the information contained in this report it is not possible to definitely determine which of these witnesses would be the most suitable. I assume that a photograph of Karpis was displayed to employees at the Coast Garage for identification, but we do not seem to have any report bearing on this angle.

If there is available any report subsequent to that of Special Agent J.R. Sharpe, dated 2-5-35, which sets forth the desired data, kindly

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TO TRENTON OFFICE  
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supply same at once. Otherwise make suitable inquiry to determine the names and addresses of proper witnesses, and whether or not they have any notes available to support their testimony.

Copy of this letter is also being sent to the Philadelphia Office as it is not known at Jacksonville whether the Trenton Office has a complete file on this matter.

Kindly give this matter preferred attention.

Very truly yours,

R. A. ALT,  
Special Agent in Charge.

cc - Bureau ✓  
Cincinnati  
St. Paul  
Philadelphia

Jax 47-24

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

1616 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK BUILDING  
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI  
AUGUST 2, 1935.

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

Dear Sir:

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

7-576-6865

AUG 5 1935

With further reference to my letter dated July 3, 1935,  
transmitting correspondence of Lloyd Barker and Arthur Barker at  
the United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, please find  
enclosed the following:

Original letter addressed to Lloyd Barker,  
Leavenworth, Kansas, dated July 26, 1935,  
from G. E. Barker, Joplin, Missouri.

Original letter addressed to Arthur Barker,  
Leavenworth, Kansas, dated July 26, 1935,  
from G. E. Barker, Joplin, Missouri.

The enclosures should be examined at the Technical  
Laboratory, as suggested in my previous letter.

Copies of the enclosed letters are being attached for  
the Chicago, Cincinnati and St. Paul Offices, and a copy is being  
retained in the Kansas City file.

Very truly yours,

E. E. CONROY  
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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cc - Chicago; Cincinnati; St. Paul.

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Webb City, Missouri

July 26, 1935.

Lloyd Barker #17234

Dear Son:-

I received your letter glad to hear from you. It is hot here but I feel pretty good and keep busy. I take medicine all the time but go lots & enjoy myself. I am in Webb City today visiting the Dixons. I come over often & play with the bull pup. they make me feel at home. I hear all the radio ball games and there is a big park close to the camp in Joplin & I see the game there every few nites.

Hope your team is coming out on top. Write me all about it. I will be up one of these days.

Love Father

P.S. Lloyd:- I write for your father we love him so much he has been with us so long. He is well now but was so frail all winter but dont you worry about him. I take good care of him for he has a place in my heart. I am going to come up and bring him as soon as we can get off and when it is a little cooler & I hope to see you then "pop" washes dish & does all the time. I believe he feels at home here & he has so many friends. Everybody loves Mr. Barker.

Mrs. Dixon.

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Letter addressed to "Lloyd Barker, Box 7, Leavenworth, Kan.", return address "G. E. Barker, Box 724, Joplin, Mo.", postmarked Joplin, Mo. Jul 26, 1935, 12 30 PM.

COPY

Joplin Mo.  
July 26, 1935.

Arthur Barker

Dear Son:- I am getting along fairly well still under the Dr. care but able to go and try & enjoy myself. It is hot and dry here. In regard to the Chicago business we hope to get it all cleaned up in August the attorney will go about the middle of the month and see to everything there.

He is trying to make arrangements for me to see you I am so anxious to and will come as soon as I can. Write me often. Love,

Your Father.

-----  
Envelope addressed to "Arthur Barker, Box 7, Leavenworth, Kansas,"  
return address "Return to G. E. Barker, Joplin, Mo. Box 727",  
postmarked Joplin, Mo. Jul 26 1935 12:30.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

# 5403

Laboratory Report

Case: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE,  
I. O. #1218, ET AL  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim  
KIDNAPING

Number: 7-576-6865

Specimens:

- 7-576-6865 A. Original letter to Arthur Barker from his father, dated July 26, 1935,  
and beginning, "Dear Son:- I am getting along fairly well\*\*\*".  
" B. Envelope in which above letter was mailed to Arthur Barker, Leavenworth,  
Kansas, postmarked Joplin, Mo., Jul 26, 1935, 1230 PM.  
" C. Original letter dated July 26, 1935, beginning, "Lloyd Barker #17234  
Dear Son:- I received your letter\*\*\*".  
Examination requested by: Kansas City Bureau Office.

Date received: 8-7-35

Examination requested: Secret Writing.

Result of examination:

Examination by: Appel

- 7-576-6865 D. Second page of above letter (Specimen C.) signed Mrs. Dixon.  
" E. Envelope in which above letter was mailed to Lloyd Barker, Leavenworth,  
Kansas, postmarked Joplin, Mo., July 26, 1935, 1230 PM.

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August 13, 1935

Mr. E. E. Conroy,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
1616 Federal Reserve Bank Building,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the case entitled Alvin Karpis with aliases - Fugitive, I.O. 1218, et al.; Edward G. Bremer - Victim, Kidnaping.

The following original letters and envelopes which were submitted by your office under date of August 8, 1935 are returned herewith, photographic copies of same having been made for the completion of our files:

7-576-3863:

- A. Letter to Arthur Barker, dated Joplin, Missouri, July 26, 1935, beginning "Dear Son: - I am getting\*\*\*".
- B. Envelope addressed to Arthur Barker, Leavenworth, Kansas, Box 7.
- C. First page of letter to Lloyd Barker #17234, dated July 26, 1935, beginning "Dear Son: - I received\*\*\*".
- D. Second page of above letter beginning "P. S. Lloyd: - I write for your father\*\*\*".
- E. Envelope addressed to Lloyd Barker, Leavenworth, Kansas, Box 7.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

cc-Chicago  
Cincinnati  
St. Paul

Enclosure #589534

REGISTERED MAIL

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Mr. Tracy .....  
Miss Gandy .....

FBI SALT LAKE CITY

8-2-35

10-20 P

MRB

DIRECTOR

PHONE BREKID INFORMANT SALT LAKE CITY POSITIVELY IDENTIFIED PHOTOGRAPH  
OF HARRY CAMPBELL IO 1236 AS MAN WHO CONVERSED WITH HIM IN  
SALT LAKE CITY TODAY, RELATED HE WAS TRAVELLING FROM CLEVELAND OHIO  
TO SAN FRANCISCO VIA AUTOMOBILE. APPARENTLY LEFT SALT LAKE CITY ABOUT  
NOON GOING WEST. WAS WEARING STRIPED SHIRT OPEN AT THROAT, NO TIE,  
DUSTY GREY SUIT, DARK GREY HAT, WEARING GUN IN LEFT SHOULDER HOLSTER,  
APPARENTLY DRIVING ALONE. DESCRIPTION AND LICENSE NUMBER OF CAR UNKNOWN.  
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# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Cincinnati, Ohio

FILE NO. 7-30

REPORT MADE AT: <b>St. Paul, Minnesota</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>8-2-35</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>7-29-35</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>J. E. Brennan</b>
TITLE: <b>ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O.#1212; 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; SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O.#1241; ET AL. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>KIDNAPING - HARBORING OF FUGITIVES - OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT</b>
Synopsis of Facts: Persons alleged to have been implicated in kidnaping of THOMAS GAYNOR, with exception of ALLDERTON, are unknown to BRYAN BOLTON.			
REFERENCE: Bureau letter of July 17, 1935, and letter to Chicago Office dated July 23, 1935.			
DETAILS: Upon receipt of a copy of letter to the Bureau dated July 11, 1935, from the Chicago Office, BRYAN BOLTON was interviewed at the Ramsey County Jail, St. Paul, Minnesota, as to the identity of various persons alleged by [REDACTED] to have been implicated in the kidnaping of THOMAS GAYNOR in 1930. In this connection the identity of the informant was not disclosed to BOLTON; however, in the course of conversation he stated that he had heard of a person known as Conliff through ELMER FARMER, and from remarks made by FARMER, gathered the impression that the Conliff referred to was dead; [REDACTED] did not know anything about the KARPIS-BARKER gang. BOLTON stated that he had never heard of SHEENEY ALBERTS, GEE, HARRY, or JOE, or of the kidnaping of GAYNOR, though of course he knew ALLDERTON, but that ALLDERTON had never to his knowledge been involved in anything more than			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>H. E. Anderson</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	7-576-6867 AUG - 5 A.M. BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION ROUTED TO: [REDACTED] FILE		RECORDED AND INDEXED AUG 5 - 1935 CHECKED OFF: AUG 7 - 1935 JACKETED:
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bootlegging prior to the BREMER case. He stated that no person known as Conliff was ever a member of the Capone Syndicate, but that if he handled alcohol in Bensenville he undoubtedly bought it from DOO STACCI, who was the syndicate distributor in that locality, though not a member of the syndicate. He stated that there were thousands of bootleg joints, creep joints, snag joints, and the like doing business around Chicago, handling syndicate beer, alcohol, or by paying tribute to the syndicate but not members of it, and that FARMER operated one of these places; that the only syndicate member having business dealings in Bensenville was GEORGE ZIEGLER. b7c b7d

BOLTON is of the opinion that such acquaintance as [REDACTED] has with various women friends of the KARPIS-BARKER mob was gained during the trial at St. Paul, Minnesota, or subsequent thereto.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1  
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Cincinnati, Ohio

FILE NO. 7-33

REPORT MADE AT San Francisco, Calif.	DATE WHEN MADE 7/30/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 7/8, 26/35	REPORT MADE BY R. C. SURAN - MF
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, 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			

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Mr. C. R. O'Donnell, 956 Post Street, San Francisco, Cal., is and has been for the past 30 years an employee of the American Railway Express Co. No automobile registration in the State of California under the name of Norman C. Klinck. Stop notice removed against name of this individual.

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REFERENCE:

Telegram from El Paso Office dated July 1, 1935; letter from Los Angeles Office dated July 24, 1935; teletype messages from the Cleveland Office dated July 27, 1935.

DETAILS:

At San Francisco, California.

Special Agent V. E. Criss upon the receipt of the reference telegram from the El Paso Office, conducted an investigation to determine the identity of Mr. C. R. O'Donnell. Special Agent Criss consulted the San Francisco directories for several years back which reflected that Mr. C. R. O'Donnell, an employee of the American Rail-

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way Express Company, resided at 956 Post Street, San Francisco, California.

The manager of the apartment house at 956 Post Street, San Francisco, California, was interviewed by Special Agent Criss. The manager advised that Mr. Charlie O'Donnell resided in Apartment 301; that he was a man about 50 years of age and has been an employee and officer of the American Railway Express Company for approximately 30 years; that he is a man of the highest type and that his character is above reproach.

Upon receipt of a teletype message from the Cleveland Office dated July 27, 1935, advising that information had been received to the effect that subjects Karpis and Harrison were in possession of a 1935 Auburn Speedjaker Roadster registered in the name of Norman C. Klinck, 124 Rohr Avenue Buffalo, New York, Special Agent R. C. Suran immediately communicated with Miss Ruth Assalena, Sacramento, California, representative of the National Automobile Theft Bureau and inquired if there were any cars registered in the name of Norman C. Klinck at the California State Division of Motor Vehicles. Miss Ruth Assalena stated that the records did not disclose the name of Norman C. Klinck and she was requested to place a stop notice against this name and in the event any cars were registered against this name or attempt made to register same that the San Francisco Office be advised.

Upon the receipt of a subsequent teletype message from the Cleveland office advising that the above automobile had been located, a letter was addressed to Miss Assalena to remove the stop notice previously placed.

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# Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice  
1616 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK BUILDING  
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI  
AUGUST 3, 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

This office is in receipt of a letter from Edna Murray, register number 28973, Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Missouri, advising she wished to see a representative of the Bureau in that "she had changed her mind about some things".

Special Agent A. E. Farland, of this office, interviewed Edna Murray at the Penitentiary and was advised that if something could be done to reduce the time she will have to serve at the penitentiary she could render some assistance to the Bureau that would possibly be of value.

During a recent interview with Elmer Farmer at the United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, Farmer made the assertion that Edna Murray could possibly give information which would lead to the apprehension of William Weaver and Myrtle Eaton, in that he believes she knows the location of a farm on which he alleges Weaver and Myrtle Eaton are presently living. Farmer also stated that Edna Murray possibly knows the location of the place where the body of John Hamilton is alleged to be buried.

It is my belief that W. W. Graves, Prosecuting Attorney, Jackson County, Missouri, from which county Edna Murray was sentenced, would be willing to cooperate in reducing her sentence in the event she gave valuable information to this Bureau which would lead to the apprehension of some of the remaining fugitives in this case.

It is respectfully requested that the Bureau advise the Kansas City Office regarding the above.

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Very truly yours,

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of the Bureau - if the penitentiary  
gives information products of  
the Bureau will inform state authorities  
as 8/10/35*

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7-576-6869

August 10, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

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

Dear Sir:

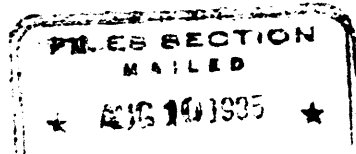
This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 3, 1935, setting forth the results of an interview had with Edna Murray at the Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Missouri, wherein she advised that if arrangements could be made to obtain her early release from the penitentiary, she would furnish information of value to the Bureau.

The Bureau cannot, of course, bargain with prisoners incarcerated in penitentiaries, but can inform the prisoner that any assistance rendered this Bureau will be brought to the attention of the appropriate penitentiary officials for whatever action they care to take in the premises. No representative of the Bureau is authorized to make any overtures to prisoners in order to obtain information concerning cases under investigation by the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

CC - Cincinnati  
Chicago  
St. Paul



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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box #2344,  
Boston, Mass.

August 3, 1935.

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

Dear Sir:

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

Reference is made to your letter of July 29th, 1935,  
transmitting an anonymous communication dated at Boston, Mass.,  
July 18, 1930, and received in the Bureau on July 20th. This  
communication sets forth information concerning Elmer Keade and  
other confidence men.

A preliminary investigation shows that Fred Farrell,  
alias Fred Flower, residing at 24 Jordan Road, Brookline, Mass.,  
has apparently a large income but no known business. He travels  
a great deal and has represented himself on several occasions  
as importer or foreign representative for a European paint concern.  
It is believed possible that this may be the "Fred" mentioned in  
the report of Special Agent P. M. Plunkett at Boston dated 7-20-35  
at Page 11.

It is, therefore, requested that the Bureau search its  
files for whatever information may be contained in them with refer-  
ence to the parties named in the anonymous communication.

Very truly yours,

*C. D. McKean*  
H.A.B.

C. D. McKEAN  
Special Agent in Charge

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
FROM: DIVISION #1 & DIVISION #2

8-6-1935.

TO: Director  
Mr. Nathan  
Mr. Tolson  
Mr. Edwards  
Mr. Quinn  
Mr. Tamm

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Any record on Fred Farrell also

Fred Fowler ?

18 IN FILE  
INCLUDING INITIALS

NOTE IN FILE  
DATE NAME: 8/6/35

R. NEWBY

Supervisor.

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1  
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

MILWAUKEE

FILE NO. 7-2

REPORT MADE AT Milwaukee, Wisconsin	DATE WHEN MADE 8/1/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 7/13, 15, 25/35	REPORT MADE BY T. G. MELVIN TGM:OW
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 J. 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.			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Patsy and Chubby, whose true names are Maxine Cooley and Francis Downes, respectively, deny knowing Volney Davis or having seen any other subjects in this case who are still at large. Walley is a local taxi driver at Madison, Wisconsin.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- P -</p> <p>REFERENCE: Letter from Cincinnati Office dated 6-21-35; report of Special Agent D. S. Hostetter, dated at St. Louis, Missouri 6-11-35.</p> <p>DETAILS: AT MADISON, WISCONSIN.</p> <p>Agent interviewed Chief of Police William H. McCormick, who stated that he knew a prostitute in Madison by the name of "Chubby", but that he did not know her true name. He also stated that he did not know a prostitute named "Patsy". He suggested that Agent interview Captain of Detectives Leo J. Kinney.</p> <p>Agent interviewed Captain of Detectives Leo J. Kinney who, after referring to his records, stated that Chubby was picked up by the Madison Police several months ago, and when it was found she was suffering from a venereal disease, she was ordered to leave town. He stated that Chubby's real name was Francis Downes, and that she was recently released from the State Prison for Women at Taycheedah, Wisconsin; that she is part Cherokee Indian, and is described as follows:</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>V. W. Peterson</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE		DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES	
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Age	21 years
Height	5' 4"
Weight	140 lbs.
Eyes	brown
Hair	black
Complexion	ruddy

Captain of Detectives Leo J. Kinney and the writer ascertained there was no such address as 304 $\frac{1}{2}$  West Wilson Street, Madison, Wisconsin, but ascertained that an ex-convict named Paul Waller resided at 304 $\frac{1}{2}$  East Wilson Street. He was interviewed by Agent and stated that Patsy, whose correct name is Maxine Cooley, and Chubby resided at his place for several days a month or two ago; that as soon as he ascertained that they were prostitutes, he directed them to leave, and believed they were residing in some house on Blount Street.

Inquiry was made by Agent and Captain Kinney on Blount Street, and it was ascertained that Maxine Cooley and Francis Downes were residing at the home of Harry Dalton, 108 North Blount Street, but inquiry at this address disclosed that the girls effects were still in their room, but that they had not been seen for some time.

Numerous resorts in Madison were visited by Agent and Captain Kinney in an effort to locate Maxine Cooley and Francis Downes, and an order was issued to the police to bring Maxine Cooley and Francis Downes to the police station for questioning if they were located in Madison.

On July 13, 1935 Maxine Cooley was brought to Police Headquarters by Patrolman Frank Ingram in response to the alarm, but Francis Downes, who was with Maxine Cooley, ran when she saw the officer approaching. It was ascertained that Francis Downes was paroled to Mrs. George Hiller, who resides at Edgerton, Wisconsin.

Maxine Cooley was interviewed by Agent and a photograph of Volney Davis was exhibited to her. She stated that she did not know Volney Davis, and claimed that she did not know the identity of Walley, who was supposed to have picked up these two girls in a 1935 Ford V-8 Coupe. Maxine Cooley was also shown photographs of the other members of this gang who are still at large, and she claimed that she had never seen any of them.

Maxine Cooley advised that her home was formerly in Boscobel, Wisconsin, but that she had been in Madison for several months and was acquainted with Don Martin, who sold tickets at the

fortune teller's stand at the Sols-Liberty Carnival. She stated that she had not stayed with any man for two nights in recent months, and that she had not made any engagement to meet anyone at Galesburg, Illinois.

Maxine Cooley is described as follows:

Age	21 years
Height	5' 5"
Weight	116 lbs.
Complexion	medium
Hair	medium brown

AT EDGERTON, WISCONSIN.

Agent located Francis Downes at the home of Mrs. George Hiller, three miles south of Edgerton, Wisconsin, and she admitted that she had been friendly with Maxine Cooley for some months. A photograph of Volney Davis was exhibited to her and she stated that she had never seen this individual. Photographs of the other members of this gang still at large were exhibited to Francis Downes, but she stated that she had never seen any of them anywhere. She advised that she is originally from Kentucky and with Maxine Cooley, who is known as Fatsy, she had been engaged in prostitution at Madison, Wisconsin; that their usual method of operation was to have a taxi driver pick them up and take them to various hotels and houses of ill fame in Madison.

Francis Downes stated that "Walley" was a taxi driver and was one of those who took Maxine Cooley and herself to the various places; that she did not know Walley's last name and did not recall the incident when he picked them up in a 1935 Ford V-8 Coupe, referred to in the report of reference. She described Walley as being over six feet in height, and weighing about 185 pounds.

Francis Downes advised further that she left Madison when she saw the police officers take Maxine Cooley into custody as she had been told by the Madison Police to get out of town and stay out of town; that she knew of no one answering the description of Volney Davis and that as far as she knows, Fatsy never made an engagement to meet anyone at Galesburg, Illinois.

Francis Downes advised further that Maxine Cooley and her mother had both been inmates of houses of ill fame in Dane County, Wisconsin.

In accordance with the request contained in the letter of reference, all banks in the State of Wisconsin have been circularized for the purpose of securing information relative to the thousand dollar bills issued by the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, Georgia, which might be in the possession of Karpis and Campbell. As soon as replies have been received from all banks, a report will be submitted thereon.

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# WESTERN UNION

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J E HOOVER  
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PLEASE FORWARD AIR MAIL PHOTOGRAPH WILLIAM ET MEADE WANTED  
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*Edward J. Bremer*

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Mr. E. J. Hickey,  
County Detective,  
Hartford, Connecticut.

Dear Mr. Hickey:

Reference is made to your telegram of August 2, 1935, and in compliance with your request therein, I am pleased to transmit herewith two copies of the photograph of William E. Meade, alias Charles E. Carter, our file #FBI-271926.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

AIR MAIL.

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August 2, 1935

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Aberdeen, South Dakota.

AND  
ALL FIELD OFFICES

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Fugitive,  
I. O. 1218, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER -  
VICTIM: KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

The Bureau has given consideration to the matter of offering rewards for information leading to the location and apprehension of the remaining fugitives in the above entitled case, and has decided that a sum not to exceed \$2,500 will be paid for information leading to the apprehension of Alvin Karpis. The sum of \$1,000 will be paid for information leading to the apprehension of Harry Campbell, the same amount will be paid for information leading to the apprehension of William Weaver, and \$500 for William Harrison, Dr. Joseph P. Moran, and Myrtle Eaton, respectively.

Any arrangement made with confidential informants should include the restriction that the information must be furnished exclusively to this Bureau in order to obtain the rewards offered. In dealing with informants, you should endeavor to obtain the information for less than the amounts indicated above, which amounts are the maximum amounts set by the Bureau at the present time.

This matter should receive your personal attention.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Glavin

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Fugitive,  
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Very truly yours,

*J. E. Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

August 2, 1935

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Egan

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Fugitive,  
I. O. 1218, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER  
VICTIM: KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

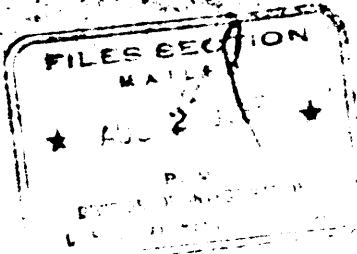
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Director.





August 2, 1935.

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Special Agent in Charge

Attention: Mr. Weeks

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,  
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August 2, 1935.

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Joseph

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Fugitive,  
I. O. 1218, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER  
VICTIM: KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

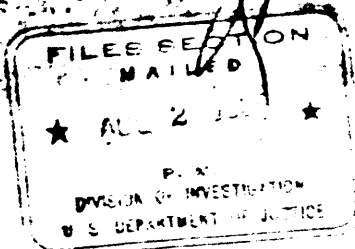
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Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.



August 2, 1935.

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Egan

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, fugitive;  
I. O. 1218, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER  
VICTIM: KIDNAPING.

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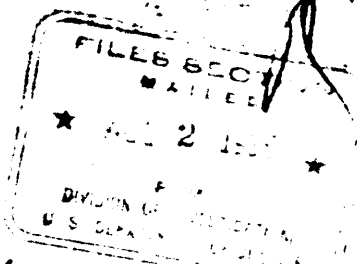
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John Edgar Hoover,  
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August 2, 1935.

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Nathan

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Fugitive,  
I. O. 1218, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER  
VICTIM: KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

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John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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August 2, 1935.

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

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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John Edgar Hoover,  
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August 2, 1935.

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Ladd

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Fugitive,  
I. O. 1218, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER  
VICTIM: KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

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Director.

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PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Frank

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Fugitive,  
I. O. 1218, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER  
VICTIM: KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE



August 2, 1935.

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Blackburn

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Fugitive,  
I. O. 1218, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER  
VICTIM: KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

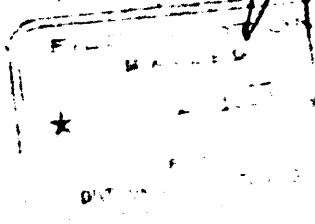
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John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.





August 2, 1935.

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Special Agent in Charge

Attention: Mr. Crowl

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Fugitive,  
I. O. 1218, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER  
VICTIM: KIDNAPING.

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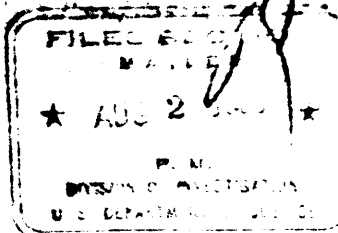
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Director.



August 2, 1935.

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. L. R. Richmond

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Fugitive.  
I. O. 1218, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER  
VICTIM: KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

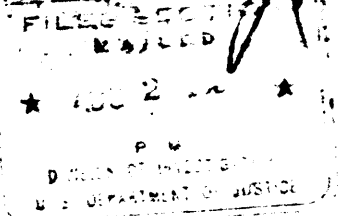
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John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.



August 2, 1935.

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Coffey  
 Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Fugitive.  
 I. O. 1218, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER  
 VICTIM: KIDNAPING.

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PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. E. L. Richmond

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, fugitive,  
I. O. 1218, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER  
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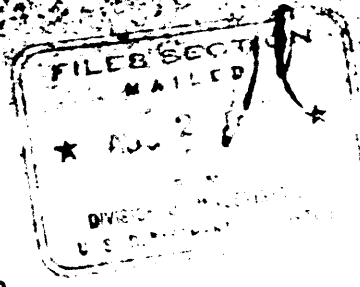
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John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.



August 2, 1935.

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Clegg

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Fugitive,  
I. O. 1218, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER  
VICTIM: KIDNAPING.

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August 2, 1935.

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Special Agent in Charge:

Attention: Mr. Foxworth

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, fugitive,  
I. O. 1218, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER  
VICTIM: KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

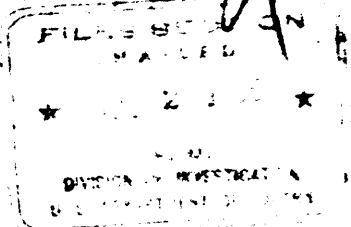
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John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.



August 2, 1935.

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Thompson

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Fugitive,  
I. O. 1218, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER  
VICTIM: KIDNAPING.

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PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Appel

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Fugitive,  
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VICTIM: KIDNAPING.

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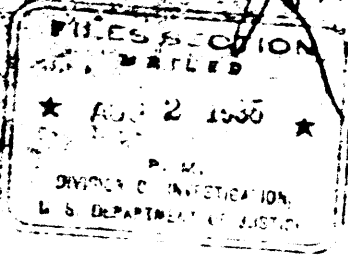
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August 2, 1935.

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Abbaticchio

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Fugitive,  
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VICTIM: KIDNAPING.

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August 2, 1935.

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Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Quinn

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Fugitive,  
I. O. 1218, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER  
VICTIM: KIDNAPING.

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Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. [redacted]

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, fugitive,  
I. O. 1218, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER  
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Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Rosen

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, fugitive,  
I. O. 1218, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER  
VICTIM: KIDNAPING.

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John Edgar Hoover,  
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August 2, 1935

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Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Grimsdell

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Fugitive,  
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VICTIM: KIDNAPING.

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John Edgar Hoover,  
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PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Keith

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, fugitive,  
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VICTIM: KIDNAPING.

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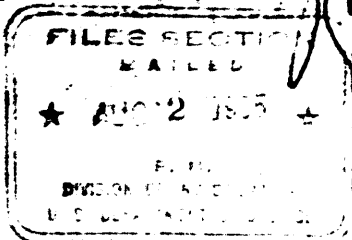
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August 2, 1935.

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Tracy

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Fugitive,  
I. O. 1216, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER  
VICTIM: KIDNAPING.

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August 2, 1935.

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Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Reynolds

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Fugitive,  
I. O. 1218, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER  
VICTIM: KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir,

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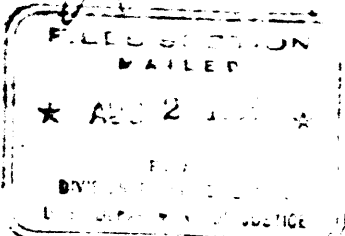
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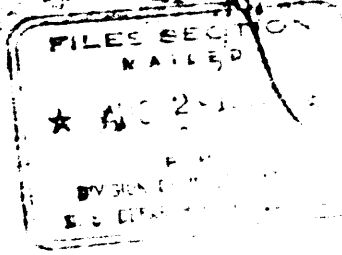
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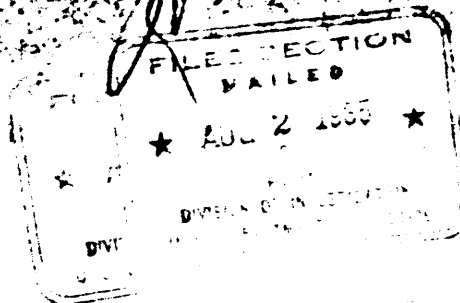
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Special Agent in Charge.

Attention: Mr. Schmidt

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Fugitive,  
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VICTIM: KIDNAPING.

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Special Agent in Charge.

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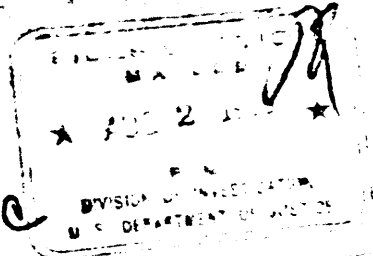
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Attention: Mr. McGarragh

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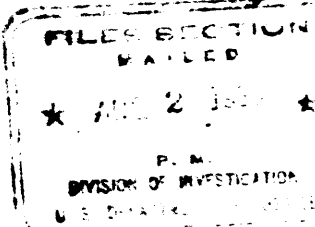
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Attention: Mr. Lester

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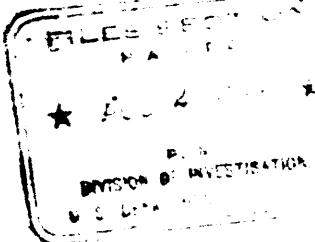
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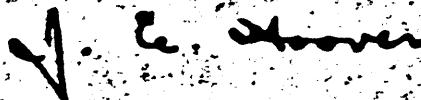
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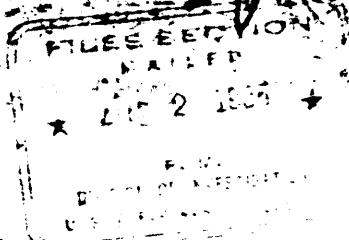
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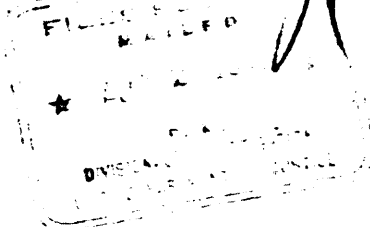
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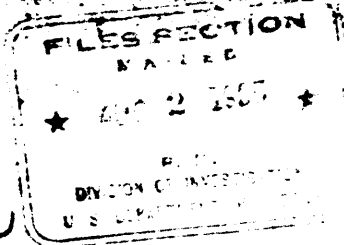
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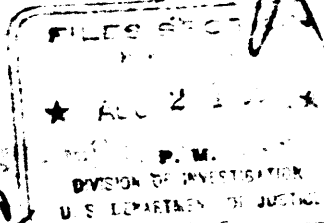
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RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, Fugitive, I.O. #1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. #1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. #1236; WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O. #1238; WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. #1239; MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O. #1241; et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim - KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

As a result of this conference the opinion was expressed by Mr. Skultety that due to the absence of any definite identification of Doyle by employees of the First National Bank of Fairbury, Nebraska, and other witnesses to the said bank robbery, that a successful prosecution could not be initiated and completed solely upon the basis of the written statement of Doyle as contained in the report of Special Agent R. P. Shanahan dated at Kansas City, Missouri, 2/21/35. Mr. Skultety stated that numerous statements had been obtained from employees of the First National Bank of Fairbury and other witnesses, but that the same indicate only the presence of individuals other than Doyle as being participants in the above robbery such as Frank Nash, Earl Christman, Doc Barker, Alvin Karpis. However, no information is in the County Attorney's possession indicating that any identification of Jess Doyle could be made in the event he was tried on this matter.

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The further opinion was expressed by Mr. Skultety that an interview by Agents of the Bureau with Volney Davis, now incarcerated at the United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, might be productive of beneficial information so that more light could be cast upon the modus operandi of this robbery. In this way Mr. Skultety believes information may be obtained from Davis which can in turn be placed before the employees of the bank and other witnesses resulting in a possible identification of Jess Doyle. Consequently, it is requested of the Bureau at this time if the same be deemed advisable that an interview by Agents entirely familiar with the subjects of the above entitled case and all their associates be had with Volney Davis at the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas. OK

It has also been requested by Mr. Skultety that he be furnished with photographs and complete physical descriptions of the following:

Eddie Green, Earl Christman and Clyde Nemerick. OK

The Agents who were present at this interview with Mr. Skultety were also requested to provide the County Attorney's office at Fairbury, Nebraska, with the information contained in the report of Special Agent J. R. Green and R. E. Smith, dated at Omaha, Nebraska, 9/21/34. It will be noted by reference to this report that thorough inquiries among the employees of the First National Bank of Fairbury, Nebraska, and other witnesses to the robbery of that institution, were made in September of 1934 and are set out therein. Consequently, the permission of the Bureau is being requested at this time to supply Mr. George A. Skultety with a copy of the above information set out in memorandum form. OK

It should be noted that from the conference held on the above date that Mr. Skultety is extremely desirous of prosecuting Doyle in this matter, but is loath to proceed unless at least one identifying witness can be found so that corroboration of Doyle's statement can be effected.

Very truly yours,

  
D. M. LADD,  
Special Agent in Charge

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August 10, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. EDWARDS

In compliance with the request of Mr. Newby, I am transmitting herewith nine copies each of abstracts of criminal records, with descriptions, and photographs as appearing in the files of the Identification Division of Earl J. Christman, our file #FBI-24054, Edward Green, our file #FBI-73524, and Clyde Nimerick, our file #FBI-77961.

Respectfully,

*L. C. Schilder*

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August 2, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley has been designated to supervise investigation in all districts being conducted for the purpose of locating Alvin Karpis and other fugitives in the Bremer Case, and it is desired that Special Agents R. D. Brown and C. E. Smith be assigned to work exclusively upon this case under Mr. Connelley's direction, and in whatever section of the country Mr. Connelley designates.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

cc Chicago

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503-A U.S. Court House & P.O. Bldg.  
Salt Lake City, Utah  
August 2, 1935

Special Agent in Charge  
Phoenix, Arizona

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
I.O. 1218 - FUGITIVE, et al.  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim  
S.L. File 7-27

Dear Sir:

The files of this office reflect that at the time of Special Agent E. Sandberg's departure from this office for Phoenix, Arizona, he had in his possession one photograph each of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, approximately 8 1/2 x 10".

Please instruct Agent Sandberg to return these photographs to the Salt Lake City Bureau office in order that the files may be complete at this office.

Very truly yours,

LDW:MRB

CC:Bureau ✓

LOUIS D. WINE  
Acting Special Agent in Charge

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1216 Smith Young Tower  
San Antonio, Texas.  
August 3, 1935.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases FUGITIVE;  
I. O. #1218 et al;  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim  
Kidnaping; Harboring of Fugitives;  
Obstructing of Justice  
National Firearms Act

Referring to your letter of July 30, 1935, addressed to the Special Agent in Charge, Aberdeen, South Dakota, in connection with the above entitled case, you are advised that on June 24, 1935, this office circularized all banks, national, members of Federal Reserve, and State Banks who are non-members of the Federal Reserve, furnishing them description of the \$1,000.00 bills issued by the Atlanta Federal Reserve Bank numbers F00022451A to and including F00022500A.

Very truly yours,

Gus T. Jones,  
Special Agent in Charge.

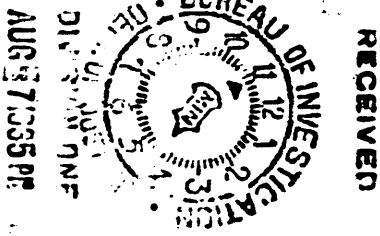
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1300 Liberty Trust Building,  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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August 6, 1935.



Special Agent in Charge,  
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218, et al.  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.  
KIDNAPING, HARBORING OF FUGITIVE;  
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE. NATIONAL FIRE ARMS ACT.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to letter dated July 30, 1935, requesting to be advised if the banks in this district have been circularized, as requested by letter under date of June 21, 1935, with the numbers on \$1,000 bills issued by the Atlanta Federal Reserve Bank beginning with #F 000 22451 A and ending with #F 000 22500 A, for the purpose of securing information as to the location of these bills and having stop orders placed against them at the various banks.

Please be advised that under date of June 27, 1935, all banks in the Eastern and Middle Districts of Pennsylvania and the States of New Jersey and Delaware were circularized and in most instances negative answers were received. However, in all cases stop orders were placed and the Philadelphia Office will be notified in the event any of these bills appear.

Very truly yours,

R. G. HARVEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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603A U.S. Court House & P.O. Bldg.,  
Salt Lake City, Utah.  
August 2, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Cincinnati, Ohio.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -  
FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218 et al.,  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.  
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES;  
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE.  
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT. S.L. File 7-27.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of July 30, 1935,  
relative to the circularization of banks for the purpose of securing  
information relating to the location of a number of \$1,000.00 bills.

For your information the banks in the States of Utah and  
Nevada, were circularized by the Salt Lake City Bureau office on  
June 25, 1935.

Very truly yours,

LOUIS D. WINE,  
Acting Special Agent in Charge.

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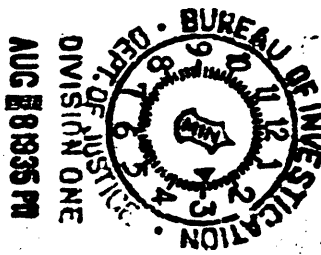
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629 First National Bank Building  
Omaha, Nebraska



August 3, 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; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES;  
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE;  
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Reference is made to your letter dated July 30, 1935 in which you request that you be advised as to whether all banks covered by this Bureau office have been circularized and requested to be on the watch for \$1,000.00 bills issued by the Atlanta Federal Reserve Bank beginning with No. F00022451A and ending with F00022500A. This is to advise you that on June 28, 1935 a circular letter was prepared and sent to all banks in the States of Nebraska and Iowa in accordance with the instructions contained in the letter from your office under date of June 21, 1935.

Very truly yours,

JOHN A. DOWD,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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See Attached Sheet

Omaha Bureau Office

July 29, 1935

Fingerprint - Chemical

E.R. Donaldson *ERD*

The contents of the one ounce glass bottle was analyzed and found  
to be zinc sulphate crystals.

A report on the fingerprint examination will be submitted separately.

The bottle is being returned under separate cover to the Omaha Bureau  
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**SPECIMENS:**

One pamphlet entitled "Key to Gilbertson System - 1935".  
One Spalding Spring and Summer 1935 catalogue.  
One Hearst's International Cosmopolitan, June 1935.  
One Picture Play Magazine, July 1935.  
One Breezy Stories Magazine, July 1935.  
One Hearst's International Cosmopolitan, June 1935.  
One Clue Detective Stories Magazine, May 1935.  
One Real Detective Magazine, May 1935.  
One pair of lady's black slippers.  
Three small tins of McKesson's Impalpable Boracic Acid.  
One small bottle containing white crystals.  
One set of the fingerprints of Sol Goldenson for elimination purposes.  
One set of the fingerprints of E. O. Hinehart for elimination purposes.  
One set of the fingerprint of Myrtle Carrish for elimination purposes.

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August 2, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,  
Omaha, Nebraska.

Re: Alvin Karpis with aliases -  
Fugitive, I.O. 1216, 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 Bureau July 29, 1935.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

Enclosure: #589299

cc-Chicago  
Cincinnati  
St. Paul

H. J. E. R.  
R. E. R.



BARTHOLOMEW BRESNAHAN  
CHIEF

OFFICE OF  
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Miss Gandy

Mr J E Hoover  
Dept of Justice  
Washington D C.

Dear Sir

I regret very much the newspaper controversy in regards to the Carter or Mead case and being on vacation from which I am returning will be glad to take up the matter direct with you. In the first place we had no way of knowing who this man was, and in the second place one of your men was at the Jail when this man was bailed out if he knew who he was why did he not arrest him as we were holding this on an order from the Court and he was entitled to bail under our law. To show you how close those cases are watched in Courts. Sergt Kelly and and myself have been ordered by the Springfield Court to appear there the First Monday in Sept in an action of Tort for refusing to turn over car that was left here by Carter when he left here as it was claimed that sold the car to Atty James P Mahoney of Springfield who was the Attorney that furnished the \$200 bail for this man. We will return this man his car any time he calls for it but we have not delivered it to his agent. I regret as much as you do the outcome of this case but cant see what we could have done to hold him.

PS I am not a finger print expert and all I had to do was send them to your Office from which we have always received valuable assistance.

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U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

July 31, 1935.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. EDWARDS.

Reference is made to the request of Mr. Tolson that a complete history memorandum be submitted in the case of C. D. Hubbard, who was arrested by the Police Department, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, #27965, on July 9, 1935, for violation U. S. Internal Revenue Laws, and whose residence is given as Burlington, Wisconsin.

Our file #FBI-25198 discloses that C. D. Hubbard is identical with "Doc" Eaton. There are transmitted herewith copies of the complete criminal record of this individual as appearing in the files of the Identification Division.

It is noted that as Clarence Eaton, this individual was received at the State Prison, Stillwater, Minnesota, on May 13, 1926; charge, entering a banking room with intent to commit a felony; sentence, life. No information is contained in our files as to when this subject was paroled.

When Eaton's fingerprints were received in the Bureau from the Police Department, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, reflecting his arrest on July 9, 1935, for violation U. S. Internal Revenue Laws, a wanted notice was located in his file to the effect that he was wanted for murder by the Sheriff at Ottumwa, Iowa. A wire was dispatched to the authorities at Milwaukee on July 10, 1935 advising that Eaton was wanted for murder. A wire was received in the Bureau from the Sheriff's Office on July 11, 1935, (Ottumwa, Iowa), advising that they had no case against Eaton as the witness was killed and no cooperative evidence was in their possession.

"Doc" Eaton, alias C. D. Hubbard, was the husband of Myrtle Eaton, wanted for questioning in the Bremer kidnaping case, and it is believed that a review of the Bureau's file on this subject will disclose additional information.

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Respectfully,

L. C. Schilder.

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# **Liquor Prisoner Once Wanted in Murder**

C. D. Hubbard, 39, of Burlington, Wis. who was arrested by alcohol tax unit agents in Milwaukee Tuesday night, was arraigned before United States Commissioner Floyd E. Jenkins Wednesday on charges of internal revenue law violations. The case was continued to July 18. According to Lane Maloney, chief enforcement officer, Hubbard is involved in liquor law charges in Racine and Kenosha counties.

Hubbard was taken to the police bureau of identification where a notice was found that he was wanted at Ottumwa, Iowa, on a murder charge. Police wired Des Moines authorities Tuesday night and learned that as the main witnesses have since died, the murder charge has been dropped. The notice was dated 1932.

In 1926 Hubbard was sentenced to life imprisonment at Stillwater, Minn., for a bank robbery, but he was pardoned in May, 1931, the records show.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CINCINNATI, OHIO.

FILE NO. 7-27

REPORT MADE AT Salt Lake City, Utah.	DATE WHEN MADE 8-3-35.	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 8-2-35.	REPORT MADE BY C.S. DUGGAN - C.J.
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236, et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:** Informant advised agent that he had seen and conversed with Harry Campbell, August 2, 1935, in shoe shining parlor, Salt Lake City. Stated he was on his way to San Francisco from Cleveland, via automobile. Bureau, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Cincinnati and Agent McLaughlin at Reno, advised.

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**DETAILS:**

One Michael Madgen, shoe shiner in the Independent Shoe Shining Parlor, South of 1st South, on the East side of Main Street, Salt Lake City, Utah, advised agent during the course of casual conversation that one of the Karpis-Barker mob had been in his shop that day; that he knew this person was Harry Campbell from photographs of Campbell which he previously had been supplied with by the Institute of Applied Science, Chicago, Illinois. Madgen has been pursuing a correspondence course of the institute for some time. Agent secured photographs of the Karpis-Barker gang from the Salt Lake City Bureau office, and displayed them to informant. He positively identified the photograph of Harry Campbell with aliases, Subject of I.O. 1236, as being a person who came into his shop at approximately 11 A.M. August 2, 1935. He was wearing a striped shirt, open at the throat, no tie, a dusty gray suit, a dark gray hat, and a gun and shoulder holster under the left arm. He was apparently alone, and stated that he had been driving from Cleveland, Ohio, and was proceeding to San Francisco, California, where he intended to meet friends. This information was given agent at approximately 8 P.M. August 2, 1935.

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Acting Special Agent in Charge L.D. Wine was notified, the Bureau was notified by teletype, the Los Angeles and San Francisco offices and Agent McLaughlin at Reno were notified by telephone, and Special Agent in Charge Connelley at Cincinnati was notified by telegram. The information to the San Francisco office was given to Mr. Mott. The information to the Los Angeles office was given to Mr. Stewart.

It will be noted from Identification Order No. 1236, that Harry Campbell is reported to have a brother Clell Campbell, residing at Long Beach, California.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

SALT LAKE CITY OFFICE: At RENO, NEVADA. Efforts are being made to locate Subject Harry Campbell by Special Agent J.T. McLaughlin, and will endeavor to identify his automobile from the records of the California-Nevada checking station near Reno, Nevada.

LOS ANGELES OFFICE:  
SAN FRANCISCO OFFICE:

Will note the contents of this report and be on the alert for the appearance of Harry Campbell, should he appear there.

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FORM NO. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

Cincinnati, Ohio

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REPORT MADE AT: Oklahoma City, Okla.	DATE WHEN MADE: 8-2-35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 7-14 to 24-35	REPORT MADE BY: Paul Hansen
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I. O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I. O. 1236; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. 1237; WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I. O. 1238; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I. O. 1239; HARRY SAWYER, with aliases, I. O. 1240; MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I. O. 1241; OLIVER A. BERG, with aliases, FUGITIVE, ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Identity of person who called to see Wynona Burdette at Arondale, Oklahoma, not ascertained to date. Additional contacts made with former associates of Campbell and Karpis at South Coffeyville, Ponca City, Skiatook and Tulsa, Oklahoma. Campbell and one other man, probably Karpis stopped at a filling station in South Coffeyville, Oklahoma, about the first of May of this year, purchased gasoline, then apparently drove north, without making any particular inquiries. They were driving a 1935 model Ford V-8 Coupe but the license tag was not ascertained. No other additional information obtained concerning activities of subjects in this case in the Oklahoma City district.

## DETAILS

REFERENCE: Reports of Special Agent Paul Hansen, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, 5/31/35 and 6/17/35 and 7/8/35; report of Special Agent S. L. Fortenberry, Detroit, Michigan, 6/27/35, and letter from the Cincinnati Office, dated July 3, 1935.

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DETAILS: In a further effort to ascertain the identity of the person who called to see Wynona Burdette at the home of her sister, Mrs. Wilson, at Arondale, Oklahoma, Henry Daniels was again interviewed at Skiatook, Oklahoma. He advised that Jack Ivey, Jr., a part Osage Indian, had told him that Ray Roberson (not Ray Roberts as previously referred to) and another unknown man from Claremore, Oklahoma, had given Ivey a ride from Skiatook to his farm, about six or seven miles southwest of Skiatook, when they were on their way to Hominy, Oklahoma, which is near Arondale, about the time Wynona left Ponca City the last time with Harry Campbell. Daniels said that he had been unable to secure any further information regarding the identity of who this alleged contact for Harry Campbell might be.

Ivey stated that he is positive that Roberson gave him this ride in January, 1935 and he positively fixes this approximate date by certain high school terms that he has in mind and that therefore, would be at a later date than the date in question, which was probably in November or the first part of December, 1934.

Ray Roberson, a squaw man and part Osage Indian, is presently living in Skiatook, Oklahoma, with an Osage Indian woman by the name of Marsh. Roberson agrees fairly well with the description of the person who called at the Wilson home to see Wynona the night she left with Campbell.

Roberson was interviewed by the writer and stated that he was acquainted with Campbell; that he had kept company with Wynona's sister, Jimmy, two or three years ago and that he and Jimmy and Harry and Wynona had done a lot of drinking together; that he first met Campbell at the Jones home near Turley, Oklahoma; that "Dopey" Rogers, a younger brother of Cliff Roberts of Skiatook, also part Osage Indian, was in this drinking party a couple of times. It might be stated here that this Rogers is now incarcerated in the Federal Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, and has been interviewed previously by agents of the Oklahoma City Office and is regarded as being solely unreliable, due especially to the fact that he is a habitual drunkard.

Roberson said that he had received no direct word of Harry Campbell for approximately two years. He said that he believes the two best contacts Harry Campbell has in Oklahoma are Cliff Rogers of Skiatook, and George ("Burr Head") Keady, of Tulsa, Oklahoma. Roberson asked concerning the amount the Government would pay for information leading to the apprehension of Campbell and Karpis and he was told that the Bureau would pay \$1,000.00 each for that information. He said that he has no idea that Campbell will try to get in touch with him, but if he does and if he receives any information whatever concerning Campbell or his activities he promised faithfully to advise the writer immediately, though he said that he would not advise any other person and did not want to be contacted again by other Bureau agents, and asked that his name be kept most confidentially.

While making inquiry at Skiatook, Oklahoma, the writer observed a 1935 model Terraplane Coupe, bearing 1935 Arizona tags # B5-41, parked in front of the Nan Rogers home. Inquiry from confidential sources concerning the identity of persons who would be visiting the Rogers family from Arizona met only with negative results. The Phoenix Office was thereafter requested to ascertain to whom this tag was issued and on July 21, 1935 the Oklahoma City Office was advised by the Phoenix Office that this tag was issued to Ret Haynie, 1702 East First Street, Tucson, Arizona, for 1935 Terraplane Coupe, motor #113604, serial #523044. It was later ascertained from a confidential source in Skiatook that Ret Haynie is the son of a cousin of Cliff Rogers, who is residing in Arizona, and further inquiries along this line did, therefore, not seem to be necessary.

Dr. Cliff Logan, Hominy, Oklahoma, advised the writer, confidentially, that he and John Cromer had been on two "parties" with Wynona and Jimmy Burdette; that after these so called parties, he was advised by Dick Connor, the Sheriff at Pawhuska, Oklahoma, that these girls were associating with notorious outlaws and he has not had any further contact with them. He was interviewed with the understanding that he is a close friend to Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Wilson, brother-in-law and sister of Wynona Burdette, of Arondale, Oklahoma. Dr. Logan said that he is not especially friendly with the Wilsons, though he is their family physician. He said, however, that John Cromer is friendly with both Mr. and Mrs. Wilson and he believes the Wilsons would tell Cromer if they know anything concerning the location of Campbell. Through inquiry made by Dr. Logan, he ascertained that John Cromer is now employed by a widow who operates a funeral home in West Tulsa, Oklahoma. Cromer will be interviewed in the future concerning any possible information he may have regarding Harry Campbell.

Hiram G. Raffensperger, Ponca City, Oklahoma, who is manager of the Public Market, advised the writer that he did not tell Jimmy Burdette that Wynona told him that it was Henry Daniels who saw her at the Wilson home in Arondale, Oklahoma. He said that he did not see this man but merely heard him inquire for Wynona, and as it was dark he could not see who Wynona was talking to when she went out of the house. Raffensperger said that when he and Wynona left the Wilson home he was jealous of someone calling to talk to her and asked her who the man was and Wynona told him, as near as he can remember, that it was a "boy" whom she had known for several years who worked in a filling station in Skiatook, Oklahoma. Wynona, he said, did not tell him why this man called to see her and they did not discuss that angle whatsoever, as Wynona assured him that the call meant nothing to her as this party was an old friend of hers and not anyone she cared about.



Jimmy Burdette, Wynona's sister, has left Ponca City and is presently residing with her sister, Mildred Jones, near Turley, Oklahoma. She was interviewed and said that she is satisfied that Hy Raffensperger told her that the man who called to see Wynona at the Wilson home was Henry Daniels, though she says she could be mistaken regarding this, as Henry Daniels is an old friend of Wynona's and is the first person she thought of as being an old friend of Wynona's who lives in Skiatook. As stated before in reports by this agent Henry Daniels is employed in a garage and not in a filling station. Jimmy Burdette insisted, to the writer, that she has told all she knows about this matter and appears to be sincere when she says she would do anything in her power to assist this Bureau in apprehending Harry Campbell as she believes, as does all of her sisters, that if they could do something to assist in apprehending Campbell their sister may be released from Milam, Michigan.

Mildred Jones, Turley, Oklahoma, sister of Wynona Burdette, stated that she had received no information whatever of Harry Campbell and again assured the writer that she would communicate any information she receives immediately to the writer or to agent Kitchin, at Tulsa, Oklahoma.

A confidential informant at Skiatook, Oklahoma, who will hereafter be referred to as [redacted] was interviewed by the writer and agent Kitchin. He stated that he is well acquainted with Harry Campbell and casually acquainted with Karpis and Phoenix Donald. This informant is a gambler and has done a lot of drinking with Campbell and this fact is definitely known to the Oklahoma City Office. [redacted] first refused to cooperate with the Bureau by promising to assist in giving any information he might come into possession of concerning Harry Campbell, but after several hours of questioning this individual and talking to him about his duty to his country he consented to advise either the writer or agent Kitchin of any information he receives concerning either of the subjects in this case, for the confidential money which will be paid to him for this service.

When this informant is in Tulsa, Oklahoma, he will be found around the Tulsa Hotel and if he calls either of these agents he will use the name [redacted]. If either of these agents endeavor to contact this man and it is necessary to leave a name they will also use the name [redacted]. He has been advised concerning different ways he can contact these agents and it is believed that he will cooperate and furnish any information he receives, though he says he has heard nothing directly of Campbell since he left Oklahoma about two years ago and went north where he joined up with the Barkers.

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The above informant, as well as the informants mentioned below in the two interviews, were especially careful to have these agents guarantee that their names would not be put into a report, and the Director is being advised in a personal and confidential letter concerning the identity of these men.

A confidential informant who will hereafter be referred to as [redacted] was interviewed by agent Kitchin and the writer and after a long conversation with him he faithfully promised to advise either of these agents concerning any information he receives of Campbell or his associates. [redacted] is personally acquainted with Campbell, though he is not acquainted with Karpis. He has had a lot of dealings with Campbell and this fact is definitely known to the writer. He advised, confidentially, that he has only seen Campbell once in about two and a half or three years and that this was about the first of May, 1935, when Campbell drove by the filling station in South Coffeyville, operated by Charlie McCabe and his brother Les McCabe, and filled his tank with gasoline. Campbell was driving and there was another man with him whom this informant described as being about the same physical description as Karpis and having a prominent chin. [redacted] looked at several photographs of subjects in this case and selected the photograph of Karpis as strongly resembling the man that was with Campbell, though he said he could not be positive from the photograph. This man, he said, wore octagon shaped rimless eye glasses and he could not remember for sure how this man or Campbell was dressed. Neither of them got out of the car and they were driving a 1935 model black Ford Coupe. In back of the seat were piled some coats and the informant said he did not observe any guns and did not try to or think of observing the kind of a license tag that was on this car. They were driving from the south and apparently drove on north, as that is the direction they went when they left this filling station.

"Les", spoken of in the report of Special Agent S. L. Fortenberry dated 6/27/35, is Les McCabe, one of the McCabe brothers who works at the filling station where Harry Campbell purchased this gasoline. This informant is well aware of all the activities that goes on at this filling station and at the Silver Slipper, the night club at South Coffeyville, operated by the McCabe brothers. He is also close to Tom Hill, South Coffeyville, notorious hoodlum and it is believed, by agent Kitchin and the writer, that if he is ever able to obtain any information regarding Campbell or his associates that he will do so and immediately advise one of these agents. This informant further advised that Campbell has stopped several times with Gus and Dollie Hill of Coffeyville, Kansas; that this couple recently left for Colorado for Hill's health. He said that he does not believe that they have had any contact with Campbell during the past two or three years.

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A confidential informant who will hereafter be referred to as [redacted] was interviewed by agent Kitchin and the writer. This informant is acquainted with most of the hoodlums and outlaws in Oklahoma. He is well acquainted with Karpis, Phoenix Donald and C. J. Fitzgerald and is especially well acquainted with Harry Campbell. [redacted] they have been closely associated in a lot of illegal deals, upon numerous occasions. This informant is probably in a better position to obtain confidential information regarding underworld characters in Oklahoma than any other person. He stated that he has a very strong dislike for Karpis and for Phoenix Donald and that he would gladly put them on the spot for nothing, but he has a very kindly feeling toward Harry Campbell and hesitates about making any definite promises regarding what he will do regarding Campbell. He promised, however, definitely, before the close of the interview to advise one of these agents if he receives any information regarding the location or activities of any of the members of this mob, including Campbell, as he realizes that their arrest is inevitable and as he is hard pressed for money at the present he believes that he had just as well have the confidential money the Bureau will pay for these outlaws as anyone else. He is aware of how he can contact one of these agents and it is believed that he will cooperate fully.

[redacted] has previously advised the writer that Ida White of Coffeyville, was a very close friend to Glenn Leroy Wright and also friendly to other mobsters.

In an effort to locate this woman at South Coffeyville, Oklahoma, Dutch Tolbert, of Coffeyville, Kansas, advised the writer that Ida White is now living in Joplin, Missouri, and that Bill Robinson, Manager of the R. and S. Chevrolet Company of Joplin will probably know where this girl is living. Wright and Campbell robbed this Chevrolet Company at one time and it is possible that Robinson may have some information concerning the contacts of this mob in Joplin, that may be of some use to the Kansas City Office. It is understood that Robinson was able to obtain restitution of practically all of the bonds stolen from him through some underworld source and for this reason it is thought that his services may be helpful to the Bureau in this case.

With reference to the "Mel" spoken of in the report of Special Agent S. L. Fortenberry, Detroit, Michigan, dated 6/27/35, inquiry at Tulsa disclosed that this "Mel" is Milton O. Brooks, who is a nephew of Clyde E. McKinzie, owner of the Acme Cab Company of Tulsa, and Brooks is employed as a driver with that company. Brooks was interviewed by the writer and at first refused to make any admissions concerning his associations with Campbell. He later, however, advised that he had been very closely associated with Campbell and his associates for sometime and that he had even been on several jobs with them. He was arrested one time but has never been con-

victed of a felony and has never served time in any penitentiary. He advised that Harry Campbell would be likely to visit Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Webb, Tulsa, Oklahoma, Carrie Strickland of Tulsa, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Wilson, of Arondale, Bill [redacted], a bootlegger at Skiatook, Oklahoma, who is about 55 years old, 5' 11" in height and will weigh about 215 pounds, the Carpenters, parents of Tommy and Gordon Carpenter of Berryville, Arkansas. Campbell also has a contact and a place where he has gone many times that he is sure is not generally known in Neosho, Missouri. This man's first name is Bert but his last name is not remembered by Brooks and Bert works, or at least did work for Pet Creamery at Neosho, Missouri. Bert has a brother by the name of Jess, who was a counterfeiter and who was killed by officers approximately two years ago, around either Neosho or Joplin, Missouri. Brooks said that he believed Campbell would be more likely to go to this Bert's home than any other place in this part of the country. Campbell also had another contact with a man and his sister who operated the Stateline Filling Station, located near the Oklahoma Kansas State line at Caney, Kansas, on U. S. Highway #75, between Caney, Kansas and Bartlesville, Oklahoma. Brooks is of the opinion that the best contact in Oklahoma for Campbell is "Burr Head" Keady, of Tulsa, and further stated that he was also friendly with Cliff Rogers of Skiatook, Oklahoma.

Brooks asked that his name be treated in the most confidential way in this regard and he was assured that this would be. He likes Harry Campbell personally, he says, though he promised to furnish the writer with any information he receives concerning him, for the confidential money the Bureau will pay for this. b7c b7d

Other confidential informants which have previously been mentioned in reports by this agent were interviewed in Tulsa, Oklahoma, including Louie Jacobs [redacted] Emmett Welch, Mr. and Mrs. McWhinery, Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Hughes, and Pansy Kingsbury. None of these persons had obtained any information regarding any of the members of this mob since they were last interviewed.

Fred Tindle, who is more commonly known as "Wetump", Ponca City, Oklahoma, is a night club operator there. He was interviewed by the writer and stated that he is acquainted with Harry Campbell and did not hesitate to say that he would be glad to furnish the writer with any information he receives concerning Campbell or any of his associates. He also inquired concerning the amount of money the Bureau will pay for this confidential information and he was told that the Bureau would pay \$1,000.00 each for Campbell and Karpis, for the confidential information resulting in their apprehension. Tindle said that he believed Cliff Rogers of Skiatook, Oklahoma and "Burr Head" Keady of Tulsa, to be Campbell's best friends and closest associates in Oklahoma.

J. R. Rhodes, of Fairfax, Oklahoma, advised agent John R. Welles that he was especially friendly with Tindle, who is mentioned above, and Charlie Davis, a former associate of Harry Campbell and believed that he could obtain information from both of these men concerning the location of Campbell. Rhodes also claims to be a close friend of Campbell and advised agent Welles that he will make a special effort to endeavor to secure some information regarding Campbell's location and advise either agent Welles or Special Agent in Charge Dwight Brantley, or agent Little, at the Oklahoma City Office. Rhodes has requested that he not be interviewed by any other agent except agent Welles.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE KANSAS CITY OFFICE

At Neosho, Missouri:

Will properly ascertain the identity of "Bert" mentioned in the body of this report and make such further investigation as is necessary there to determine if Harry Campbell is visiting this man at the present time. This office will make a special effort to withhold the source of this information as the informant is apparently well known to this Bert, as he advises that he has taken Campbell and his associates to Bert's home several times.

If the Kansas City Office is unsuccessful in locating this place, it is suggested that some further effort be made by possibly having the informant in this case go and point out the home where Bert resides.

At Joplin, Missouri:

Will interview Bill Robinson, Manager of the R and S Chevrolet Company, for any information he can supply regarding Harry Campbell or his associates in Joplin.

THE OKLAHOMA CITY OFFICE

At Skiatook, Oklahoma: Will determine the identity of the "Bill" mentioned in this report by the informant Brooks.

Will also ascertain the identity of the brother and sister who operate the Stateline Filling Station near Caney, Kansas, and make such investigation as is necessary to determine if they are harboring Harry Campbell at the present time.

P E N D I N G

Post Office Box 515  
Saint Paul, Minnesota

August 3, 1935

Special Agent in Charge  
Jacksonville, Florida

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

I am enclosing a letter addressed to Mr.  
Edward G. Bremer, victim in this case, by Mrs. Mae Wade, 219  
South Palmetto Avenue, Fort Meade, Florida, making certain  
allegations concerning Mr. Walter McGee.

When an agent is in the vicinity of  
Fort Meade, kindly have him make inquiry of Mrs. Wade as to  
the source of her information leading to the statements she  
makes.

Very truly yours,

H. E. ANDERSEN  
Special Agent in Charge

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C O P Y

Fort Meade, Fla.,  
July 14, 1935.

Mr. Edward G. Bremer  
St. Paul, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Bremer:

No doubt you will be like your father, will not believe me, but I can tell you who had you kidnaped.

Walter McGee, the man who is suppose to be your friend, if you will believe me, and get a good chance to get him by his self, tell him this, some one has told you - who knows that he was the one that had you kidnaped, just ask him, what is he going to do about it, pay you all your money back, or let you turn him over to the police. I believe he will pay you your money back.

You watch him carefully when you tell him, and be prepared for him, he might try to do something to you. If he can't pay you all down, have him sign a promise that will pay you weekly for kidnaping you until its all paid. I would have it all fixed out before I mention it to him, tell him if he fails to pay each week, you will show it to the police.

I wrote your father while they had you kidnaped, but I suppose he thought it only a letter from a crank, but I dont ask you to believe me neither, just do what I say do, and see for your self, if it isnt true.

He didnt kill you - so tell him you will spare his life too if he will only pay you all of your money back, and never say anything about it to any one.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Mae Wade  
219 S. Palmetto Ave.

7-576-6883

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

EAT:CDW

# Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

August 5, 1935.

Time - 9:17 A.M.

## MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: BREMER CASE;  
Nathaniel Heller.

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

Mr. Flexer of the State Department telephoned me and advised that he is in receipt of a letter from one of the Charge ~~D'affaire~~ in Cuba inquiring as to the present status of the case against Heller. I informed Mr. Flexer that we are informed the trial of this case is coming up at the Fall term of Court in Florida. I told him we are further informed by the defense attorneys in this case that they expect to go to Havana on or about August 19, 1935, for the purpose of taking depositions to be used in the trial of this case.

Mr. Flexer stated that the letter advises that through casual conversation on the part of Heller at the Embassy at Havana, Heller advised that his attorneys have intimated they are going to stir up quite a commotion about this matter; that they are coming to Havana to take numerous depositions from various witnesses, and are going to try to prove that the Department of Justice exceeded authority in connection with the investigation of this case. Heller stated in effect that he did not desire to go to the added legal expense to put on such a campaign, and further that he did not want to become the "goat" of an attempt on the part of his attorneys to "show up" the Department of Justice. I remarked that this would appear to be a matter between Heller and his attorneys.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

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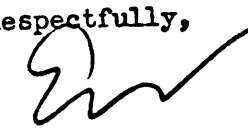
MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: BREMER CASE;  
Joseph Adams.

I telephoned Mr. Barlow in the Department relative to his request of the Files Division of the Bureau for our file concerning Joseph Adams. I told him that reports covering information about Adams is contained in the files relating to the Bremer Case, which files occupy about three file cabinets. I suggested to Mr. Barlow that it was my recollection and understanding copies of the reports submitted in this matter were furnished to him. Mr. Barlow said that copies of all reports in this matter had been forwarded to the United States Attorney in Florida prior to his entering the case, and he does not therefore have any of the same. He said that since we do not have these reports separated from the general Bremer Case file, he would particularly like to have copies of the last report submitted by Special Agent Sam McKee, and also of the lengthy report submitted by Mr. McKee and Mr. Hanson.

I informed Mr. Barlow that I was familiar with these two particular reports, and that I would forward copies of the same to him.

Respectfully,

  
E. A. TAMM.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

August 1, 1935

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Alvin Karpis, with aliases, et al  
Kidnaping

Mr. Connelley, Mr. Newby, Special Agent R. D. Brown and myself have discussed in detail proposed investigative activity to be undertaken in the above entitled case. Mr. Connelley desires that Special Agent R. C. Suran, presently assigned to the San Francisco Office, Special Agent R. D. Brown, presently assigned to the Cleveland Office and Special Agent Madala of the New York Office, be assigned to work under his direction, on this case. An air mail letter is being transmitted to the San Francisco Office, instructing Mr. Suran to report to Mr. Connelley at Chicago for special assignment of indefinite duration. It is not anticipated that Mr. Suran should be transferred to the Chicago Office at the present time for the reason that much of the work to be performed by him will probably be outside of the city of Chicago.

Appropriate instructions are being issued for the transfer of Agent Madala to Chicago.

A letter is being addressed to Mr. MacFarland at Cleveland, instructing him that Special Agent R. D. Brown is to be assigned exclusively to work on the Bremer case under Mr. Connelley's direction, and that Special Agent C. E. Smith should work with Mr. Brown on this case. Instructions will be issued for the cancellation of the transfer of Mr. Smith to Chicago.

It has been agreed that an effort will be made to place telephone taps upon the telephones of the labor racketeers in Chicago, Heeney, Donovan and Bell. Heeney has recently had installed in his residence an unlisted telephone and he is a known contact for the Barkers and probably for other hot criminals. He is also a leader in the Capone syndicate. If practical and possible, telephone taps will be placed upon the telephones of the Motion Picture Operators' Union, which is controlled by the Heeney-Donovan crowd.

Agent Madala, upon his return to Chicago will work with informant [redacted] in an effort to develop information concerning the whereabouts of the members of the Karpis Gang.

Appropriate efforts will be made to place [redacted] in a position where she will be able to obtain information in Ohio, and con-

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sideration will be given, probably through Frazier Reams, Prosecuting Attorney at Toledo, to have the Grady woman, who controls the operation of houses of prostitution in that city, placed in a position where she will have to furnish the Bureau with information concerning the whereabouts of Karpis or subject herself to state prosecution, it being alleged that she is receiving protection. This woman recently contacted an unscrupulous plastic surgeon in Chicago, for the purpose of having facial operations performed upon two fugitives, one of whom she described as being Alvin Karpis.

The situation is very promising in the Toledo District, where Agent Brown has established a number of reliable informants, whose information indicates rather conclusively that Karpis and his associates are in that vicinity. Agent Brown has obtained the services of an informant who serves as a bar-tender in the Harvard Club, operated by politically powerful individuals in Toledo, which will undoubtedly result in the Bureau's receiving information concerning the movements of the gang, in the event they return to the Harvard Club.

Detailed plans for the covering of leads in Chicago, Toledo, Cleveland and Des Moines, Iowa have been formed, which will be placed into operation by Mr. Connelley as soon as the Agents assigned to this case are available.

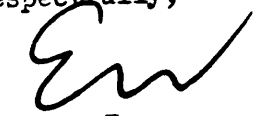
Mr. Connelley and I believe that the lack of concentrated activity upon known contacts of the Karpis mob for the past two months will have a beneficial effect in that it has allowed these contacts to "cool off" to such a point where the members of the mob will be more careless in contacting their former associates and by obtaining the services of informants who can be relied upon, it is felt that early results will accrue in this search.

Arrangements were made with Special Agent in Charge Brantley and Special Agent F. S. Smith, both of whom were attending the re-training school, to endeavor to effect, through a reliable informant some "tap" upon the subterranean channels through which messages are smuggled into the State Penitentiary at McAlester, Oklahoma, to ascertain with whom and from where Karpis is corresponding. Repeated rumors have been received that Karpis is in communication through the "grape vine" with some prisoner in that institution.

Agent Frank Smith was authorized to return to Oklahoma City by way of Leavenworth, Kansas for the purpose of contacting private detective Glynn, a known go-between for many criminals, in an effort to

obtain some information on Karpis and his associates. Agent Smith was acquainted with Glynn some 25 years ago when Glynn was a police officer. Agent Smith is further going to attempt to obtain information from one Elmer Inman, who may be in a position to enable him to furnish information to the bureau.

Respectfully,



E. A. Tamm

# TELEGRAM

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*Adm. G. B. ...*

REK:TD

August 5, 1935

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SPECIAL DELIVERY

Special Agent in Charge,  
New York, New York.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218, et al,  
Edward George Bremer, Victim,  
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith and to each of the offices indicated below a photograph of WILLIAM E. MEADE, taken as Charles E. Carter by the Police Department, Northampton, Massachusetts, July 14, 1935.

The Bureau received a telegram on August 2, 1935, signed "T. J. Hickey", County Detective, Hartford, Connecticut, requesting that a photograph of William E. Meade be forwarded to him by air mail.

The New York Office is instructed to immediately contact Mr. Hickey, at Hartford, Connecticut, and furnish him with a photograph of Meade and obtain any information in his possession relative to the present whereabouts of Meade.

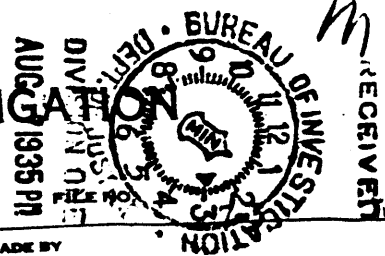
Meade is wanted by the Bureau for questioning in connection with the above entitled case, inasmuch as one of the victims of a confidence game perpetrated by Meade and others borrowed the sum of \$10,000 from victim Bremer a short time prior to the kidnaping and the Bureau, therefore, desires to question Meade relative to this particular matter. He is wanted, however, by the postal authorities on charges of using the mail to defraud, according to wanted notices appearing in the files of the Identification Division of this Bureau.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

Enclosure No. 515500  
cc-Cincinnati  
Chicago  
St. Paul

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION



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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

CINCINNATI, OHIO.

REPORT MADE AT <b>Atlanta, Georgia.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>8-5-35</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>8-5-35</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>A. Hale Watkins</b>
TITLE <b>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.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <b>EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.</b>			

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: **Atlanta Biltmore Hotel, Atlanta, Georgia,**  
has no registration records of William E. Meade  
or C. E. Carter during 1935. Employees at that  
hotel partially identified photograph of Meade.  
All banks in the district covered by the Atlanta  
Field Office furnished with serial numbers of  
instant \$1,000 bills and appropriate stop notices  
placed.

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REFERENCE: **Report of Special Agent Paul M. Plunkett, Boston, Massachusetts,  
July 29, 1935.**

DETAILS: **AT ATLANTA, GEORGIA.**

Officials at the Atlanta Biltmore Hotel, Atlanta, Georgia, after  
making a thorough search of their registration cards from January, 1935, until the  
date of this investigation, advised that they had no record of any such registration  
by William E. Meade or C. E. Carter.

A photograph of William E. Meade was circularized among the  
employees of this hotel and several of them advised that this photograph was familiar  
though they could not state anything concerning Meade nor were they certain that he  
had been a guest at that hotel. There was no positive identification made only that  
several employees were of the opinion they had seen Meade at one time or another.

- It should be noted that the report of Special Agent A. Hale Watkins

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Atlanta, Georgia, July 26, 1935, discloses that a <sup>similar</sup> ~~summary~~ investigation was made at the Henry Grady Hotel in that city.

The Atlanta Bureau Office has furnished all banks in its district with the serial numbers of instant \$1,000 denomination bills, carrying serial numbers beginning with F-00022451A and ending with F-00022500A. At the same time stop notices were requested of these banks and further that they immediately notify the Atlanta Bureau Office in the event they received any information in connection with this currency.

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Are you taking care of the gun  
now in the possession of the  
Bureau?

Only one gun listed is in possession  
of Bureau; 211224 Browning  
We have that gun in our sub. H. H. Supervisor.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

From: Laboratory and  
Single Fingerprint Unit

Date 8-9 1935.

To: ☐ Mr. Edwards ☐ Mr. McSwain  
☐ Mr. Appel ☐ Mr. Parsons  
☐ Mr. Baughman ☐ Mr. Pfafman  
☐ Mr. Blackburn ☐ Mr. Pickering  
☐ Mr. Conrad ☐ Mr. Renneberg  
☐ Mr. Donaldson ☐ Mr. Schilder  
☐ Mr. Eldridge ☐ Mr. Q. Tamm  
☐ Mr. Hardison ☐ Chief Clerk  
☐ Mr. Harrington ☐ Files  
☒ Mr. Hince ☐ Stenographer  
☐ Mr. Lovett ☐ S.F.P. Unit  
☐ Mr. Major ☐ Mr.  
☐ Mr. McCarthy

# 18001 (Floyd) gun in  
possession of D.A. in  
Kansas City  
211224 Browning in m.c.  
211349 Browning in  
Miami Florida.  
E.A.H.

See me \_\_\_\_\_  
Bring file \_\_\_\_\_  
Please handle \_\_\_\_\_

E. P. Coffey.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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<u>Mr. Major</u>	<u>Mr. Newby</u>
<u>Mr. McCarthy</u>	

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gone to H. J.

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E. P. Coffey.

August 19, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,  
New York, New York.

RE: SOURCE OF MACHINE GUNS IN  
HANDS OF CRIMINALS

Dear Sir:

For the information of the New York City, Jacksonville and Kansas City offices, there are transmitted herewith copies of a letter dated August 6, 1935, addressed to the St. Louis Bureau office by the Washington Field office in the above entitled case, advising of the arrangements completed with the Ordnance Department of the War Department for the shipment of the guns in question from the Rock Island Arsenal, Rock Island, Illinois, to the New York City Bureau office.

According to the records at the Bureau, guns bearing identical numbers are located as follows:

The Colt .45 calibre automatic pistol, No. 18001, recovered from Charles Arthur "Pretty Boy" Floyd, at the time of his apprehension on October 22, 1934, is presently in the possession of the Kansas City Bureau office.

The Browning automatic rifle, bearing serial number 211349, is presently in the custody of the Jacksonville Bureau office.

The Browning automatic rifle, No. 211774, is presently in the Technical Laboratory of the Bureau.

In the event the manufacturers desire to examine these guns, the New York City office should communicate with the respective field offices, instructing them that the guns be immediately shipped to the New York City office for the purpose of submitting the guns to the manufacturers for examination, along with the guns being obtained from the Rock Island Arsenal.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

Encl. #115647  
CC - Jacksonville  
Washington Field  
St. Louis  
Kansas City  
Encls. (copies of letter dated 8/6/35, addressed to St. Louis office by Wash. Field office to Jacksonville and Kans. City)

New York, N.Y.  
August 6, 1935

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MEMORANDUM FOR SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS w. aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1215;  
et al  
EDW. GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.  
Kidnaping.  
Harboring and Obstruction of Justice.  
National Firearms Act.

Reference is made to my memorandum to you dated  
July 31, 1935 relative to Chicago Bureau Office informant,  
[REDACTED] b7c  
b7d

Please be advised that while in Chicago on August  
2, 1935, I conferred with Special Agent in Charge D.M. Ladd concern-  
ing this informant and fully informed him of her attitude in the  
matter of assisting the Bureau in connection with this case as  
reflected in her letters to me, which indicated that she was  
very much dissatisfied working with another agent from the  
Chicago Office. Mr. Ladd expressed surprise at this informa-  
tion and stated that to his knowledge [REDACTED] had cooperated  
with Special Agent D.P. Sullivan of that office to a great  
extent. At this time it was suggested that I contact [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] in the hope of effecting some arrangement with her  
whereby any further contacts with her made by Agent Sullivan  
would not be against her will or to her dissatisfaction.

I met [REDACTED] by appointment in downtown  
Chicago and she advised that after I left Chicago she lost  
thorough interest in the case; that she had not intended to  
telephone the Chicago Bureau Office in the event she received  
further information with reference to Campbell and Harrison, but  
that Agent Sullivan had contacted her a few days after my  
departure and she agreed to work with him merely for the purpose

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of not displeasing me. She further stated that Agent Sullivan had treated her very well and that although she has endeavored to follow his instructions she did not furnish him all developments in the case since my departure from Chicago.

At this point, [redacted] advised that about a week after I left for New York City, Mike Mareno visited her at her home and inquired when she was going to St. Paul, Minn. for Harrison. She stated that she had previously not mentioned Harrison's visit to Mareno nor anyone else except me and that in view of the above it is apparent that Mike Mareno is in contact with Willie Harrison and possibly other members of the Barker-Karpis mob. [redacted] further advised that she informed Mareno that she is willing to go to St. Paul but that Harrison had not contacted her again in this connection; that Mareno then stated that he would see Harrison that night and let her know within the next few days what she is to do. It developed, however, that Mareno was subsequently shot and wounded in a tavern holdup and is now in custody of the Morton Grove, Ill. Police for this robbery.

She further stated that approximately one week ago Mike Mareno's wife, Lillian, with whom she is very friendly contacted Frank Mangum, tavern owner at Cicero, Ill. and a very close friend of Willie Harrison, for the purpose of securing a bond for her husband's release; that to her knowledge she was furnished this bond but that the judge refused to release Mareno under any circumstances. She further stated that Lillian Mareno told her that Mangum had inquired of her whether she knew where [redacted] was residing and then requested her to have [redacted] get in touch with him at her convenience. [redacted] stated that Mangum did not indicate to Lillian Mareno why he wanted to see her but she, [redacted] is of the opinion that it is with reference to Harrison and possibly her trip to St. Paul, Minn.

[redacted] advised that she did not report this information to Agent Sullivan and that she had intended to write

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to me regarding same. At this point she inquired whether she should go to see Mangum as per his request, and she was advised to do so by all means. She at first refused to do this but after much persuasion she finally agreed to follow out these instructions. b7c b7d

I brought [redacted] to the Chicago Bureau Office that night and introduced her to Mr. Ladd, and it was explained to her that the Bureau has appreciated her assistance in connection with this case and that it was hoped that she would continue to work with agents of the Chicago Office in spite of my not being in Chicago. She informed us that she will continue to assist the Bureau in locating the remaining members of the Barker-Karpis mob under the condition that I was to receive entire credit for her efforts. Mr. Ladd assured her of this, which apparently was to her satisfaction.

It was arranged that [redacted] go to see Frank Mangum at Cicero, Ill. and then report the substance of their conversation to Mr. Ladd immediately thereafter, which she agreed to do.

From all indications it now appears that this informant is entirely satisfied with everything, and it is my belief that she will continue to assist agents of the Chicago Office in the location of Harrison, Karpis, et al.

Respectfully submitted,

J.L. MADALA,  
Special Agent.



# Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

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

JIM:LS  
7-120

August 6, 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:

With reference to my letter to the Bureau dated July 31, 1935, relative to Informant [REDACTED] there are transmitted herewith for the Bureau's further information concerning this matter, two copies of a memorandum dated August 6, 1935, submitted by Special Agent John L. Madala.

It will be noted that Special Agent in Charge D. M. Ladd, of the Chicago Office, and Special Agent Madala conferred with this informant at the Chicago Bureau Office on August 2, 1935 and, as a result, a definite plan of procedure was effected to her satisfaction.

Copies of this memorandum are also being forwarded to the Chicago and Cincinnati Offices for their information.

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cc: Chicago (1 Encl.)  
cc: Cincinnati (1 Encl.)

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Very truly yours,  
H. WHITLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.  
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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

August 5, 1935

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

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

On August 1, 1935, a conference was had with Mr. E. A. Tamm by Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, Special Agent R.D. Brown and the writer, concerning the present status of the above entitled case.

Plans have been approved for the reorganization of a special squad of Agents who are familiar with various ramifications of the Bremer case to work out of the Chicago Office, under the supervision of Mr. Connelley. Present indications are that Karpis, Campbell and Weaver are in the vicinity of Toledo, Ohio, where Special Agent Brown is apparently receiving reliable information from his confidential informants.

On August 2, 1935, Special Agents J. L. Madala and R. P. Shanahan conferred with the County Prosecutor of Fairbury, Nebraska at the Chicago Office, relative to the proposed prosecution of Jess Doyle on charges of robbing the Fairbury, Nebraska Bank.

Respectfully,

R. E. Newby  
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August 2, 1935

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ALVIN KARPIS with aliases-Fugitive, I. O.  
#1212, et al.;  
EDWARD G. BREMER-Victim;  
KIDNAPING.

- 3- .45 A. P. C. fired cartridge cases.
- 1- .45 A. P. C. fired bullet.
- 1- .45 A. P. C. bullet core.
- 1- .380 A. P. C. fired cartridge case recovered by Patrolman F. McCor-
- 1- .45 A. P. C. bullet core recovered by Officer Gapiński.
- 1- .45 A. P. C. bullet core recovered by Officer Fleming.
- 1- .45 A. P. C. fired bullet, recovered at 201 1/2 South Halsted Street.
- 1- fired bullet, recovered by Walter Heim.

Chicago Bureau Office

7/23/35

Ballistic

D. J. Parsons

Supplementing the previous report under this Laboratory number, comparisons have been made of all the above cartridge cases and the two .45 bullets with all test specimens fired from weapons of the types represented by the above specimens recovered since the murder of Cunningham in September, 1933. These comparisons were in addition to comparisons with all specimens recovered from scenes of crime previously reported upon. No identification has been effected.

The three .45 caliber cartridge cases are believed to have all been fired in the same Thompson sub-machine gun. Only three lands and grooves are visible on each of the two .45 caliber bullets this section representing half of the circumference of each bullet. It is possible that both of these bullets were fired from the same gun but the lands or grooves visible on these two specimens do not correspond and it is believed that the bullets were fired from different guns.

The three lead cores are believed to be from .45 caliber metal case bullets, and none of these bears marks by which it may be identified with the gun through which it was fired. The one fragment of a lead bullet has two land and two groove marks visible but does not contain individual marks of the gun through which it was fired. It is believed that this fragment is possibly the part of a .38 caliber lead bullet fired through a weapon having right twist rifling.

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These specimens are being returned to your office under separate cov.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases-  
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218, et al.;  
EDWARD G. BREMER-Victim;  
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

There is transmitted herewith a supplementary laboratory report covering the examination of specimens submitted by your office in connection with the above entitled matter and received in the Bureau July 23, 1935.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

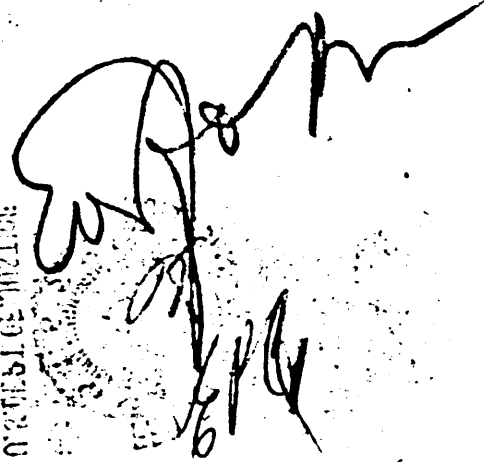
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Dear Sir:

This Bureau is endeavoring to determine the ownership and possession of \$1000 bills issued by the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, bearing serial numbers F00022451A to F00022500A. In the event any of the bills described above have come into your possession, it would be appreciated if you would advise at the earliest possible moment, by letter, all information in your possession regarding same.

In the event that any of the above mentioned bills come into your possession in the future, it is requested that you immediately call this office, collect, by telephone, at Victor 3113, Kansas City, Missouri, conveying to the office the information in your possession.

Your cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

*E. E. Conroy*  
E. E. CONROY  
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases;  
I.C.# 1218; ET AL.  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.  
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Room 1105  
370 Lexington Avenue  
New York, N. Y.

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August 6, 1935

Mr. Charles O. Crab,  
Deputy Sheriff,  
Craryville, New York.

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

Dear Sir:

In compliance with instructions received from Mr. John Edgar Hoover, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, I am enclosing herewith two copies of identification order for Alvin Karpis, as requested in your letter dated July 21, 1935.

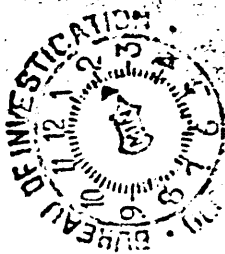
Very truly yours,

R. WHITLEY  
Special Agent in Charge

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Post Office Box 2118  
Detroit - Michigan  
August 6, 1935

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

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, wa, FUG.  
I.O. 1218; et al;  
EDWARD G. BREMER - Victim  
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a letter written  
by Mrs. C. R. Hughes, Tulsa, Oklahoma, to Wynona  
Burdette, an inmate of your institution.

This letter has been scrutinized by this  
office very carefully and has been found to contain  
no information of value.

Thanking you for your cooperation in the  
matter, I am

Very truly yours,

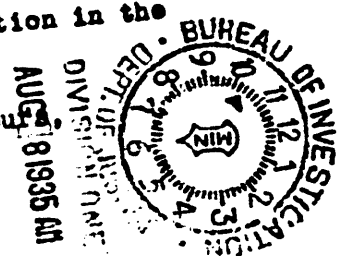
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Special Agent in Charge

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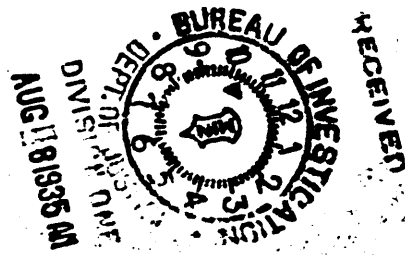
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Mr. John J. Ryan  
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Re: ALVIN KARPIS, wa, FUG. I.O. 1218  
et al; EDWARD G. BREMER - Victim;  
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a letter written  
by John Karpavics, Chicago, Illinois, to Miss Dolores  
DeLaney, an inmate of your institution.

This letter has been scrutinized by this  
office very carefully and has been found to contain  
no information of value.

Thanking you for your cooperation in the  
matter, I am

Very truly yours,

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D. L. Nicholson  
Special Agent in Charge

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TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232; WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O. 2138; WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239; MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O. 2141; ET AL EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING; AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT</b>

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Arrangements made with informants at Tabernash, Colo., to notify Denver Office in the event Dr. Joseph P. Moran visited his sister, Mrs. Anna LaChappell.

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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent F. J. Tillman, Chicago, Illinois, 3-22-35.

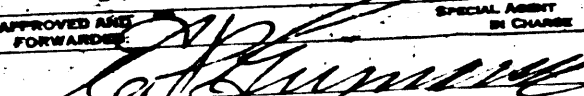
DETAILS:

**AT TABERNASH, COLORADO.**

Mrs. H. A. W. Larkin, Postmistress, stated that she is positive that Subject Doctor Joseph P. Moran had not visited Tabernash since Agent interviewed her about two years ago, and that she had watched the mail addressed to Mrs. Anna LaChappell and that she was quite positive that no mail with the return address of Doctor Moran had been received. Mrs. Larkin stated that she would be on the alert during the present summer season, and should Doctor Moran appear at Tabernash, she would immediately notify the Denver Office by telephone or telegram.

Similar arrangements were made with Mr. L. G. Hinds of the Hinds Valley General Store.

Mrs. Anna LaChappell, wife of Harry LaChappell, was interviewed at the Chap-Anne Inn, and she stated that she last saw Subject Doctor Joseph P. Moran at the World's Fair in Chicago in September of 1933 and that

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she has not heard from him since that time; that she is his favorite sister, and that she would be more likely to hear from him than any other member of the family; that she and other members of the family believe that Doctor Moran is dead, although they have never had any information upon which to base such a belief.

**UNDEVELOPED LEADS:**

**THE DENVER OFFICE:** At Colorado Springs, Colorado, will locate the osteopath who removed scars for Subject Harry Campbell, as alleged in letters from the Salt Lake City Office dated March 12 and 23, respectively, 1935.

At Glenwood Springs, Colorado, will ascertain if Louie Alterie retained an interest in his Sweetwater Lake ranch until the time of his assassination at Chicago, Illinois, on July 18, 1935, as suggested in the report of Special Agent John L. Madala, Chicago, Illinois, dated July 12, 1935.

At Alcova, Wyoming, will make inquiry regarding the possibility of Dan Tubbs' having some connection with Harry Campbell, as requested in the report of Special Agent Paul Hansen, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, dated July 8, 1935.

At Casper, Wyoming, will keep in contact with the Police and Sheriff's Office, as set out in the report of Special Agent in Charge E. P. Guinane, Denver, Colorado, dated July 28, 1935.

At Cody, Wyoming, will obtain information regarding Jimmie Lovewell, as indicated in the report of Special Agent in Charge E. P. Guinane, Denver, Colorado, dated July 28, 1935.

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Transmit the following Teletype message to:

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31 LAST FOR LOS ANGELES DRIVING 1935 GRAY PLYMOUTH COUPE. ADDRESS

UNKNOWN. DESCRIPTION 35 YEARS, 5 FEET 7 INCHES, 150 LBS. HAIR

DARK CHESTNUT, MEDIUM BUILD, EYES HAZEL, COMPLEXION FAIR, IRREGULAR

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RECORD CHICAGO POLICE DEPARTMENT SHOWS ARREST AUTO THEFT, MAN-

SLAUGHTER, CARRYING CONCEALED WEAPONS. CHECKING GANGSTER CONNECTIONS

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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in ChargeSent 7:05 P.M. Per *[Signature]*

Post Office Box 812  
Chicago, Illinois



August 6, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,  
St. Louis, Missouri.

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. 1234;  
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.

Referring to conversation had by me on August 1, 1935 with Special Agent Hostetter of your office in regard to Joe Finnegan, please be advised that Post Office Inspector McCarthy was interviewed relative to the alleged implication of Joseph Finnegan in the robbery of a messenger at Chicago in December, 1932.

Inspector McCarthy stated that the identity of the robbers in this case is unknown; that there is some indication that Gus Finkler took part in this robbery. Information in the files of this office indicates that Charles J. Fitzgerald was likewise involved. Mr. McCarthy stated that it was known that a man named Joe handled some of the securities obtained in the robbery and suspicion fell upon Joe Finnegan. As a result thereof investigation was conducted at St. Louis, Missouri, and as a result of a search cover he was traced to Miami, Florida, where McCarthy arrested him and returned him to Chicago. He was questioned, and several witnesses saw him but could not identify him. Finnegan was released and is not wanted by post office authorities.

McCarthy stated that Finnegan is described as follows:

Age	35 years
Height	Approximately 5'8"
Weight	180 pounds
Build	Heavy &
Complexion	Fair
Hair	Light brown

Has heavy jaws.

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McCarthy stated that Finnegan is afflicted with heart trouble.

Agent Sullivan, who interviewed Post Office Inspector McCarthy, was further advised that Finnegan, shortly after the death of Gus Winkler, went to St. Louis and boasted that he was going to take over the Capone syndicate. McCarthy stated that Finnegan was quite a braggart; that he has a wife and a daughter. His wife's maiden name was McCarthy, and she is described as being approximately 35 years of age and of slim build. The child is a girl, approximately 13 or 14 years of age, and generally attends a Catholic school.

I am attaching hereto two copies of the fingerprints of Joseph Dewey Finnegan, obtained by Post Office Inspector McCarthy from the War Department, and two photostatic copies of a check drawn on the Treasurer of the United States, dated October 31, 1935, payable to Finnegan, in the sum of \$27.00, apparently for compensation. Finnegan's endorsement is on the back of this check. The address of 4418 N. 19th St., St. Louis, Missouri, according to Inspector McCarthy, is the residence of Finnegan's mother.

The only other information in the files of the Chicago Office is a result of information obtained from an informant that William Kerin and "Babs" Moran were seen in an automobile with Florida license plates. These plates were checked, and it was ascertained that they were issued to Joseph Finnegan.

Photostatic copies of the above-mentioned check and fingerprint card are being forwarded to the Bureau and to the respective field offices as follows:

- 1 Bureau
- 2 Cincinnati
- 2 St. Paul

In connection with the information provided by Agent Hostetter that Kerin had contacted Finnegan in St. Louis, Informant [redacted] was contacted on August 1, 1935, and he advised that he was absolutely certain that Kerin was still registered at the Rianza Hotel, Diversay Parkway, Chicago, and that he had seen Kerin at approximately 2:00 A.M. on the morning of August 1 and had seen him about the neighborhood on several occasions during the previous week. It is possible that [redacted]

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may have been mistaken in his identification of Karin. However, this information is being provided the St. Louis Office so that they may definitely ascertain whether Karin is visiting St. Louis.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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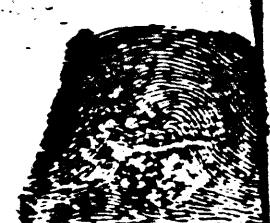
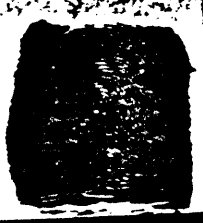



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IDENTIFICATION RECORD CARD.

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Regular Army  
MAY 22 1917  
JEREBSON, BRACKS, MO.

Age 19 Height 68 inches  
Weight 140 pounds  
Date of last prior enlistment: \_\_\_\_\_

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Regiment 1st Battalion 1st Brigade  
Company A Platoon 1

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Post Office Fort State Mo.

Signature of soldier: Joseph D. Elianean

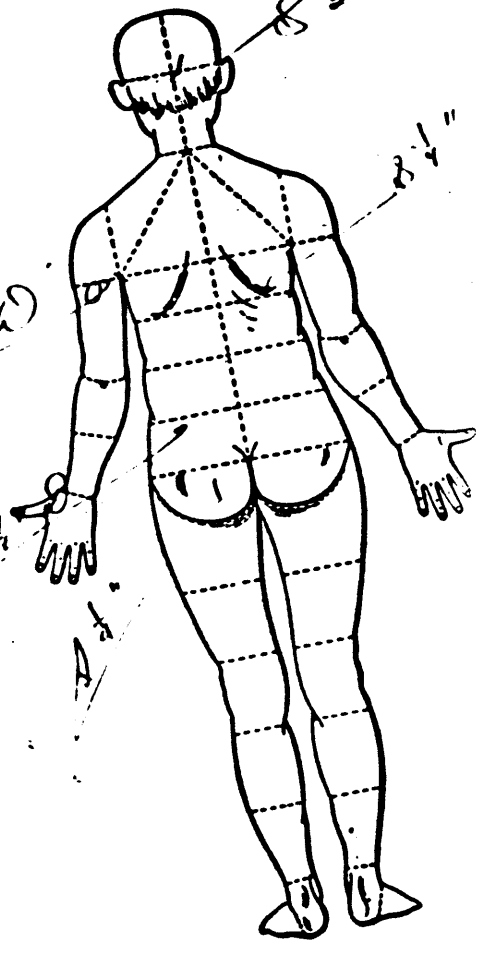
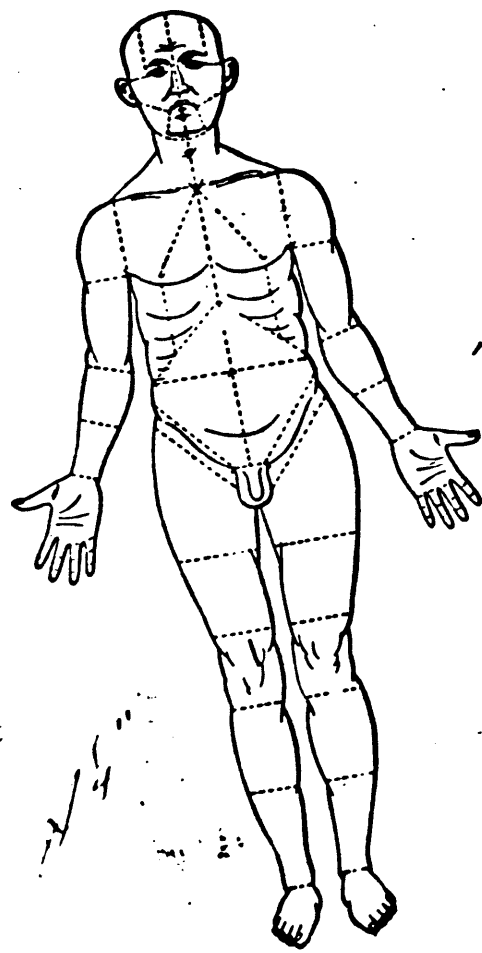
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COMMISSIONER OF THE TREASURY  
ST. LOUIS, MO.

This check must be indorsed in ink or indelible pencil on the line below by the person in whose favor it is drawn, and the name must be spelled exactly the same as it is on the face of the check.

If indorsement is made by mark (X) it must be witnessed by two persons who can write, giving their place of residence in full.

*Joseph Quincy Jones*  
(Sign on this line.)

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PAY IN DOLLARS TWENTY SEVEN AND 00/100 \$27.00 OCT. 31 1933.

TO THE ORDER OF JOSEPH DEWEY FINNEGAN 9-DEC-239006

4418 N 19TH ST  
ST. LOUIS MO

E. L. HILMAN  
Director, Department of Veterans Affairs

*W. L. Baller*

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

In discussing the Bremer Case with Mr. Connelley, with particular reference to the proposed squad to concentrate on leads not only in Chicago, but in other cities where the members of the Karpis Gang are known to have contacts, it has been suggested that the following Agents be assigned to the Chicago Office to work under Mr. Connelley's direction, upon the Bremer case. Mr. Connelley of course concurs in these recommendations:

Special Agent E. D. Brown - presently assigned to the Cleveland Office  
Special Agent S. E. McKee - presently assigned to the Cincinnati Office  
Special Agent John Madala - presently assigned to the New York Office  
Special Agent R. C. Suran, presently assigned to the San Francisco Office.

These men are intended to conduct the necessary investigation and, of course, are not to replace the men heretofore selected for assignment to the Chicago Office for use in raids. Mr. Connelley feels that the majority of the Agents suitable for raiding work are probably better suited for routine assignment at times when raids are not contemplated.

Mr. Connelley has been informed of the names of the Agents presently under transfer to the Chicago Office for use on the raiding squad and states that in his opinion Special Agent L. W. Arms has not impressed him as being a particularly capable Agent, and accordingly, I recommend that Mr. Arms' transfer already ordered from New York to Chicago, be cancelled.

Respectfully,

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E. A. Tamm

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*Edward J. Connelley  
Special Squad*

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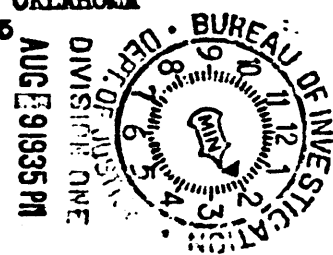
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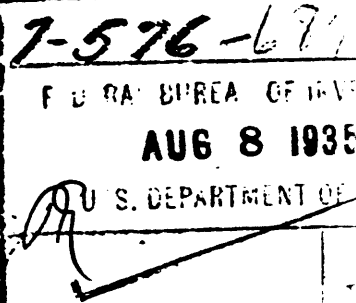
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MAY HAVE INFORMATION HIS WHEREABOUTS

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 2118  
Detroit - Michigan  
August 6, 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

Dear Sir:

In accordance with Bureau letter dated July 27, 1935 there are enclosed herewith copies of a letter written to Miss Dolores DeLaney from John Karpavicz, the original of which has been returned to Superintendent John J. Ryan, U. S. Detention Farm, Milan, Michigan.

Copies of this letter are also being sent to the St. Paul, Chicago, and Cincinnati Offices, as instructed.

Very truly yours,

*D. L. Nicholson*  
D. L. Nicholson  
Special Agent in Charge

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Aug-1-35  
Chicago Ill.

Dear Dolores:

Am writting you a few lines today to let you know everything is alright.

We received your letter last month. Raymond is getting so big but he didn't gain a pound last month although he is over weight fer his age. He is teething and the weather is so hot here. He has never really been sick but he doesnt sleep well at night, although he he hasnt been as much care as most babies when they are teething.

He is out doors most of the time. About the furniture left in Miami Emily wrote to the U S. Marshall also Mrs. Thomas but received no answer I think their isnt any use to do anything further no one seems to do anything about it. Even your sister promised to help us but she hasnt even been here fer 2 months.

Raymond his Grandmother Emily and Betty are all going to take a boat trip. He sure does enjoy the water. When he takes a bath he trys to splash all the water out of the tub.

We had some pictures taken 2 weeks ago. We are sending them but be careful that know one gets hold of them.

Raymond is sending you \$5.00 Dont forget to write soon.

Yours Sincerly

/s/ John Karpavicz

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 2118

Detroit - Michigan

August 6, 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

Dear Sir:

In accordance with Bureau letter dated July 27, 1935 there are enclosed herewith copies of a letter written to Wynona Burdette from Mrs. C. R. Hughes, the original of which has been returned to Superintendent John J. Ryan, U. S. Detention Farm, Milan, Michigan.

Copies of this letter are also being sent to the St. Paul, Chicago, and Cincinnati Offices, as instructed.

Very truly yours,

*D. L. Nicholson*  
D. L. Nicholson  
Special Agent in Charge

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Tulsa, Oklahoma  
July 5, 1935

Darling Baby Sis:-

How is my little honey by now? fine I hope.

I am truly ashamed I haven't written sooner, but kid you forgot to send me your address and I never hardly ever get to see the kids so haven't got it so far. But am sending this to Esther & she can send it on to you.

Palsy, Walsie would give my life to see you. if I wasent so poor Woul see you too. and I dont mean per.

I guess you've heard I've gone back to my husband. Yes. been back over three month's now. But am terribly dissatisfied - not that I don't care for him, but We have to live with his folks so that makes me very unhappy and disagreeable. But I just cant help it.

Want so bad to spend a week. Listen Honey I want you to put your little chin right up in the air. Please dont feel like you said, try hard not to wont you?

Just plan on when you get home honey what a keen time we will have. Remember Mr. Hansen, he goes out to see Mildred ever once in awhile - and one Sunday Chuck and I went out to hang a room of paper and he was there. and he said for me not to worry as you wouldnt get five yrs - & mabe not two - When I told I was afriad they would treat you mean , he said they wouldnt & to write and ask you.

So Nona please for our sake cheer up & be your own sweet self. because everone know's your not guilty of anything - And though you say why worry me with your troubles - If you didnt tell me things that happen and I know how you feel I'd have a larger lump in my neck than I already have. No foolin. I'll go up to Ruths next week & Will go over to Mrs. Campbells as you ask. Will love it. Anything I can do, you want just tell me. I S H O R E Do'er.

If or rather when you say Harry is O.K. we believe you kido - If you love him enough to have to go through this - He has to be swell.

You haven't disgraced the Burdette name anything of the kind - And you do care what happens to you for our sakes. The only bright and sunny part of the whole thing is just waiting to see our little Nona. I mean we will all get to-gether and build a real high seat with wheels on it and hawl you up and around shouting our Nona is home. So see you have to care.

Kid I dont know Arts address or would write Him. Sure get lone-some to see him.

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I guess Jimmie will be down before long to help Mildred ahile.

Mildred & kids are geting along very nicely - she has caned forty five quarts of blackberries. not bad is it?

Ruthie is O.K. also - was the last time she called - W. is working for the yellow cab. now. So, I guess they eat for a change. ha!

These guys here are planing on going to Topeka K. labor day - & if everything happens and nothing goes right I'll go I guess.

We wnet up there Easter & coming back the whole car top blew off - now wasent that a laugh. honest I was so tired from the trip but still I had to laugh. it was just hanging on at the back. I told them we could turn around & back in home, we were only sixty five miles from Tulsa, ha! Did Mr. Hughes get warm under the collar.

But we finally roped the thing on pulled in here looking like a bunch of Gypsies. Their people live at Topeka.

Well Honey Girl am geting sleepy so will finish in the morning.

I lay ever night thinking of you & wondering if you have a good nights rest. Dont mean mabe.

July 19, 1935

Will finish my letter at last - as I believe I at last have you adress -

Sure was proud of your letter honey and no foolin, had begain thinking I would never hear.

Would have answered a/once but we have been caning all week - Corn carrots and beets - also I have made nine pair of curtains. Can you imagine me sewing?

This leaves me still looking for that home my husband promised but had given up hopes of ever geting it. Wynona honey please send me Arts address and I'll soon tell him I'm raring to go. As you know a person simply can-not live on promises and this is the fourth time I've came back.

Excuse pencil wont you, that pen was tiring me out.

Honey I'll send you all those songs I know in the next letter

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and in the meantime get those I dont know from Jimmie & send those also and too will write a line or two. Yes? O.K.

Mr. Kansen was to see me the other evening and said he just got back from taking your clothes up to Esther's.

And had stoped by Mildreds.

July 22, 1935

Now I will try and finish. I'm no foolin'tired as the deuce -

Esther and Richard were down Saturday morning for about fourty min.

She showed me your picture gee it was sure sweet of you, you were as fat as a pigie wasent you?

If we ever get on our feet we will have some made.

July 30, 1935

Here I am again - Fern - Mae and Aaron was down for a few days - we had a very nice time had a little music n-all.

Aaron certainly is looking old and no foolin. seems so queer to hear him singing sacred music. But if he is sincere I'm tickled to-death.

Nona be sure and send Arts address also when You write Esther tell her to have some of those pictures made and give we other girls. Will you honey?

If she is financially able to come and see you, sure wish I could too - gee its tough to be poor.

I think I will close now and let you rest, as I know you are geting tired of reading this.

So promising a speedy answer to your next letter I'm still you little stink of a Sis -

Eunice Hughes  
733-Delaware Pl.  
Tulsa, Okla.

And mighty lonesome to see my baby sis Nona.

Nightie Sweet-thing

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Tulsa, Oklahoma

Mr. Ryan:-

Would you please let my sister Nona have  
my letters - ?

Also do you allow any musical instruments -  
Would love to send her my uke.

Thanking you I Am -

Mrs. Eunice Hughes -

(written on flap of letter to Wynona)

Nona - Jimmie is out to Mildreds now so will send you those  
songs I dont know.

Your loving Sis

Eunice.

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August 12, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

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

Dear Sir:

As of possible interest to your office, there is transmitted herewith a copy of a letter dated July 5, 1935 to Wynona Burdette written by Mrs. C. R. Hughes of Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Copies of this letter were previously furnished the offices indicated below, with copies of the letter of the Detroit Office addressed to the Bureau under date of August 6, 1935, in the above entitled case.

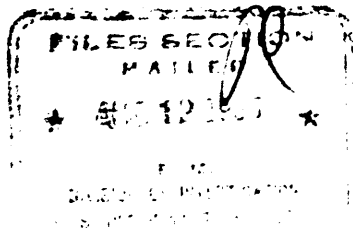
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John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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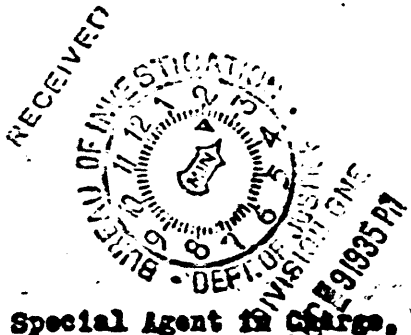
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A large, stylized handwritten signature, likely of John Edgar Hoover, written in dark ink.



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Boston, Massachusetts

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August 6, 1935

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Special Agent in Charge,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
P. O. Box 4907,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of July 31, 1935 addressed to the Director and concerning an anonymous letter dated at Boston, Mass., July 18, 1935, copy of which was furnished us by the Bureau July 29, 1935.

It is noted that the Jacksonville Office contemplates further investigation with reference to Fred Flower, Callahan, Winter, Fred Gondorf and Upshaw, who are also listed in the afore-mentioned anonymous communication.

For your information, the Callahan mentioned in this communication is Herbert F. Callahan of 43 Tremont Street, Boston, who is a well known representative of gangsters in this city. It is this Callahan who arranged for the release of Meade at the time of his arrest by the Northampton Police as set forth in the report of Special Agent P. M. Plunkett, at Boston, dated July 20, 1935, copies of which were furnished the Jacksonville Office. Callahan resides at 288 Pond, Boston. A separate investigation of the activities of this attorney and others in connection with the release of Meade is being conducted by the Boston Office.

It has been further determined that the Fred Farrell at 24 Jordan Road, Brookline, Mass., also uses the name of Fred Flower. He resides at this address and apparently enjoys a good income, the source of which has not been determined since he has refused to state it to credit agencies in Boston. His occupation he has stated on different occasions as being an importer, a representative of a foreign paint concern and representative of an unnamed varnish corporation.

It is further noted in your letter that Post Office Inspector Graham was investigating the case of John Sutton with aliases. It would appear that this is the same man as the "Mr. Graham" mentioned in the anonymous communication.

Efforts are now being made in the Boston Office to discreetly ascertain the present whereabouts of Fred Farrell alias Fred Flower on the theory that Meade may be with him as stated in the anonymous letter. For your further information Fred Farrell is also Frederick P. Farrell, is about 43 years of age, has a wife named Gladys Pauline Farrell who is 5'3" in height, has dark brown hair, hazel eyes and was born on June 10, 1896

in Schenectady, New York. Her daughter Gwendolyn was born March 13, 1913 at the same place. Fred Farrell is 5'11" in height, weighs 185 lbs., is of dark complexion, is the son of George Farrell and Mary Newton. He was born in Boston, but the exact date has not been determined. Farrell drives a 1935 Cadillac sedan, motor number 3001878 bearing Massachusetts 1935 registration 568,158. Apparently, Farrell is not presently at his home on Jordan Road although his wife and daughter are.

Very truly yours,

G. D. McKean  
Special Agent in Charge

PREP:LMC  
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cc Bureau  
cc Cincinnati  
cc St. Paul

1021 Bankers Building  
Milwaukee Wisconsin

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AUG 10 1935

Special Agent in Charge,  
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I. O. #1, FUGITIVE, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, VICTIM; KIDNAPING, HARBORING OF FUGITIVES, OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE, NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Dear Sir:

Sheriff Rider of Huston, Wisconsin, communicated with this office by telephone today and advised that a tavern keeper in Huston had been held up by two men on the morning of August 8, 1935; that he had identified one of these men as being Alvin Karpis and believed the other to be Pat Reilly. Sheriff Rider requested that an Agent make immediate investigation, as he believed the two individuals mentioned above might still be in the vicinity of Huston, Wisconsin.

Special Agent A. P. Barber, attached to this office, interviewed George Deacon, owner and operator of the Ideal Tavern, Huston, Wisconsin, who advised that early Sunday morning, August 4, 1935, two men entered his tavern, one of whom he identified as having been at his tavern some time during April of 1934 with two other men. The two individuals in question, had several drinks at the tavern, and then, before they left, the individual who claimed his name was "Karpis", put a gun in his ribs and told him that he better keep his mouth shut or they would "plug him". Deacon further informed Agent Barber that in April of 1934, when this same individual, in company with two other men, came to his tavern shortly after Dillinger escaped from "Little Bohemia", he, Deacon, called the Sheriff at Huston, Wisconsin, and told him that he had identified one of the men with this individual as being Baby Face Nelson. Deacon further advised that the individual who told him his name was "Karpis" on the morning of August 4, 1935, told him also that the two men that were with them when they visited his tavern in April, 1934, were Dillinger and Baby Face Nelson, and that if he, Deacon, would again notify the Sheriff's Office of his presence at Deacon's tavern, they would "plug him".

Deacon described the individual who introduced himself as "Karpis" as being 33 years old, 5' 9-11" tall, 160 pounds, of a slender build, black hair, dark eyes, wore blue eye glasses.



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Deacon described the individual who accompanied "Karpis" as being 28-30 years old, 5'5" tall, 155 pounds, of a medium build, black hair, gray eyes.

Deacon further informed Agent Barber that the above described individuals were in company with two blonde girls, about 18 years old, and about 5' 2" tall, wearing blue pajama suits; that they drove a 1934 Chevrolet Sedan, bearing Illinois license plates, number unknown.

Agent Barber exhibited several photographs to Deacon and claimed to have identified the photograph of "Karpis" as one of his assailants. However, it will be noted that his description of this individual did not fit "Karpis". Deacon identified a photograph of Earl Beilly, who was recently convicted of harboring Dillinger, as a possible likeness of the other one of his assailants.

Agent Barber interviewed Ephraim Hays, a butcher whose shop is located two doors away from the Ideal Tavern. Mr. Hays, after viewing several photographs presented to him by Agent Barber, stated that he could not identify any of them as being the likeness of Deacon's assailants. Mr. Hays informed Agent Barber that he secured a very good front view of both of Deacon's assailants and that he believed he could identify them in the event he saw them again.

Both the Sheriff at Mauston, Wisconsin, and Agent Barber were of the opinion that "Karpis" was not one of Deacon's assailants.

Very truly yours,

V. H. PETERSON,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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August 6, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,  
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218, et al,  
Edward George Bremer, Victim,  
KIDNAPING. 0

Dear Sir:

The Bureau has received advice from Mr. Walter L. Barlow, Special Assistant to the Attorney General, that it will not be necessary for Special Agent S. K. McKee to meet him in Miami, Florida on August 17, 1935, because his contemplated trip to Cuba has been postponed indefinitely; therefore, Special Agent McKee should proceed to Chicago, in accordance with previous instructions of the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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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.

I am attaching hereto a copy of fingerprint  
card of Joseph Dewey Finnegan, which was obtained from the  
War Department, and request a copy of his criminal record on  
file at the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

*D. M. Ladd*

D. M. LADD,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
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Dear Sir:

This will confirm  
telegram advising that Special Agent R. P. Shanahan  
returned to this office at 7:45 A. M., August 5th,  
1935.

Agent Shanahan left  
Little Rock at 3:00 P. M., August 1st, 1935 for  
Chicago, Illinois for a conference with Mr. George  
A. Skultety, County Attorney, Fairbury, Nebraska,  
in the case entitled: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218; ET AL - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER -  
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Very truly yours,

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Special Agent in Charge.

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

PHONE. BREKID WILLIAM E. MEADE WITH ALIASES OF CHARLES E. CARTER,  
J. W. REED, JOHN HENRY FOSTER, EDWIN ELZA GAYNOR, C. C. CHASE, J. H.  
PARKER, J. W. BARKER, CLARK, TAYLOR, WANTED FOR QUESTIONING IN BREKID  
AND FUGITIVE FROM U. S. DISTRICT COURT JACKSONVILLE IN MAIL FRAUD CASE  
1934, BELIEVED POSSIBLY IDENTICAL WITH ARTHUR J. BRADLEY CARE OF VARNEY,  
BOX 216, SARATOGA SPRINGS, NY. ONE FREDDIE FREED SAME BOX ADDRESS  
BELIEVED POSSIBLY IDENTICAL WITH ONE FRED FLOWER, ALLEGED CON MAN, NOW  
RESIDING AS FRED FARRELL, BROOKLINE, MASSACHUSETTS, AND SUMMERING AT  
HYANNIS, MASSACHUSETTS, AS INFORMATION IS THAT FARRELL OR FLOWER HAR-  
BORING MEADE. MEADE UNDER NAME C. E. CARTER ARRESTED NORTHAMPTON,  
MASSACHUSETTS POLICE DEPARTMENT JULY 12, 1935, IMPROPER REGISTRATION AUT  
RELEASED \$200 BAIL JULY 14, 1935, BEFORE IDENTIFICATION MUTILATED  
FINGERPINTS AND ABSCONDED LEAVING AUTO BEHIND. MEADE AGED 65, 5 FEET  
10 INCHES, 150 LBS., SLIM BUILD, HAIR BAXXX BLACK, TURNING GRAY,  
PARTIALLY BALD, MUSTACHE SAME COLOR, WEARS GLASSES, SPEAKS WITHOUT  
ACCENT WITH QUERULOUS VOICE, FREQUENTLY USING "-825 XXX 'AINT" AND  
DOUBLE NEGATIVE, APPARENTLY HAS WORN TOUPEE. LEFT EYE BLINKS NERVOUSLY,  
LEFT SIDE MOUTH APPARENTLY PARTIALLY PARALYZED, RIGHT CORNER MOUTH  
DRAWN DOWN WHEN SPEAKING. FINGER TIPS ARE MUTILATED. FARRELL REPORTED  
43 YEARS AGE, 5 FEET 11 INCHES, 185 LBS., DARK COMPLEXION, MARRIED,  
WIFE GLADYS PAULINE AGED 39 AND DAUGHTER QXXX GWENDOLYN AGED 22. FXXX  
FARRELL OWNS 1933 CADILLAC SEDAN MASSACHUSETTS REGISTRATION 568155.  
MAILING NOW PHOTO OF MEADE IN ENVELOPE ADDRESSED TO "SPECIAL AGENT  
FEDERAL BUREAU INVESTIGATION US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE CARE POSTMASTER  
SARATOGA SPRINGS NEW YORK". BUREAU DESIRES EVERY EFFORT APPREHEND  
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Special Agent in Charge,  
Portland, Oregon.

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

Dear Sir:

The Bureau desires that when an Agent is next  
in the vicinity of the United States Penitentiary,  
McNeil Island, Washington, an interview be conducted  
with Thomas C. Williams, number 11524, for the purpose  
of developing any information which he may be willing  
to furnish concerning the activities of members of the  
Barker-Karpis gang and possibly the Bentz gang, it being  
noted that Williams was superintendent of the Vallejo  
General Hospital, Vallejo, California, which was frequented  
by notorious members of the underworld.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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PHONE. BREKID. RE TELEPHONE CONVERSATION WITH MR NEWBY YESTERDAY  
DETECTIVE HICKEY HARTFORD CONNECTICUT WAS SEEKING PHOTOGRAPH OF  
WILLIAM MEADE THINKING HIM BANK ROBBERY SUSPECT. INVESTIGATION AT  
NEW BRITAIN INDICATES THAT THOMAS ODELL OCCASIONALLY VISITS 60 HIGH  
STREET THAT CITY BUT HAS NOT BEEN SEEN THERE FOR SEVERAL WEEKS.  
HE IS REPORTED TO BE EMPLOYED BY THE R W ROSENBERRY PUBLISHING COMPANY  
NEW YORK CITY SELLING TRADE JOURNALS. HE IS DESCRIBED AS A CONFIDENCE  
MAN AND RACKETEER. AM CONTINUING EFFORTS TO LOCATE HIM HERE. ~~UNABLE~~  
UNABLE TO IDENTIFY MEADE AS ASSOCIATE OF ODELLS IN NEW BRITAIN

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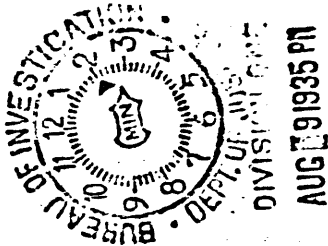
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Special Agent in Charge,  
Chicago, Illinois.

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. 1234.  
WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I. O. 1233.  
WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I. O. 1230.  
MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I. O. 1241, et al.  
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Dear Sir:

This is to confirm telephonic conversation had with you by  
Special Agent D. S. Hostetter on August 1, 1935 in reference to William  
Kerin and his associate, Joseph Finnegan, both of whom are now located  
in St. Louis, Missouri.

William Kerin now resides at the Fairgrounds Hotel, 3644  
Natural Bridge, St. Louis, and is driving a Graham-Paige coupe bearing  
1935 Florida license B-5088. A surveillance of this individual indicates  
that he contacts Joseph Finnegan, who lives at #4004 Market St., St.  
Louis.

Subsequent investigation reflects that Finnegan was supposedly  
manager during 1933 of the 225 East Superior Club, #225 East Superior  
St., Chicago, Ill. Finnegan is now driving a Dodge Brougham bearing 1935  
Florida license #45251 and is employed at the Mounds Country Club near  
East St. Louis, Illinois.

Inquiries at the St. Louis Police Department revealed that on  
December 15, 1933 Mr. Jack Stahl, Post Office Inspector, Chicago, Ill.,  
reported that on December 6, 1932 a group of individuals wearing masks  
held up and robbed letter carrier Fred Voelsch of the Chicago, Ill. Post  
Office and that many of the bonds stolen in this robbery have been traced  
to one Joe Finnegan and at that time it was reported that Finnegan had  
left Chicago for St. Louis.

In reference to the Mounds Country Club, as mentioned above, it has been ascertained that Jack Langer is at present manager. It is recalled that Jack Langer was formerly manager of the Kit Kat Club in St. Louis and that Harrison supposedly accompanied by some of the instant mob, frequented this spot during 1934. It has been likewise ascertained that Jack Langer was arrested on August 15, 1930 by the St. Louis Police Dept. at the Maryland Hotel in possession of a small arsenal.

For your further information an individual believed to be John Russell Moran contacted William Karin at the Fairgrounds Hotel on August 4, 1935.

The above facts, as set out herein, are submitted for your information at this time, however, a complete report will be submitted within the near future in connection with the above investigation.

Very truly yours,

R. E. VETTERLI,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Post Office Box 515  
Saint Paul, Minnesota

August 6, 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  
St. Paul File No. 7-30

As of possible interest to the Bureau,  
there is transmitted herewith photo/sketch of ALVIN KARPIS,  
who appears in the guise of a woman. This photo was  
furnished to me by the Startling Detective Magazine at  
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Very truly yours,

*H. E. Andersen*

H. E. ANDERSEN  
Special Agent in Charge

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PHONE BREKID AUBURN SPEEDSTER CARRYING NEW YORK TAGS, 3 E- 8452  
SEEN IN CLEVELAND BELIEVED POSSESSION KARPIS REGISTERED TO NORMAN C.  
KLINCK, 124 ROHR STREET, BUFFALO. GOOD REPUTATION, EMPLOYED CLERK  
NEW YORK CENTRAL RAILROAD SINCE 1916 REAL OWNER DAN MONTGOMERY,  
COLORED, 158 EXCHANGE STREET, BUFFALO, NIGHT CLUB OPERATOR, GOOD  
REPUTATION. MONTGOMERY VISITED MILDRED COOPER, COLORED, STOP 110  
LORRAINE, OHIO YESTERDAY AND WAS IN POSSESSION OF CAR IN CLEVELAND.  
WAS ACCOMPANIED BY GEORGE FOLEY, WHITE, AN EMPLOYEE OF MONTGOMERY.  
FOLEY SLIGHTLY RESEMBLES KARPIS. CLEVELAND NOTIFIED.

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7-576-6910

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

Dear Sir:

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

Reference is made to your teletype message  
of July 27, 1935, directed to all field offices,  
relative to an Auburn speedster bearing 1935 New York  
license plates 3-E-3462, reported to have been  
occupied by subject Alvin Karpis and others.

The Bureau feels that you displayed very  
poor judgment in the handling of this matter by  
broadcasting an erroneous pick-up notice which  
might have easily resulted in considerable embarrass-  
ment to you and to the Bureau. The logical action  
to have taken in this instance would have been to  
first trace the New York license plates through  
the Buffalo Office, in order to obtain further  
corroboration of the information received by you.  
I desire that you exercise extreme caution in broad-  
casting such pick-up notices.

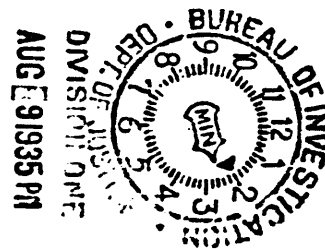
Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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PHONE 0 BREKID RE YOUR TELETYPE ADVISING WM E MEADE BELIEVED  
POSSIBLY IDENTICAL WITH ARTHUR J ERADLEY CARE OF VARNEY  
BOX 216 SARATOGA SPRINGS N Y LETTERS RECEIVED POST OFFICE  
SARATOGA THIS MORNING FOR ARTHUR ERADLEY FROM PROVIDENCE R I  
AND FOR C J FREED FROM 167 NORTHWEST 45 TH STREET MIAMI FLA  
RANSON VARNEY JR BOX 216 IS A TIN ROOFER AND OPERATES A  
ROOMING HOUSE AT SARATOGA WITH LARGE SIGN IN FRONT SOLICITING  
ROOMERS SO FAR AS KNOWN HAS GOOD REPUTATION BUT DOES NOT CATER  
TO BETTER CLASS VARNEY HAS BEEN VISITED NUMEROUS TIMES BY  
FREED HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO LOCATE ANYONE WHO HAS SEEN ERADLEY  
NOR DOES ANYONE RECOGNIZE PHOTO OF MEADE BELIEVED INADVISABLE  
TO APPROACH VARNEY AND AGENT COTTER IS ENTERING VARNEYSP  
HOUSE AS A ROOMER TO LOOK OVER OCCUPANTS

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PHONE BREKID HAVE REVIEWED MOST OF RECENT FILE AND AM PREPARING  
 MEMORANDUM OF INSTRUCTIONS FOR SPECIAL SQUAD FOR ~~WORK~~ ~~WORK~~ WORK  
 CHICAGO, CLEVELAND AND TOLEDO AND FUTURE WORK DESMOINES AND SALE  
 ARKANSAS. SUFFICIENT WORK SET UP AT CHICAGO WHEN I WAS THERE  
 MONDAY FOR AGENTS ASSIGNED. WILL SEND BUREAU COPY MEMORANDUM  
 AIRMAIL TODAY. WILL CHECK AND PLAN WORK MANKATO, MINNEAPOLIS,  
 ETC. WITH OFFICE HERE TO INSURE SURVEILLANCE BELLE BOR N OUT OF  
 HERE WHEN NEXT APPEARING FOR POSSIBILITY OF LEADING TO FITZGERALD  
 AND LATTER SHOULD THEN BE COVERED FOR CONTACTS BY KARPIS ETAL

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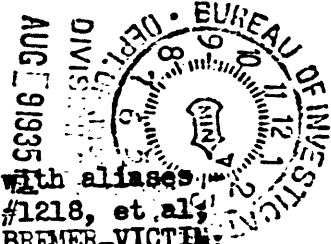
Chicago, Illinois

August 7th, 1935

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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,  
FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218, et al;  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER-VICTIM;  
KIDNAPING



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Please be advised that on August 7th, 1935, the Federal Reserve Note in the amount of \$100.00, which is a counterfeit bill and which was found in the possession of Volney Davis at the time of his arrest, was turned over to Captain Thomas J. Callaghan, Principal Operative in Charge, United States Secret Service, Chicago, Illinois.

I am enclosing herewith a copy of the receipt executed by him. A duplicate copy of this receipt has been placed in the file of the Chicago Office.

Very truly yours,

*D. M. Ladd*

D. M. LADD

Special Agent in Charge

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
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WASHINGTON, D. C.  
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Chicago, Illinois

August 7th, 1935

I have today received from the Special Agent in Charge of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, \$100.00 Federal Reserve Note, J2 series, bearing serial number 000809125A, which was taken from Volney Davis at the time of his arrest in Kansas City, Missouri.

*Thomas J. Callaghan.*  
*U. S. Secret Service*

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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FILE NO. 7-8

Form No. 1  
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

REPORT MADE AT Aberdeen, S. D.	DATE WHEN MADE 8/6/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 7/31&8/1/35	REPORT MADE BY H. S. BOONE
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE I. O. 1218, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT. HARBORING

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

John Syverson, President Cafe, Minot, North Dakota saw person walking on streets of Minot July 16, 1935 and saw ALVIN KARPIS' picture in True Detective July 19, 1935. Believed person seen July 16, 1935 was KARPIS. Did not know where person came from or where he went. Never saw person again. Post Office had delivered no mail to KARPIS under right name or aliases. No one else found who had seen same person.

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REFERENCE: Bureau letter dated July 26, 1935.

**DETAILS:**

By letter dated 7/26/35 the Bureau sent to this office a copy of a letter received at the Bureau from John Syverson, Minot, North Dakota. Mr. Syverson in his letter advised that, on July 16, 1935 he saw ALVIN KARPIS on the streets of Minot. Mr. Syverson requested this Bureau not to disclose to local officials, the fact that he had given this information to this Bureau.

At Minot, N. D. John Syverson, President Cafe, Minot, N. D. stated that about 12:00 noon July 16, 1935 he saw a man walking West on First St. between Main street and First Avenue Southwest; that he is familiar enough with people in Minot to tell whether a person comes to Minot often; that he had not seen that person in Minot before; that he only saw that person once in Minot; and that the following is the way he would describe the person whom he saw:

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>Wesley Davis RRM</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES	
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Name	Unknown
Age	About 30
Weight	140 to 145 lbs.
Height	5' 9" to 5' 10"
Eyes	Dark
Hair	Dark
Complexion	Olive
Face	Long oval, dark thick eyebrows clean shaven.
Build	Slim, flat chested, narrow square shoulders.
Dress	Dark Green felt hat, white shirt open at neck and sleeves rolled up nearly to elbow, no coat or tie, pants dark, and hat little over eyes. Walked with both hands in his pockets.

Syverson went into his place of business which is on that street and thought no more about the person whom he had seen until Friday, July 19, 1935 when he saw ALVIN KARPIS picture in the True Detective and realized immediately that it was a picture of the man whom he had seen on First Street about noon July 16, 1935. Syverson stated that he had read the description of KARPIS there but that he let that influence him as little as possible in giving the above description.

Syverson stated that he had kept a sharp look-out for KARPIS since the time he saw the picture but that he had not seen him around since; that he, Syverson, had been out around the golf course watching people play as he saw in the description that KARPIS was a pretty good golfer or liked to play golf.

Syverson has lived in Minot, North Dakota for a little over seven years. He operated a sandwich shop for the first five years and has been operating a beer parlor since that time. He appeared to be fairly reliable.

William P. Brand on the General Delivery window at the Post Office advised that he is positive he delivered no mail to subject under name or any of aliases and that no forwarding address was left there.

Deputy Sheriff Lee advised that they had not seen or heard of KARPIS but that a sharp watch would be kept for him.

Syverson had no idea where the person he saw came from or where he went and could give Agent no idea as to the place he might have stayed while in Minot. There are any number of places in Minot where one could put up temporarily or permanently. Some of these places are not licensed and do not keep registers of persons staying there. The registers of the hotels and most likely "spots", where KARPIS would have stayed were personally checked for a period ranging from July 10, 1935 to date. No evidence of his having stopped there was found.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box 2344, Boston, Mass.

August 8, 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.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of July 29, 1935, enclosing an anonymous communication dated at Boston, Massachusetts, July 18, 1930, received in the Bureau July 20, 1935, which sets forth information concerning Elmer Meade and other confidence men.

The investigation conducted by the Boston Office with reference to Fred Flower, living under the name Farrell, at 24 Jordan Road, Brookline, Massachusetts, is incorporated in a report in this case dated at Boston August 8, 1935. A photostatic copy of the fingerprints of Fred F. Flowers, who is believed identical with the party named in the communication, are being transmitted herewith. These prints were taken by the Boston Police January 9, 1911, and bear Photo No. 10505, B.R. No. 330, and Ref. No. 20307.

It is requested that these prints be searched in the Bureau files and a copy of any record found be forwarded to each of the offices receiving a copy of this communication.

Very truly yours,

*C. D. McKean*

C. D. MCKEAN,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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August 10, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,  
Boston, Mass.

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

Dear Sir:

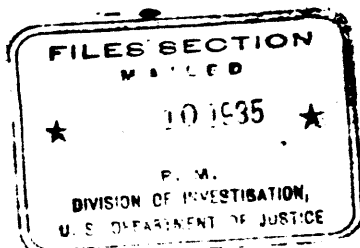
Referring to fingerprints forwarded by you, please be  
advised that an examination of the fingerprint records  
of the Federal Bureau of Investigation fails to disclose  
any data concerning the following:

---, Fred P. Flowers

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

Copy to:  
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Cincinnati, Ohio  
Bureau Office,  
St. Paul, Minn.  
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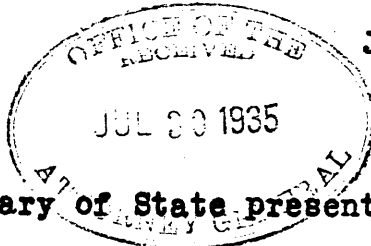




In reply refer to  
FA 102.3/1091

DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
WASHINGTON

July 29, 1935



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The Secretary of State presents his compliments to the Honorable the Attorney General and refers further to the latter's communication of May 27, 1935, concerning the desire of the Bureau of Investigation of the Department of Justice to obtain from Germany information in regard to an automatic pistol that has been recovered from a person taken into custody in connection with a kidnaping case.

The Secretary of State now transmits herewith in the above connection a copy of a despatch received from the American Consul at Leipzig, Germany, setting forth the action that has been taken by him in the matter and the results of such action.

Enclosure: *mw*  
From Consulate,  
Leipzig, No. 400,  
July 8, 1935.

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Duplicate

No. 400

AMERICAN CONSULATE,  
Leipzig, Germany

July 8, 1935.

Subject: Efforts to trace an automatic pistol manufactured by the Deutsche Werke A.G., Erfurt, recovered from a person arrested in connection with a kidnaping case in the United States.

The Honorable

The Secretary of State,  
Washington.

Sir:

I have the honor to refer to Department's written instruction of June 5, 1935, transmitting copy of a letter received from the Attorney General, dated May 27, 1935, concerning the desire of the Bureau of Investigation of the Department of Justice to obtain information relative to an automatic pistol of 8.35 millimeter calibre, bearing serial number 140007 and reflecting the manufacturer's name, which appears to be the Deutsche Werke, A.G., Erfurt, Germany. It appears that this pistol has been recovered from a person taken into custody in connection with a kidnaping case in the United States. In accordance with the request of the Attorney General, the Consulate is directed to endeavor to obtain from the Deutsche Werke A.G., Erfurt, pertinent data that may assist in tracing the pistol into the possession of the person from whom it was taken.

Immediately upon receipt of the Department's instruction, I took up the matter with the AUG and sources of information in Erfurt and ascertained that the

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Deutsche Werke A.G., which formerly manufactured pistols and other weapons, no longer existed there. I then took up the matter with the District Court (Amtsgericht) at Erfurt, which, at my request, sent the files of the AEG Deutsche Werke, Aktiengesellschaft (which was a subsidiary of the Allgemeine Elektrizitäts-Gesellschaft at Berlin, Germany), to the District Court (Amtsgericht) at Leipzig, where the files could be examined by a representative of the Consulate.

Upon examination of the said Court files, no information could be ascertained regarding the disposition of the pistol in question, which is supposed to have been manufactured by the Deutsche Werke A.G. at Erfurt. However, it appeared from the Court files that the AEG Deutsche Werke, Aktiengesellschaft, Erfurt, was also engaged in the manufacture of typewriters; that in January, 1930, this Company changed its name to "Europa-Schreibmaschinen A.G." having its main office at Friedrichstrasse 110-12, Berlin N. 24, and maintaining a sub-factory at Mainzer Hofplatz 13 in Erfurt. It could not be ascertained from the said files whether or not the latter firm was also engaged in the manufacture of pistols. Furthermore, a careful investigation revealed no trace of a pistol manufacturer in Erfurt having a name similar to "Deutsche Werke, A.G.".

The Consulate then wrote to the Europa-Schreibmaschinen A.G., Erfurt, and received from the Industrieanlagen G.m.b.H., Kurfuerstendamm 237, Berlin W 50, a letter dated July 6, 1935, of which the following is a translation:-

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"The Europa-Schreibmaschinen A.G., Erfurt, a considerable time ago purchased from us, as proprietary legal successor of the Deutsche Werke A.G., Berlin, a part of the works in Erfurt owned by us. The Europa-Schreibmaschinen A.G., Erfurt, sent to us your inquiry of July 3 with the request to make a reply direct to you. From the records in our possession we have ascertained that the pistol described by you was shipped from the works in Erfurt on August 8, 1932. To our regret, however, it could not be ascertained to whom this pistol had been shipped at that time."

According to the foregoing it appears that it is impossible to ascertain from the records of the companies mentioned above into whose hands the pistol in question passed after it left the works in Erfurt.

According to the letter received by this Consulate from the Industrieanlagen G.m.b.H. at Berlin, it appears that while the records disclose the date the pistol in question left the works at Erfurt, they do not show the name and address of the consignee. As this seems somewhat strange, I have forwarded the consular files in this case to the American Consul General at Berlin with the suggestion that he make inquiries at the principal office of the Industrieanlagen G.m.b.H. for the purpose of ascertaining, if possible, whether there are any other records in existence which might disclose the name and address of the consignee of the shipment containing the pistol in question.

Respectfully yours,

Ralph G. Busser,  
American Consul.

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Sent in triplicate to Department of State, Washington.  
Copy to American Consulate General, Berlin.

A true copy of  
the signed original  
/G.

August 7, 1935

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Special Agent in Charge,  
New Orleans, Louisiana.

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the letter from the New Orleans Office, dated May 15, 1935, transmitting to the Bureau one 6.35 millimeter pistol, number 140007, manufactured by the Deutsche Werke, Erfurt, Germany, which gun was recovered from subject Harry Sawyer at the time of his apprehension.

An inquiry was directed to the State Department with a view to tracing the source of this gun. For your information, there is transmitted herewith a copy of a communication, dated July 22, 1935, received from the State Department, together with a copy of the enclosure referred to therein reflecting the results of the investigation conducted by the American Consul at Leipzig, Germany.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

Enc. #532414

cc Chicago (with copy of enclosure)  
Cincinnati  
St. Paul

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*E. J. Connelley*



7-31-1935.

TO: ☐ Director  
☐ Mr. Nathan  
☐ Mr. Tolson  
☐ Mr. Edwards  
☐ Mr. Quinn  
☐ Mr. Tamm  
☐ Division Three

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R. NEWBY

Supervisor.

DIRECTOR

PHONE

REVERPING COMMUNICATION RECD FROM MR TAMM YESTERDAY RELATIVE  
CHARLES E CARTER ARRESTED NORTHAMPTON POLICE FRIDAY LAST.  
CARTER IN COURSE OF LENGTHY INTERROGATION EXPRESSED HIMSELF  
COMPLETE IGNORANCE CONDITION OF FINGERS. DENIED ANY MUTILATION  
BY HIMSELF OR OTHERS. CARTER DECLINED TO IDENTIFY HIMSELF FURTHER THAT  
TO SAY HIS NAME WAS CHARLES E CARTER AND WAS BORN SAN FRANCISCO  
DEC. 25, 1870. AT TIME OF ARREST HAD IN HIS POSSESSION STATIONERY  
FROM FOLLOWING HOTELS SKIRVIN HOTEL, OKLAHOMA CITY. MILES STANDISH  
HOTEL BOSTON AND UNKNOWN HOTEL MIAMI, FLA. ALSO FOUND  
IN HIS POSSESSION BOTTLE CONCENTRATED CARBOLIC ACID. DENIES KNOWING  
HAVING SAME. HAS ALL THE APPEARANCE OF TYPICAL CONFIDENCE MAN.  
ARRESTED ON SUSPICION AFTER HAVING BEEN IN VICINITY OF NORTHAMPTON  
ABOUT TEN DAYS ENDEAVORING TO INTEREST CONTRACTORS IN THE BUILDING  
OF HOMES FOR WHICH HE HAD UNIDENTIFIED BLUE PRINTS. CHARGED WITH  
IMPROPER REGISTRATION OF AUTOMOBILE, RELEASED LAST NIGHT ON BOND  
IN SUM OF TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS. ARRANGED FOR BY HERBERT CALLAHAN,  
WELL KNOWN BOSTON GANGSTER ATTORNEY, FOR HEARING THURSDAY NEXT.  
KELLY, NORTHAMPTON POLICE, ADVISES NOTICED CARTERS PRINTS  
OBLITERATED FOLLOWING TAKING OF SAME AND ENDEAVORED UNSUCCESSFULLY TO  
CLASSIFY SAME. PHOTOGRAPH OF CARTER BEING FORWARDED  
WITH PRINTS TAKEN BY HAMPSHIRE COUNTY HOUSE CORRECTION  
BEARING NUMBER 8669.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 2118

Detroit - Michigan

August 6, 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.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with Bureau letter dated July 27, 1935 there are enclosed herewith copies of a letter written by Dolores Delaney to Mr. and Mrs. John Karpavicz, the original of which has been returned to Superintendent John J. Ryan, U. S. Detention Farm, Milan, Michigan.

Copies of this letter are also being sent to the St. Paul, Chicago, and Cincinnati Offices, as instructed.

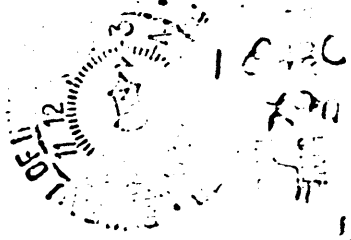
Very truly yours,

*D. L. Nicholson*

D. L. Nicholson  
Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
Southern District of Florida

July 10, 1935.

Miss Dolores De Laney  
4 U. S. Detention Farm  
Milam, Michigan

Dear Miss De Laney:-

By direction of the Hon. Halsted L. Ritter, your letter dated July 5th has been referred to this office for attention, and we wish to advise you that the baby things you mention, and we do not know if this includes everything, but some of the things are in the possession of Mrs. Thomas who owned the house where you lived while here. The other personal effects are in the custody of the Marshal of which we will be glad to advise you by letter when the case is adjudicated.

Very truly yours,

W. F. Fox

WFF/h

.....  
(written on bottom in pencil by Dolores DeLaney)

I think I will get the personal things I had there but I guess that Mrs. Thomas won't give the others up. I don't see how she can keep them, tho' but I can't do anything about it.

Dolores

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Aug. 2, 1935.

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Karpis:

I thought I had better write you and let you know that the clothes I had here are being sent to you. They called up one day last week and said that all of our bags had to go home. I had just heard from my brother & sister and they said they were broke and I didn't have anything else to do but send them to you. I hated to impose on you so much but I do hope you won't mind. Mrs. Karpis I have a lace table cloth in it and I wish you would take it. It isn't a great deal to give you but it would make me very happy for you to have it. I wish you would put the other things away for me. I haven't much but what little there is will most likely come in handy when I get out.

How is Ray? Is he getting much heavier? It hardly seems possible that he was really 6 months old yesterday. When I think back just 7 months ago and think of the things Alvin and I had planned for him - it seems like an eternity. Everything has turned out so terribly different. We were going to do so much for the little Tyke. We had things planned for him up to his college days. Well, that's enough of this - Has he got those teeth, that were on the way, yet? I'll bet he is the cutest little old thing when he smiles and shows them. I can hardly wait for some more pictures of him. Send them as soon as you can, will you, please? I haven't heard anymore about his things in Florida and I have done everything I can. I've written to Judge's, Marshalls and all the rest but they don't give me any satisfaction. I am enclosing a letter in answer to one I wrote to the Judge that sentenced me. I guess we will never get the things. There is a kodak in my bag. I'm not sure whether they will send that to you or keep it here with my jewelry but if they do send it to you I want you to use it or if you have one give it to my sister and maybe she will have some pictures of herself taken and send them to me.

I will have to say goodbye now and write me real soon. Give Raymond a kiss for me and say "hello" to Emily and Betty.

Love -

Dolores.

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Detroit - Michigan  
August 6, 1935

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

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, wa, FUG. I.O. 1218;  
et al; EDWARD G. BREMER - Victim  
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a letter written  
to Mr. and Mrs. John Karpavicz, Chicago, Illinois  
from Dolores Delaney, an inmate of your institution.

This letter has been scrutinized by this  
office very carefully and has been found to contain  
no information of value.

Thanking you for your cooperation in the  
matter, I am

Very truly yours,

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Enc.  
cc-Bureau ✓

D. L. Nicholson  
Special Agent in Charge

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**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION  
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**SUBJECT: BARKER/KARPIS GANG  
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Post Office Box 512  
Chicago Illinois

August 6th, 1935

Special Agent in Charge  
San Francisco, California

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
Fugitive, I. O. 1218, et al;  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM  
KIDNAPING

Confirming teletype from this office dated August 5th, 1935, containing results of the investigation regarding Dominic Bello, please be advised that the address 111 West Division Street is occupied by the Mark Twain Hotel which investigation disclosed, is reputable. Inquiry at the Hotel resulted in information that Bello resided there for eight months, checked out on July 31st, 1935 and left no forwarding address. A bell-boy who was questioned stated that Bello intended to go to Los Angeles, California. Bello lived at the Hotel alone and his acquaintances are not known. He was driving a 1935 grey Plymouth Coupe as described in your teletype dated August 5th, 1935. Bello is reported to have been employed at the Nut House, a night club in Chicago. Discreet inquiry at the above named night club resulted in information that Bello was formerly there but had gone to Los Angeles. His address was not known to the party contacted by Special Agent D. P. Sullivan. Further investigation will be made at this club to ascertain Bello's address in Los Angeles and his criminal connections.

Photographs of members of the Karpis-Barker gang were shown to various employees at the Mark Twain Hotel none of which photographs were recognized.

The following description and criminal record of Bello was obtained from the Chicago Police Department:

Description: Age 28; height 5' 7"; weight 150 lbs;  
hair dark chestnut; complexion fair;  
chin receding; full teeth; medium build; nationality  
Latin; married; occupation clerk; irregular scar 1/4  
inch right side of chin; face pitted; fingerprint  
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It is to be noted that the Nut House was formerly frequented by members of the Dillinger gang. Further investigation will be conducted at this place to ascertain Belle's companions on the trip to California.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LAND  
Special Agent in Charge

DPS:LEM  
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cc - Bureau ✓  
cc - Salt Lake  
cc - Los Angeles  
cc - Cincinnati  
cc - St Paul  
cc - Chicago

# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

CINCINNATI, OHIO

FILE NO. 7-45

REPORT MADE AT: Cincinnati, Ohio	DATE WHEN MADE: 8-8-35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 7/24-26/35 8/2/35	REPORT MADE BY: S. K. McKee
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. 1241 et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; DESTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

## SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Results of mail cover on John E. Egan, Dayton, Ohio and telephone data of interest on office phone set out. Sam Kaufman, inmate Ohio Penitentiary, advised John E. Egan, underworld attorney and has intimate contact with Inspector Si Yendes, Dayton Police Dept. John W. Masaner, Manager of the dog track at Harrison, Ohio, knows subject William J. Harrison by sight and will furnish any information obtained; Masaner connected with West Flagler dog track, Miami, Florida during Winter meet.

## REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent S. K. McKee, Cincinnati, Ohio dated 7-9-35.

## DETAILS:

### AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

John W. Masaner, Manager of the Harrison Kennel and Auction Company, 1406 Traction Building, Cincinnati, Ohio, to whom Agent was referred by Frank Falk, a dog owner at the Harrison dog track, was interviewed. Falk had advised that he believed Masaner to be thoroughly reliable and felt that he could be contacted for information as to Fugitive Subjects of this file with absolute safety. Photographs of subjects Karpis, Campbell, Weaver, Moran, Eaton and Harrison were displayed to Masaner and he picked out the picture of Willie Harrison as a person whom he had seen on many occasions at the West Flagler dog track in Miami, Florida; also at various

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"bookies" at Miami. Massner claimed that he had never seen Harrison or any of his associates at the Harrison dog track, stating that persons of this calibre, by which he meant the gambling element, did not frequent the Harrison track but attended the meeting at the Jeffersonville, Indiana dog track. Massner was unable to identify any of the photographs except that of Harrison, as a person he had seen. He offered to show the above mentioned pictures to employees at the Harrison track whom he stated he could trust in order that they might be on the alert and let him know if any of these individuals put in an appearance at the track. Massner was again contacted on August 2, 1935 and he advised that the only persons able to recognize any of the pictures were his wife and one Bill Huntley, who is General Manager of the West Flagler dog track located at Miami, Florida. At the time of this contact with Massner he stated that the meeting at the Harrison dog track was being terminated on August 3, 1935 and that shortly thereafter he was going to Hot Springs, Arkansas to look into the matter of building a dog track in that City. He said he expected to remain in Hot Springs until the early Winter and that he planned to proceed to Miami, Florida in order to take care of the opening of the West Flagler dog track which he expects to open on December 10, 1935.

Massner was furnished with the addresses of the Bureau offices at Little Rock, Arkansas and at Jacksonville, Florida and was asked to communicate any information he might obtain as to subject Harrison or other fugitives to those offices via long distance telephone. He stated he would be glad to cooperate in this manner, as he had been in the Greyhound racing business since its inception and wanted to see the business on a clean basis, free from such parasites as subject Harrison and his associates. Massner advised further that he and Bill Huntley can both be reached in Miami, Florida at ROOM 1108 Congress Building, which is the headquarters of the West Flagler dog track.

Massner suggested that it might be desirable for Bureau Agents to conduct appropriate investigation and make suitable contacts at the dog track which is soon to open at Bainbridge, Ohio. This track, according to Massner is to be operated by a man named ELROD. Massner suggested further that appropriate inquiries be made with respect to the dog track which is opening on August 11, 1935 at Youngstown, Ohio and which is being managed by Bob Hart, who manages the Miami Beach Kennel Club at Miami Beach, Fla. during the Winter meeting and who, according to Massner has connections with the Capone syndicate. It is to be noted that subject William J. Harrison formerly worked at one of the Mutual windows at the Miami Beach Kennel Club and because of his connections with the operators of that track, it is thought not unlikely that he might put in an appearance at the Youngstown track.

Massner advised further that the dog tracks at both Bainbridge, Ohio and Youngstown, Ohio, are to commence operation by virtue of "fixes" with the authorities.

AT COLUMBUS, OHIO

Interview was had on July 26, with Sam Kaufman, inmate #68742 at the Ohio Penitentiary. During the Fall of 1934 Kaufman was arrested at Toledo, Ohio after having been severely wounded in a payroll stick-up. While in custody of the County authorities at Toledo he made overtures to the Bureau through Prosecutor Frazier Reams, and under the name of Thomas B. McAuley, which he states is his true name, furnished certain information in the Dillinger case as to contacts in Chicago, Ill. of Jack Perkins, "Baby Face" Nelson and "Art" Johnson, which the writer knows to be correct. Previous inquiries by Agents of the Cincinnati Office at Dayton, Ohio, with regard to Attorney John E. Egan, resulted in learning that Egan served as Attorney for McAuley some years ago on a bank robbery charge in connection with which he was sentenced to the Ohio Reformatory in Mansfield, Ohio. The interview with McAuley or Kaufman was in connection with another case.

During the course of the interview he was questioned for information as to Egan. He related that Egan is a well known underworld Attorney and is generally retained by all criminals of any consequence who are arrested within several hundred miles of Dayton, Ohio. He advised that was the reason Egan was his lawyer at the time he was sent to Mansfield. McAuley said that he was under arrest at Dayton along with two other persons; that Egan through connections with a Judge Patterson and Inspector Si Yendes of the Dayton Police secured his release on a writ of habeas corpus in order that he might go to Cincinnati, Ohio, and raise \$2500.00 as a part "pay-off" and thus release himself and his two companions. He stated he did make the trip to Cincinnati, Ohio, in company with Egan and secured the money; that he was subsequently sentenced to the Ohio Reformatory for his participation in the Bank Robbery with the understanding that he was to receive an immediate commutation of sentence as soon as an additional \$2500.00 was paid to Egan, which sum was to be split between Egan, Patterson and Yendes.

He advised that his sentence was never commuted for the reason that his Chicago connections failed him and he could not raise the necessary money. He later escaped from the Ohio Reformatory.

McAuley was positive in his statement that Egan and Yendes are as "close as two thieves" and that any information regarding criminal activities which comes into the possession of one of them is immediately passed on to the other.

In view of the above situation the undeveloped lead calling for the making of an arrangement with Inspector Yendes to obtain information regarding the identity of the priest on behalf of whom Attorney Egan made inquiries at Miami, Florida, about Dolores Delaney will be disregarded.

McAuley was asked for data concerning Egan's mode of making contact with underworld characters. He was unable to offer any suggestions. He did state that he and associates had on several occasions visited Egan at his country home, which is located some twelve to fifteen miles outside of Dayton. He informed that Egan is a confirmed alcoholic and that on one occasion he witnessed Egan fry and eat his wife's goldfish in order to make her angry.

McAuley stated he was positive that Egan had connections not only through attorneys but through underworld characters all over the country and particularly in Chicago and New York and that the matter of a criminal with underworld connections communicating with him would be a simple proposition.

#### AT DAYTON, OHIO

A. L. Jones, District Commercial Manager of the Ohio Bell Telephone Company, Dayton, Ohio, was contacted and through his cooperation a list of all toll calls emanating from or charged to the office phone of John E. Egan, 1201 Third National Bank Building, Dayton, Ohio, was obtained. Arrangements were also made with Mr. Jones to receive data as to toll calls from Egan's residence phone. It should be stated that the residence phone comes under the jurisdiction of a small independent telephone company, but Mr. Jones volunteered to secure the desired information from the independent company and transmit same to the Cincinnati Bureau Office.

The toll information from the business phone covers the period of April 1 to July 23, 1935, and it is to be noted that during this period there were approximately one hundred seventy toll calls. Examination of the list of calls shows only two which are of possible interest to this investigation, namely a telegram to Aurora, Illinois on 5-10-35 and carrying a charge of 63¢, and a person to person call on 5-23-35 at 11:22 A.M. to Joe Roscoll, Walbridge 0965, Toledo, Ohio, at a cost of \$1.15.

#### AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

Mail covers which have been maintained on John E. Egan, both at his office address in Dayton, Ohio, and his residence address, which is covered by the Union, Ohio, Post Office, resulted in two tracings of possible interest to this investigation, as follows:



7-15-35 - 1935 Second National Bank Building,  
Toledo, Ohio.

**UNDEVELOPED LEAD:**

At Dayton, Ohio, will endeavor to secure, through the Western Union Telegraph Co., information as to the telegram sent from Egan's office telephone to Aurora, Ill., on 5-10-35 at a cost of 53¢.

At Youngstown, Ohio, will make appropriate arrangements to receive information if any of the Fugitive Subjects of this file put in an appearance at the dog track which is scheduled to open on August 11, 1935 at or near Youngstown, Ohio, and which is to be operated by Bob Hart. It is suggested that this lead be given most discreet and vigorous attention in view of Hart's connection with the Miami Beach Kennel Club.

JACKSONVILLE OFFICE at Miami, Florida. Copies of this report are being transmitted to the Jacksonville office in order that that office might have information concerning the contact made with John W. Massner of the Harrison, Ohio dog track and the West Flagler dog track at Miami, Florida. In the event any fugitives in this investigation are at large during the coming Winter it is requested that contact be maintained with Massner and Bill Huntley in Miami, Florida during the meeting of the West Flagler dog track for possible information which they might be able to obtain.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Little Rock, Arkansas.

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

Dear Sir:

There is transmitted herewith for your information a copy of the report of Special Agent S. E. McKee in the above entitled case dated at Cincinnati, Ohio, August 8, 1935, in which it is noted that John W. Masner, owner of several dog tracks, intends to build a dog track in the vicinity of Hot Springs, Arkansas.

In the event Mr. Masner is successful in starting a dog track in the vicinity of Hot Springs, Arkansas, appropriate investigation should be conducted looking to the location and apprehension of the remaining fugitives in the above entitled case.

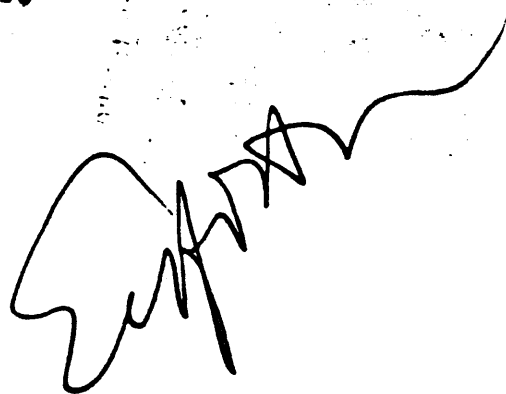
Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

cc- Cincinnati  
Chicago  
St. Paul

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August 8, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE;  
I. O. 1218 et al.,  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.  
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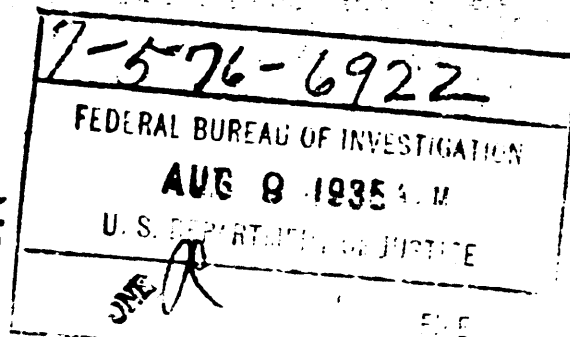
Refer to report of Special Agent H. R. Duffey,  
Washington, D. C., dated May 3, 1935. It is desired that interview  
be had with Mr. H. W. Perry, Contact Division, United States Veterans'  
Administration, for possible information regarding communications  
the Administration may have had with subject Dr. Joseph P. Moran.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,  
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Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
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Pennsylvania Avenue at Ninth St., N.W.,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

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

Reference is made to personal and confidential letter from the Bureau dated July 16, 1935, regarding information obtained from confidential informant Oscar Hall by Special Agent John E. Brennan of this office.

As the Bureau was previously advised under personal and confidential cover, Oscar Hall has advised that the information he furnished to the effect that he had personally contacted Myrtle Eaton was erroneous and, as he advised, due to his intoxicated condition. He likewise advised that he had no information on which to base his previous statement to the effect that William Weaver is now associating with a woman named Margaret Green. This statement was likewise made when Mr. Hall was in an intoxicated state.

With reference to the last paragraph in your letter, the Bureau may rest assured that I shall have an intensive and vigorous investigation conducted with a view to developing new leads relative to the present whereabouts of the remaining fugitive subjects in this case. It is my intention to assign an experienced Agent solely to this case in order that he may develop confidential sources of information and establish confidential contacts. As the Bureau knows, Agent Brennan is now making a review of the entire file of this case, preparatory to rendering a summary report regarding

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Cassius McDonald. If it is agreeable with the Bureau, I shall assign Special Agent S. W. Hardy to the task of developing leads in the territory covered by this office. The Bureau's advice will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

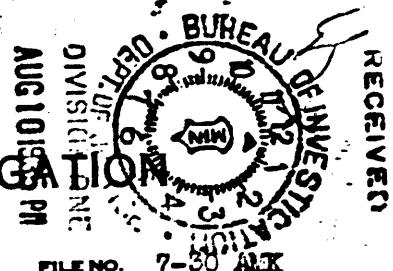
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REPORT MADE AT <b>BOSTON, MASS.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>8-8-35</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>7-28to8-7-35</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>P. M. PLUNKETT</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218, FUGITIVE; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with als. I.O. 1236; WILLIAM WEAVER, with als. I.O. 1238; WILLIAM J. HARRISON with als. I.O. 1239; ELMER STON, with als. I.O. 1241, et al.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVE; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT</b>
<p><b>EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim</b></p> <p><b>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</b> Blue prints found possession Elmer Meade identified as purchased from Boston architect. Anonymous letter to the Bureau indicates Meade and Fred Farrell summering at Hyannis, Mass. Investigation shows Farrell operating unknown business and the possessor of several aliases. Investigation at Hyannis indicates Meade and Farrell probably left 7-27-35 for Saratoga Springs, New York; further shows home of J. J. Ward, Centerville, Mass., called on telephone from Farrell's home, Brookline, 7-26-35. Ward and crowd known as race track crowd. Photograph, fingerprints, partial criminal record Farrell obtained.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- P -</p> <p><b>REFERENCE:</b> Report of Special Agent P. M. Plunkett dated 7-29-35 at Boston, Mass. Bureau letter dated 7-29-35. Letter to Bureau dated 7-31-35, from Special Agent in Charge, Jacksonville.</p> <p><b>DETAILS:</b> On August 1, 1935, Mr. Frederick H. Gowing, architect at 101 Tremont Street, Boston, came to this office and stated that he had recognized the picture of William Elmer Meade as published in the Boston papers. He stated that part of his business is that of selling ready-made blue prints for construction of buildings. On June 20, 1935, Meade had come to his office and ordered a set of blue prints, #2629, and one set of specifications for which he had paid in cash \$15.00. Meade had stated at that time that he was going to build a house in Newton and wished the prints to conform to Newton building regulations.</p>			
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He had given his name and address as C. L. Lane, 625 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston.

On July 1, 1935, Meade had appeared again at Gowing's office and purchased two additional sets of the same set of plans, paying the price of \$10.00 in full. On that occasion he had signed the same name, C. F. Lane, and given his residence as the Myles Standish Hotel. On July 8, 1935, he had purchased two more sets of the same-numbered plans and four more sets of specifications. On this occasion he signed the name C. L. Lane but gave no address. Miss L. E. Gowing, the daughter of Fred Gowing, had dealt with Meade on the latter two of these occasions. She recalled that she had asked him whether the number 625 Commonwealth referred to Commonwealth Avenue, in Boston. This was on the occasion of his second visit and his reply had been that it did not matter since he had moved to the Myles Standish. Both Mr. and Miss Gowing identified positively the picture of Meade as shown them by this Agent.

The Agent then called at 625 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, and spoke with Mrs. Anna C. Hallain who operates a rooming house at that address. Mrs. Hallain did not recognize the picture of Meade nor did her books reflect that C. L. Lane had ever roomed there. She did recall, however, that several letters had been delivered at that address addressed to this party sometime in June or early July and that at about the same time several persons had presented themselves asking for Mr. Lane for whom they said they were to be employed. Mrs. Hallain stated that she returned the letters to the Post Office and did not get the names of the callers.

Since Commonwealth Avenue continues into Newton, Mass., the Agent inspected Commonwealth Avenue in the 600 block. There is no such number as 625. Inquiry at 615 Commonwealth Avenue of Mr. Calvert, a contractor, of that City brought no recognition of the photograph of Meade or his activities in Newton.

Under date of July 29, 1935, there was forwarded to the Boston office and to the Jacksonville and Cincinnati offices copies of an anonymous communication received in the Bureau on July 20, 1935. This anonymous communication is set forth as follows:

"Boston, Mass."

July 18 - 30."

"Dear Sir:"

"Bruce Upshaw is Daddy of all Confidence Men, only time in his life has he been arrested your dept was after him twenty odd years ago, the gang was betting he wouldnt have less than fifty "kicks", partys he had swindled and now on his way to Florida where O'Dell beat this same kick, and on

the funniest fluke ever heard of, and now the bet is that Bruce won't get any kicks and will beat it, wish you could hear what all these Con men are saying now about what your man Mr. Graham is over-looking and this town is now full of Con men as Fred Flowe living under name of Farrell at 24 Jordan Road, Brookline second house from Summitt Road has the town his fiver Herbie Callahan - Lawyer also Police Dept. and he has been harboring Elmer Meade for months here, they all are at Hyannes, on the Cape for Summer, now the point is how do all these Con men get away without paying any income tax. Can mention dozen who have annuity's and several who have had over one hundred thousand dollars for their part of one swindle, small poor book-makers like myself they laugh at, when we gladly give up our few dollars when we are lucky enough to make it, they say we should put on a badge and become a policeman and their four flushing and spending of hundreds nightly in cabarets as been the cause of several boys around here starting in their line. This Fred Flower is one mentioned in wire to Callahan and Winter he is partner to Fred Condorf and was in Florida, usually Miami now this Flower hasn't been arrested and thats why they cant pick him out, so much money he buys Baby Grand Piano's and Homes for his relatives and many more things of this kind. Now just a few that are here and told the same as Meade that nothing is going to happen to them Fred Condorf and wife, Eddie Hayes, the Mile a Minute cant remember his real name, Geo. Kennedy, Elmer Meade, Fiftky, Tom Coffee two Englishmen Charley Kitchell known as Fat and Sid left two weeks ago for Europe they and Farrell are wanted for a three hundred thousand swindle in Europe, now Coffee and Hayes have annuitys Farrell has stock in Safety Deposit Box, now why isnt something done to stop the likes of this Fred if not one way another, if you could but see what he is getting away with here you would realize why his hat is so tight. Hope this will start you its all the truth on the right road."

It may be noted here that the "Herbie Callahan" referred to in this communication is probably the Herbert F. Callahan, notorious criminal lawyer of Boston, referred to in the report of reference and who was instrumental in obtaining the release of Meade from the custody of the Northampton, Mass., Police and concerning whom an independant investigation by the Boston office is being conducted. It may further be noted that apparently "Mr. Graham" mentioned in this communication is a Post Office Inspector who is mentioned in the letter of Special Agent in Charge R. A. Alt at Jacksonville, addressed to the Director, dated 7-31-35. Since apparently the writer of this communication was extremely familar with the activities of the parties mentioned therein immediate investigation was begun by the Boston office of "Fred Flower living under name of Farrell at 24 Jordan Road, Brookline ---"



This Agent inspected the house at 24 Jordan Road, Brookline, Mass., which is a frame building of some seven or eight rooms on top of Corey Hill in Brookline, an upper middle class section. There are only three other houses on the same block. At the time of this inspection and on occasions since when Agent has watched this house, it has been noted that the door has been opened, the house apparently occupied, though Farrell's car has not been seen there.

At the Brookline Post Office the Agent spoke with Mr. Connolley, Superintendent, who stated that mail is not delivered to Jordan Road because no sidewalks exist, and that the residents must rent Post Office boxes. Post Office Box #375 is in the name of Mrs. Pauline G. Farrell. References given by Mrs. Farrell at the time of her rental of this box on October 1, 1932, were Dr. W. R. Mansfield, 377 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, and James Barker, 1454 Beacon Street, Boston. An order for mail tracings on Box #375 was immediately placed by the Agent. The 1934 Brookline City Directory lists Frederick P. Farrell, salesman at 24 Jordan Road. Letters in Box #375, which the Agent inspected, contained among others a bill from the Lahey Clinic at 605 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, for \$96.00. Another letter was from the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, 170 Longwood Avenue, Boston.

At the Lahey Clinic, Miss Strong, Secretary to Dr. Lahey, stated that they had treated Mrs. Farrell for a stomach condition. The only other information the Agent could obtain was that Mr. Farrell was supposed to be an importer. b7d

[redacted] the name Frederick P. Farrell of 24 Jordan Road, Brookline, is also carried under the name of Frederick P. Flowers. [redacted] states that Farrell is apparently 43 years old; has a wife, Pauline, and one daughter and has lived for two years at his present address, previously residing at 399 Washington Street, and prior to that at 8 Lincoln Road, all in Brookline, Mass. The report further states that Farrell enjoys a comfortable income from an unknown source alleged to be from England. When interviewed [redacted] he refused to state his business connections, saying only that he was a representative for a foreign paint concern. [redacted] The Agent was unable to ascertain how [redacted] had obtained the alias of Frederick P. Flowers for Frederick P. Farrell since the information was not contained in the files.

At the Massachusetts Board of Probation a criminal record was found for Frederick Flower of 399 Washington Street, Brookline. This record showed merely that Flower had been born December 15, 1900, in Boston. Was 5'11" tall; weight, 185 pounds; complexion, dark; occupation, salesman. His parents were listed as George, and Mary Newton. The records

showed that he had been arrested August 15, 1931, in Boston as a drunk and released. Since this is one of Farrell's addresses and the description is the same, it would appear that Farrell does also bear the name Flower.

On July 31, 1935, this Agent, accompanied by Agents Dyrking and Meehan proceeded to Hyannis, Mass., and on that night made a tour of the following night clubs in and about Hyannis: Casa Madrid, the Barclay Club, Alpino's, the Old Mill Tavern, and the Rainbow. This Agent, who would recognize Meade should he see him, failed to see him at any of these places during the entire evening. The Agents also mingled with the crowds on the streets of Hyannis, inspected hotel registers and restaurants without disclosing their identity. The following morning the Gas, Electric and Telephone Companies were all contacted for information either as to Farrell or Meade under their aliases. The Postmaster at Hyannis was also contacted. No information of any value was obtained nor was the picture of Meade recognized.

Subsequently it had been ascertained that the unlisted telephone at 24 Jordan Road, Brookline, is under the name of Pauline Gladys Lucas and that Toll Calls against the telephone for the past two months are listed as follows: June 20, 1935; telephone call to Hyannis 1008. This phone is listed under the name David Bennett, 121 Bayview Street, Hyannis. On July 26, 1935, telephone call to Hyannis 1182, which phone is listed under the name James J. Ward, Centerville, (a neighboring town.) On 5-29-35 a telegram to Chicago signed "Pauline" was charged to the Lucas phone. This phone is Aspinwall 8177.

At the Registry of Motor Vehicles, Boston, Mass., this Agent ascertained that Frederick P. Farrell registered a 1933 Cadillac Sedan, Maker and Motor Number 3001275 and received Massachusetts plates for the same numbered 568155. He listed this car as having been purchased from the Cadillac Auto Company, Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, in June of 1933. He stated further that it was owned individually; business "commercial merchant" and that the car was garaged principally in Brookline, Mass. The requisite insurance for this automobile was issued by the Employers Liability Insurance Company at 1 Liberty Square, Boston. This car had previously been registered in Massachusetts under the number 674633. The Agent also inspected the application filed on June 9, 1933, by Farrell to obtain an operator's permit. On this application he gave his date of birth as June 4, 1896, at Houlton, Maine. His height was listed as 5'11"; weight, 180 pounds; hair, brown; eyes, brown. He further stated that he had held a license previously in the State of New York. Further information given by him in answer to questions reflected that he had never been sentenced to jail, had not been arrested for drunkenness within the space of a year and had no disability of either mind or heart and was not subject to epilepsy or fainting spells.

The answers to these questions are made under the penalty to perjury.

The Agent has obtained tracings of Farrell's writing on this application and also a tracing of his printed name, Frederick Phelps Farrell.

At the Employers' Liability Insurance Company, 1 Liberty Square, Boston, Mr. McNamara stated that their files have no information other than that already obtained at the Registry of Motor Vehicles.

On the night of August 5, 1935, accompanied by Agent Martin this Agent returned to Hyannis, Mass., and immediately consulted Nat Coleman, Postmaster, concerning the individuals previously mentioned as having been called from the Farrell home in Brookline. Mr. Coleman stated that David Bennett was an old-time resident of Hyannis and during Prohibition days had been a Lieutenant in the bootlegging gang of Aleck Finn who operated a large bootlegging ring in that vicinity. Since that time, according to Mr. Coleman, Bennett has been "on his uppers" and been principally interested in gambling of various sorts. The house in which he resides is one of a group erected by Aleck Finn in the heyday of his wealth and the surrounding houses are occupied by persons of the same character as Bennett. Mr. Coleman knew nothing of James J. Ward of Centerville.

The Agents then inspected the house at 121 Bayview Street, Hyannis, and could observe that several people were spending the evening there. At the time this gathering broke up Agent Plunkett walked by the house and observed four men standing on the sidewalk conversing. Elmer Meade was not among them.

The following morning it was ascertained from the telephone office at Hyannis that the telephone of James J. Ward at Centerville is a listed phone and that he has occupied that house this summer and last. He gave his former residence as Westminster Hotel, Boston, on both occasions. According to the telephone records, this house bears no street address but is off pole #24 over 107 which is on Craigville Beach Road at Centerville. The Agent proceeded to this place and noted a small sign with the name "J.J. Ward" on a roadway leading back into the woods. Agent Martin followed this roadway on foot to the house and observed that it is a large house of some ten or twelve rooms. Under pretext that he was seeking a cousin, George Ward, he inquired of the negro servant who opened the door. The Negro stated that Mr. and Mrs. Ward were out of town and refused to give any information as to when they would return, stating only that they had been out of town for several days. From the fact that no other persons were visible and no automobiles were in the garages or on the grounds, the Agent believed this statement to be true.

At the Centerville Post Office, Postmaster Henry Bearse, said that he was not familiar with persons living in the Ward residence and only knew from town talk that they were apparently a "sporting crowd." He had a list of names of persons receiving mail at that address, which is set out as follows: James J. Ward, Bessie Smith, Freddie Freed, J. Warman, J. Walsh, C. Botts, R. Finn and E. Finn. Mr. Bearse further stated that Mrs. Ward resides with Mr. Ward at that address but that one Bessie Smith, whom he believes to be a servant, calls for the mail each time at the post office. Mr. Bearse further gave this Agent the originals of two "Removal Cards" which had been left at the Post Office on July 27, 1935. These cards request the forwarding of the mail of Arthur Bradley to Saratoga Springs, New York, Box #216, and the forwarding of the mail of Freddie Freed to the same address care of Varney. Mr. Bearse's niece, Doris, who assists him in the Post Office, stated that she had accepted these cards from two men who made them out in their own handwriting. Freddie Freed had given both cards to her and she had not observed Arthur Bradley for more than an instant. However, she stated that Freddie Freed was a dark complected man about 5'8" tall and quite heavy. The other man, Arthur Bradley, she remembered as being only considerably older than Freed who appeared to be about 40 years old. A comparison of the handwriting of Arthur Bradley on this removal card with the writing of Meade when he registered as C. E. Carter at the Kyles Standish Hotel, Boston, indicated a similarity, especially in his way of making the letter "C." The comparison of the printing of Freddie Freed with that of Fred Farrell as obtained by tracings from the Registry of Motor Vehicles also indicated many similarities.

Accordingly a teletype message was immediately dispatched to the Buffalo office on August 6, 1935, advising that office of these facts and requesting appropriate investigation. The same evening a photograph of Meade was mailed to the Post Office at Saratoga Springs, New York, to be called for by the investigating Agent.

A teletype message received from the Buffalo office on 8-7-35 indicates that letters were received at the Post Office at Saratoga Springs for Bradley from Providence, R. I. and for Freddie Freed from 167 N. E. 45th Street, Miami, Fla.; further, that the box 216 is rented by Hanscom Varney, Jr., who operates a rooming house in that city. It is further indicated that Freed has visited Varney on a number of occasions. No one, however, was able to recognize the photograph of Meade. An Agent of the Buffalo office is presently residing in Varney's house in order to survey the occupants.

At the Post Office at Centerville, the Agent inspected the mail for the James J. Ward address as well as the mail at Centerville for the address 1234 Main Street. The Agent inspected the mail at Centerville, one piece of mail was a letter addressed to Bessie Smith, care of C. C. Jard, from Mrs. M. Moore at 7 Sorrent Street, Allston,

Mass.; another letter was addressed to Miss Joan Finn, from 1362 Beacon Street, Coolidge Corner, Brookline, Mass.

On advice from Mr. Bearse that the local storekeeper, John J. Prendergast, was reliable, the Agent then contacted this party who stated that while he did not recognize the picture of Meade shown him that that fact indicated nothing because he rarely saw any of the occupants of the James J. Ward house. However, he studied the picture carefully and states that in his deliveries of groceries to the house he will watch the occupants carefully in the future and inform the office immediately should any one resembling Meade be observed by him. He also stated he will inform this office when the Wards return to Centerville.

A letter in the box of Farrell in the Brookline Post Office was from the Norfolk County Trust Company of the same City. The Agent called at this bank and from Robert McDonald, Manager, ascertained that Pauline Gladys Farrell had rented a \$5.00 Safe Deposit box on December 21, 1931, giving her address as 399 Washington Street, Brookline. This box is still rented by Mrs. Farrell. She is described on the records as having been born June 10, 1896 at Schenectady, New York. Mother's name, Anna P. Bunker, height, 5' 3"; hair, dark brown; eyes, Hazel. This safe deposit box number is 3068 and is rented jointly with Mrs. Farrell's daughter, Gwendolyn, who is listed as having been born March 13, 1913, at Schenectady, New York.

At Police Headquarters, Boston, Mass., the Agent contacted Sergeant Gaw in charge of the Record Bureau who produced a set of fingerprints for Fred P. Flowers, alias Garland H. Tucker. These fingerprints were taken January 9, 1911, and are marked "Photo #10505, Reference 20307". The B.R. number is 330. This Fred P. Flowers gave his age at that time as 18; his height was 5' 10½"; weight, 145 pounds; born Fredericktown, New Brunswick, King Street. He was arrested on that occasion for larceny but the disposition is not given. Further records of the Bureau show this person to have been arrested again by the Boston Police on November 6, 1920, as a suspicious person and again on December 24, 1926, as a suspicious person. A photograph of him was taken on the last occasion and bears the Boston Police number 20307. The fingerprints of this person whom it is believed is identical with Frederick P. Farrell are being forwarded to the Bureau in a separate communication. The Agent has also obtained copies of the photograph of Farrell taken by the Boston Police.

For the purposes of summary a description of Farrell is set out as follows:

Name:	Frederick P. Farrell, alias Frederick P. Flowers, alias Fred P. Flower, alias Garland H. Tucker.
Residence:	Present address 24 Jordan Road, Brookline, Mass. Previous addresses, 598 Washington Street, Brookline, Mass. 8 Lincoln Road, Brookline, Mass.
Marital Status:	Married; Wife, Gladys P. Farrell; one daughter, Gwendolyn.
Age:	About 40.
Height:	5'11"
Weight:	185 lbs.
Complexion:	Dark
Eyes:	Hazel;
Hair:	Dark
Occupation:	Presumably Confidence Man. States occupation as importer or representative of foreign paint concern.

The known criminal record of this person has been set out above and the Boston office is forwarding under separate cover his fingerprints with the request that they be searched in the Identification files. It may be noted here that the Philadelphia police are inquiring presently of the Boston police with reference to this individual under the name of Fred P. Flowers. The Boston police have forwarded photograph and fingerprints of Fred P. Flowers to Philadelphia.

A photograph of Farrell is being sent to the Bureau and offices at Cincinnati, St. Paul and Jacksonville with copies of this report.

#### UNDEVELOPED LEADS

BOSTON OFFICE: Will continue a discreet investigation at Hyannis and Centerville, Mass., with reference to the parties staying at the homes of J. J. Ward and David Bennett. Will continue such investigation of the leads in and about Boston contained in this report as may be deemed advisable.

BUFFALO OFFICE: At Saratoga Springs, N.Y.: Will continue the investigation as set out in the teletype message to that office on August 7, 1935. A photograph of Farrell and one copy of this report are being sent to Agent Cotter at the Worden Hotel in that City.

JACKSONVILLE OFFICE: At Miami, Florida, will discreetly ascertain the identity of the party residing at 167 North West Forty-Fifth Street, that city. [REDACTED] noted from this report that [REDACTED] Springs, New York, is in contact with [REDACTED] at the Miami address.

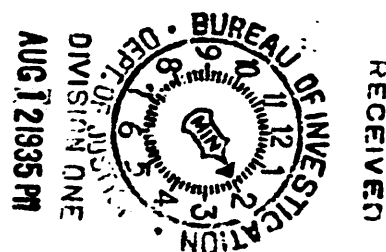
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NUMBER 1507914 ILLINOIS LICENSE 347-599 CONTAINING FIVE MEN WHO  
ACTED SUSPICIOUSLY ENTERED CALIFORNIA AT TRUCKEE REGISTRATION STATION  
YESTERDAY AFTERNOON DRIVER HAD REGISTRATION CARD BEARING NAME  
DOMINIC BELLO ADDRESS 111 WEST DIVISION STREET CHICAGO ONE OCCUPANT  
REPORTED TO SOMEWHAT RESEMBLE SUBJECT CAMPBELL BELIEVE IT ADVISABLE  
YOU CHECK ILLINOIS REGISTRATION OF CAR AND ENDEAVOR TO DETERMINE  
IDENTITY OF BELLO AND ASSOCIATED ADVISE

NEUMAN

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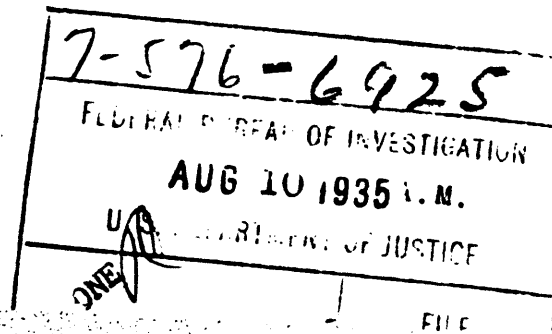
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P. O. Drawer 567  
San Francisco, California

August 5, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
Fugitive, I. O. #1218, Et Al,  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim  
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES;  
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL  
FIREARMS ACT.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of July 30, 1935, with reference to whether this office had circularized all banks in this district with the numbers of the \$1,000 bills issued by the Atlanta Federal Reserve Bank, beginning with No. F-00022451-A and ending with the number F-00022500-A. I have to advise that on July 10, 1935, an appropriate circular letter was forwarded under confidential cover to all banks in this district.

Very truly yours,

JAY C. NEWMAN  
Special Agent in Charge

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cc Bureau

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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
P. O. Box 515,  
St. Paul, Minn.

(Name and address of Contributor)

Date May 22, 1935.

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

Dear Sir:-

Following are the dispositions of cases on which  
fingerprints have been mailed to the Bureau of Investiga-  
tion:

Print Number	Name and Alias	Disposition
Bureau	EDNA MURRAY nee EDNA STANLEY	Conspiracy to Kidnap
9397	alias "Rabbit" "Rabbits"	Dismissed May 6, 1935.
	Grace R Doyle, Grace Hanson,	
	"Blondie" Mrs. E. J. Powell	
	Mrs. E. V. Davis, Welma Tippetts,	
	Velma Champaign, "Cotton"	
	G. R. Hanson, Edna Sullivan	
	Doris Farrell, Edna Grace	
	Grace R Hansen, Mrs. E. J. Snyder,	
	Edna Price, Mrs. "Curley" Hanson,	
	Mrs. G. L. Harper, Martha Murray,	
	Velma Tippetts, Mrs. V. E. Davis,	

This form to be submitted to the Bureau of Investi-  
gation 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,

H. E. ANDERSEN,  
Special Agent in Charge  
(Official title)

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ONE IDENT, LCS

*Postul*

8-10-35

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1300 Liberty Trust Building  
Philadelphia Pennsylvania

August 8, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Trenton, New Jersey.

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

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the telephonic request of Special Agent J. A. Murphy, I am transmitting herewith report of Special Agent J. R. Sharp dated February 5, 1935, at Philadelphia, Pa., so that further investigation may be conducted at Atlantic City, New Jersey, as indicated in the letter dated August 2, 1935, from the Jacksonville Bureau Office to your office, copy of which was furnished this office.

In view of the fact that this office has only one copy of the above-described report, please return same upon completion of the investigation.

Copy of this letter is indicated for the Jacksonville Office to inform that the file contains no other reports reflecting investigation at Atlantic City, New Jersey, concerning the recovery of the Buick Sedan automobile abandoned by Subject Karpis at the Coast Garage, Atlantic City, New Jersey.

Very truly yours,

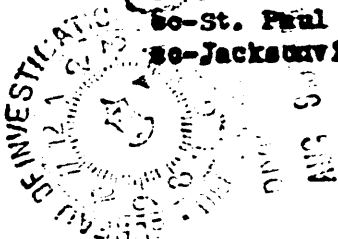
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Special Agent in Charge

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cc-St. Paul  
cc-Jacksonville

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U. S. Department of Justice.  
P. O. Box 515,  
St. Paul, Minn.

(Name and address of Contributor)

Date May 22, 1935.

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

Dear Sir:-

Following are the dispositions of cases on which  
fingerprints have been mailed to the Bureau of Investiga-  
tion:

Print Number	Name and Alias	Disposition
# 12372	PHILLIP DELANEY, with aliases	Conspiracy to Kidnap Acquitted.
U. S. Marshal	Phil Delaney	5/17/35.
Chicago, Ill.	Philip J Delaney	

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gation 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,

H. E. ANDERSEN.

Special Agent in Charge.  
(Official Title)

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ONE IDENT 5-9-35

POST OFFICE BOX 812,  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

August 8, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

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

This office is in receipt of a copy of the report  
of Special Agent F. M. Hendley, Chicago, Illinois, dated  
June 28, 1935. The report indicates that two copies were  
sent to Cincinnati and stampings on the report indicate  
that the above mentioned report was received at Cincinnati  
on July 1, 1935. Another stamp on the report indicates that  
it was received at the Cleveland office on July 11, 1935.  
In back of the last page of this report is clipped page  
33, which is the last page of the report of Special Agent  
K. R. McIntire, Chicago, Illinois, dated April 3, 1935.

It is possible that the Cleveland office inadver-  
tently mailed this report to the Chicago office, and if  
such is the case, the above mentioned report will be re-  
turned to the Cleveland office.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc-Bureau ✓  
Cincinnati

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August 9, 1935.

E. E. CONROY  
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1616 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK BLDG  
KANSAS CITY MISSOURI

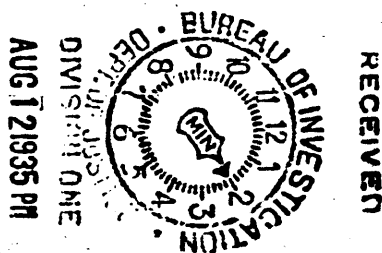
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FIVE FEET NINE WEIGHT ONE SIXTY BUILD SLENDER BROWN HAIR AND EYES  
CLEAN SHAVEN WANTED FOR BANK ROBBERY KANSAS CITY OR VICINITY FURTHER  
DETAILS UNKNOWN EXPEDITE

MAC FARLAND

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cc Bureau  
Chicago  
Cincinnati

11:50 am



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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
405 POST OFFICE BUILDING  
SAN FRANCISCO CALIFORNIA

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NIGHT LETTER	LETTER
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August 7, 1935  
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D BRANTLEY  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
US DEPT OF JUSTICE  
224 FEDERAL BUILDING  
OKLAHOMA CITY OKLAHOMA

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUG  
ET AL  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim  
KIDNAPING

BREKID WILLIAM J. OWENS ALIAS JOE TURNER AND JUNE TURNER ALIAS BOBBIE  
LEE HAVE NO INFORMATION WHEREABOUTS CAMPBELL BUT STATE HIS FORMER  
MISTRESS BILLIE MAY FITCH NOW PRACTICING PROSTITUTION AT KANSASCITY  
MISSOURI ON CHARLOTTE STREET UNDER NAME BILLIE JOE MCCORMICK AND IS  
WELL KNOWN FOURTEEN TEN HOLMES STREET STOP AS OUR FILES DO NOT CONTAIN  
INFORMATION CONCERNING FITCH PLEASE ADVISE KANSASCITY OF ABOVE FURNISH-  
ING DESCRIPTION AND REQUESTING WHATEVER ACTION YOUR FILES INDICATE  
MIGHT BE APPROPRIATE FOR KANSAS CITY TO TAKE

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cc Bureau  
Cincinnati  
Kansas City

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
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U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
FROM: DIVISION #1 & DIVISION #2

8-15-1935.

TO: ☐ Director  
☐ Mr. Nathan  
☐ Mr. Tolson  
☐ Mr. Edwards  
☐ Mr. Quinn  
☐ Mr. Tamm  
☐ Division Three

☐ Division Four  
☒ Files Section  
☐ Personnel Files  
☐ Mechanical Section  
☐ Chief Clerk's Office  
☐ Division Five  
☐ Identification Division  
☐ Statistical Section  
☐ Technical Laboratory

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<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Bryan	<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Berens
<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Newby	<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Foxworth
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<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Joseph	<input type="checkbox"/> M _____ Room

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☐ Re-date  
☐ See me  
☐ Send file

What are Serial Nos of Memos by  
Tamm 1-21 to 1-31-35 in  
Bremer case bearing on this  
matter. Pls check immediately.

*phonetic  
8/16/35*

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Supervisor.

NEWLIN FELL PAXSON, M. D.  
250 SOUTH 18TH STREET  
PHILADELPHIA

August 9, 1935

43559

Department of Justice,  
Washington, D.C.

Attn: Mr. Edward C. Hoover

Dear Sir:

I am writing in reference to compensation for medical services rendered to Dolores Delaney while she was under arrest and held by U.S. Marshall John B. Reing in Philadelphia.

This woman was associated with the case of Alvin Karpis and was arrested at the time he escaped from Atlantic City. She was transferred to the Hahnemann Hospital under the custody of Marshall Reing due to the fact that she was pregnant and near term. It was arranged that I was to take care of her which I did, during her stay, delivering her successfully of a living child on February 1, 1935. She was under my care from January 23rd to February 16th and was discharged in good health.

Although the correctness of my charges have been acknowledged I still have heard nothing from Marshall Reing and no communications sent him have been answered. Therefore, I am writing direct to you to see if this discourtesy cannot be corrected.

Will you kindly let me know the status of my account with the Department of Justice and what the proper procedure is?

Very truly yours,

*Newlin F. Paxson*

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*Charles L. Marshall  
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
FROM: DIVISION #1 & DIVISION #2

1935.

TO: ☐ Director  
☐ Mr. Nathan  
☐ Mr. Tolson  
☐ Mr. Edwards  
☐ Mr. Quinn  
☐ Mr. Clegg  
☐ Division Three

☐ Division Four

☐ Division Five

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☐ Mr. Bryan

☐ Mr. Foxworth

☒ Mr. Newby

☐ Mr. Chambers

☐ Mr. Richmond

☐ Mr. Thompson

☐ Mr. Rosen

☐ Miss Candy

☐ Mr. Weeks

☐ Miss McCarthy

☐ Mr. Grimsdell

☐ Miss Conlon

☐ Mr. Ward

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☐ Correct

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☐ Re-date

☐ See me

☐ Send file

☐ Note and Return

☐ Please call me concerning this

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this payment, did we?*

E. A. Tamm - Room 5107.

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August 22, 1935.

Dr. Newlin Fell Paxson,  
250 South 18th Street,  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated August 9, 1935, setting forth information concerning the services performed by you for one Dolores Delaney, while she was in the custody of the United States Marshal at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

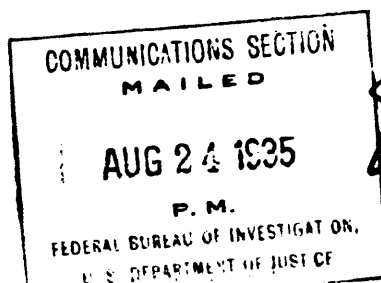
Inasmuch as the services performed by you were not discharged at the specific request of a representative of this Bureau, your letter is being referred to the appropriate official of the United States Department of Justice, who will advise you as to the proper procedure to be followed in obtaining compensation for the services performed by you.

Very truly yours,

*J. Edgar Hoover*

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

cc-Philadelphia.



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August 22, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. C. E. STEWART,  
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL.

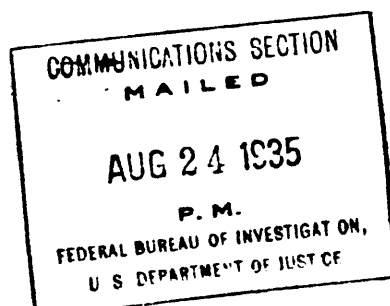
There is transmitted herewith copy of a letter received in this Bureau dated August 9, 1935, signed Dr. Newlin Fell Paxson, 250 South 18th Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in which he requested advice as to the proper procedure to be followed to collect compensation for medical services rendered by him to Dolores Delaney while she was under arrest and in the custody of the United States Marshal at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

This letter is being referred to you in order that appropriate instructions might be issued to the United States Marshal at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in the premises.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

Enclosure #582505.



Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box #2344  
Boston, Mass.

July 15, 1935

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

Dear Sir:

Re: CHARLES E. CARTER;  
OBLITERATION OF FINGERPRINTS.

Reference is made to the telephone conversation had between myself and Mr. Tamm July 13, 1935 and my teletypewriter message of July 14th with reference to the above entitled case.

Agent Plunkett of this office called on Sergeant Kelly of the Northampton Police at Northampton, Massachusetts in the evening of July 13th. He was unable to contact Chief Bresnahan. Sergeant Kelly stated that he is expert in fingerprinting and that he recognized at once after taking the subject's fingerprints that they probably could not be classified.

The sergeant stated that one John H. Dunn of 20 Fort Street, Northampton, Massachusetts, a building contractor, had been approached by Carter several times within the last ten days. Carter stated that he represented a wealthy man of Philadelphia and New York whose name was Pierce and who wished to construct a set of homes in Northampton. Carter submitted a series of blueprints containing the plans of the proposed houses and Mr. Dunn noticed at once that the name of the designing architect had been clipped from the lower right hand corner. In the course of the negotiations Mr. Dunn's suspicions were aroused and he called in Sergeant Kelly. The sergeant examined Carter's registration for his automobile and finding it to be faulty arrested him on this ground. The automobile is a Ford V-8 Sedan 1934 model, numbered 18-763750. The plates on the car were Georgia #26499C. The registration card in the possession of Carter stated that the car number was 673750 and that it was a Ford Touring car. The registration was in the name of C. E. Carter, Henry Grady Hotel, Atlanta, Georgia.

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Also in the possession of Carter was a billfold containing \$59.00 in cash and several hotel envelopes, one from the Skirvin Hotel, Oklahoma City, some from the Miles Standish Hotel, Boston and another from a hotel in Florida. Sergeant Kelly stated that all this was found in the possession of the Chief and that he could not get it at that time.

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Carter also possessed a list of contractors in and about Northampton.

In the subject's car Sergeant Kelly had found a small brush apparently made for the purpose of cleaning a .45 calibre pistol. Also in the car was a bottle (about 6 oz.). The label is set out below as it appeared on the bottle.

VENENO	ACIDO
(Skull and crossbones)	FENICO
	(use Medicinal)
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Sanborn Hnos, S.A.	SANBORNIS
Mexico, D. F.	(O.M.) MEXICO

El contenido Noes especialidad ni formula secreta.  
Se despacha en este envase para mejor presentacion  
a nuest<sup>ra</sup> clientele.  
Sanborn Hnos., S.A. (Corner of label torn off)  
Madero 4. Mexico.

Sergeant Kelly advised the agent that he had taken this bottle to the laboratory of Smith College where he was informed that it was a concentrated solution of carbolic acid and further advised that it was capable of destroying fingerprints. The sergeant had questioned Carter vigorously all day Saturday without being able to ascertain any real information concerning himself or the condition of his fingers. Carter had stated only that his real name was Charles E. Carter and that he was born in San Francisco on December 25, 1870.

Carter was formally charged with improper registration of an automobile and in default of \$200.00 bond was placed in the Hampshire County Jail. In an effort to discover something concerning Carter Sergeant Kelly had telephoned to the Boston Police and learned that he was not wanted there. However, within an hour, Herbert Callahan, a well-known gangster attorney, had phoned to Northampton to inquire the amount of bail and stated that the bail would be up there that night.

The agent then, in company with Sergeant Kelly, proceeded to the Hampshire County Jail and there interviewed Carter. Carter maintained his attitude of ignorance concerning his fingers, stating that he was surprised that they were in that condition and that perhaps it had occurred when he had burned himself on a camping trip. The agent personally inspected Carter's finger tips and saw the scars thereon. These scars appeared to have been made by a knife and were apparently at least several months old. Agent is unable to say whether these scars are of a permanent nature but is inclined to think they are. Agent talked with Carter for several hours while Carter steadfastly maintained that he



was guilty of nothing and refused to name anyone with whom he was acquainted. The agent did notice, however, that Carter is apparently rather well versed in real estate law since he was able to talk rather fluently on it. At one stage of the conversation he said that he was a lawyer but was not admitted to practice in any state and would not tell what law school he had attended. The agent noticed further that he is inclined to make grammatical errors, chiefly in the use of the double negative and the word "ain't". From his voice agent is of the impression that he was raised in a small town probably in New England or the middle west. Agent further is of the impression that Carter is a typical "confidence man" and probably has been involved in real estate deals. Carter also stated that at one time he had been in the oil fields of Oklahoma.

James P. Mahoney, lawyer of Springfield, Massachusetts, appeared at the jail with the bond for Carter's release and on interview by agent stated that he had never seen either Carter or Callahan but that Callahan had simply called him on the telephone and asked him to cash a money order which he had sent and arrange for Carter's release.

Before Carter was released the agent requested Albert G. Beckman, Sheriff of Hampden County, to take Carter's photograph. Mr. Beckman stated that copies of this photograph would be sent the Bureau with the set of fingerprints which he had taken bearing Number 8669. Two photographs of Carter have also been sent the Boston Office where they will be retained unless the Bureau desires otherwise.

Carter was released at 1:00 AM July 14th and proceeded with Attorney Mahoney apparently to Springfield, Massachusetts.

Carter's bond is returnable on Thursday, July 18, 1935. Sergeant Kelly advised that in the meantime all the exhibits and the automobile will be retained in his possession. The description of Carter as observed by Agent Flunkett is set out below:

Age: 65.  
Weight: 150 lbs.  
Height: 5 feet 10 inches.  
Build: Slim.  
Hair: Black, turning gray; partially bald.  
Moustache: Same color.  
Wears glasses.  
Marital Status: States unmarried.  
Eyes: Blue.  
Nationality: American.  
Peculiarities: Often wears toupee; left eye continually blinks;  
left side of mouth apparently partially paralyzed;  
has habit of drawing down right corner of mouth.

Enclosed herewith is another set of Carter's fingerprints.

Also enclosed find photo of Carter.

Investigation at the Miles Standish Hotel at Boston, Mass.,  
disclosed that Carter is unknown at that place.

Very truly yours,



C. D. McKEAN,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

**JJE:LBS**

July 16, 1935.

## MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: William E. Meade, alias Charles E. Carter,  
Fugitive Index #5980, Bureau file #62-199157.

On Saturday afternoon, July 13, a set of fingerprints of one Charles E. Carter was received from the Police Department, Northampton, Massachusetts, where this individual was arrested for investigation. Mr. McGarraghy called to my attention the fact that these prints were very badly mutilated and requested instructions in connection with the matter and I advised him that he should place one man on the prints and have him conduct a search in every conceivable group of the Technical Section. Mr. Tamm was informed of these facts and he arranged to call the Boston Office for the purpose of interviewing this man. The prints were searched on Saturday afternoon, Sunday and most of the day Monday without effecting an identification. On Monday afternoon a new set of prints was received from the Sheriff's Office, Northampton, Massachusetts, on this individual together with his photograph. Mr. Cayton of the Technical Section, upon the receipt of the new set of prints, checked the impressions against the prints which are contained in the mutilated file and late in the afternoon effected an identification through the comparison of the left little finger. It was ascertained that this individual was one William E. Meade, who was wanted by the Bureau for questioning in connection with the Bremer Kidnaping Case. The files of the Identification Division also disclosed that this person was wanted by the United States Marshal at Jacksonville, Florida, for bond forfeiture in connection with a case involving a violation of the Postal Laws. A complete copy of the criminal record of this individual is attached hereto for your information.

It was the opinion of the fingerprint experts in the Technical Section that these prints were the most serious case of mutilated prints which has been received in the Identification Division, and it would have been impossible to have classified these prints through the use of the ten fingers and effect an identification.

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Respectfully,

John F. Edwards.

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July 16, 1935.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: William E. Meade, alias Charles E. Carter,  
Fugitive Index #5980, Bureau file #62-28915.

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Respectfully,

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John J. Edwards.

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FROM: DIVISION #1 & DIVISION #2

8-14-1935.

TO: ☐ Director  
☐ Mr. Nathan  
☐ Mr. Tolson  
☐ Mr. Edwards  
☐ Mr. Quinn  
☐ Mr. Tamm  
☐ Division Three

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from the Boston office been?

R. NEWBY  
Supervisor.

*Mr. Newby*  
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*of 4/1/35. Mr. Newby the page*  
*is unable to account for it*  
*to find it. It may have come in*  
*from a printer or sent to school*  
*and it is not yet it* *too deeply.*

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5-19-1935.

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☐ Mr. Edwards  
☐ Mr. Quinn  
☐ Mr. Tamm  
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R. NEWBY

Supervisor.

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Boston, Massachusetts,  
July 17, 1935.

#### JUSTICE DEPT CALLED SLOW IN MEAD CASE

##### Northampton Police Cite Delayed Response

NORTHAMPTON, July 17 - The slowness of Department of Justice machinery was blamed by local police today for the "escape" of William E. Mead who was released on \$200 bail Sunday by police, unaware that he was wanted as the alleged "fingerman" in the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul brewer.

Mead, arrested here Saturday for an alleged automobile violation, is scheduled to appear in local court tomorrow for arraignment, but it is presumed that, by now, he is many miles from Northampton.

Mead, who gave the name of Charles E. Carter of Atlanta, Ga., had been free 24 hours before J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, informed local police that he was wanted in the kidnaping.

In an effort to obliterate his fingerprints, Mead had burned his fingertips with acid but the mutilated prints were taken by Sergt Harry J. Kelly and rushed by airmail to the Department of Justice for identification. At the same time Chief of Police Bartholomew Bresnahan wired a description of the prisoner and his fingerprints to Washington.

A telegram of response was not received from Hoover until Monday night. Meanwhile local police had released Mead on bail early Sunday morning. The telegram from Washington said that Mead was wanted for forfeiture of bond by the United States Marshal in Jacksonville, Fla. It made no mention of the Bremer kidnaping.

By the time Northampton police received official information of the Bremer angle, Mead had a head start of nearly 48 hours.

Chief Bresnahan, commenting on the slow action in Washington today said, "If it hadn't been a week-end I think we would still have him (Mead). I don't think they work very long hours in Washington."

It was reliably reported that "G" men were in this region today, looking for "leads" to the whereabouts of the wanted man.

Chief Bresnahan declined to confirm this report but said that a "G" man was here on Saturday night and questioned Mead at the police station, without becoming aware of the suspect's true identity.



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Boston Herald,  
July 16, 1935.

"FINGER MAN" IN BREMER KIDNAPPING SLIPS  
THROUGH NORTHAMPTON POLICE

(By a Staff Correspondent of The Herald)

NORTHAMPTON, July 16 - William Elmer Mead, released here on \$200 bail Sunday after Northampton police could find nothing more serious than an automobile violation to charge against him, is the notorious "Christian Kid" Mead, sought for the past 18 months by federal authorities as the "finger man" in the kidnapping of Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul brewer, it was learned tonight.

Mead, whose \$200 bail was furnished by Herbert F. Callahan, Boston criminal lawyer, was not identified until last night, and his alleged connection with the Bremer kidnaping did not become known here until tonight.

J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the federal bureau of investigation, notified the police here last night that the man who gave his name as Charles E. Carter of Atlanta, Ga., should be held for federal authorities. Mead had been released 24 hours before.

Hoover said that the fingerprints sent from here to him, were "the worst case of mutilation to come to our attention," but added that even this had not prevented identification.

Mead, when arrested here Saturday morning, had burned his finger tips with acid, a bottle of which was found in his car. He gave the name of Carter and a hotel address in Atlanta, and defied local authorities to discover who he really was. "That's for you to find out," he told police when they asked him his real name.

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July 25, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,  
Boston, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

Confirming instructions conveyed to you by Mr. Tamm of the Bureau on July 24, 1935, I desire that you immediately undertake a thorough and vigorous investigation of the actions of those attorneys of Boston and Northampton, Massachusetts who arranged for the bond of William E. Meade and assisted in obtaining his release from the custody of the Northampton, Massachusetts Police Department on the morning of July 14, 1935.

Complete investigation should be made into the activities of these attorneys and all facts should be developed which would indicate any violation of a Federal statute within the investigative jurisdiction of this Bureau, or any unethical or illegal conduct on the part of these attorneys which should be presented to the Grievance Committee of the Massachusetts Bar Association.

While the Bureau does not, of course, desire that any deliberate publicity be given to the fact that it is conducting this investigation, it is not necessary to clothe the Bureau's actions in this case in complete secrecy.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION	
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Re. Indefinite  
this serial only  
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original filed in 62-37348-1

# #Loose Again

WHILE the American Bar Association in convention in Los Angeles is adopting high-sounding resolutions opposing crime, an incident in Northampton, Mass., serves to show that if the association is to help check crime it will have to do more than talk.

John Henry Foster, alias William E. Meade, alias the Christ Kid, is remembered in Denver as a member of the million-dollar bunco ring and one of the few who escaped the penitentiary.

The Christ Kid's criminal record dates back to 1898. He was arrested in Denver in the roundup of the bunco gang in 1922. He escaped trial by pleading guilty to another swindling charge and accepting a sentence of three to 10 years. Upon release from the penitentiary, he made bond in the bunco case and disappeared.

Every newspaper in America has published his picture, which is or should be in file in every police department in the country. Denver wants him; St. Paul has also been after him for questioning concerning the \$200,000 kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer. Federal agents have been on the lookout for him for more than a decade.

The Christ Kid was picked up Saturday at Northampton for a traffic violation. He had mutilated his finger tips with acid. Northampton police forwarded his Bertillon measurements to Washington, where J. Edgar Hoover identified him.

Before word from Hoover reached Northampton, however, Herbert F. Callahan, described as a noted Boston criminal attorney, had bailed the Christ Kid on a \$200 bond. Police and federal agents must now resume the search.

Several very pertinent questions arise. Was Callahan aware of the Christ Kid's identity when he bailed him out? Mutilated finger tips are prima facie reason for suspicion. Why, then, did not the Northampton police at least hold their prisoner for investigation until Washington could be heard from?

If Callahan knew the Christ Kid's identity, it was his duty as an officer of the court to inform the authorities.

Slipshod or corrupt police and conniving attorneys are the most potent allies of the professional criminal. The release of the Christ Kid should be investigated fully by law enforcement authorities and likewise by the legal profession.

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

Director

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July 22. 1935.

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32 WALTER STREET  
HYDE PARK, MASS.

Hon. J. Edgar Hoover.  
Sir. i sorry to see our Friend from chic  
go. But we got one or more in Boston  
just like Louis Riquett. Dillinger. att  
yours  
Walter Campbell.

Oct 8-1-35

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July 22, 1935.

Hon. J. Edgar Hoover,

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Your's

/s/ Walter Campbell  
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Walter Campbell, Hyde Park, Mass. advises he is sorry to see Mr. Purvis go, states they have one or more attorney's in Boston like Louis Piquett. Encloses clipping containing remarks of Chief of Police at Northampton, Mass. blaming slow work of Bureau in forwarding information re Meade for the latter's escape, stating that "I don't think they work very long hours in Washington".

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7-576-6932 August 2, 1935

Mr. Walter Campbell,  
32 Walter Street,  
Hyde Park, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir:

Your communication of July 22, 1935, transmitting a newspaper dispatch relating to the arrest in Northampton, Massachusetts of William E. Mead, has been received, and I desire to express my appreciation for your courtesy in transmitting this newspaper clipping to me.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

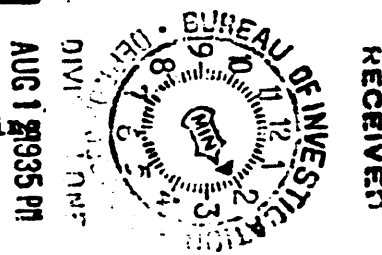
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Mr. Joseph	.....
Mr. Keith	.....
Mr. Lester	.....
Mr. Quinn	.....
Mr. Scheidt	.....
Mr. Schilder	.....
Mr. Tamm	.....
Mr. Tracy	.....
Miss Gandy	.....

*E. J. Connelley*

**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION**

**U. S. Department of Justice**

1616 Federal Reserve Bank Building  
Kansas City, Missouri  
August 9, 1935



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

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232  
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236  
WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O. 1238  
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239  
LYRLE EATON with aliases, I.O. 1241, et al  
Edward George Bremer - Victim  
KIDNAPING  
HARBORING OF FUGITIVES  
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE  
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT

Kindly refer to the report of Special Agent A. J. Norstrom, Kansas City, Missouri, August 8, 1935, wherein it will be noted on February 15, 1935, that Volney Davis, during a recent interview at the United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, alleged that Jack Glynn, former Chief of Police at Leavenworth, Kansas, secured his release from the Oklahoma State Penitentiary at McAlester on forged parole papers.

Glynn has been known in the past to have been a contact for notorious criminals and has been interviewed on numerous occasions for information in cases which the Bureau has been interested. While it is apparent that no offense has been committed in this instance over which the Bureau has jurisdiction, as a matter of information it is desired that an investigation be caused at the Oklahoma State Penitentiary to determine if Davis' allegations are true. It is respectfully requested that the Bureau advise the Kansas City office in the above.

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AJN:B  
cc - Cincinnati  
St. Paul  
Oklahoma City

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Very truly yours,

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E. E. CONROY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,  
FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218, et al,  
Edward George Bremer, Victim,  
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated August 9, 1935, setting forth information concerning JACK GLYNN, former Chief of Police at Leavenworth, Kansas, who is reported to have assisted in obtaining the release of Volney Davis from the Oklahoma State Penitentiary on a leave of absence.

The Bureau desires that every effort be made to discreetly develop all the information concerning the activities of Glynn in obtaining the release of Davis and other notorious criminals from penitentiaries located in Oklahoma, Kansas and Missouri.

Special Agent F. E. Smith while recently in attendance at the retraining school in Washington, D. C. was instructed to conduct appropriate investigation at Leavenworth, Kansas and McAlester, Oklahoma, relative to the activities of Jack Glynn.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

cc-Oklahoma City  
St. Paul  
Chicago  
Cincinnati

# Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice  
P. O. DRAWER 1457,  
St. Louis, Missouri.

August 9, 1935.

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

In 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 & OBSTRUCTION OF  
JUSTICE: NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Dear Sir:

It is requested that twenty (20) photographs  
of each of the subjects in the above captioned case be  
forwarded to this office.

Very truly yours,

*R. E. Vetterli*  
R. E. VETTERLI,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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August 19, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,  
St. Louis, Missouri.

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

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to the request contained in your letter dated August 9, 1935, there are transmitted herewith twenty photographs, arranged in groups of five each, including not only the photographs of those of the six remaining fugitives in the above entitled case, but also the photographs of Fred and Arthur R. "Doc" Barker, Volney Davis, Harry Sawyer and Charles J. Fitzgerald. There are also forwarded herewith twenty photographs of Subject William Harrison.

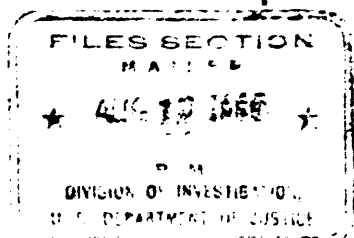
No copies of the above photographs are being transmitted to the offices indicated below.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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

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

Dear Sir:

In accordance with Bureau letter dated July 27, 1935, there are enclosed herewith copies of a letter written to Mrs. Eunice Hughes from Wynona Burdette, the original of which has been returned to Superintendent John J. Ryan, U. S. Detention Farm, Milan, Michigan.

Copies of this letter are also being sent to the St. Paul, Chicago, Cincinnati, and Oklahoma City Offices, as instructed.

Very truly yours,

*D. L. Nicholson*

D. L. Nicholson  
Special Agent in Charge

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To my little stink.

P. O. Box 1000  
Milan, Mich.  
August 8, 1935.

Darling and loving sister:-

Received your sweet letter, And was I ever glad to hear from you, Oh, baby, and how. I have looked so long for a letter from you, I didnt hear all last month from any of you kids, And I surly was worried, I don't know why Esther and Mildred haven't answered my letters, I can't get but (4) four a month and when I don't get any it rather worries me. I think you will understand.

I am getting along pretty good right now - but at times I fell rather rotten. When I get out of here I will be ashamed to walk down the street's with you Kido. Your all so good looking, and I'm looking old and getting gray. You will have a nice job on your hands when I get out, dying my hair. Won't you like that, huh? Darling I would love to see you in fact all of you, I get dreadfully lonesome to be with you.

Yes, Esther said something about you going back to your hubby - Chuck. Honey girl for land sake you're on the out side in the free world and if I were you I'd never let my self be dissatisfied and unhappy, never again am I going to live in with my husband folks, I do not think there was ever a house built large enough for 2 family's, do you? My hands are tied right now, but when I get out you and I can live together like we used to, and be happy again. Im just waiting for that day.

You say for me not to let my chin down. Well, keet, you know after your cut away from the world for (5) years you will hardly know how to act.

Say, little stink - Mr. Hansen seem's to be going out to Millies quiet often, well, ask him for me what his excuse is for going out there so much, now that his business is finished looks funny doesn't it? HA. HA. Tell him "hello" for me and that Im getting along party Party Gurd.

Eunice, as for as being treated mean is concerned I guess we are treated as good as could be expected in a place like this. Im trying my best to be cheerful but some time's this close confinement get's you down. Listen, sweet, as long as my family knowes Im innocent, I do not care what the rest of the world think's about me. It is awfully sweet of you sis to feel like that about my telling you my troubles, and it makes it easier to get thing's off my chest and to know that you understand.

Im glad you're going over to Mrs. Campbell's as I can't write to her and I am sure she would like to hear about me. I wrote to her while I was in St. Paul and she said everything was fine. Is it still that way?

I guess I was just blue the day I said I didnt care what happened to me, but I do care because I want to be home with you kid's.

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Art would love to hear from you he said so when he was here to see me.

I am glad Jimmie is going out to Millies I think there should be some one there with she and the babies. And Im sure glad Ruthie will eat for awhile - HA. Pretty good, isn't it? Why dosen't she get her self a job and work for her self. And get rid of that so and so.

Do you ever hear from Uncle Cy? I guess he was awful hurt about my getting so much time, wasn't he? Tell him "Hello" when you see him.

Ill swear I can just see you when the car top blew off. What did you do stick out your chest or \_\_\_\_\_? Speaking of thinking about me, maybe that is the reason I feel so close to you at night because I am always thinking of you too.

You will hear from me once a month Whether you want it or not, It's bound to come just like Winter, Eunice you write such sweet letters why dont you send me one every month, huh? If you dont Ill kye, gate bid tears too, I'd sure love to be there and have some of these carrots and while you are caning I'd sit on mine - HA. HA.

I just can't see you setting at a sewing machine, It sounds as naturel as a monkey playing pool. I'll swear your getting as bad as I am. Im sewing to making men's cap's & house shoes.

I guess you think looking for that home is rather like the proverbial "needle in the hay stack. It's there, but goodness! what a job finding it. I dont imagine any one can live on Promises but they say you can live on love, but I think that would be pretty hard to do.

Ill be tickled to death when those songs get here. I want to learn them cause we sing almost every evening and dont forget to drop that line or two you promised.

It was sweet of Mr. Hansen to make a special trip up to Essie's with my clothes but why in the world did he have to stop at Millie's. Did he have any thing to leave there? Who, Who, that's good.

Does Esther & R. D. come down very often? Ask Esther why she doesn't answer my letter.

Yes, I was weighing 125 lbs. when that picture was taken. Pretty good for your baby sis, huh? Im not weighing that now though. I just hit 118 4/4 now. falling off this hot weather realy get's me down.

It's a wonder you didnt pass completely out when Aaron, May and Fern came down, Boy I was shocked off my feet when I read that part of your letter. I imagine it does seem strange to hear him singing sacred music, but I bet it

would sound stranger to hear him preach. Im sure he is sincere about it. And Im glad to - I would sure love to hear him. Oh, yes, you wanted Arts address, the last time I heard from him it was 1004 Parade, Erie, Pa.

Ill ask Esther in my next letter to have some of those pictures made for you other kiddlet's.

Why dont you kids all get together and try and come up to see me. If you all chipped in together it wouldn't take so much to drive up. dont be silly about me getting tired reading your letters, I only wish there was more of it. Kiddo why dont you send me some picture's of you kid's. if nothing else send some of those you had taken on the road of the gang. You kids looked sweet in those pictures, I think, give Ruth a big hug & kiss for me. And tell her to kiss you for me. Ask her to put a line in with your letters. Well, Darlin, there getting ready to put the lights out so I must close and get to bed. We aren't allowed to use but 3 sheets of paper either so -----

Nite Nite sweet sister O'Mine.

be good.

Your Loving baby Sis

Nona. B.

Answer real soon.  
sending loads & loads of love.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box #766,  
Cincinnati, Ohio.

August 9, 1935

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

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated August 6, 1935, advising that it will not be necessary for Special Agent S. K. McKee to proceed to Miami, Florida, on August 17, 1935, and that Agent McKee should, therefore, proceed to Chicago.

Please be advised that Agent McKee is now suffering from an attack of grippe and his physician advises that it will be three or four days before he is able to return to duty. His sick leave began on this date.

Immediately upon his return to duty Agent McKee will proceed to Chicago as instructed.

Very truly yours,

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

CC: Chicago

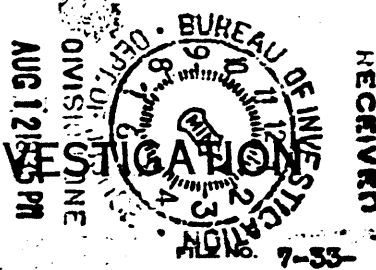
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Form No. 1  
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

REPORT MADE AT <b>DALLAS, TEXAS</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>8/8/35</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>7/24, 8/7/35</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>C. E. McRAE</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218- FUGITIVE; ET AL EDWARD GEORGE BREMER- Victim</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING - HARBORING AND OB- STRUCTION OF JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT</b>
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Investigation of report that man who resembled Karpis was residing in boarding house Dallas was made, which proved information was groundless. Samuel S. Lard, former president of Mistletoe Creameries, Inc., now resides on a ranch near Clovis, N.M. Josephine Redmond unknown Police Department, Ft. Worth, Texas.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P</p> <p>REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent C. B. Winstead, El Paso, Texas, dated 7-8-35.</p> <p>DETAILS: The Dallas Office is in receipt of a note from a Mrs. Heath, post-marked at Dallas, Texas, on July 22, 1935, stating in substance that a Mr. Brown, who was residing at a boarding house at 315 North Ewing, Dallas, Texas, had a striking resemblance to Karpis.</p> <p>Investigation was conducted by Special Agent C. O. Hurt and City Detectives Jack Archer and Bedell, Dallas Police Department, at 315 North Ewing Street, DALLAS, TEXAS, where it was ascertained that Mr. Brown had recently moved to 223 North Lancaster Street. Investigation at that address reflected that James Thomas Brown was employed by the Marathon Oil Company and had been so employed for the past two years; that he came to Dallas from Lubbock, Texas, and that he in no way resembles Alvin Karpis.</p> <p>Chief of Detectives T. W. Jackson of the Fort Worth Police Department, advised the writer that one Samuel S. Lard had been president of the Mistletoe Creameries, Inc., of Fort Worth, Texas, and had also been president of the Fort Worth Base Ball Club, and had been quite a prominent man in Fort Worth, but that he did not believe he now resided at Fort Worth.</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED:  <i>F. J. Reese</i> COPIES OF THIS REPORT		SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE  <b>7 576 6937</b> <b>AUG 12 1935</b> <b>AUG 13 1935</b> <b>AUG 12 A.M.</b>	
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The current City Directory and telephone book for Fort Worth, Texas, do not list Samuel S. Lard.

Inquiry was made from the Borden Creamery, which company took over the Mistletoe Creameries, Inc., and it was ascertained that Samuel S. Lard has moved from Fort Worth and is residing on a ranch near Clovis, New Mexico, which is known as the Ladder Ranch.

Josephine Redmond is unknown to Chief of Detectives T. W. Jackson and other City Detectives interviewed; and a search of the records of the Identification Bureau does not reveal that she has ever been arrested or known to the Fort Worth Police Department.

UNDEVELOPED LEAD:

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Will make inquiry of Samuel S. Lard near Clovis, New Mexico, in an effort to learn where Josephine Redmond can be located for interview along the lines set out in reference report.

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August 7, 1935

Alvin Karpis with aliases - Fugitive,  
I.O. 1218, et al.; Edward G. Bremer -  
Victim, Kidnaping.

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Three photostatic copies of an original letter in the handwriting  
of William Weaver, signed "J. A. Orhood".

(Answer to St. Paul Bureau Office)

August 8, 1935

Handwriting

C.A. Appel

The handwriting was compared with the scraps of paper bearing the names  
"G. E. Weaver, Topeka" and "G. E. Weaver & Wife" sent in by the Omaha Office  
after being found in a tourist camp and a great many similarities were found.  
This is also true of the certificate of registration, license number 3-16584  
of George E. Weaver.

As to the signatures of Weaver on the fingerprint cards which apparently  
are the only specimens of handwriting of this subject which may be proven  
as his, a comparison indicates that there is a number of points of similarity.  
There are not enough words in the signatures to enable a complete explanation  
of some differences but there are sufficient points of similarity to indicate  
the probability that the present specimens of writing were written by subject  
Weaver.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Re: Alvin Karpis with aliases -  
Fugitive, I.O. 1218, et al.;  
Edward G. Bremer - Victim,  
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

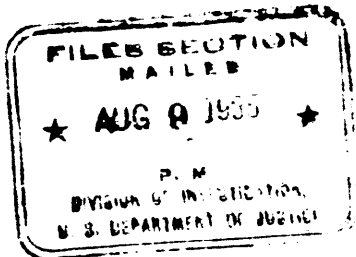
There is transmitted herewith the laboratory  
report covering the examination of specimens in con-  
nection with the above entitled matter received in the  
Bureau on August 2, 1935.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

Enclosure #589318

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Chicago  
Omaha



# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1  
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Cincinnati, Ohio

FILE NO. 7-27

REPORT MADE AT Salt Lake City, Utah	DATE WHEN MADE 8-6-35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 8-2,3,4-35	REPORT MADE BY LOUIS D. WINE OS
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1235, et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Photograph of Subject Harry Campbell tentatively identified as person seen riding in Plymouth coach, 1935 model, Illinois 1935 license 347-599, said to be enroute to California and driven by one Dominic Bello of 111 West Division Street, Chicago.

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**REFERENCE:**

Report of Special Agent C. S. Duggan, Salt Lake City, 8-3-35.

**DETAILS:**

Special Agent J. T. McLaughlin at Reno, Nevada, was immediately notified of the contents of reference report and related by telephone that he forthwith proceeded to the automobile checking station on the transcontinental highway just west of Reno, and arranged with the checking station, as well as the California Fruit Quarantine Inspection Station, to be on the alert for the appearance of person who was identified from a photograph as that of Subject Campbell.

Agent McLaughlin reported that on the afternoon of August 4, 1935, at 4:40 P.M., an automobile containing five men stopped at the California State automobile checking station and the driver of this car obtained California non-resident permit No. 105986 signed in the name of Dominic Bello, 111 West Division Street, Chicago, Illinois. He related he had no address in California; that they were going to Los Angeles and wanted to avoid going through the town of Merced, California; that the actions of Bello and his four associates were extremely suspicious; that Bello was in such a hurry to depart that he left the California non-resident permit at the checking station near the California-Nevada line.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>Louis D. Wine</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES 7   576   6937   AUG 12 1935 AUG 12 A.M. AUG 13 1935
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Agent McLaughlin related that he displayed the photograph of Subject Harry Campbell to several of the automobile checking station attendants, who tentatively identified it as closely resembling a man who was riding in the back seat of Bello's automobile. They described the automobile as a Plymouth coach, gray color, built-in rear trunk, 1935 model, Illinois 1935 license plates 347-599. The person identified as Harry Campbell was reported to be wearing a gray suit, no tie, shirt open at the front, and needing a shave. Agent McLaughlin related that he immediately advised the San Francisco office to be on the alert for the appearance of this automobile.

The Salt Lake City office immediately sent a teletype message to the Chicago office, which replied that Dominic Bello resided at the Mark Twain Hotel, 111 West Division Street, for eight months, checked out alone August 31 for Los Angeles, at which time he was driving a 1935 model gray Plymouth coupe; present address unknown. Bello is described as follows:

Age	33 years
Height	5 ft. 7 in.
Weight	150 lbs.
Hair	Dark chestnut
Eyes	Hazel
Build	Medium
Complexion	Fair
Scars	Irregular 1/4 in. scar right side of chin.
Face	Face pitted.
Nationality	Latin
Record	Chicago Police Dept.

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The Chicago office further advised by teletype that Bello's connections were being further checked.

Special Agent McLaughlin at Reno further related he also checked the hotels, gambling establishments and resorts in Reno and vicinity but was unable to find any trace of the person believed to have been Harry Campbell.

It appears from report of reference that this identification was made by a shoe shiner at the Independent Shoe Shining Parlor, Salt Lake City, and it is quite probable that Michael Padgen, who reported he had seen Harry Campbell in this establishment on August 2, 1935, was mistaken in his identification.

#### UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

Chicago office: As outlined in teletype message to the Salt Lake Bureau office August 2, 1935, it is requested that Illinois license 347-599 be checked as well as discreet inquiry made as to Dominic Bello's associates and present whereabouts.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CINCINNATI, OHIO.

FILE NO. 7-8

REPORT MADE AT <b>Aberdeen, South Dakota</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>8-10-35</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>8-1-35</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>M. E. GURNEA</b> <span style="float: right;">MR</span>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218; et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING, OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE, NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT, HARBORING.</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

✓ Buick Sedan, Motor #2,850,161, Serial #2,695,631, 1933 Model, described in South Dakota Title Number 332-232 (NOT LICENSE NUMBER) as previously registered to George Weaver, Pierre, South Dakota, and to have previously borne Minnesota 1934 License # B-38,260, and received Kansas registration on 6-20-35. George Weaver unknown in Pierre.

**REFERENCE:**

Telegram from Omaha Office dated July 23rd, 1935.

**DETAILS:**

On 7-23-35 this office received a wire from the Omaha Office to the effect that a man, answering the description of William Weaver, escaped from the Des Moines, Iowa, Police on Friday 7-19-35, in a Buick Sedan, Motor #285,016, bearing Kansas License Plates 316584. That the Des Moines Police ascertained that the car was registered under the name of George E. Weaver, Jayhawk Hotel, Topeka, Kansas, with previous registration in the State of South Dakota, under License #332,232.

Accordingly, a telegram was dispatched to the Motor Vehicle Registration Bureau at Pierre, South Dakota, requesting information as to the identity of the person to whom South Dakota License Plates number 332,232 were issued. The Motor Vehicle Registration Bureau replied that 1935 License 332,232 was issued to Louis Pfotenhauer, Pierre, South Dakota, on a Ford two door, Motor # 21,826. This information was immediately dispatched to Special Agent M. E. Gurnea, who conducted the following investigation at Pierre, South Dakota.

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At Pierre, South Dakota.

Examination of the records of the office of the Registrar of Motor Vehicles for the State of South Dakota, revealed that a 1933 Model Buick Sedan, Motor 2,850,161, Serial #2,695,631 is described in TITLE NUMBER (NOT LICENSE NUMBER) 332-232, as having been registered to George Weaver, Pierre, South Dakota, address not given. During 1934 this auto was licensed in Minnesota with a 1934 Minnesota License Plate number B-38,260. The auto was purchased second-hand from M. L. Phelps, St. Paul, Minnesota.

On 6-20-35, the Registrar of Motor Vehicles for the State of South Dakota, received a form letter from the Registrar of Motor Vehicles for the State of Kansas, advising that the instant auto had been registered in that State.

An attempt was made, without results by the Agent, to locate the previous address in Pierre, South Dakota, of George Weaver. Examination of the records at the U. S. Post Office in Pierre failed to disclose any record at all pertaining to this man. Examination of the Directories and inquiry at the Police Department, and persons who are well known in Pierre, failed to disclose that this man has ever been a resident of Pierre, South Dakota.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

The ST. PAUL BUREAU OFFICE at St. Paul, Minnesota, will interview M. L. Phelps for any information he may have as to the sale of the instant auto in 1934, and attempt to obtain any subsequent addresses of George Weaver.

At the Division of Motor Vehicles will examine the records of the instant auto while bearing 1934 Minnesota License Plates #B-38,260.

ADDENDUM: It is noted that the Omaha Office reported the Motor number of the Buick Sedan in question to be 285,016 and also reported a previous registration in South Dakota for said car under South Dakota License #332,232. Investigation as disclosed in this report would indicate without doubt that the correct Motor number for said Buick Sedan is 2,850,161 and that the car did not bear South Dakota License Plates 332,232 but that this number was the TITLE NUMBER issued to said car.

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AIR MAIL  
SPECIAL DELIVERY

Special Agent in Charge  
San Francisco, California

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; 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;  
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; HARBORING OF  
FUGITIVES; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Confirming my letter dated August 6, 1935, in connection with inquiry being made in Chicago for information concerning the associates of and the expected destination of Dominic Bello, please be advised that further investigation was conducted at the Nut House night club by Special Agent D. P. Sullivan. Several persons discreetly interviewed were unable to provide Bello's address at Los Angeles.

A bartender stated that Bello and two men named Mike and George had gone to Los Angeles. The manner in which the statement was made indicated that these were possibly Italians.

Inquiry was likewise made at the Olympic Hotel where Bello is known with negative results.

Investigation conducted by this Office fails to disclose any connection between Bello and members of the Karpis-Barker gang not yet apprehended.

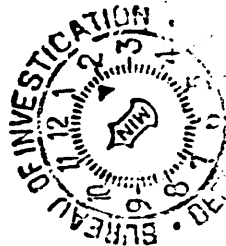
Very truly yours,

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cc Bureau  
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D. M. LADD  
Special Agent in Charge

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

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**Federal Bureau of Investigation**

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

August 10, 1935.

Time - 10:46 A.M.

**MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR**

Re: <sup>0</sup> Bremer Case.

I telephoned Mr. E. J. Connelley at the St. Paul Office with reference to his recommendation of Special Agents Devereux and Arms to act in an undercover capacity to keep under surveillance the activities of the former Chief of Police at St. Paul who is going to spend a two-weeks vacation in the Minnesota woods, where it is thought he might be contacted by one or more of the subjects in the above entitled case. I told him that the Bureau approved of his selection of these two Agents.

I instructed Mr. Connelley to call the Chicago Office direct, inform the Agents of this assignment, and let them know what equipment they should bring. I cautioned Mr. Connelley not to let the present St. Paul Police Department know of our activities in this matter.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

Mr. Nathan ✓  
Mr. Tolson  
Mr. Baughman  
Chief Clerk  
Mr. Clegg  
Mr. Coffey  
Mr. Edwards  
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REPORT MADE AT <b>KANSAS CITY,</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>8-9-1935</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>7-2 to 8-3-35</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>A. J. NORSTROM</b> <span style="float: right;">ebc</span>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. 1218;                  DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I. O. 1232;                  HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I. O. 1235;                  WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I. O. 1238;                  WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I. O. 1239;                  SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I. O. 1241;                  ET AL.                  EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF                  FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF                  JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>
<p style="text-align: center;">Surveillance over activities of John Karpovitz at Topeka, Kansas, discontinued upon his return to Chicago. Interview at the U. S. Penitentiary with Volney Davis unproductive, but Elmer Farmer furnished information of possible value concerning John Hamilton, William Weaver and other fugitives in this case. Informants in this district contacted for information concerning remaining fugitives and efforts made to enlist cooperation of Edna Murray as informant. No record George E. Weaver residing at Topeka, Kansas.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P.</p> <p>REFERENCE:</p> <p>Report of Special Agent A. J. Norstrom, Kansas City, July 5, 1935.</p>			
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DETAILS:

With reference to the surveillance being conducted over the activities of John Karpovicz at Topeka, Kansas, the following investigation was conducted by Special Agent Franklin Welch:

With the assistance of members of the Kansas State Highway Patrol and the Topeka, Kansas, Police Department, Agent Welch continued surveillance at the home of Albert Grooms, 1234 Monroe Street, Topeka, Kansas, where it is noted from reference report that John Karpovicz was residing. On 7-2-35, Special Agent Welch contacted James Grooms, a brother of Albert Grooms, who stated that he had not seen his brother or his brother's wife during the whole month of June and did not visit with them because of his dislike for Albert Grooms' wife, Amelia Grooms. However, he stated that although in his opinion Albert Grooms did not like Alvin Karpis and would do nothing to assist him, his wife would probably do anything to help and protect him. He stated that when he did see his brother he never discussed Alvin Karpis with him. James Grooms stated that he would be glad to cooperate in any way possible in causing the apprehension of Alvin Karpis, but at the present time he has no information.

Agent Welch also learned from the Sheriff's office at Topeka, Kansas, that one Robert Barnes, who is a next-door neighbor to Albert Grooms, and who was in a position to observe the activities of Grooms' family and John Karpovicz during his presence in Topeka was a reliable informant and would cooperate with the Bureau.

On July 3, 1935, Elbourne Beal, Deputy Sheriff, and Agent Welch contacted Mr. Barnes, who stated that he would be glad to assist and report any activities at the Grooms' home. A telephone was installed by Agent Welch in the Barnes home to facilitate rapid contact with the Kansas City Bureau office and the Sheriff's office at Topeka in the event that Barnes observed anything that might arouse his suspicions. However, Barnes, to date, has not reported any activity at the Grooms' home, which is thought to be of value.

Special Agent Welch also interviewed Sheriff Dean Rogers at Topeka, Kansas, relative to other possible informants concerning John Karpovicz, and Sheriff Rogers advised that Frank Willetts of the Willetts Feed Store, 818 North Kansas Avenue, Topeka, was a good friend of John Karpovicz, and that he would furnish no information concerning Alvin Karpis because of fear for the latter. However, Rogers stated he would be able to obtain any information that Willetts might have through Willetts' son, and in the event that any information of value is received by him from this source, he would immediately convey it to the Kansas City office.

During the course of the stay of Karpovicz at Topeka, he supervised the repainting of his home at 1100 Second Street.

On July 10, 1935, Mr. Cyrus Guthrie, 309 Quincy Street, Topeka, Kansas, who collects the rent from the tenants of the house owned by Karpovicz in Topeka, was contacted by Agent Welch, and he advised that he had been employed by Karpovicz for a number of years to act as rental agent for Karpovicz's property; that this was merely a business relationship, and that he would be glad to cooperate in any way that would help to bring about the apprehension of Alvin Karpis. He further advised Agent Welch that Karpovicz seldom mentioned his son Alvin to him, but that recently on one occasion when he was showing Karpovicz some communications which they had between them, Karpovicz asked him if he had ever received a letter from Alvin, to which Guthrie replied in the negative. It was Guthrie's opinion that Karpovicz believed that he had received a letter from Alvin in previous years which Karpovicz wanted to obtain and destroy. Guthrie further informed that Karpovicz to the best of his knowledge had come to Topeka for the sole purpose of supervising the repair work on his home, and that he intended to return to his home in Chicago, Illinois, as soon as this work was completed, but that he, Guthrie, prevailed upon him to remain until the 15th of July so that he could collect in person the additional rent from his tenant. Guthrie said that he would endeavor to ascertain from Karpovicz without appearing inquisitive the approximate date of his return to Chicago, and upon the receipt of same would report it to Special Agent A. S. Reeder, who was to continue the surveillance over Karpovicz's activities and relieve Special Agent Welch.

On July 10, 1935, Special Agent A. S. Reeder relieved Agent Welch in maintaining the surveillance, and the following memorandum was submitted by him:

Mr. Karpis spent most of his time supervising the painting and reconditioning of a home at 1100 East Second Street, Topeka, Kansas, now rented by John Titman through Cyrus Guthrie of Topeka, Kansas. Completion of the painting and reconditioning was made Friday evening, July 12, 1935, and it was noted that Mr. Karpovicz loaded paint buckets, hammers, saws, et cetera, and other utensils into his car, which led Agent to believe that he would be leaving for Chicago in the near future. At approximately 4:30 o'clock on the afternoon on this date a Special Delivery letter was delivered to John Karpovicz in care of A. E. Grooms, 1234 Monroe St., Topeka, Kansas.

Agent interviewed John Baker, Special Delivery Agent of the Topeka, Kansas, Post Office, who informed Agent that the return address of the Special Delivery letter was either 535 Woods Street, Chicago, or 1535 Woods Street, Chicago, and that the letter had been mailed at approximately 7:30 or 8:00 A.M., the date being obliterated almost beyond recognition on the letter. This information was transmitted to the Chicago office by telephone for appropriate attention.

Mr. Bob Barnes, 1240 North Monroe Street, Topeka, Kansas, is a neighbor of Mrs. A. E. Grooms, sister of Subject Karpis, and the address where John Karpovicz stayed while in Topeka, and he advised Agent early the morning of July 13th that he believed Mr. Karpovicz was leaving for parts unknown on that date, as he had loaded blankets and other equipment in his car.

Agent then maintained a surveillance on Mr. Karpovicz's car until approximately 10 o'clock the morning of July 13th, when Mr. Karpovicz drove to an oil station owned by Mr. Ed J. Robinson, 1009 North Kansas Avenue. At this point the car was filled with oil, gas and tires inflated, preparatory to a trip to Chicago which Mr. Karpovicz advised Robinson he was taking. At this oil station, Mr. Karpovicz was given two road maps and advised Mr. Robinson he was leaving Topeka early in the afternoon taking route No. 4 to St. Joseph, Missouri; Route No. 26 from St. Joseph to Springfield, Illinois; and Highway No. 66 from Springfield, Illinois, to Chicago. In payment for services rendered Mr. Karpovicz gave Robinson a \$20.00 bill bearing serial number J-05329399 A, Federal Reserve Bank Note of Kansas City, Missouri, Series of 1928-D. The automobile in which Karpovicz departed bore 1935 Illinois license 719-755, being a Buick Coach, light green in color, equipped with an aluminum spotlight on left side close to driver's seat; a small green sun shade was attached to the center of the windshield. On the rear of the car two spare tires were attached. Agent then trailed Mr. Karpovicz to the home of his daughter, Mrs. Albert Grooms, and at approximately 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon, Mr. Karpovicz left the city enroute to Chicago.

With further reference to letter from the Chicago office dated June 18, 1935, Volney Davis, inmate of the U. S. Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, was again interviewed by Special Agents A. E. Farland and A. S. Reeder for the purpose of ascertaining information relative to his association with Matthew Gleason and to those who had assisted him after his escape at Yorkville, Illinois, on February 6, 1935:

Volney Davis was questioned particularly as to who had assisted him after his escape at Yorkville, Illinois, on February 6, 1935. Davis would make no statement regarding this matter.

Davis was also questioned as to what connections he had had with Matt Gleason; whether or not he had given his diamond ring to Gleason to be pawned and whether he received any money. He stated he had given his ring to Gleason to be pawned but that Gleason did not give him any money if he did pawn the ring. He further stated that Gleason had not given him any help in any way nor did he know that he was a fugitive at that time.

Several hours were spent with Davis without any results. He stated that he had made a signed statement in Chicago to Government Agents, and that he had been well treated, but that after his removal to St. Paul, Minnesota, he entered a plea of guilty to the kidnaping charge in this case and was given a life sentence, which he did not expect, and that in view of this fact, he could not see his way clear to make any statement to any Agents of the Government; that he knew plenty if he wanted to furnish any information; that he has been kept in solitary confinement since he entered the Federal Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, and expected that he would be transferred to the United States Penitentiary at Alcatraz Island, California.

Davis did state that a day or two after he had made his escape from Federal Agents at Yorkville, Illinois, he returned to Kansas City, Missouri, and made contact with Irish O'Malley at 47th and Troost Avenue. That Walter O'Malley and Vivian Chase had been living at an apartment at 4915 Troost and had moved to an apartment about three doors away, known at the Bonita Apartments, at 4925 Troost; that O'Malley had given him some money, and that he remained there only a short time. He would give no further information as to his activities after leaving O'Malley.

Davis stated that at one time he and Edna Murray, who were living together, had occupied an apartment in the Blackstone Apartments, 509 West 39th Street on the top floor, and that O'Malley and Vivian Chase also occupied an apartment at the same address. He further stated, when shown a photograph of Vivian Chase, that she never could be recognized by that photograph; that she had lost some weight and had dyed her hair a number of times. He was unable to state the color of her hair at this time.

Davis was questioned as to whether or not he had had any connection with Lloyd Doyle, alias "Blackie" Doyle and stated he had met "Blackie" a number of times at O'Malley's home. He stated he did not know Otto Jackson, but had heard them speak of someone named Otto.

At the request of Special Agent V. E. Criss, Agent questioned Davis for the purpose of ascertaining whether or not he had any information relative to Roy P. Frisch, a bank clerk, who had been killed at Reno, Nevada. Davis laughed and said he was not at Reno at the time of this murder, but stated that Frisch was to be a witness in the case of a man named Graham and one named Mc Kay in New York; that both of these men had beat the case as there was no witness to appear against them. Other than this he refused to make any statements relative thereto.

Davis stated that while he and others of this gang were at Reno, Nevada, they received advance information from the Chief of Police of that city as to most of the Government's activities there; that the Chief of Police would tip them off and "finger" all Government men while they were in Reno.

Davis further informed that Subject Karpis has a small child now in the care of his mother in Chicago, and that it is his belief that should this child ever become ill, or its life endangered in any way, Karpis would not hesitate under any circumstances to visit the child and see that it had medical attention and the right kind of care; that while they were in a hideout in Toledo a year past, Karpis had, on numerous occasions taken children to the circus, moving picture shows and other places of amusement and seemed to get a great kick out of associating with children.

When asked point blank where he would go to contact Karpis, Davis replied it was his belief that Karpis is in Canada, due to the fact he had told him on numerous occasions that he would some day go there, and, further, for the fact that Karpis talked like a Northerner and could easily get by in Canada due to his manner of speech. However, Davis refused to give Agents any definite lead as to what part of Canada or the United States Subject might be.

On June 28, 1935, the Kansas City Bureau office received a communication from the Chicago Bureau office dated June 25, 1935, which stated, in substance, that under date of June 14, 1935, the United States Attorney, George Sullivan, of St. Paul, Minnesota, had instructed the St. Paul office that the personal property of Volney Davis, now in possession of said banker, should be turned over to Volney Davis as soon as possible. A copy of this letter was taken to the penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, and Davis was requested to sign a sworn statement in which he requested that the property taken from him, which consisted of \$1143.40, and other property, be turned over to Mrs. Rodney E. Davis, whose address is Box 2, Neosho, Missouri. Two copies of this sworn request are placed in instant file in the Kansas City office.



On July 17, 1935, Davis was again interviewed at the Federal Penitentiary, but refused to make any statement whatsoever. He did sign a small statement, which is quoted as follows:

"July 17, 1935.

To the Manager of the Beaumont Apts. 3028 Baltimore  
St. Please give all of my belongings to my mother &  
Father.

G. L. Harper  
Volney Davis.

The original of the above statement is placed in the files for proper disposition.

With reference to the request contained in the letter from the St. Paul office dated July 23, 1935, Elmer Farmer, inmate of the U. S. Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, was interviewed for information concerning the identity of Harold Conliff by Special Agent A. J. Norstrom on 8-3-35. Farmer stated that he recalled having first met Conliff in 1915 at which time he operated a restaurant at Galewood, Illinois, and he believed that Conliff's father was a switchman for the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railroad; that Conliff had two brothers, Vincent and Vendome. According to Farmer shortly after 1920 Conliff operated a saloon at Franklin Park, Illinois, in competition with some of the members of the Capone Syndicate in Chicago and also operated a saloon in Melrose Park. It was Farmer's recollection that Conliff got in trouble with the members of the syndicate and was forced out of business at both these places as a result thereof. He then went into a partnership with an Italian named Gee, whose first name Farmer did not recall, and they opened a saloon at Mannheim, Ill., which place both operated until they were driven out of business by the Government. They used this saloon on that occasion as a basis of operation for bootlegging illicit beer in Cook County and the Lake region of Illinois, and at the same time operated a brewery, the location of which Farmer did not recall. Conliff had few associates other than Gee, but was friendly with Bill Lewis and Slim Hale, who operated a saloon on Madison Avenue near Oakley in Chicago, and who were implicated in the abduction of Thomas Gaynor in 1930.

Concerning the Gaynor abduction, Farmer was unable to recall the participants, other than Hale, Lewis and Conliff, but he had heard that Gaynor was held in a cottage in the Illinois Lake region, the exact location of which he was not acquainted with. He recalled that at the time police were looking for Conliff with reference to this matter, Conliff was in hiding in his saloon at Mannheim. He also stated that

Roger Touhy was sponsored in the beer business by Gaynor and the Touhys put forth a great deal of effort in obtaining Gaynor's release, and as a result of this there had been a lot of ill feeling between the Touhys and Conliff. Farmer said that at a later date he asked Conliff concerning the part he had in the kidnaping, but Conliff denied having any part, altho his automobile had been used in the abduction. Farmer also said that he did not believe Harold Allderton had anything to do with this kidnaping. Farmer said that Conliff was regarded by the Italians in the vicinity of Cook County to whom he sold his beer as a "muscle" man, altho he did not believe that Conliff ever used armed force to sell his beer.

Concerning the allegation that Conliff had been killed by members of a rival gang, Farmer stated that he believed that because of the Government's efforts to locate Conliff and prosecute him for bootlegging, Conliff used this supposed killing to throw the Government off his trail. He stated that he based his opinion upon the fact that certain friends of his had informed him that Conliff had been seen about a year ago at Scotty Richards place in the Lake region north of Carey, Illinois, and he had also been informed that Conliff had spent sometime after his alleged death at Sunny Gromes' Saloon, Bubbling Over, near Richards' place. He further stated that Gromes' brother, who may now be operating the Bubbling Over, might know of the present whereabouts of Conliff. He said that he recently heard that Gee was in St. Paul, Minnesota.

Concerning the disposition of the body of John Hamilton, as is mentioned in the report of Special Agent J. E. Brennan, St. Paul, Minnesota, dated 7-24-35, Farmer was at first somewhat reluctant to discuss this matter, fearing retaliation on the part of other prison inmates. However, after some questioning Farmer stated that he knew Hamilton was dead, but did not know where his body was buried. He advised that shortly after the gun battle at Little Bohemia between Bureau Agents and members of the Dillinger mob, he was called on the telephone at his place at Bensenville, Ill., by Russell Gibson and was requested to meet several of the members of the Barker gang at the Sea Food Inn on the south side of North Avenue, about a mile out of Elmhurst, Illinois.

Farmer said that he had been quite well acquainted with County authorities because of certain payments that he had made to them for the operation of slot machines; and that he was used as a shield by members of the crowd in the event that any inquiries were made concerning their identity.

Farmer stated that he proceeded to the Sea Food Inn, where he was met by Doc Barker, Russell Gibson and Volney Davis, but the purpose of their business was not disclosed immediately. However, from the general conversation he was able to gather that someone had been wounded and that they were waiting the arrival of some doctor, whose name was not disclosed.

Sometime after he had arrived at the place a large automobile drove up and the occupants were immediately greeted by Doc Barker. Farmer said that he recognized the occupants of the car from newspaper photographs as being John Dillinger, John Hamilton and a person to whom he was introduced as Wayne, who, it is presumed, was Homer Van Meter. He stated he noticed that Hamilton appeared to be badly wounded and was told that it was result of a rifle bullet entering his left side. However, Hamilton was able to walk and was assisted into a Ford V8 automobile which was standing close by, and which was apparently supplied by Doc Barker. Farmer stated he was sure that it was Hamilton in that two fingers were missing from one hand. The driver of the large car in which Dillinger and his crowd had arrived immediately left Elmhurst and it is believed Wayne and Hamilton drove west in the Ford V8 and apparently headed for Volney Davis' place in Aurora according to the best information Farmer had received in the matter.

Farmer's party then returned to the Inn and awaited the arrival of the doctor who had been called by either Davis or Barker. There apparently was some delay in his arrival and Davis and Barker began to speculate as to whether he would show up or not. Davis said that the doctor was supposed to bring a male nurse with him, who was plenty "hot" and would not stay on a case unless he had a machine gun with him. After the lapse of some time an automobile drove up, the occupants of which Farmer did not recognize, but Barker said it was the doctor and Davis, Barker and Gibson followed the doctor's car west out of town, while Farmer returned to Bensenville. Farmer said that he later asked Davis about the incident and was informed that Hamilton had died of the effects of his wound at Davis' apartment in Aurora, Illinois, gangrene having set in, and had been buried in the vicinity of Gary, Indiana.

While in jail at St. Paul, however, Farmer said that Davis had told him that Hamilton had been buried in the vicinity of Bensenville, Illinois, and that a few other members of the Barker gang had been buried in the same spot.

It was Farmer's recollection that Davis, Edna Murray, William Weaver and Myrtle Eaton took an automobile trip while Hamilton was staying in Davis' apartment, at which time a farm was purchased by Bill Weaver, the location of which Farmer has never learned.

When questioned concerning the identity of the doctor who treated Hamilton, he said that he did not know whether it was Joseph Moran or not, as he had never seen Moran, but that he was quite sure that it was not, in that he questioned James Wilson at the County Jail in St. Paul concerning same, and Wilson had replied that Moran did not take care of Hamilton. Farmer advised that it may have been a doctor who George Goetz had employed on

numerous occasions, and who at one time had his offices on 22nd Street in Cicero, Illinois. Farmer was not acquainted with this doctor, but believed that Goetz's wife, Irene, might know. Farmer also said that although he had heard the name of the male nurse who attended Hamilton, he could not remember it, but stated that it was not William Downey. However, Farmer said at the same time that he did not want to get anyone else in trouble, and it may be that he is aware of the identity of the physician who treated Hamilton.

Concerning Dr. Moran, Farmer stated that it was his belief, based on general conversation that he had heard around the jail in St. Paul, that Moran had been killed by either Doc Barker or Russell Gibson. He further stated that James Wilson had told him while in jail that Barker had sought to kill everyone having any connection with the Bremer case who would talk if they were apprehended. Wilson told him, Farmer, that the last he had seen of Moran was in Detroit, at which time Moran was drinking a great deal. The rumor was, according to Wilson, that Dr. Moran, Doc Barker and Russell Gibson were drinking at a hotel in Detroit, when Dr. Moran made the assertion that he had the gang in the palm of his hand. Farmer said that it was general gossip that this statement of Moran's had proved to be his death warrant, and he had heard that as a result of Moran's boasts, he had been put on the spot. In addition, he said, to confirm his belief, Volney Davis had told him that Dr. Moran was one witness the Government would never call, as he was done for.

Farmer was further questioned concerning his conversations with Volney Davis while in the jail at St. Paul, Minnesota. Davis had told him, he said, that shortly prior to his apprehension at Chicago, Illinois, he had been visiting with William Weaver on a farm on the edge of some small town, which Weaver had purchased in May of 1934. Davis had also told him, he said, that Myrtle Eaton was living with Weaver, and that Weaver's place was a good hideout for Alvin Karpis, and that he, too, could have stayed there, but had left to avert suspicion on the part of local residents. Farmer said that Davis had stated that he had driven 15,000 miles on the trip shortly prior to his apprehension, at which time he had visited his own parents at Neosho, Missouri, and the parents of Bill Weaver and Wynona Burdette. Davis stated that Weaver was working on the country roads in payment of his taxes just as the other residents of the locality, so that he would allay suspicion on the part of his neighbors.

Farmer was of the opinion that Weaver was residing in Georgia because Davis had told him that he had stolen a car, changed the motor numbers, and had purchased Georgia licenses, and Farmer could think of no reason why Davis should go to Georgia other than for a possible visit with Weaver.

Concerning this aforementioned automobile Davis told Farmer that he had told Agents of the Chicago office that he had purchased the car from some

hoodlum, but this was a falsehood and made for the purpose of sidetracking the Agents. Davis also told him that someone had given him \$2000 in cash and he believed that Davis had received the money from Weaver.

Concerning Weaver's farm, Farmer stated that he believed that Edna Murray would know the exact location of the property as he was of the opinion that Edna Murray accompanied Davis and Weaver at the time that Weaver had purchased the same.

Concerning Harry Campbell, Farmer was sure that Davis had either contacted Campbell or Wynona Burdette's mother because Davis had informed him that Burdette's mother had transmitted \$50.00, which she had received from Campbell, to Wynona Burdette at the St. Paul County Jail, and Farmer knew of no place where Davis could get this information other than from Mrs. Burdette or Campbell himself. At the time of his arrest in Chicago Davis said to Farmer that he was in company with another man whom the authorities were looking for and that he had let this man off at Oak Park, Illinois, and he was to take an elevated train into Chicago for the purpose of buying a second hand car so they could dispose of the stolen car that Davis was driving. Davis also told Farmer that he had made every effort to avoid being photographed by newspaper men so that his photograph would not appear in newspapers so that the women at the place they were staying would not recognize the same and inform the police of the presence of the other man in their home.

Concerning the proprietor of the Sea Food Inn, Farmer said that he was positive that this man, whose name he would not divulge, was not aware of the identity of the members of the Barker gang, altho he was acquainted with Monty Carter.

At the time of the interview with Farmer, he was confined to the segregation cell house and he promised that if any effort were made to get him out of the same that he would try to be of additional assistance to the Bureau. Special Agent Farland was advised by Warden Zerbst at the penitentiary that Farmer would probably be taken out of the segregation cell as soon as other members of the Barker gang were transferred to the U. S. Penitentiary at Alcatraz Island, and at that time another interview will be had with Farmer for additional information concerning the remaining fugitives in this case.

After Farmer's statement concerning the disposition of the body of John Hamilton was made, another interview was had with Volney Davis by Special Agents Norstrom and Farland. In response to questioning, Davis stated that he had nothing to say, and the only reply that he had to Bolton's statements mentioned in the report of Special Agent Brennan was that Bolton apparently had a brainstorm and went off his head. However, Davis did state that there were only two men alive who knew of the present whereabouts of John Hamilton, but that he would be very reluctant to furnish the names of these two men, unless the Bureau would obtain a parole for him.

Davis during the course of the questioning did state, however, that Jack Glynn, former Chief of Detectives at Leavenworth, Kansas, who secured his release from the Oklahoma State Penitentiary at McAlester on temporary parole had forged the parole papers on which he was released, and that Glynn had later instructed him to stay away from McAlester because of the fear that the forgery would be discovered and Davis' parole revoked. Other than that, Davis had little to say, except that if the Bureau would secure his release from the penitentiary on parole immediately he would assist in apprehending Weaver and William Harrison and would assist in cleaning out three cities that were badly in need of a house-cleaning.

Agent Farland was also advised by Warden Zerbst that Doc Barker and Volney Davis would be removed to Alcatraz on August 3, 1935, if present plans were followed.

On the same date as Special Agent Norstrom's visit to the penitentiary, the following names of the relatives of Louis "Doc" Stacci were secured, as requested in Bureau letter dated July 20, 1935:

Father: Andrew Stacci, Wolf Road and Lake, Melrose Park, Illinois.  
Wife: Helen Stacci, 609 South 7th Avenue, " " "  
Daughter: Ramona Stacci, 609 So. 7th Ave., " " "  
Mother: Marie Stacci, Wolf Road and Lake, " " "  
Brothers: Rocco Stacci, age 37, machinist, 20th Ave., Melrose Park, Ill.  
Michael Stacci, age 28, salesman, Maywood, Illinois.  
John Stacci, age 24, bricklayer, with mother.  
Sisters: Mildred Maggie, 23rd Ave., Melrose Park, Illinois.  
Antonette Terbassal, with mother.  
Minnie Spino, with mother.  
Angeline Sourillo, 19th Ave., Melrose Park, Illinois.

On July 18, 1935, Officers C. L. Archer and W. S. Logan of the Kansas City, Missouri, Police Department, telephonically advised Special Agent W. E. Miller that they had an informant who was a former associate of Harry Campbell and who would endeavor to assist the Bureau in locating Campbell. Special Agent W. John McNulty contacted Officer Archer, who advised that his informant is at present on the outs with Campbell because the latter endeavored to break up a confidence scheme, he was working on a Kansas City woman, which would have netted the informant \$5000.00. The informant stated to Archer that he knew Campbell as Harry Blackburn; and it is to be noted that Blackburn is one of the aliases used by Campbell. Archer said that the informant about three days prior to his interview with Agent McNulty contacted officers located at the latter's home at about 5 o'clock in the morning and told them he would put the finger on Blackburn if there was a considerable reward for his efforts. The two officers got what information they could at police headquarters concerning Campbell, but they would not divulge their information as they felt that if they did they would not get any of the credit if there was a subsequent arrest of Campbell; they appeared to desire to deal with the Bureau in this

matter and wished to be present at the time if Campbell were subsequently arrested. Officer Logan was instructed by Special Agent Mc Nulty to ascertain the smallest amount of money the informant would take for turning in Campbell and they were advised to tell him that in no event would any money be paid unless Campbell were subsequently apprehended as a result of the informant's information.

On July 19, 1935, Agent Mc Nulty again contacted Officer Archer and was advised that Officer Logan was ill at his home, but that Logan had been contacted by the informant on the previous evening; and the informant had been shown the photograph of Harry Campbell as it appears on his identification order. The informant stated that there was a similarity between the photograph of Campbell and the man he knew as Blackburn.

On July 20, 1935, Agent Mc Nulty accompanied by Officer Logan of the Kansas City, Missouri, Police Department, called on the informant. b7c b7d

The informant, whose name [redacted] and whose occupation is presently [redacted] agreed to accompany Agent Mc Nulty and Officer Logan to the apartment of Special Agent A. E. Farland at the Hotel Schuyler for a conference.

On arriving at Special Agent Farland's room, the informant was interviewed and stated that he believed that an individual known to him as Elmer Black was none other than Harry Campbell. He stated that during his period of residence in Kansas City, Black had resided at the Puritan Hotel and had about the middle of July left for Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

While in Kansas City, Black was accompanied by a girl named Laura, whose last name was unknown to [redacted] further stated that Laura when intoxicated had told him that Black was wanted by the Federal government as a participant in the Bremer kidnapping.

The informant further stated that Black is known to always put up at middle class hotels and under the name of Black may presently be found at such a hotel in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

[redacted] advised that the man he has known as Elmer Black fits the description of Harry Campbell and has a noticeable scar on the right side of his forehead at the temple.

While [redacted] advised that he did not know the present whereabouts of Black, he stated that it might be possible for him to find out through a mutual friend whose name he did not wish to divulge, who was believed to be in communication with Black at Milwaukee. If he secures any further information, he agreed to contact Special Agent Farland or Agent Mc Nulty in the matter and requested that if Agents of the Kansas City Bureau office attempted to

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contact him they identify themselves on the telephone by saying that "it is Whitey."

To date no further information has been received from the informant [REDACTED] although several attempts have been made to contact him. However, [REDACTED] will be contacted in the near future and vigorous efforts made to secure any information concerning Campbell from him that may be of value.

On July 22, 1935, the Kansas City Bureau office was advised telegraphically by the Omaha office that a man answering the description of William Weaver escaped from the Des Moines Police on July 19, 1935, in a Buick Sedan, motor Number 285016, Kansas License, 3-16584. The Des Moines police ascertained the car was registered under the name of George E. Weaver, Jayhawk Hotel, Topeka, Kansas.

Special Agent A. J. Norstrom immediately made inquiry at the Jayhawk Hotel at Topeka, Kansas, concerning George E. Weaver, but was advised by C. E. George, Desk Clerk, who made a complete search of present and past registrations, that no one by that name had ever been registered at that place. The photographs of remaining fugitives in this case were exhibited to Mr. George, but he was unable to identify any of them as having ever stayed at his hotel. At the office of the Motor Vehicle Commissioner at Topeka, Kansas, a registration Certificate for the above mentioned Buick Sedan was discovered in the name of George E. Weaver, Jayhawk Hotel, Topeka. In that the signature appearing thereon resembled somewhat that of Subject William Weaver, a photostatic copy of the original was secured and was transmitted to the Technical Laboratory of the Bureau for a handwriting analysis. - On August 1, 1935, the Kansas City office was advised by the Bureau that a Laboratory Report in this matter revealed that the signature could have been written by Weaver, but because of certain differences in inconspicuous characteristics, the Examiner believed that he probably did not do so.

With reference to Bureau letter dated 6-4-35, requesting discreet investigation at the Missouri State Penitentiary to determine if Asa Pendleton was receiving mail at some point in Arkansas, the following investigation was conducted by Special Agent J. B. Brown:

Agent Brown interviewed Warden J. M. Sanders at the Penitentiary on July 22nd, at which time he advised that no record was kept of incoming or outgoing mail at the penitentiary. However, Warden Sanders advised Agent Brown that he would make a record for the following 30 days of all outgoing and incoming mail received by Pendleton, and if the same was not called for at the end of that time he would forward same to the Kansas City office. Warden Sanders had Pendleton's account at the penitentiary checked, and this account revealed that Pendleton received no large sums of money at any time, other than the receipt of \$5.00 every week or so and some \$10.00 items, occasionally. It was not ascertained from whom these amounts were received. A photo-



graph of Pendleton (with his description and fingerprint classification) was secured, and the description is set out herein as follows:

NAME	ASA PENDLETON
Aliases	E. J. Webb - Frank Watson
FPC	29 - III scar 17 ? 26 U oo 17
Received	September 16, 1931. - From Greene County
Crime	Burglary with high explosives
Age	34(1931)
Hair	M. Dp. Brown
Eyes	M. Dp. Blue
Height	5 ft. 9½ in.
Residence	Oklahoma City, Okla.
Born	Missouri
Occupation	Tailor
Complexion	Med. Sallow
Build	Medium
Sentenced	10 years

Criminal record:



Marks and Scars

Nose prominent, bends a little right.  
Ears stand out prominently at tops.

Pendleton's jacket file reveals that he only had one relative, Stella Clay, an aunt, who resides in Pompey, Texas.

Agent Brown was also informed by Deputy Warden N. E. Gaines at the Missouri State Prison that an inmate Ray Morgan, No. 34730, had also been friendly with the Barker-Karpis gang at one time, and Mr. Gaines believed that he could get some information concerning Karpis from Morgan. However, Agent Brown advised Mr. Gaines that Morgan not be interviewed until further advised as to what specific information might be desired of him. Morgan will be interviewed at an early date for any information he may have concerning the remaining fugitives in this case.

With further reference to the Bureau letter dated June 4, 1935, the following investigation was conducted by Special Agent R. T. Mann at West Plains, Missouri, concerning any information that Mr. Henry D. Green, Attorney-at-Law, West Plains had relative to the association of Fred Barker and his gang with the aforementioned Asa Pendleton.

Henry D. Green, Attorney of West Plains, Missouri, was interviewed at his home, no street address, and advised that approximately two years ago one Vick Stone, Assistant Cashier of the First National Bank of West Plains, had come to his office and stated that he, Stone, had received word that Asa Pendleton, a cousin of his who was then and is now confined in the Missouri State Penitentiary, wanted to see him and desired him to bring an attorney. Green advised that Stone had asked him to go along but that he was unable to do so at that time, but that Stone went by himself to see what Pendleton wanted, and upon his return he related to Attorney Green that Pendleton was seeking a parole and was very anxious to get out of prison and stated that if it could be arranged to let him out he had a number of contacts and would locate Alvin Karpis and his associates. Green advised further that Vick Stone was a good citizen and a well thought of person and had requested that this matter be kept confidential. Stone had also advised Green that Pendleton had a sister, Elva Pendleton, who had been married a number of times, and that she had associated quite a bit with the Barker outfit while in Oklahoma City a number of years ago, and had later gone to live someplace in California.

At this point, Attorney Green remarked that the reason he had waited so long to advise the Bureau of this incident which took place over two years ago was that he had attached no significance to it until he had read of the Weyerhaeuser kidnaping and he thought that possibly Karpis was involved and was hiding out with the Pendleton girl who had gone to California, as it was known that she had associated with this outfit while in Oklahoma City six or seven years ago, according to the information given him by Vick Stone.

Green added that he had not talked with Stone about this matter since it was first discussed some two years ago and advised that as the facts which Stone had related to him were quite vague now, he believed that Stone should be approached, though he had demanded that same be kept quiet.

Vick Stone was interviewed at the First National Bank of West Plains, Mo., after banking hours, and upon being asked concerning his relationship with Asa Pendleton, he advised that the latter was his first cousin; that his father, A. P. Stone, was a brother of Asa Pendleton's mother. Stone asserted that his family had very little to do with the Pendletons; that Asa Pendleton had been blowing safes around Springfield, Missouri, about six years ago, and that he had been sent up for ten years in the State Penitentiary; that some of the Barkers and Karpis were at Springfield at that time and Asa had been associating with them; however, when he was arrested they left Springfield and refused to help Pendleton get out of trouble; that the latter was

very sore about this and had communicated with him, Stone, about two years ago to come to the penitentiary where he told Stone that if he would try to use his influence to present his "deal" to the prison board he was certain that if he were let out, he could find out where Karpis and the others were. Stone advised that he believed this "deal" was a one-sided affair, and that if Pendleton ever got out he would never uphold his side of the bargain; further, that the only reason he had even gone to see Pendleton at the penitentiary was because he didn't want him to get sore at him and probably come to West Plains and try to cause him some embarrassment some time. Stone stated that Asa had a sister, Elva Pendleton, who had been married three or four times and that she was just as low down as Asa; that Susie Pendleton was their mother and was a fairly respectable person, and that the brother and sister inherited their bad qualities from their father, whose whereabouts is unknown.

Further, Stone stated that he had visited in Oklahoma City about five years ago and was advised by Orville Snooks, Captain of the Police there, who is his, Stone's cousin, but no kin to the Pendletons, that Elva Pendleton was running a rooming house there and that he knew it to be a fact that she was associating with the Barker gang.

Stone further stated that Elva was supposed to have been living in Long Beach, California, about two years ago, but that her mother had written only a short time ago and said that Elva had remarried and was traveling around with her husband in Oklahoma selling slot machines; and that she understood she was coming back to Oklahoma City to live in the near future.

Stone stated that Elva's mother, Susie Pendleton, is now living with a sister, Mrs. Amanda Grisso, who operates a hotel at Seminole, Oklahoma, and that from the tenor of her letters she evidently was not having much to do with Elva.

Stone added that a number of years ago he had heard that Elva was associating with the Barkers when they had a hide-out at Mammoth Springs, Arkansas, and that he would not be surprised to know that she still has contact with some of the gang; further, that if she has been in Oklahoma City for any length of time of late, he is fairly sure that Orville Snooks, Police Captain there, will know something about her activities and acquaintances. Stone also stated that he would rather not have his name mentioned in any connection in talking with Asa Pendleton, as the latter was a confirmed criminal and might cause him harm if he thought he had been telling anything about his affairs.

On July 24, 1935, the Kansas City office received a letter from Edna Murray, Register No. 28973, Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Missouri, who advised that she "had been thinking and had changed her mind about some things and in that the Bureau had been fair with her, she desired to have an Agent call on her."

On August 1, 1935, Special Agent A. E. Farland interviewed Edna Murray at the Missouri State Penitentiary, and she advised that in that her husband, Jack Murray, who was sentenced to the penitentiary for the same crime for which she had been sentenced, had been released on parole, and in that she wished a deduction of the time which she was serving, in the event that some consideration would be given to her case, she would gladly lend whatever assistance she could in locating the remaining fugitives in this case. Agent Farland advised her that the matter would be taken up with the Bureau and another interview would be had with her in the near future concerning the same.

It is to be noted that Elmer Farmer during a recent interview at the Penitentiary at Leavenworth expressed the opinion that Edna Murray would know the present whereabouts of Myrtle Eaton and William Weaver because of her former association with Volney Davis. This matter will be given expedite attention.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE CHICAGO OFFICE at Elmhurst, Illinois, will make discreet inquiry at the Sea Food Inn, if the same has not been done previously, ascertaining from the proprietor if he has any knowledge concerning members of the Barker-Karpis gang which may be of interest in this case.

THE KANSAS CITY OFFICE at Jefferson City, Missouri, at the State Penitentiary, will interview Ray Morgan, with the assistance of Deputy Warden Gaines for any information he may have concerning the remaining fugitives in this case.

The Kansas City office at Leavenworth, Kansas, at the penitentiary, will interview Elmer Farmer for any further information he may have concerning the remaining fugitives in this case. b7c b7d

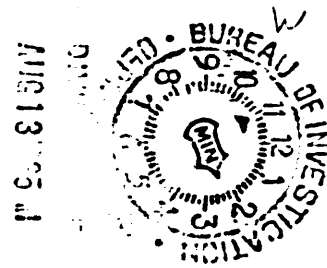
The Kansas City office at Kansas City, Missouri, will interview [REDACTED] 615 West 13th Street again for any information that he may have concerning Harry Campbell.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 812  
Chicago Illinois



August 9, 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; 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;  
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES;  
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Reference is made to the letter dated July 12, 1935,  
from the St. Paul Office to the Director transmitting a letter ad-  
dressed to Mrs. Gladys Sawyer, 1878 Jefferson Street, St. Paul,  
Minnesota, enclosing a letter dated November 25, 1934, with the  
signature of the writer erased.

It is noted in the letter to Gladys Sawyer that the  
writer requested to be addressed as Miss Lillian Green, 1002 West  
63rd Street, fourth floor, Chicago, Illinois, and for the information  
of the interested offices, it is here stated that past investigation  
has disclosed that Lillian Holden, wife of Thomas Holden, now incar-  
cerated in the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas,  
resides on the fourth floor at 1002 West 63rd Street under the name  
of Miss Lillian Green. So far as is known to the Chicago Office  
there is no connection between this Lillian Green and Mae Green of  
St. Louis.

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Very truly yours,

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D. M. LADD, a.s.g.  
Special Agent in Charge

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Supervisor.

FROM  
OFFICE OF DIRECTOR, FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

TO

OFFICIAL INDICATED BELOW BY CHECK MARK

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Remarks:

Director desires to know what action has been  
taken on matter mentioned in 2nd paragraph of  
Mr. Connelley's letter of Aug. 9.  
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U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 515  
Saint Paul, Minnesota

August 9, 1935

Director  
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Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,  
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EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim  
KIDNAPING - HARBORING OF FUGITIVES -  
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE -  
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT  
St. Paul File No. 7-30

There is enclosed herewith copy of memorandum prepared as to the work which is believed to be most urgent at the present time in connection with the active leads looking to the location of the remaining subjects in this case.

Also in this connection, attention is called to letter of the Kansas City Office dated August 3, 1935 to the Bureau as to Edna Murray indicating that she was desirous of furnishing information to us if we could arrange to have her sentence adjusted in some way, and as to which the Kansas City Office indicated that prosecuting attorney, W. W. Graves, might be agreeable to some such arrangement. It is believed that Edna Murray should definitely indicate to us the possibilities of what she has before we enter into any definite arrangements with anyone as to any consideration for her, and it is suggested that the Kansas City Office be accordingly advised in order that they may so advise Edna Murray in their subsequent contacts with her.

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Very truly yours,

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E. J. CONNELLEY

Special Agent in Charge

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St. Paul, Minnesota  
August 9, 1935

MEMORANDUM:

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FUGITIVE; ET AL  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim  
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OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - NATIONAL  
FIREARMS ACT

The following memorandum will cover work to be performed in connection with further investigation required in this case, and is to supplement any and all pending leads as now indicated by the file.

The activities of JOHN RUSSELL MORAN and WILLIAM KERIN, both at Chicago and St. Louis, should be covered from time to time without making a definite effort to keep them under constant surveillance unless some unusual condition makes this desirable, such as a definite indication that they are to contact WILLIAM J. HARRISON. In the meantime this surveillance should be such as to keep us advised as to what the activities of these parties are who apparently are endeavoring to establish themselves in a dog track at some point. It is probable that WILLIE HARRISON, if available to them, might furnish money for such an operation. Should they initiate any operation in any place, immediate contact should be made through banks and otherwise to check and verify any money they may be handling, particularly looking for \$1000 bills which may still be available to WILLIE HARRISON and which is the money obtained in Havana, Cuba, in exchange for the ransom money. There is also a possibility that some of the ransom money remains unchanged in this case, and this should be kept in mind in connection with any money handled.

The agents working out of the Chicago Office should keep in contact with confidential informant [redacted] as he is in a position to know what the activities of MORAN and KERIN are if they are in Chicago.

It is noted that EDNA MURRAY has indicated a willingness to furnish information in this case if she is given some consideration

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in connection with the State sentence which she is now serving. It is not believed that any overtures should be made to the local authorities in this connection as to whether they would give her any consideration until she gives us some definite idea of what she has in mind and how she would be able to accomplish the purpose of turning up any of the subjects still at large to us.

The agents assigned to Chicago will make discreet effort to obtain definite information as to the residence and activities of BETTY TRACY, inasmuch as it is believed that she may still be holding some of the funds belonging to DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, and periodically efforts should be made to maintain a surveillance of BETTY TRACY, particularly over the week ends when she can get away from her work, as it is probable, and as is indicated by confidential informant [REDACTED] she may be contacting with DR. MORAN if he is around Chicago. b7c b7d

The agents assigned to the Chicago Office, particularly Agent Madala, should maintain contact with [REDACTED] supposed informant in this matter who is working with us; however, these contacts should be made strictly formal, and it is not believed necessary that any social activity will be necessary as to this particular informant. In other words, it is not believed necessary to take this woman out on any parties or visit night clubs with her unless some definite purpose is to be accomplished, such as an observation of a place where something definite is available to indicate that one of the subjects will be there. Otherwise, inasmuch as we are paying her \$10.00 per week, as per the four weeks authority obtained, this should be strictly a business relationship, and if her requirements are social we will have to eliminate her as an informant.

Special Agent R. D. Brown, in connection with the possibility that RUSSELL SYRACUSE, et al, mentioned by States Attorney Frasier Reems, might now be associated with CAMPBELL and KARPIS, it is believed that pictures of SYRACUSE, JOHN MARABELLA, and ERNEST JOSEPH LA SALLA mentioned should be obtained for the possibility of exhibiting these pictures, with numerous other pictures, to the confidential informant of the Pinkerton Detective Agency in the possibility that he might be able to identify these as being some of the unknown subjects supposedly now located with KARPIS, CAMPBELL and HARRISON in the vicinity of Toledo, Ohio.

In connection with Madam EDITH BARRY at Toledo, Ohio, consideration should be given to arranging at suitable opportunity, a telephone tap on this woman's private phone. The telephone number should

be obtained and the letter prepared for the Bureau to authorize such a tap, and if a tap is arranged, suitable agents from the Cleveland Office should be available to cover this during the time it is maintained.

At Chicago, Illinois, in connection with the tap authorized previously on the telephone of EDDIE DONOVAN and JOHNNY BAUGH or BAIL, inasmuch as their place of business is presently not operating, arrangement should be made for installation of the tap on, first, the residence of EDDIE DONOVAN, and the necessary agents to sit on this tap can be arranged through the Chicago Office in order to allow the agents on the special squad to cover the active investigative leads.

In connection with JOEY and BOBBY O'BRIEN, connected with, or possibly the undisclosed owners of the Hy-Ho Club, Chicago, it is believed that when opportunity is available we will arrange for a tap on the telephone of this Hy-Ho Club, these being the parties reputedly furnishing guns to the different members of the KARPIS-BARKER gang, and also in the past to the DILLINGER gang. The necessary inquiries should be made to determine the numbers of the telephone at this place, and necessary observation made for a location, in order that in the future when we can get to it we can make arrangements for a tap, necessary Bureau authority being obtained, when the telephones are definitely identified.

In connection with the murder of Police Officer Miles Cunningham, September 22, 1933 at Chicago, supposedly by GEORGE ZIEGLER, FRED and DOC BARKER, HARRY CAMPBELL, KARPIS and HARRY SAWYER, it is believed desirable in order to fortify ourselves in connection with the prosecution of HARRY SAWYER pending at St. Paul, to obtain from the local authorities, if available, the eye witnesses to this murder, for the possibility that they may be able to identify these various subjects; and thereafter there should be exhibited to such eye witnesses pictures of all of the above indicated persons, together, of course, with numerous others in order to see if we can get an identification on HARRY SAWYER in this connection.

Also in connection with the post office robbery on Clark Street, Chicago, at which time a smoke screen was used, and as to which "BOSS" McLAUGHLIN was later identified in connection with handling the proceeds, and as to which it is indicated that probably ROCCO DeGRAZIA, GUS STONE, GUS WINKLER, and CHARLES FITZGERALD were supposedly involved, it is believed that in connection with our efforts to locate CHARLES FITZGERALD the information should be available to us as to whether he could be identified in connection with this case, and efforts should be

made to determine whether there are any eye witnesses available who can identify the subjects in this particular case, and if such are located pictures of all of the above indicated parties, together with numerous others, should be exhibited to them for a possible identification on CHARLES FITZGERALD. This is desirable in order that it will be available if FITZGERALD is apprehended and we are not able to sustain a case against him in Federal Court.

It is indicated that apparently JIMMIE "The Swede" MORAN participated in the St. Valentine's Day massacre. This party was at one time interviewed by the Chicago Office and, he being familiar with the possible location of WILLIE HARRISON, if he can be again located, pressure should be placed upon him in order to make him disclose the location of HARRISON, and the above facts might be used to advantage in questioning him if he is located.

Special Agent R. D. Brown at Toledo and Cleveland will make the necessary arrangements to examine the various newspapers there, it being noted that on or about July 3, 1934 WILLIAM WEAVER addressed a letter under the name of J. A. ORHOOD, Vermillion, Ohio, to Coe Hill, Ontario, making inquiry as to the purchase of certain property, the sale of this property having been advertised in the Cleveland Press. This particular advertisement should be located in order to place a definite date and the location in the particular paper, and thereafter this paper and all other papers at Cleveland with similar or nearby dates, should be examined for any advertisements as to the sale of property in Canada, Iowa, Nebraska, and Arkansas, in order that these people who offered the property similar to the one located in Coe Hill, Ontario, can be communicated with to see whether they had any communication with J. A. ORHOOD, as it is believed that WEAVER, being desirous of purchasing property and not having consummated a purchase in Coe Hill, Ontario, may have been in communication with others.

Special Agent S. K. McKEE, who is to report to Miami, Florida, on August 17, 1935, will arrive there sufficiently in advance of this date in order to contact DANNY McFARLAND as to any recent information he may have obtained.

In connection with the two nieces of MYRTLE EATON referred to in Bureau letter of July 26, 1935, the file should be examined and arrangements made to verify the location of these two nieces at the present time.

In connection with the investigation made at Chicago as to WILLIAM "GRAB" SULLIVAN alias BYRNES alias BURNS, referred to by Chief Detectives Sullivan, and who Detective Chief Sullivan later advised deceased, the death records should be checked to verify that such is

case.

At Chicago necessary investigation should be followed out as to the reported location of WILLIE HARRISON at Cuba, Illinois, as reflected in report of Agent Madala, dated July 12, 1935, although it is doubtful that he will be there due to the fact that he is well known around the golf courses in that vicinity.

At a suitable opportunity a very careful check should be made of Joplin, Missouri, with reference to the information set out in report of Agent Fortenberry, dated June 27, 1935 at Detroit, Michigan, in which WYNONA BURDETTE indicated to ARTHUR BURDETTE, her brother, that KARPIS and CAMPBELL had a hideout seven or eight miles south of Joplin.

In the future when the more active leads at Cleveland, Toledo, and Chicago have been more thoroughly exhausted, some definite set up in arrangements should be made at Salem, Arkansas, and vicinity in connection with W. T. BOLLING and wife, SUSIE BOLLING, the latter being the sister of WILLIAM WEAVER, and EUGENE BOLLING, their son, and if necessary a definite contact or surveillance maintained of these people for a reasonable period of time. In the past most of the effort here has been through local contacts there who have agreed to report to us should WEAVER appear in that vicinity.

In the future also a similar definite scheme will be pursued in the vicinity of Des Moines, Iowa, as to WILLIAM WEAVER and MYRTLE EATON in order that some plan can be worked out to maintain a surveillance of the known contacts of WILLIAM WEAVER, possibly without the knowledge of any of the local authorities or persons previously contacted in this vicinity in efforts to locate WEAVER, it being indicated in the past that WEAVER and MYRTLE EATON were definitely coming and going at Des Moines and vicinity.

In connection with Chicago letter of June 26, 1935, in which it was indicated that the Des Plaines River had been dragged June 13th and 18th in the vicinity of the concrete bridge on Twenty Second Street when the water was high, it is believed that this should be pursued further at a later date during the dry season when the river will undoubtedly be much more shallow.

In connection with the appearance last, on or about June 1935 of BELLE BORN at Mankato, Minnesota, a definite set up is to be a

at Mankato in order that we will be immediately notified if she appears there, and if this cannot be arranged then the necessity to have an agent cover this should be arranged in order that when this woman next appears at this place we will not miss the opportunity to take up a definite surveillance as to her and she should thereafter be followed in order to determine where she is residing, as at the present time it is believed that she will be found residing with CHARLES FITZGERALD. If she and FITZGERALD are located residing at some point, FITZGERALD should then be kept under surveillance for a reasonable period of time in order to determine whether he is in contact with any of the subjects still at large. In this connection further check should be made of the telephone calls from the place of BELLE BORN in Mankato, the last check having been made about April 13, 1935. Immediate efforts should be made to determine the address or location of MARIE MUERENBERG, sister of BELLE BORN, and who jointly with her owns various property located in the vicinity of Mankato, the last information in the file indicating that she was believed to be running a rooming house or hotel in North Dakota. If this woman's address is located she should be suitably checked as to her movements, etc., in order to determine whether BELLE BORN or CHARLES FITZGERALD are with her or in that vicinity. It is not believed that she will assist in the location of her sister BELLE BORN.

Also in this connection a check should be made at Mankato to definitely determine when and how and by whom the taxes are paid upon the property there of BELLE BORN, it being noted that apparently she and her aunt MRS. O. R. NEUFELD, R. R. No. 1, Mankato, have a joint savings account, or at least an account, wherein the NEUFELD woman can sign checks or at least endorse checks which are made out to BELLE BORN.

CHARLES WHITE, the adopted son of BELLE BORN, should be located for the possibility he may be in association with his adopted mother, the last information in the file indicating that a hospital was to be checked in St. Paul for information regarding him.

In connection with the special squad assigned to handle special leads in efforts to locate the remaining subjects in this file who are fugitives, Special Agent R. D. Brown and C. E. Smith will pursue the necessary leads to completion at Cleveland and Toledo, Ohio, particularly through the information furnished by [REDACTED] at Toledo and the undisclosed informant of the Pinkerton Detective Agency; Special Agents Madala, Suran, and Sullivan will cover the necessary leads as indicated in this memorandum at Chicago until further advised, and as

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necessary from week to week Special Agent R. D. Brown should proceed to Chicago for possibly one day in order to see that the above work is being carried out in accordance with my conference with him, and at suitable opportunity in the future we will endeavor to work out the situation in Des Moines, which investigation should be worked in conjunction with the Bureau Office there in order that they may follow out the ground work laid as to this should we not accomplish the apprehension of WEAVER and MYRTLE EATON. Also the same arrangement at a later date will be followed at Salem, Arkansas, and vicinity, where this will be followed out in conjunction with the agents of that office working on the case in order that they may pursue further the ground work laid as to the work in this connection.

The St. Paul Office will make the necessary arrangements as to covering BELLE BORN and following out the instructions previously above indicated as to placing her under surveillance when she again appears in the district here.

E. J. CONNELLEY  
Special Agent in Charge

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION**  
**Division of Investigation**

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1616 Federal Reserve Bank Building  
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Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
Pennsylvania Avenue and 9th Street, N. W.  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 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 OF FUGITIVES  
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE  
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT

The attention of the Bureau is directed to the letter from the Chicago Bureau office to the Bureau dated August 2, 1935, relative to the recent conference held in Chicago, Illinois, on August 2, 1935, with George A. Skultety, County Attorney, Fairbury, Nebraska, relative to prosecution against Jess Doyle for the robbery of the First National Bank of Fairbury, Nebraska, which occurred on April 4, 1933.

While in Kansas City, Missouri, engaged on other official matters, Special Agent R. P. Shanahan of the Little Rock Bureau office was instructed by Special Agent in Charge E. E. Conroy to interview Volney Davis at the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, which was done on August 8, 1935, with the following results:

Davis denied being a participant in the robbery of the bank at Fairbury, Nebraska, stating that at that time he was residing with Edna Murray and Doris O'Connor at an apartment near 43rd and Main Streets, Kansas City, Missouri, which he thought was called the Kennedy Apartments. He stated, however, that this bank job had been "cased" from the above address and that all arrangements were made by Verne Miller, Frank Nash and Eddie Green. They were assisted in this robbery, however, by Fred and Doc Barker, Alvin Karpis, Jess Doyle and Earl Christman, leaving Davis behind, according to the latter's story, to take care of the women in Kansas City. He further stated that he was

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at the above apartment the evening the above persons returned from the bank robbery, at which time Earl Christman was seriously wounded. Davis stated that they did not bring Christman into the apartment but merely stopped there and then removed him to Miller's house at 6612 Edgevale Road, Kansas City, Missouri. Davis added that Christman was treated at this time by Dr. D. M. Nigro, Kansas City, Missouri, whose services were secured through the assistance of Fritz Mulloy and June Kathrens, this was done at the request of Verne Miller. Earl Christman, as well as Davis could recall, lingered only for a short time and died in Kansas City, the exact spot not being divulged. He was buried by Verne Miller, Fred Barker, Doc Barker and Alvin Karpis in a location not known to Volney Davis.

Concerning the modus operandi of this robbery, Davis stated that he had no information to offer, inasmuch as he persistently denied any participation therein. He stated that he received a small sum of money which was part of the loot obtained in Fairbury, Nebraska, but explained that on account of his inexperience in offenses of this kind he was not taken along. It should be noted here that Davis is very likely lying, inasmuch as he also denied being a participant in the robbery of the bank of Drexel, Missouri, in December, 1934, although Jess Doyle, in his oral statement contained in the report of Special Agent R. P. Shanahan dated Kansas City, Missouri, February 21, 1935, places Davis, Johnny Langdon and Doyle in that robbery.

Volney Davis expressed the desire to assist the Bureau in bringing about the apprehension of William Weaver and Myrtle Eaton, as well as Lloyd "Blackie" Doyle and Vivian Chase, stating that in the event consideration could be given his case, he would provide Agents of the Bureau with certain facts which he felt would succeed in locating the above individuals. However, no such assurance was given Davis, inasmuch as he was apparently only seeking to better his own condition and persistently refused to admit participation in certain offenses in which he is known to have engaged.

This information is being forwarded to the Bureau at this time so that the county authorities at Fairbury, Nebraska, may be accordingly informed.

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cc - Cincinnati  
Chicago  
Omaha  
St. Paul

Very truly yours,

*E E Conroy*  
E. E. CONROY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Omaha, Nebraska.

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the letter of the Chicago office addressed to the Bureau under date of August 2, 1935 in the above entitled case, reporting the results of a conference held at the Chicago Bureau office on August 2, 1935 between Mr. George A. Skultety, County Attorney, Fairbury, Nebraska and Special Agents John L. Madala and R. P. Shanahan.

Pursuant to the request of Mr. Skultety, as set forth in the letter of the Chicago Bureau office, there are transmitted herewith copies of photographs and abstracts of criminal records reflecting the complete physical descriptions of Edward Green, #FBI-73524, Earl Christman, #FBI-24054 and Clyde Nimerick, #FBI-77961. The Omaha office is instructed to furnish Mr. Skultety with copies of these enclosed data. Copies of the enclosures are also being furnished to the offices indicated below.

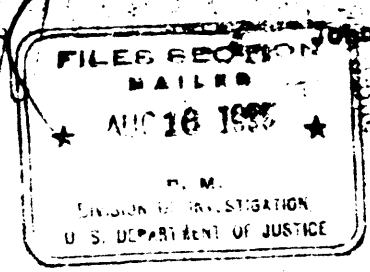
Mr. Skultety should also be furnished with the data contained in the report of Special Agent J. R. Green, dated at Omaha, Nebraska September 21, 1934 recording the results of interviews had with employees of the First National Bank, Fairbury, Nebraska and other witnesses to the robbery of that institution. The results of the interview had with Volney Davis at the United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas by Special Agent R. P. Shanahan, as reflected in the letter of the Kansas City office to the Bureau, dated August 9, 1935 in the above entitled case, should also be furnished to Mr. Skultety for his information.

Very truly yours,

Encl. #31538

CC - Cincinnati  
Kansas City  
St. Paul  
Chicago

Encls. (copies of photographs and abstracts of crim. records, as mentioned above, to all offices)



John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

*[Handwritten signature]*

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Buffalo, New York.

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your teletype message dated August 7, 1935 directed to the Boston Office and the Bureau, setting forth information to the effect that letters were received at Post Office Box 216, Saratoga Springs, New York for Arthur Bradley, suspected of being identical with William E. Mende, from Providence, Rhode Island, and for C. J. Freed from 167 Northwest 45th Street, Miami, Florida. The Bureau suggests the possibility that C. J. Freed might be identical with C. J. Fitzgerald, and therefore appropriate investigation should be conducted to establish the identity of Freed.

The Jacksonville Office should conduct an investigation to establish the identity of persons residing at 167 Northwest 45th Street, Miami, Florida with a view to ascertaining whether they are associated with the remaining fugitives in the above entitled case.

It is noted in the teletype message from the Buffalo Office that Post Office Box 216, Saratoga Springs, New York is rented by Hanson Varney, Jr., a tin roofer who operates a rooming house at Saratoga Springs, with a large sign in front soliciting roomers.

This matter should receive immediate attention by the Buffalo and Jacksonville offices.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

cc-Cincinnati  
Chicago  
St. Paul  
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Jacksonville  
Boston  
-10-1935 \*

*Edgar Hoover*

Post Office Box 2118  
Detroit - Michigan  
August 10, 1935

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

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, wa, FUG. - I.O. 1218  
et al; EDWARD G. BREMER - Victim  
Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a letter written  
to Mrs. Eunice Hughes, Tulsa, Oklahoma, from Wynona  
Burdette, an inmate of your institution.

This letter has been scrutinized by this  
office very carefully and has been found to contain  
no information of value.

Thanking you for your cooperation in the  
matter, I am

Very truly yours,

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D. L. Nicholson  
Special Agent in Charge

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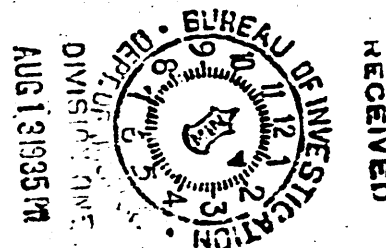
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Post Office Box 512  
Chicago Illinois

August 9, 1935

Mr. Frank Walsh, Coroner  
c/o Lt. Joseph C. Willimovsky, Jr.,  
Division of Firearms Identification,  
Cook County Coroner's Office,  
County Building,  
Chicago, Illinois



Dear Sir:

Confirming conversation had by you with Special Agent  
D. P. Sullivan yesterday, I am attaching hereto a copy of the  
results of our laboratory examination at Washington of the bal-  
listics evidence in the case of the murder of Officer Miles  
Cunningham at Chicago on September 22, 1935.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,  
Special Agent in Charge

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cc Bureau  
Cincinnati

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

U. S. Department of Justice  
Post Office Box 515,  
Saint Paul, Minnesota.

August 6, 1935.

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

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE,  
I. O. 1218; ET AL;  
Edward George Bremer - Victim.  
KIDNAPING - HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION  
OF JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT  
St. Paul File 7-30.

Dear Sir:

Acting Chief of Police Gus Barfuss, Saint Paul, Minnesota, called to see me late yesterday afternoon and advised that former Chief of Police Thomas Brown, who is now in charge of the auto theft detail of the local department, plans on leaving for a two week vacation on August 12, 1935. He advised that Brown and Detective William McMullen, who also bears an unsavory reputation, plan on spending their vacation together at Crane Lake, Minnesota. Chief Barfuss stated confidentially that he feels that if the Fugitive Subjects in this case are anywhere near the State of Minnesota they may contact Brown while he is away from Saint Paul.

When questioned as to the exact locality where they will vacation, Mr. Barfuss advised that it may be reached by driving to Orr, Minnesota, then following signs to a resort known as Chase's Cottages on Crane Lake. He stated that Brown is very well acquainted with the owner of the cottages and would do any communicating he might see fit to do through this person. He stated that McMullen would leave his automobile with a family known as Randolph, who are supposed to have acted as a "post office" for him in the past. It is the Chief's understanding

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Mr. Tracy  
Miss Gandy

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that the two men will reside a few miles from Orr, going to the point where they will stay, by boat. It is interesting to note that Tom Filbin, whose name commonly came to light in this case, is at present vacationing in the vicinity of where McMullen and Brown will be.

Chief Barfuss suggested in the event the Bureau is interested, that an under-cover Agent or Agents, who have never been in Saint Paul and consequently are not known to Brown or McMullen, might easily under the guise of fishermen frequent a cottage near where the two police officers will be located.

I have discussed this matter with Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley today, and he feels that appropriate investigation should be made. The Bureau is requested to consider this matter and if the suggestion meets with the Bureau's approval, to take appropriate action to have the detectives covered during at least part of their vacation period.

It has been the experience of Agents of this office that Chief Barfuss is dependable and not lined up with any of the factions in Saint Paul. It should be noted that he is acting as Chief on merely a temporary appointment. He openly stated to me that Brown is not to be trusted and expressed the desire that Brown be found with the Fugitive Subjects in this case and then appropriately dealt with.

Very truly yours,

*H. E. Andersen*

H. E. ANDERSEN,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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AIR MAIL

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

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

August 8, 1935.

Time - 2:00 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

Mr. Tolson .....  
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Miss Gandy .....

With reference to the attached personal and confidential letter from Special Agent in Charge H. F. Andersen of the St. Paul Office, setting forth information furnished by Chief of Police Gus Barfuss of St. Paul to the effect that he believed one or more of the fugitive subjects in the above case might contact former Chief of Police Thomas Brown and Detective William McMullen, upon the occasion of their spending their vacation in the Minnesota woods, I telephoned Mr. E. J. Connelley at the St. Paul Office to ask his opinion of the situation.

Mr. Connelley advised that there is nothing definite, of course, to the opinion of Mr. Barfuss that one or more of the subjects of this case will contact Brown and McMullen in the Minnesota woods; that, however, there is that possibility. He further said that if these men are kept under surveillance, the surveillance should not start until they have arrived in the woods and have gotten settled; that an Agent or Agents could then move quietly in and stay possibly a week or 10 days.

I told Mr. Connelley it was the opinion of the Bureau, then, that this lead should be covered, and accordingly, he should make appropriate arrangements to send the Agents he wants to send at the time which he considers "ripe" and for the length of time he considers appropriate under the circumstances. Mr. Connelley said he believed he would have to pick the men from the Chicago Office, which I said would be all right. I instructed Mr. Connelley to pick his men and teletype the Bureau their names, and we would approve his selection.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

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P. O. BOX 1276  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma  
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Special Agent in Charge  
St. Paul, Minnesota

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your communication dated July 9, 1935, as above captioned. Special Agent J. H. Rice, of this office, has advised me that he recalls securing a \$5.00 note, identified as part of the ransom in the Bremer kidnaping, same having been obtained from a Postmaster in northern Minnesota, who found it among the postal funds of his post office. In return for this note agent Rice gave the Postmaster a \$5.00 note from his personal funds.

Agent Rice turned over the \$5.00 ransom note in question to the Special Agent in Charge at Saint Paul, who instructed him to submit a blue slip, covered by a confidential item, in his expense account for his reimbursement of the money paid to the Postmaster and that this confidential item was allowed agent Rice.

Very truly yours,

DWIGHT BRANTLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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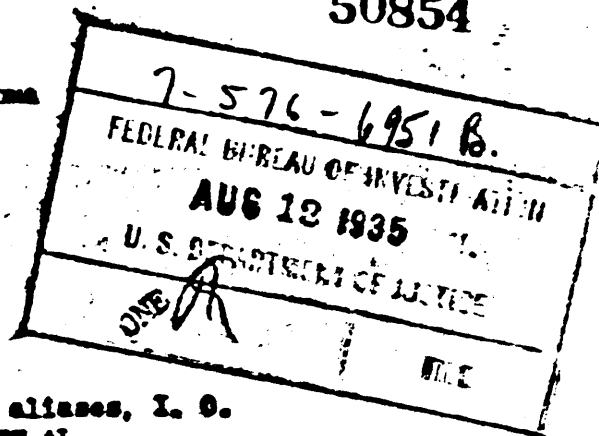
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P. O. Box 1876  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma  
August 9, 1935

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Kansas City, Missouri.



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

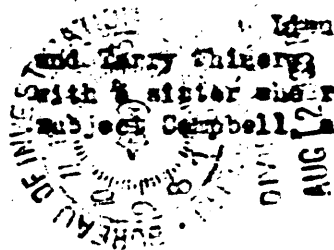
Dear Sir:

On August 5, 1935 Lieutenant Earl Gardner of the Tulsa, Oklahoma Police Department informed Special Agent A. Paul Kitchin that one Joe Turner and Bobbie Lee Turner were being held at Pueblo, Colorado, and that these two individuals were wanted at Shawnee, Oklahoma for the murder of a bell boy at that place on Thanksgiving night in 1933. Mr. Gardner informed Agent Kitchin that Bobbie Lee Turner is a sister to one Billie Fitch alias Billie Malone, who was formerly a paramour of subject Harry Campbell prior to the time that Campbell became interested in Wynona Burdette.

As it was thought that some information might be solicited from Bobbie Lee Turner, the Denver office was telegraphically advised, and an answer was received from the Denver office stating that no information was obtained concerning the whereabouts of subject Campbell from either Joe Turner or Bobbie Lee Turner, but that Bobbie Lee Turner suggested that her sister, Billie Fitch, be interviewed, as she may be in possession of information relative to Campbell's whereabouts. She stated that Billie Fitch is now practicing prostitution at Kansas City, Missouri on Charlotte Street under the name Billie Joe McCormick, and is well known at 1410 Holmes Street. It is thought advisable that Billie Fitch be again interviewed by an agent of this Bureau, in an effort to solicit information from her relative to the whereabouts of subject Campbell. A photograph of Billie Fitch is being forwarded to the Kansas City office for their use in this connection.

Lieutenant Gardner also informed Agent Kitchin that Earl and Harry Chisney, who are at present residing in Corpus Christi, Texas with a sister who runs a cafe in that city, were former running mates of subject Campbell, and that Earl and Harry Campbell at one time had a

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contract with the cleaners and dyers of Tulsa to throw acid in the shops of non members of this association. Mr. Gardner seems to think that both Earl and Terry Whinery are in possession of pertinent information relative to Campbell's whereabouts. It is thought advisable that these individuals be located and interviewed relative to their knowledge of subject Campbell and subject Karpis.

Very truly yours,

DAVID BRANTLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

Encl.

cc Bureau  
Cincinnati  
San Antonio

318 Security Building  
Phoenix, Arizona

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August 8, 1935

Special Agent in Charge  
Salt Lake City, Utah

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
I. O. 1218 - FUGITIVE, et al.  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim  
S. L. File 7-27

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of August 2, 1935, in connection with the above entitled matter, please be advised that Special Agent Enos Sandberg has informed me that the photographs of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, as mentioned in your letter, were turned over by him to Special Agent Baker of the Salt Lake City office during the course of the investigation of the Meyerhauser kidnaping case, in order that Baker might make an investigation at Ogden, Utah relative to Karpis and Campbell.

Very truly yours,

CHARLES FLETCHER,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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WASHINGTON, D.C.  
August 9, 1935.

Time - 2:45 Pm.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

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Re: "Midget", Fernekes.

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Mr. A. H. Johnson, acting in charge of the Chicago Office, telephoned me and advised that Mr. Packard of Pinkerton's Detective Agency in Chicago, had just referred an ex-convict to the Chicago Office who is acquainted with the above named subject. This man's name is Charles E. Smith, Joliet #3884, who was in Joliet Penitentiary with Fernekes on a sentence of one year to life for armed robbery, of which he served five years and was paroled in February, 1935. Smith occupied the cell next to Fernekes at Joliet, and consequently is a very good acquaintance of his. Smith feels reasonably sure he will be able to contact Fernekes and put him on the spot. Smith stated he understood any information furnished would be on a strictly C.O.D. basis, but that he wanted a good slice of the state reward on Fernekes. In other words, Smith wanted at least \$500 for the information leading to the apprehension of Fernekes.

In connection with his work of contacting Fernekes, Smith advises it will be necessary to frequent dives and other places of like character, as a result of which there is a possibility of his being picked up by the police. Smith stated that while he knows this Bureau will not protect him while he is engaged in any illegal or illegitimate activities, he wanted some kind of assurance that if he were arrested, his parole would not be revoked and he would not be sent back to complete his term of life in Joliet.

I told Mr. Johnson that the Bureau certainly would not have any control over the activities of the parole board in Chicago, and there would be nothing we could do about such a situation. Further, in view of the Director's attitude toward parole matters, if we opposed the return of a parole violator, we would certainly be subject to severe criticism. I told Mr. Johnson, therefore, to make it clear to Smith that if he gets into any trouble resulting in his parole being revoked, there is nothing the Bureau could and would do about it.

Mr. Johnson further advised that Smith believes Fernekes will eventually contact Karpis and possibly Doc Moran. Johnson understands Fernekes at one time had some kind of a tie-up with Karpis and possibly Moran. In view of this, it appeared to Mr. Johnson that Smith might be able to not only put Fernekes on the spot, but give us good information relative to Karpis and Moran. In view of this, I told Mr. Johnson this would appear to justify our going along with this man, and we would, therefore, agree to pay him \$500 for information furnished exclusively to us resulting in the apprehension of Fernekes by us. Mr. Johnson said that he would advise Smith accordingly.

Respectfully,

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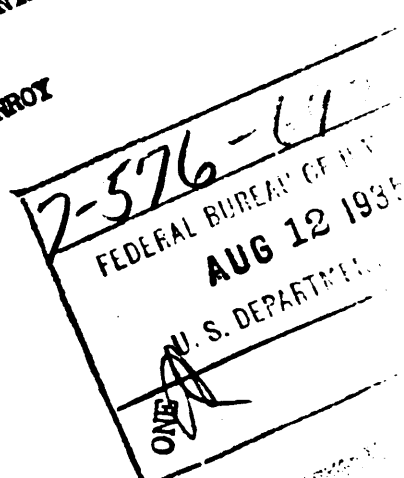
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**SUMMARY REPORT ON HARRY SAWYER**

The summary report of Special Agent K. R. McIntire, St. Paul, Minnesota, dated April 10, 1935, contains evidence to prove the kidnaping of EDWARD GEORGE BREMER and his transportation from St. Paul, Minnesota, to Bensenville, Illinois; the payment of \$200,000.00 ransom, and the conversion of such ransom money into other money which might more readily be passed by the perpetrators of the kidnaping. In order to avoid repetition, reference is made to the report of Special Agent McIntire.

This defendant came to St. Paul, Minnesota, from Lincoln, Nebraska, in about 1923 and became associated with one DANNY HOGAN, underworld boss of St. Paul, who was killed in 1927, subsequent to which SAWYER assumed HOGAN'S position in St. Paul. He operated saloons at 554, 543, and 541 Wabasha Street, and resided at 1878 Jefferson Street, St. Paul, and also on a forty acre farm at Dayton's Bluff Station, located on Hodgson Road on the outskirts of St. Paul, Minnesota. During 1932 and 1933 he became associated with the various persons who were later to become involved in the kidnaping of EDWARD G. BREMER. In the latter part of 1933 FRED BARKER, ARTHUR BARKER, HARRY CAMPBELL, ALVIN KARPIS, and VOLNEY DAVIS came to St. Paul from Reno, Nevada, and took up residence in St. Paul. WILLIAM WEAVER was then living in St. Paul. At this time they renewed their acquaintance with HARRY SAWYER and visited him at his farm. FRED GOETZ came to St. Paul from Chicago and contacted

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this mob, and at this time SAWYER suggested to the mob that they kidnap EDWARD G. BREMER. GOETZ, upon learning that BREMER was President of the Commercial State Bank, suggested that they rob the bank rather than kidnap BREMER, but upon SAWYER'S insistence this suggestion was abandoned and BREMER was kidnaped at St. Paul on January 17, 1934. SAWYER agreed to furnish a place in St. Paul which might be used by members of the mob while they were negotiating for the payment of the ransom, and visited with GOETZ at GOETZ' home in Chicago during the time that BREMER was being held at Bensenville, Illinois.

SAWYER remained in St. Paul until shortly after April 1, 1934, at which time representatives of the Sheriff's Office endeavored to arrest him at his farm in connection with the kidnaping of BREMER, and upon learning this SAWYER left St. Paul with his wife and drove to Fremont, Nebraska, where he traded his car under an assumed name; then went to Las Vegas, New Mexico, and stopped at various tourist camps, where he remained until June of 1934, when he received a communication from ALVIN KARPIS inviting him to go to Cleveland, Ohio. He went to Cleveland, Ohio, with his wife and met KARPIS, where he stayed for a short time with FRED BARKER at 10515 Parkhurst Avenue. While in Cleveland he obtained \$2,000.00 from FRED BARKER, and associated with FRED BARKER and ALVIN KARPIS and other members of the gang until his wife; PAULA HARMON, who was living with FRED BARKER, and WYNONA BURDETTE, who was staying with HARRY CAMPBELL, were arrested by the Cleveland, Ohio, police.

On September 1, 1934 SAWYER accompanied WILLIAM HARRISON to the El Comodoro Hotel, Miami, Florida, and was seen in the company of CASSIUS McDONALD and HARRISON on numerous occasions, and it was during this time that McDONALD and HARRISON made several trips to Havana, Cuba, where McDONALD exchanged a large amount of the BREMER ransom money. In November of 1934 SAWYER rejoined his wife and went to the vicinity of Pass Christian and Gulfport, Mississippi, arriving there some time before Thanksgiving, finally locating at No. 2, Monroe Court, Long Beach, Mississippi, and for about five weeks prior to May 3, 1935 he operated a negro gambling club at Pass Christian, Mississippi, and was there taken into custody on May 3, 1935.

On January 22, 1935 an indictment was filed by the Federal Grand Jury at St. Paul, Minnesota, charging that between December 1, 1933 and

May 1, 1934 HARRY SAWYER and others conspired to kidnap and transport EDWARD GEORGE BREMER from St. Paul, Minnesota, to Bensenville, Illinois, and to hold him for \$200,000.00 ransom in violation of the Act of Congress approved June 22, 1932, Chapter 271, 47 Statute, 326; 18 U.S.C. 408a.

On the same date the Federal Grand Jury at St. Paul, Minnesota, returned another indictment charging HARRY SAWYER and others with the kidnaping and transportation of EDWARD GEORGE BREMER from St. Paul, Minnesota, to Bensenville, Illinois, where they held him for \$200,000.00 ransom, in violation of the Act of Congress approved June 22, 1932, Chapter 271, 47 Statute; 18 U.S.C. 408a. At this time bond was fixed in the sum of \$100,000.00, and upon removal of SAWYER to the District of Minnesota he was confined in the Ramsey County Jail pending trial. To date he has not been arraigned and no definite date has been set for trial.

WITNESSES:

As the summary report of Special Agent K. R. McIntire, St. Paul, Minnesota, dated April 10, 1935, contains all available evidence to show that EDWARD GEORGE BREMER was kidnaped and transported in interstate commerce, and that \$200,000.00 ransom was demanded and obtained, the names of such witnesses to prove this offense will be set forth below, with the page numbers of the above mentioned report noted after each witness:

EDWARD GEORGE BREMER,  
92 North Mississippi River Boulevard,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.

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This witness will testify as to the fact that he was kidnaped; that he was held at Bensenville, Illinois, and was later taken to Rochester, Minnesota, where he was released. He will also identify letters written by him during the time that he was held.

L. G. ROSE, Photographer,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
1900 Bankers' Building,  
Chicago, Illinois.

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This witness will identify and introduce photographs of the place where BREMER was held in Bensenville, Illinois.

ROY E. NELSON,  
Head Clerk, Department of Highways,  
State of Minnesota,  
St. Paul, Minnesota,

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Will identify road map of the State of Minnesota.

R. T. CASH, District Engineer,  
Carrier News Building, Elgin, Illinois,

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Will identify map of the State of Illinois for 1933 and district map of the area in which Bensenville, Illinois, is located.

WALTER MAGEE,  
1916 Summit Avenue,  
St. Paul, Minnesota,

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Will testify as to the receipt of various ransom notes and also as to the delivery of the ransom money on February 6, 1934.

DR. E. T. NIPPERT,  
706 Lincoln Avenue,  
St. Paul, Minnesota,

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Will testify as to the receipt of a ransom note.

JOHN MILLER and MRS. JOHN MILLER,  
1209 Hague Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota,

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Will testify as to the receipt of a ransom note.

FATHER DEERE,  
Prior Lake, Minnesota,

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Will testify as to the receipt of a ransom note.

LILLIAN DICKMAN,  
1085 Cortland Street,  
St. Paul, Minnesota,

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Will testify as to the receipt of a ransom note.

ADOLPH BREMER, SENIOR,  
855 West Seventh Street,  
St. Paul, Minnesota,

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Will testify as to the receipt of ransom letters and that he authorized the preparation of ransom money.

FRED J. CODE,  
Comptroller, American National Bank,  
St. Paul, Minnesota,

and

P. A. SMITH,  
Cashier, American National Bank,  
St. Paul, Minnesota,

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Will testify as to the preparation of the ransom money.

FRED JACKSON,  
Inmate #38106, State Penitentiary,  
Jefferson City, Missouri,

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Will identify photograph of ALVIN KARPIS, Kansas State Penitentiary #1539.

J. C. DUNCAN,  
State Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation,  
State Capitol, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma,

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Will identify photograph of ARTHUR R. BARKER, Oklahoma State Penitentiary #11906, and photograph of VOLNEY DAVIS, Oklahoma State Penitentiary #12808, as having been taken under his supervision.

BETTY BAERNWALD,  
Apartment 6, 56 West Summit Avenue,  
St. Paul, Minnesota,

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Will identify photographs of WILLIAM WEAVER, MYRTLE EATON, FRED BARKER, PAULA HARMON, and ALVIN KARPIS as those of persons frequenting the SAWYER home shortly prior to the kidnaping while she was there employed as a maid.

JACK PFRIFFER,  
Operator of the Hollyhocks Inn,  
St. Paul, Minnesota,

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Will testify that he is acquainted with ALVIN KARPIS, FRED BARKER, DOC BARKER, KATE BARKER, PAULA HARMON, FRED GOETZ, MYRTLE EATON, and WILLIAM WEAVER, and that he met all of these persons through his association with HARRY SAWYER in St. Paul.

WINONA BURDETTE,  
U. S. Detention Home,  
Milan, Michigan,

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Will testify that HARRY CAMPBELL, DOC BARKER, FRED BARKER, ALVIN KARPIS, and VOLNEY DAVIS came to St. Paul from Reno, Nevada, in December of

1933; that FRED GOETZ came to St. Paul from Chicago; that WILLIAM WEAVER was then living in St. Paul. She will testify as to the association of these persons with HARRY SAWYER up to the time of the kidnaping of BREMER; that on August 21, 1934 she went to Cleveland, Ohio, from Toledo with HARRY CAMPBELL and DOC BARKER, and that FRED BARKER, ALVIN KARPIS, and WILLIE HARRISON were then living in Cleveland, and that HARRY SAWYER and his wife stayed with FRED BARKER and PAULA HARMON until she, GLADYS SAWYER, and PAULA HARMON were arrested by the Cleveland police on September 5, 1934.

WILLIAM BRYAN BOLTON,  
Ramsey County Jail,  
St. Paul, Minnesota,

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Will testify as to his long association with FRED GOETZ alias GEORGE ZIEGLER, and to conversations had with GOETZ during the duration of the conspiracy wherein GOETZ told him of the operation of the conspiracy; that the kidnapers were in contact with HARRY SAWYER in St. Paul shortly prior to the kidnaping and that GOETZ contacted SAWYER a day or so before the kidnaping, and that it was then agreed that SAWYER would provide a house for members of the gang to stay in during the time negotiations were to be made for the payment of ransom; that GOETZ first suggested to SAWYER that the gang rob the Commercial State Bank, of which BREMER is President, but that SAWYER insisted upon the kidnaping as the best means of obtaining funds; that SAWYER failed to provide a house for the negotiators in St. Paul; that GOETZ complained of this and that during January of 1934, during the time that BREMER was held in Bensenville, Illinois, he, BOLTON, met HARRY SAWYER at the GOETZ home in Chicago.

HAROLD V. ALLDERTON,  
Inmate, U. S. Penitentiary,  
Leavenworth, Kansas,

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Will testify as to the manner in which his home in Bensenville came to be used as a place for the victim to be held, and will identify photographs of various participants in the kidnaping.

IRENE DORSKY,  
Wilmington, Illinois,

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This woman resided with FRED GORTZ alias GEORGE ZIEGLER up to the time he was killed in Chicago in March of 1934. She has since been confined in sanatoriums, and there is some question as to the competency of her testimony due to her mental condition, and as to her willingness to testify, as may be seen from the data set forth in the above referred to pages. She is fully cognizant of the connection of all participants in the kidnaping. She will be interviewed shortly prior to the trial, at which time it will be ascertained whether she is competent and willing to testify.

GEORGE WILLARD,  
4423 West 171st Street,  
Cleveland, Ohio,

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Will identify FRED BARKER, ARTHUR BARKER, ALVIN KARPIS, HARRY CAMPBELL, GLADYS SAWYER, PAULA HARMON, FRANCINE SAWYER, and WYNONA BURDETTE as having frequented the house next door to his residence between August of 1934 and September 5, 1934, and that he saw a man fitting the description of HARRY SAWYER go into this house.

MRS. O. W. BLACKMAN,  
3969 West 140th Street,  
Cleveland, Ohio,

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Will identify ALVIN KARPIS and his alleged wife, DOLORES DELANEY, as occupants of the premises adjoining hers and that these persons left these premises September 5, 1934.

A. L. ALLEN,  
106-15 Florian Avenue,  
Cleveland, Ohio,

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Will identify PAULA HARMON as the person who rented the apartment at 106-15 Parkhurst Avenue, and will also identify photographs of FRED BARKER and ALVIN KARPIS as persons he met at this place.



MRS. J. CULLEN,  
7916 Franklin Boulevard,  
Cleveland, Ohio,

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Will identify WYNONA BURDETTE as the person who rented 7009 Franklin Boulevard, Cleveland, in August of 1934.

L. D. SOCKY, Operative,  
U. S. Secret Service,  
San Antonio, Texas,

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Will testify that while a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, on September 8, 1934, he obtained latent fingerprints at 3973 West 140 th Street, Cleveland, Ohio, occupied by ALVIN KARPIS and DOLORES DELANEY, and forwarded them to the Technical Laboratory of the Bureau; that on September 11, 1934 he obtained latent fingerprints at 7009 Franklin Boulevard, Cleveland, Ohio, which premises had been occupied by WYNONA BURDETTE and HARRY CAMPBELL, and forwarded these prints to the Technical Laboratory of the Bureau.

AARON KOHN, Fingerprint Expert,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Washington, D. C.,

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Will testify that he received the latent fingerprints found by Mr. Socky at 7009 Franklin Boulevard and 3973 West 140th Street, Cleveland, and identified the fingerprints found at 7009 Franklin Boulevard as those of WYNONA BURDETTE and GLADYS SAWYER.

W. E. PETERS, Special Agent,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Detroit, Michigan,

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Will testify with regard to a notebook obtained from the Cleveland Police, which notebook was forwarded to the Bureau.

LT. K. B. GLOECKNER,  
Police Department,  
Cleveland, Ohio,

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Will testify that on September 6, 1934 he found a notebook at 4419 West 171st Street, Cleveland, Ohio, which premises were occupied by the KARPIS-BARKER gang, and that he delivered this notebook to Special Agent W. E. Peters of the Detroit Bureau Office.

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

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Will testify that he received the above referred to notebook and examined same for latent fingerprints, and identified latent fingerprints found thereon as that of the right and left thumbs of FRED BARKER.

JOHN TIERNEY, Superintendent,  
Identification Bureau, St. Paul Police Department,  
St. Paul, Minnesota,

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Will identify photograph of WILLIAM WEAVER as the photograph he took of WILLIAM WEAVER.

FRED JACKSON, Prisoner #38106,  
Missouri State Penitentiary,  
Jefferson City, Missouri,

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Will identify photographs of ALVIN KARPIS and FRED BARKER as photographs he took while in the Kansas State Penitentiary.

VITO BARKER,  
307 Ord Street,  
Kansas City, Missouri,

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Will identify photograph of EDNA MURRAY and RUSSELL GIBSON as photographs that he took of these persons.

O. C. WEST,  
Colgate, Oklahoma,

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Will identify photograph of WILLIAM WEAVER as one taken by him or under his supervision.

W. H. MORGAN, Identification Bureau,  
Tulsa, Oklahoma, Police Department,  
Tulsa, Oklahoma,

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Will identify photograph of HARRY CAMPBELL as one he took of this person.

[REDACTED]  
St. Paul, Minnesota,

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Will testify that he first treated HARRY SAWYER in his professional capacity as a physician on or about August 22, 1932; that the last time he examined him was some time between February 14 and 16 of 1934; that on January 19, 1934 he was called to SAWYER'S farm, where he examined him and found he was at that time suffering from acute bronchitis in a mild form; that when he arrived at SAWYER'S farm he found SAWYER lying on a day-bed listening to the police radio; that at no time during his acquaintance with HARRY SAWYER, [REDACTED] has he found him to be suffering from any ailment which would cause him to be incapacitated to the extent that it would not be possible for him to participate in any normal activity. [REDACTED] can produce records showing the dates of treatments accorded SAWYER.

JOSEPH H. ADAMS,  
Manager of the El Commodore Hotel,  
Miami, Florida.

This witness is a defendant in a case pending at Jacksonville, Florida, charged with violation of the National Firearms Act as a result of his association with WILLIAM HARRISON and other members of the KARPIS-BARKER gang, and there is some possibility that he might make a hostile witness. However, he has expressed his willingness to testify on this case, and has furnished Agents of the Bureau a statement concerning his association with the KARPIS-BARKER gang who resided at the El Commodore Hotel after they left Cleveland, Ohio, and in the event he is called he is expected to testify that:

On September 1, 1934 WILLIAM HARRISON, accompanied by a man whom he called "Sea Lion", came to the El Commodore Hotel; that this was a few days after ADAMS met HARRISON on the street in Miami and informed him that he was the Manager of the El Commodore; that the person referred to by HARRISON as "Sea Lion", he, ADAMS, identified from a photograph as HARRY SAWYER; that on the next day these two men brought another man to the hotel whom they introduced as CASH McDONALD from Detroit; that McDONALD did not stay at the hotel; that HARRISON registered and SAWYER stayed in HARRISON'S room although he did not register; that during the period of September 1st to 12th, 1934, when HARRISON and SAWYER were at the El Commodore, ADAMS saw them frequently in company with McDONALD; that he, ADAMS, understood from general conversations with them that SAWYER operated a gambling place and saloon in the west; further, that he had been in trouble with the Government in connection with income tax matters; that they frequently referred to a "big deal" in Cuba; that during this period he recalls that HARRISON and McDONALD made the trip by air to Havana, and that SAWYER stayed at the El Commodore while they were gone; that on HARRISON'S return to Miami, he and SAWYER checked out of the hotel; that during the time that HARRISON and SAWYER were at the El Commodore, McDONALD made frequent trips by air to Havana, and remarked on one occasion that he made enough air trips to own the ship; that on each occasion of McDONALD'S return from Havana, McDONALD, HARRISON, and SAWYER went to HARRISON'S room immediately.

In connection with the expected testimony of JOE ADAMS, reference is made to summary report on CASSIUS McDONALD, in which the testimony of ADAMS is gone into in more detail.

M. W. MECKINS, Special Agent,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
326½ Post Office Building,  
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Will testify that in the fore part of May of 1935, using as a pretext that he was a former liquor dealer and was interested in purchasing the establishment of CHARLES WRIGHT, who operated a saloon and lottery establishment in a negro section of Pass Christian, Mississippi, interviewed CHARLES WRIGHT and identified him from the photograph as HARRY SAWYER; that on May 3, 1935, accompanied by Special Agents Olson, Kindell, and Special Agent in Charge Magee of the New Orleans, Louisiana, Bureau Office, and other officers, effected the apprehension of HARRY SAWYER at Pass Christian, Mississippi; that at this time HARRY SAWYER admitted his identity and that he, accompanied by Agent Kindell and Special Agent in Charge Magee, then located the wife of HARRY SAWYER in the Monroe Court Tourist Cottages, No. 2, where she was known as ANN WRIGHT, at which time she admitted her identity as MRS. HARRY SAWYER.

Special Agents C. H. OLSON and L. A. KINDELL,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
326½ Post Office Building,  
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Will corroborate the testimony of Special Agent Meekins, and in addition will testify that they interviewed HARRY SAWYER at the New Orleans Bureau Office on May 3, 1935, during which interview SAWYER stated that he was acquainted with ALVIN KARPIS, ARTHUR and FRED BARKER, VOLNEY DAVIS, WILLIAM WEAVER, GEORGE ZIEGLER, HARRY CAMPBELL, JOHN J. McLAUGHLIN, and OLLIE BERG; further, that at the time of SAWYER'S arrest he had in his possession a 1934 Ford Coupe, Engine No. 737,962, Nebraska License No. 59-2001.

W. O. STEPHENSON,  
R.F.D. # 2, Box 150,  
Gulfport, Mississippi.

Will testify that he met HARRY SAWYER, who was then using the name of WRIGHT, at a beer parlor in Gulfport, Mississippi, about two or three months before SAWYER was arrested, at which time SAWYER was residing at Moody's Tourist Camp at Gulfport, and was frequently in SAWYER'S company from that time up to the time of his arrest at Pass Christian.

CALVIN W. SORENSON,  
County Treasurer, Sarpy County,  
Papillion, Nebraska,

Will testify that 1934 V-8 Ford Coupe was registered for  
1935 Nebraska License No. 59-2001 in the name of ANN WRIGHT, Fort Crook,  
Nebraska.

E. J. CONNELLEY, Special Agent in Charge,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
426 U. S. Custom House & P. O. Building,  
Cincinnati, Ohio,

and

L. A. KINDELL, Special Agent,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
326 1/2 Post Office Building,  
New Orleans, Louisiana,

Will testify that they interviewed HARRY SAWYER at the U. S.  
Detention Headquarters, New Orleans, Louisiana, on May 6, 1935 and that  
at that time SAWYER identified photograph of ARTHUR R. BARKER as a person  
he knew in St. Paul, and identified photograph of BRYAN BOLTON, photograph  
of GEORGE ZIEGLER, photograph of EDNA MURRAY as a person known to him as  
"Rabbits"; that he stated he knew MYRTLE EATON very well and also her former  
husband, DOC EATON; that he also knew PAULA HARMON; that he believes from  
the photographs of HARRY CAMPBELL and VOLNEY DAVIS that they were also  
persons who frequented his place in St. Paul. They will testify that he  
identified the photograph of ALVIN KARPIS as the person known to him as  
RAY HUNTER, and the photograph of FRED BARKER was identified by SAWYER as  
a person known to him as FRED TUVERTSON in Cleveland, Ohio, and as T. C.  
BLACKBURN in St. Paul, and that he knew that FRED and ARTHUR BARKER were  
brothers, and that he also knew their mother, KATE BARKER.

These witnesses will testify that during this interview  
SAWYER stated that some of these parties had been to his farm near St. Paul,  
and endeavored to explain their presence there by reason of the fact that  
numerous persons of this character came to his place for the purpose of  
obtaining good whiskey and beer, which he was selling, but later qualified  
this by stating that he could not recall whether they had been at his farm;  
that SAWYER further stated that on April 1, 1934 his farm was raided in  
connection with the BREMER case, and that he left the following Monday noon  
with his wife and drove west, stopping at various tourist camps, particularly

at Grand Island and Sydney, Nebraska; Evanston, Wyoming; St. George, Utah, finally locating at Las Vegas, New Mexico, where he remained with his wife until about June of 1934, and that during none of this travel did he use his correct name; that while in Las Vegas his wife in some manner communicated with ALVIN KARPIS, known to him as RAY HUNTER, who invited them to go to Cleveland, Ohio; that he went to Cleveland with his wife and stayed two nights at the Cleveland Hotel, where they were picked up by RAY HUNTER and his wife DOLORES, who took them to their place on Flamingo Street where they stayed for a short time, and then went to live with FRED BARKER and PAULA HARMON at 10515 Parkhurst Drive, where they remained until the latter part of July; that his wife then went to St. Paul for an operation but that he stayed with FRED and PAULA in Cleveland until his wife returned, about two weeks later, and that the four of them then moved to the 171st Street address, where they stayed until the date that his wife, PAULA HARMON and WYNONA BURDETTE were arrested in Cleveland; that upon being informed of the arrest of these three women he left Cleveland and went to various parts of the country.

These witnesses will further testify that SAWYER advised them that he thereafter contacted his wife around the first part of November 1934 and went south, staying at tourist camps in Arkansas, Tennessee, and arrived in the vicinity of Pass Christian and Gulfport, Mississippi, some time before Thanksgiving; that he and his wife first stayed at Moody's Tourist Camp in Gulfport and then at the Gulf Coast Cottages; again at Moody's Camp, and finally located at No. 2, Monroe Court, Long Beach, Mississippi; that for about five weeks previous to his apprehension on May 3, 1935 he operated a negro club at Pass Christian; that he never left Mississippi after locating there after Thanksgiving of 1934 until his apprehension.

SAWYER further stated to these witnesses that upon arrival in Cleveland, Ohio, he obtained \$2,000.00 from FRED BARKER; that this, however, was in the form of a loan and not a share of the ransom money, and that he has not repaid this loan. He further stated that he had seen newspaper accounts of the indictment of KARPIS and the BARKERS and others for the kidnaping of BREMER and that he continued to associate with this gang subsequent to their indictment in May of 1934. He gave as a reason for this that he believed that this was some kind of a trick and was put in the paper for the purpose of fooling somebody as to who was actually responsible for the kidnaping. He also stated that he believed the Government, or whoever was responsible, had made a mistake in printing photographs of DOC BARKER and ALVIN KARPIS in various magazines, which by such statement he indicated that he had seen these photographs at various times in various magazines; that SAWYER could offer no explanation as to why he had run away from St. Paul and lived continuously under assumed names after April 1, 1934, or why he had

thereafter contacted this gang in Cleveland, Ohio, and obtained from FRED BARKER, as he stated, \$2,000.00.

R. C. COULTER, Special Agent,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
800 Rector Building,  
Little Rock, Arkansas,

and

J. E. BRENNAN, Special Agent,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
832 Uptown Station & Federal Courts Bldg.,  
St. Paul, Minnesota,

Will testify that they interviewed HARRY SAWYER in the Ramsey County Jail, St. Paul, Minnesota, on May 9, 1935; that at this time SAWYER stated that he had left St. Paul shortly after the Sheriff's Office had conducted a raid on his farm near St. Paul on or about April 1, 1934; that when inquiry was made concerning his presence with members of the mob in Cleveland, Ohio, he would neither affirm nor deny that he had been with them but stated, "You did not see me there, did you?" and that he stated that he remained in the vicinity of Pass Christian, Mississippi, for five or six months prior to his arrest; that he was living under the name of WRIGHT; that inquiry was made of him as to where it was that he had met BRYAN BOLTON, and that he stated he did not recall, and that it was then called to his attention that he had informed Special Agent in Charge Connelley that he had met BOLTON in St. Paul, to which SAWYER replied that he had not said that definitely but said that he may have met him in St. Paul or some other place, and when informed that BOLTON had testified that BOLTON had met SAWYER in ZIEGLER'S place in Chicago, that SAWYER had replied, "That may be right"; that when informed that BOLTON had testified that he, BOLTON, had met SAWYER in ZIEGLER'S place during the time that BREMER was being held in Bensenville, he stated that he had not been in Chicago during January or February of 1934.

The following criminal record of HARRY SAWYER was secured from the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Washington, D. C., where his record is on file under No. 421335:



PD, Minneapolis, Minn., as Harry Sandovich, #16479, arrested 9/11/18, att. grand larceny; disposition: 10/9/18, fined \$100.

PD, Omaha, Nebr., as Harry J. Proche, #6463, arr. 1/2/20, invest.-robbery; held under \$10,000 bond - \* Arrested 1/4/20 while out on bonds, charge, fugitive from justice - turned over to Lincoln, Nebr. where he is wanted for stealing automobiles - forfeited \$1000 bonds at Lincoln.

PD, Lincoln, Nebr., as Harry Sandlovich, 5/16/20, jumping bonds - auto theft.

Bureau Office, New Orleans, La., as Harry Sawyer, #--, 5/3/25, kidnaping; confined in Fed. Jail, at New Orleans, La., awaiting removal to St. Paul, Minn. and has waived hearing.

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

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

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REPORT MADE AT: St. Paul, Minnesota	DATE WHEN MADE: 8-10-35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 7/8 to 8/8/35	REPORT MADE BY: J. E. BRENNAN
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## SUMMARY REPORT ON CASSIUS McDONALD

On or about September 1, 1934 members of the KARPIS-BARKER gang, including WILLIAM HARRISON, HARRY SAWYER, FRED BARKER, KATE BARKER, and WYNONA BURDETTE, assembled at Miami, Florida, and registered at the El Comodoro Hotel, having been referred to the Manager, JOE ADAMS, by CASSIUS McDONALD. ADAMS, by reason of his acquaintanceship with McDONALD, aided these persons by recommending FRED BARKER and KATE BARKER and obtaining a residence for them at Oklawaha, Florida, and by obtaining a residence for ALVIN KARPIS and DOLORES DELANEY in Miami on December 14, 1934. Between September 1, 1934 and January 19, 1935 CASSIUS McDONALD conferred with WILLIAM HARRISON and HARRY SAWYER at the El Comodoro Hotel and made frequent trips from Miami, Florida, to Havana, Cuba. On September 4, 1934 he purchased \$11,000.00 in Cuban gold with \$18,000.00 of ransom money obtained in this case, and on the following day changed this Cuban gold into \$1000.00 bills. On September 9, 1934 he and WILLIAM HARRISON went to Havana, Cuba, from Miami and he continued to associate with HARRISON in Havana, and on this trip some \$78,000.00 worth of ransom money secured in the BREMER kidnaping was exchanged by the defendant McDONALD into \$1000.00 bills. Fourteen \$1000.00 bills which were contained in a shipment from the Federal Reserve Bank at Atlanta to their branch at Havana, Cuba, were found in the home of FRED and KATE BARKER upon the occasion of their death at Oklawaha, Florida, while resisting arrest.

CASSIUS McDONALD was indicted by the Federal Grand Jury at Jacksonville, Florida, on February 7, 1935 charged with harboring ALVIN KARPIS, misprison of felony, and conspiracy to commit a misprison of felony, and is on bond on these indictments. It is expected that evidence of conspiracy on the part of

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McDONALD with other persons who conspired to kidnap and transport EDWARD G. BREMER in interstate commerce for ransom will be presented to the Federal Grand Jury at St. Paul, Minnesota, on or about September 10, 1935.

WITNESSES:

The summary report of Special Agent K. R. McIntire, St. Paul, Minnesota, dated April 10, 1935, contains all available evidence to prove the kidnaping of EDWARD G. BREMER and his transportation from St. Paul, Minnesota, to Bensenville, Illinois; preparation of the ransom money and the payment thereof; the identification of the place where BREMER was held in Bensenville, and his release, as well as witnesses to identify photographs of the various participants in the kidnaping, and in order to avoid repetition new evidence is being set out in the name of each witness with the page number of the above mentioned report noted after each witness, and all necessary evidence can be found on such pages.

EDWARD G. BREMER,  
92 North Mississippi River Boulevard,  
St. Paul, Minnesota,

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Testimony as to abduction.

L. G. ROSE, Photographer,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
1900 Bankers' Building,  
Chicago, Illinois,

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Identification of photographs of place where victim held at  
Bensenville.

WALTER MAGER,  
1916 Summit Avenue,  
St. Paul, Minnesota,

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Testimony as to receipt of various ransom notes and delivery  
of ransom money to the kidnapers.

ADOLPH BREMER, SR.,  
855 West 7th Street,  
St. Paul, Minnesota,

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Testimony as to receipt of ransom letters and as to his  
authorization for the preparation of the ransom money.

FRED J. GODE and P. A. SMITH,  
American National Bank,  
St. Paul, Minnesota,

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Testimony as to preparation of ransom money.

WILLIAM BRYAN BOLTON,  
Ramsey County Jail, St. Paul, Minnesota,

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Testimony as to participants in kidnaping.

JOSEPH H. ADAMS,  
Manager of the El Comodoro Hotel,  
Miami, Florida,

This witness is at present under indictment at Jacksonville,  
Florida, charged with violation of the National Firearms Act as a result of  
his association with various members of the KARPIS-BARKER gang, and it should  
be ascertained prior to trial of McDONALD as to whether he will testify  
against McDONALD. In the event he will so testify the following testimony  
may be expected of him:

That he has been Manager of the El Comodoro Hotel since  
August 1, 1934 for his father-in-law T. I. KNIGHT; that he also managed the  
Biscayne Kennel Club in Miami Shores Village; that he has known WILLIAM

HARRISON for five years; that on September 1, 1934 WILLIAM HARRISON, accompanied by HARRY SAWYER, came to the El Comodoro Hotel and HARRISON registered; that at that time HARRISON told him a friend was coming in on a plane that day from Havana; that the next day they brought a man to the hotel whom they introduced to him as CASH McDONALD from Detroit; that during the period of September 1 to 18, 1934, while HARRISON and SAWYER were at the El Comodoro he saw them frequently in company with McDONALD; that they frequently referred to a "big deal" in Cuba; that they controlled all the gambling in Cuba and expected to open a gambling establishment in the Plaza Hotel in Havana; that they also stated they had a gambling place in the north, as he recalls in Ohio; that during this time McDONALD made frequent trips by air to Havana, and on one occasion remarked that he made enough trips by air to own the ship; that upon McDONALD'S return from Havana on these trips, he, HARRISON and SAWYER would go to HARRISON'S room immediately; that he knew ALVIN KARPIS by the name of WAGGONER and GREEN; that he knew FRED BARKER as T. C. BLACKBURN, and HARRY CAMPBELL by the name of SUMMERS; that he believes these people were referred to the El Comodoro Hotel by CASH McDONALD, as McDONALD had told him that he would refer his friends to his hotel and that they would stop there enroute to Cuba; that KARPIS, as WAGGONER, came to the El Comodoro in September or October of 1934 and asked ADAMS if he knew CASH McDONALD; that when FRED BARKER, as T. C. BLACKBURN, and HARRY CAMPBELL as SUMMERS, came to the hotel they also asked if ADAMS knew CASH McDONALD, and that BLACKBURN told him that CASH McDONALD had sent him to the hotel.

MR. ADAMS will testify that these men when stopping at his hotel were accompanied by MRS. KATE BARKER, who had registered as MRS. RYAN and represented herself as the mother of BLACKBURN; that this entire group of people stopped at the hotel at various intervals from September of 1934 up until January of 1935 and they frequently spoke of CASH McDONALD, of how they were hooked up with gambling in Cuba, and that McDONALD was to handle all of the dealings, and that they were connected with gambling in Ohio; that he obtained license plates for BLACKBURN'S car and also rented a house in Oklawaha, Florida, for BLACKBURN; that he also arranged for a doctor to treat KARPIS' wife, known to him as WAGGONER and GREEN; that in December 1934 on a trip that McDONALD made to Miami, McDONALD asked for BLACKBURN'S and WAGGONER'S address, which he gave to McDONALD, and asked McDONALD at that time who these persons were, and that he evaded the question; that he may have written the telegram found at Oklawaha addressed to T. C. BLACKBURN, and that if he did he sent it at McDONALD'S request; that he never saw McDONALD, HARRISON, and SAWYER in the presence of FRED BARKER, KARPIS, or CAMPBELL, but from their conversations they spoke of each other as partners; that at the time of the conversation with McDONALD in December of 1934 McDONALD told him

that a friend of his by the name of ART HEBERBRAND would contact him in the near future, and that ART would stop at the Fleetwood Hotel; that ART was a gambler from Cleveland, and requested ADAMS to cable McDONALD in Havana when ART arrived; that McDONALD gave him a cable address "Frederico Shackleford".

Subpoena duces tecum should be issued for the register of the El Comodoro Hotel, which will show that G. L. SUMMERS and T. C. BLACKBURN registered from St. Charles, Illinois, on September 29, 1934 and remained in room 811 until October 6, 1934, when they were transferred to room 1005; that on October 20, 1934 they had a guest, name unknown, who remained with them until October 21, 1934; that they checked out on November 7, 1934; that W. J. HARRISON checked in on September 1, 1934 from Cleveland, Ohio, and registered for himself and a party of three, occupied rooms 1004 and 1005 until September 12, 1934, at which time two of the party checked out; that on September 30, 1934 MRS. C. E. RYAN registered from South Bend, Illinois, was assigned to room 907 until October 6, 1934, when she moved to room 1004 which she occupied until November 7, 1934; that T. C. BLACKBURN and MRS. C. E. RYAN registered on December 8, 1934 and remained until December 11th; that C. F. SUMMERS registered on November 25, 1934, was assigned to room 905, and checked out on December 11, 1934; that they returned on January 15, 1935 and remained until January 14, 1935; that H. C. WAGGONER registered on October 19, 1934, was assigned to room 718, and checked out on October 20, 1934; that on November 14, 1934 MRS. E. N. WAGNER registered and was assigned to room 1005 and she remained until November 18, 1934; that N. H. HELLER of Havana, Cuba, registered on November 14, 1934 and was assigned to room 1004 and checked out on November 20, 1934.

This witness will testify that he perhaps gave DOLORES DELANEY and KARPIS a card to HELLER of the Parkview Hotel, Havana, Cuba, stating that these people were O.K.

L. E. GRAY,  
Assistant Manager, El Comodoro Hotel,  
Miami, Florida,

Will identify photographs of HARRY CAMPBELL, FRED BARKER, KATE BARKER, and ALVIN KARPIS as having been guests at the hotel during the period given under the witness ADAMS; also that of DOLORES DELANEY, whom he identified as having been in the dining room of the hotel on January 15, or 16, 1935 in the company of N. H. HELLER, proprietor of the Parkview Hotel, Havana, Cuba.

R. D. BROWN, Special Agent,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
1448 Standard Building,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Will testify that he found in a house occupied by FRED BARKER and his mother at Oklawaha, Florida, on January 16, 1935 a telegram in an envelope bearing the address of T. C. BLACKBURN, in care of CARSON BRADFORD, Oklawaha, Florida, which was filed at Miami on December 29, 1934, addressed to T. C. BLACKBURN, the text of which is: "Like to see you Sunday", signed "CASH"; also a 1934 Florida motor vehicle application in the name of G. F. SUMMERS, El Commodore Hotel, Miami; a purchasing order from the Davis Motor Company, Miami, dated October 24, 1934, indicating that \$741.00 had been paid by F. F. SUMMERS, El Commodore Hotel, Miami, for a Deluxe Coupe; an envelope of the El Commodore Hotel containing the business card of JOE H. ADAMS, and also three statements, one dated October 27, 1934, indicating that room 1004 had been occupied by MRS. G. E. RYAN from October 20, 1934 to October 27, 1934; one dated October 27, 1934 to SUMMERS and BLACKBURN for room 1005 from October 2, 1934 to October 27, 1934, and another dated December 1, 1934 to G. SUMMERS and wife for room 905 from November 25, 1934 to December 2, 1934.

R. E. JOHNSON, Manager,  
Western Union Telegraph Company,  
21 West Flager Street, Miami, Florida,

Will testify that the telegram sent from Miami on December 29, 1934 to T. C. BLACKBURN, Oklawaha, had been sent from the El Commodore Hotel. A subpoena duces tecum should be issued for this telegram.

MRS. GRACE THOMAS,  
500 Northwest 23rd Court,  
Miami, Florida,

Will testify that in November of 1934 MR. T. R. KNIGHT, owner of the El Commodore Hotel, Miami, called at her home and stated that he understood that the house was for rent; that she showed MR. KNIGHT through the house and shortly thereafter a MR. S. A. GREEN called and asked to be shown through; that she entered into negotiations for the leasing of her house to S. A. GREEN, and on January 17, 1935 she and her husband drove by the house to look for mail, at which time Terese Carmichael, maid employed by the

GREENS, informed her that the GREENS had left the day before, and when they had not returned within three days after this she called the police and informed them of the circumstances, and that she identified photograph of ALVIN KARPIS as S. A. GREEN, the person to whom she rented the house.

L. W. THOMAS,  
500 Northwest 23rd Court,  
Miami, Florida,

Will corroborate the testimony of his wife, MRS. GRACE THOMAS, and in addition will testify that in November of 1934 he mentioned to JOE ADAMS, Manager of the El Commodore Hotel, that he planned on renting his house and asked ADAMS if he knew of anyone who wanted the house.

TERESE CARMICHAEL,  
Kendall, Florida,  
In care of, Mrs. F. A. Carmichael,

Will testify that on December 18, 1934 she obtained employment from a MRS. GREEN at 1121 Northeast 85th Street, Miami, through an employment agency; that she worked for the GREENS about one month; that she saw an automatic pistol and a rifle in the possession of the GREENS; that at one time GREEN told her that he used to be in the liquor business and that he had concessions in Cuba. She will testify that on Christmas Day of 1934 when she was about to serve dinner, KARPIS received a telephone call, during which KARPIS told the caller to stay where he was, that KARPIS would go and get him and bring him to the house for dinner; that the caller apparently stated that he would come out and KARPIS gave him directions, and then instructed her to arrange for two guests for dinner; that KARPIS appeared excited and kept looking out of the window, and occasionally remarked that the party might get lost; that in an hour or so a man and woman drove up to the house and the man came in, declining the invitation to join them at dinner stating that he was in a hurry and his wife was waiting for him, and that they went into the kitchen. She will state that the photograph of CASSIUS McDONALD resembled this man to some degree. This witness will identify the photograph of ALVIN KARPIS as her employer.

DR. JOHN E. HALL,  
Huntington Building, Miami, Florida,

Will testify that in the latter part of December 1934 a man giving his name as E. M. GREEN, accompanied by another man, called at his office for a treatment and stated that JOE ADAMS, Manager of the El Commodore Hotel, had referred him to DR. HALL; that he treated GREEN on several occasions, and will identify the photograph of ALVIN KARPIS as his patient,



and the photograph of HARRY CAMPBELL as the man who accompanied KARPIS to his office on several occasions.

IVA MAY DUNLAP,  
909 Huntington Building, Miami, Florida,

Will corroborate the testimony of her employer DR. HALL, and will also identify photo of GREEN as ALVIN KARPIS.

WILLIAM MILTON JOHNSON,  
Bellhop, El Comodoro Hotel,  
Miami, Florida,

Will identify photographs of KATE BARKER, FRED BARKER, and HARRY CAMPBELL as guests at the El Comodoro Hotel, and that while they resided at the El Comodoro, KATE and FRED BARKER asked him to go to Ocala, Florida, and work for them in the house they had rented; that on or about November 20, 1934 KATE and FRED BARKER took him to Oklawaha and he worked for them for about three weeks.

MISS C. J. MORTON,  
Auditor of the Everglades Hotel,  
Miami, Florida,

Upon subpoena duces tecum for the register of this hotel, will testify that on December 24, 1934 MR. and MRS. E. C. McDONALD of Detroit registered and were assigned to room 1110; that McDONALD checked out on December 30, 1934 and MRS. McDONALD checked out on January 7, 1935; that on September 2, 1934 C. M. McDONALD from Detroit checked in and was assigned to room 1302, and checked out on September 3, 1934.

JAMES TINLEY,  
Auditor of the McAlister Hotel,  
Miami, Florida,

Upon subpoena duces tecum for the register, will testify that C. M. McDONALD, Detroit, checked into room 930 on September 1, 1934 and checked out on September 2, 1934; that he again checked in on September 6, 1934 and out on September 9, 1934.

MISS INEZ STONE,  
Pan American Airways,  
44 Biscayne Boulevard,  
Miami, Florida,

as follows:

On subpoena duces tecum will produce records showing travel

September 2, 1934, CASSIUS McDONALD, round trip ticket No. AR32715, Miami to Havana.

September 2, 1934, CASSIUS McDONALD, returned to Miami on unused portion of above ticket.

September 6, 1934, CASSIUS McDONALD, round trip ticket No. AR32471, from Havana to Miami.

September 9, 1934, CASSIUS McDONALD, returned to Havana on unused portion of above ticket.

September 11, 1934, CASSIUS McDONALD, ticket No. AR32445 from Havana to Miami.

September 9, 1934, WILLIAM HARRISON, round trip ticket No. AR32731, Miami to Havana.

September 11, 1934, WILLIAM HARRISON, returned to Miami on unused portion of above ticket.

October 24, 1934, CLARENCE W. SUMMERS, round trip ticket No. AR33297, Miami to Havana.

November 25, 1934, CLARENCE W. SUMMERS, returned to Miami on unused portion.

October 25, 1934, MARY RYAN, ticket No. AR33302, Miami to Havana.

October 26, 1934, AGNES WAGNER, round trip ticket No. AR32915, Miami to Havana.

October 28, 1934, AGNES WAGNER, returned to Miami on unused portion.

October 30 - 31 Mary Ryan, Havana to Miami - using return portion of ticket AR 33302  
November 6, 1934, FRED T. WAGNER, ticket No. AR24030, Miami to Havana.

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November 18, 1934, DOLORES WAGNER, ticket No.  
AR33884, Havana, to Miami.

December 7, 1934, NATHANIEL HELLER, Ticket No.  
AR16685, Miami to Havana.

D. L. HOYLE, Assistant Manager,  
Venetian Hotel, Miami, Florida,

On subpoena duces tecum will produce records showing CASSIUS McDONALD and his wife occupied room 801 at this hotel from January 25 to January 28, 1935 under the name of MR. and MRS. C. M. McDONALD.

B. F. FITZSIMMONS, L. B. NICHOLS,  
J. H. HANSON, and H. M. KUBANK, Special Agents,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
(To be located through Bureau Office at Washington),

Will testify that the interviewed CASSIUS McDONALD at West Palm Beach, Florida, on February 8, 1935 and will identify the signed statement made by McDONALD. This statement is a self-serving declaration. However, in it McDONALD stated to these Agents that he has visited Havana, Cuba, on a number of occasions during the past ten years; that he controlled gambling in Havana, and during the winter of 1934 resided at the Presidente Hotel in Havana for about three months; that he talked to JOE ADAMS in Miami in September 1934 about operating a gambling house in Miami, and that ADAMS took him to various places with this object in view; that he visited various persons at the El Comodoro Hotel in Miami; that he made two trips to Cuba in the early part of September 1934; that he exchanged money which he states he obtained from gambling enterprises for \$1000.00 bills in the Royal Bank of Canada at Havana, since September of 1934, and also exchanged other money secured from other interests and also exchanged about \$10,000 or \$12,000 in gold for fifty, one-hundred, and one-thousand dollar bills through the National City Bank of Havana during the gambling season in September of 1934; that he converted about \$25,000 of Liberty Bonds into cash through brokers in Havana.

JOSEPH H. WALLIS, District Director,  
Immigration and Naturalization Service,  
U. S. Department of Labor,  
Room 444, U.S. Post Office & Court House,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

On subpoena duces tecum will produce inward and outward manifests of passengers entering or leaving the United States in District No. 6, showing that on September 2, 1934 CASSIUS McDONALD left Miami for Havana via Pan American Airways; that on September 2, 1934 CASSIUS McDONALD returned to Miami from Havana by air; that on September 4, 1934 CASSIUS McDONALD left Key West for Havana on the S.S. Cuba; that on September 6, 1934 CASSIUS McDONALD left Havana for Miami via Pan American Airways; that on September 9, 1934 CASSIUS McDONALD left Miami and Havana via Pan American Airways; that on September 9, 1934 WILLIAM HARRISON left Miami for Havana on same airplane as McDONALD; that on September 11, 1934 CASSIUS McDONALD returned to Miami from Havana via Pan American Airways; that on September 11, 1934 WILLIAM HARRISON returned to Miami with McDONALD; that on September 21, 1934 ELMER WAGNER and DOLORES WAGNER left Key West for Havana on the S.S. Cuba; on November 14, 1934 DOLORES WAGNER and NATE HELLER left Havana for Key West on the S.S. Cuba; on November 18, 1934 DOLORES WAGNER left Miami for Havana via Pan American Airways; on November 20, 1934 NATHANIEL HELLER left Key West for Havana on the S.S. Cuba; on December 4, 1934 DOLORES WAGNER left Havana for Miami on the Pan American Airways; on December 5, 1934 NATHANIEL HELLER and EDWARD N. WAGNER left Havana for Key West on the S.S. Cuba; on December 7, 1934 NATHANIEL HELLER left Miami for Havana via Pan American Airways.

C. P. FISCHER,  
Assistant Manager, Presidente Hotel,  
Havana, Cuba.

Can testify that CASSIUS McDONALD registered at the Presidente Hotel December 31, 1934 alone and was joined there by his wife about a week later; that he occupied room 712, and on January 1, 1935 occupied rooms 215 and 216; that he remained until March 17, 1935. He can identify McDONALD.

MAREA OTAZO, Telephone Operator,  
ROBERT ACOSTA, Clerk,  
and  
JULIO RASCO, Auditor,  
Presidente Hotel, Havana, Cuba.

Can identify McDONALD and also photograph of WILLIAM HARRISON as the person who called at the Presidente Hotel and visited McDONALD on or about January 22, 1935.

G. H. JARVIS,  
Assistant Manager of the Hotel National,  
Havana, Cuba,

Can identify register of that hotel showing C. McDONALD, Detroit, Michigan, registered September 4, 1934, and checked out on September 6, 1934; again registered on September 9th and checked out on September 11th, 1934. At the latter registration he was accompanied by W. J. HARRISON of 4539 Gibson, St. Louis, Missouri, who checked in and out of this hotel at the same time as McDONALD.

RENE BOLIVAR,  
Lumia 112, Vedada, Havana, Cuba,

Can testify that on September 5, 1934 he and JUAN RUIZ were approached in the Cafe Europa by an American who stated he had a quantity of small denomination American bills with which he desired to purchase Cuban gold; that this man stated his name was O'BRIEN and he was staying at the Hotel National and his home was in Detroit, Michigan; that he and RUIZ took this man to places known as "Mir" and "Guas", Central Asturiano Building, and "La Dichosa", Obispo and Compostela Streets, where \$11,000.00 in Cuban gold was purchased, and they were paid by O'BRIEN in five and ten dollar bills which he had arranged in packages of \$1000.00 each; that while these transactions were taking place O'BRIEN carried on a conversation about the possibility of taking over the race track in Havana; that a short time later O'BRIEN approached him and asked him to bring RUIZ to a room on the eighth floor of the Hotel National; that this meeting was held and O'BRIEN stated that he was returning to the United States the next day and that as the gold could not be taken into that country he wanted to purchase American currency in large denominations with it; that the three of them went to the National City Bank in Havana, where

an agreement was made for the sale of \$14,000.00 in Cuban gold at a discount; that \$11,000.00 of this amount was delivered at the time and O'BRIEN received one-thousand dollar bills in exchange, and O'BRIEN told the bank officials he would deliver the remaining gold on a contract in a few days; that O'BRIEN stated that he knew a man in the United States who had a large quantity of American Currency he wanted to exchange for large bills, and also had a large sum in American banks, and that he would get in touch with BOLIVAR in the near future; that four or five days later O'BRIEN again contacted he and RUIZ at the Cafe Europa and inquired if \$72,000.00 in small American bills could be exchanged for large bills; that they repaired to a room on the seventh floor of the Hotel Nacional and were there introduced to a man who resembles the photograph of WILLIAM J. HARRISON, and that then O'BRIEN produced a newspaper-wrapped package which he said contained \$72,000.00 in five, ten, and twenty dollar bills and stated he wanted to get large bills for them; that BOLIVAR went to the Chase National Bank in Havana with O'BRIEN and arranged for the sale of this money, and that the money was arranged in packages of \$1000.00 each, which was taken to the bank and O'BRIEN received an unbroken package containing fifty \$1000 bills, several loose \$1000 bills, and the remainder in loose \$500 bills. BOLIVAR believes that he can identify both McDONALD as O'BRIEN and WILLIAM J. HARRISON, as he has identified both of their photos and has expressed his willingness to testify against them.

JOSEPH GARRIDO,  
Head Teller, Chase National Bank,  
Havana, Cuba,

Can testify from credit slip of the bank showing that on September 10, 1934 the bank purchased \$72,000.00 of small bills for which a discount of 1/4 of 1% had been charged; that RENE BOLIVAR came to the bank alone on September 10, 1934 and inquired if the bank would exchange \$72,000.00 in small bills for large bills; that he was told it could be handled and BOLIVAR returned with an American who had a large package containing seventy-two separate packages of mixed bills of \$5, \$10, and \$20 denominations; that he, GARRIDO, turned the entire lot over to Jose Feijoo, Teller, to be counted and while this operation was going on he talked to BOLIVAR and his American companion and the latter stated that he was in Cuba for the purpose of taking over the management of a local race track; that the bills brought in by him, after counted, were found to amount to \$72,000.00 and he was then paid the same amount in \$1000 bills and \$500 bills, less the premium for exchange, amounting to \$144.00. GARRIDO can testify from the bank records that \$50,000.00 of the amount of small bills taken in were sold to the National City Bank, Havana, on September 11, 1934 while the balance was sold on the same date to the Banca Commercial. He has

positively identified a photograph of CASSIUS McDONALD as the person who sold these bills to the bank.

JOSE FELJOO,  
Teller, Chase National Bank,  
Havana, Cuba,

Will testify that he knows RENE BOLIVAR by sight and will corroborate the testimony of GARRIDO as to the exchange of bills above mentioned, and stated that photo of CASSIUS McDONALD resembles BOLIVAR'S American companion, and that he believed he would know this man if he saw him again.

C. F. KLSNER, Sub-Manager,  
National City Bank of New York,  
Havana, Cuba,

Will testify that on September 5, 1934 the bank bought through a broker, Juan Ruiz, \$14,000.00 in Cuban gold at \$1.67 $\frac{1}{2}$ , which was below the market; that when the seller arrived with the gold he approached him and inquired as to how he wished to receive payment and was told that he wanted \$1000 bills; that he observed this man to be an American; 50 years of age; 5 feet, 11 inches in height; grey hair; florid complexion; wearing a panama hat, and was accompanied by RENE BOLIVAR. He will testify that he caused a search to be made of the currency on hand in the bank vault and that this search resulted in the location of five packages containing fifty \$10 bills each, and comparison of the serial numbers thereon with the list of ransom money paid in this case indicated that these bills were ransom money and the bank records indicated that these bills came into the bank on September 6, 1934 in a deposit of the Mercantile Nacional, S.A., and have been in continuous possession of the National City Bank since that time. He will also testify that the exchange records of the bank indicated that \$10,000.00 worth of ten dollar bills were included in a \$40,000.00 exchange item which was received on September 18, 1934 from the Chase National Bank and were counted and strapped on September 21, 1934.

S. K. McKEE, Special Agent,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
426 U. S. Custom House & P. O. Bldg.,  
Cincinnati, Ohio,

Will testify that he made a list of the serial numbers on the bills in the National City Bank which were found to be listed among the bills paid as ransom. He will also testify that he examined \$10,000.00 in ten dollar bills referred to by Mr. Elsner and made a listing of the serial numbers appearing thereon.

GEORGE CARY, Assistant Manager,  
Western Union Cable Office,  
Havana, Cuba,

Can testify from the records of his office that "Fredrico Shadkleford" is the code address of the Shadkleford Motor Company, Havana; that upon receipt of the message under date of January 9, 1935 addressed to CASSIUS McDONALD in care of FREDRICO SHADKLEFORD, signed "ART", telephone communication was had with the Shadkleford Motor Company, at which time the Western Union Company was advised that CASSIUS McDONALD could be located at the Presidente Hotel.

R. A. SIMMS,  
Assistant Cashier, Federal Reserve Bank,  
Atlanta, Georgia,

Can testify from the records of that bank showing shipment of thirteen \$1000 bills, Series 1928, Federal Reserve Notes, to the Federal Reserve Branch Bank, Havana, Cuba. The serial numbers and shipping dates of these bills are listed below:

<u>Serial Number</u>	<u>Date shipped</u>
F 00014261A	5-3-33
F 00022463A	5-26-34
F 00010125A	7-26-30
F 00019257A	3-15-34
F 00014906A	3-3-33
F 00019258A	3-15-34
F 00019531A	3-19-34
F 00022457A	5-26-34
F 00004857A	10-15-31
F 00009887A	7-26-30
F 00020574A	4-7-34
F 00020337A	4-7-34
F 00022464A	5-26-34



T. N. STAPLETON, Special Agent in Charge,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
612 Marine Trust Building,  
Buffalo, New York,

Will testify that he made a list of the serial numbers of ten \$1000 Federal Reserve Notes found in the pocketbook of KATE BARKER at Oklawaha on January 17, 1935, and of the serial numbers of four \$1000 Federal Reserve Notes which were found on the person of FRED BARKER at Oklawaha, Florida, on January 17, 1935. (A comparison of the serial numbers of these bills with the bills referred to by Mr. Bell, revealed that all of them were shipped from the Federal Reserve Bank at Atlanta, to the branch at Havana, Cuba).

It will be noted that a number of the witnesses listed above reside in Havana, Cuba. As no subpoena issued by the United States District Court for the District of Minnesota would be binding on any witness in Cuba, some arrangement will necessarily have to be made with reference to ascertaining whether these witnesses are willing to appear in St. Paul, Minnesota, to testify in this case and that some arrangement may be made to defer the expense incurred by these witnesses in connection with their appearance at St. Paul for the purpose of testifying.

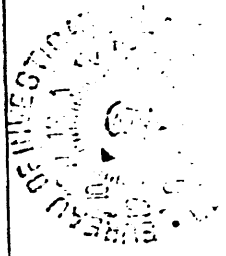
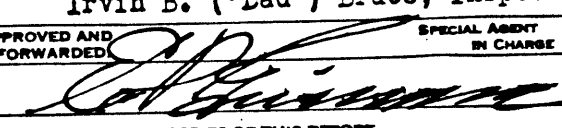
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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1  
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

CINCINNATI, OHIO

FILE NO. 7-5

REPORT MADE AT Denver, Colorado	DATE WHEN MADE 8-8-35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 8-6-35	REPORT MADE BY A. R. GERE TF
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. #2138; WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. #1239; MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O. #2141; ET AL SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT
<p style="text-align: center;"> <i>RECEIVED</i>   </p> <p>Statements of Harry M. McCalip alias Leo Keller to Agents at Salt Lake City on 3-18-30, concerning treatment of Subject Harry Campbell by an osteopath at Colorado Springs, Colo., not based upon fact. Dr. John W. McNeil, the osteopath referred to by McCalip, died 3-2-34 and was a highly respected gentleman. William J. Owens alias Joe Turner, and June Turner alias Bobbie Lee in custody Pueblo, Colo., have no knowledge present whereabouts Subject Harry Campbell but state his former mistress Billie Mae Fitch alias Billie Joe McCormick now practicing prostitution at Kansas City, Mo.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P.</p> <p>REFERENCE: Letters from Salt Lake City Office to E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Ill., dated 3-18 and 3-23-35, respectively. Telegram from Oklahoma City Office dated 8-5-35.</p> <p>DETAILS:</p> <p><u>AT COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO.</u></p> <p>Irvin B. ("Dad") Bruce, Inspector, Police Department, stated he did not</p>			
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know of any doctor or osteopath answering the description given by Harry M. McCalip to the Salt Lake City Office, as shown in letters of reference, but that an osteopathic doctor named McNeil took care of Bobby Corbett, an ex-prize fighter from Fairfax, Oklahoma, about two years ago, and that he was a very religious and highly respected citizen.

From the 1934 City Directory, it was ascertained that Doctor John W. McNeil, aged 75, died on March 2, 1934, and that his widow, Mrs. Alta C. McNeil, formerly operated a beauty shop at 930 West Colorado Avenue, which is between Colorado Springs and Manitou, and about the location referred to by Harry M. McCalip, and later resided at 506 East Pike's Peak Avenue.

At the Post Office, it was ascertained that Mrs. Alta C. McNeil now lives at 724 South Sawatch Street, and at that address Mrs. Alta C. McNeil and her daughter, Miss Parizade Barr, were interviewed, and they stated that in June, 1933, a man, who gave his name as Ray McCloud, and Bobbie Corbett, an ex-prize fighter from Fairfax, Oklahoma, rented an apartment at their residence at 812 West Colorado Avenue; that Ray McCloud left very suddenly about a week later without paying his room rent and left Bobbie Corbett, who was sick, without any money; that after he left, Bobbie Corbett told them Ray McCloud's right name was Ray McClad (phonetic) and that he did not know where he had gone; that Bobbie Corbett was penniless and very sick from blood poisoning, which was caused by a doctor in Oklahoma lancing a carbuncle, and that Dr. McNeil doctored him, saving his life several times, and from the goodness of his heart and generosity kept Bobbie Corbett without pay until October, 1933, when he left for Fairfax, Oklahoma; that at Christmas time, 1934, they next heard from him by a Christmas card signed R. Corbett, 2108 McGowan Avenue, Houston, Texas, stating that he was still in ill health.

They stated that Dr. McNeil did not straighten Ray McCloud's nose and never performed plastic surgery or operations of that nature for any one, and that no one answering the description or resembling the photograph of Subject Harry Campbell had ever been treated by Dr. McNeil; that instead of catering to members of the underworld, Dr. McNeil was an earnest religious worker, conducted religious services at the County Jail every Sunday afternoon, was an official of the church known as the Assembly of God, and was a highly respected doctor at Colorado Springs for many years.

They also stated that Ray McCloud (believed to be informant Harry M. McCalip alias Leo Keller) was about forty-four years of age, height, about five feet eight inches or nine inches; weight, about 140 to 145 pounds, medium build, dark brown hair, medium complexion, had a crooked

nose, but was good looking and had a nice appearance, and that he claimed he was formerly a parachute jumper and automobile racer, and also claimed he had been Bobbie Corbett's manager when he was a prize fighter.

They stated Bobbie Corbett said he was thirty-three years of age, height, about five feet seven or eight inches, weight, about 125 pounds, very thin, dark brown or black hair, dark brown or hazel eyes; very dark complexion; had a flat nose, and claimed to be of Irish race; also that he was on parole from some penitentiary during the time he lived with them at Colorado Springs in 1933; and that at one time he was taken from Colorado Springs to Green Mountain Falls by a friend, who had a prominent scar on his face, and that Bobbie Corbett became very ill while at Green Mountain Falls that day and was brought back to Colorado Springs and then taken to the Crestone Heights Hospital where he remained about a week in July, 1933; that this friend of Bobbie Corbett was from Fairfax, Oklahoma, and was formerly the manager of Bobbie Corbett, and that Nat Leonard, formerly a taxi-driver, of Colorado Springs, might know the name of the friend in question.

Nat C. Leonard, cigar store proprietor, residence 1808 North El Paso Street, stated he had forgotten the name of the former manager of Bobbie Corbett from Fairfax, Oklahoma, but through contacting George Littlestar, an Indian from Fairfax, Oklahoma, now stopping at 2503½ West Colorado Avenue and 2909 West Pikes Peak Avenue it was ascertained that the man in question is named E. C. Quigley, and resides at 1724 or 1734 Northwest, 4th Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

From the records of the Police Department, Identification unit, it was ascertained that Robert L. Corbett, #94437, Sheriff's Office, Los Angeles, California, April 17, 1928, and Los Angeles Police Department, Number 27248, and Los Angeles County Number 89673, age twenty-eight (in 1928), height, five feet eight inches, weight, 150 pounds (1928), occupation, boxer; dark brown hair, hazel eyes; tattoos, RFA, outside, shield, eagle and American flag, on April 10, 1928, with Ed Morris, Number 94438 (notorious Hollywood bootlegger) kidnapped George L. Ohlhausen from his home, bandaged his wrists, ankles and mouth with adhesive tape and took him to an abandoned warehouse in San Fernando Valley, and after holding him prisoner for a day or so they had him write a letter to his wife to raise \$10,000 ransom. He was then re-bound and

and tied up, but succeeded in freeing himself from the bounds and got to a telephone, and Corbett and Morris were arrested on their way back to the warehouse, but at first denied any knowledge of the kidnaping, but the confession of a woman accomplice connected them with it so conclusively that they confessed. On April 19, 1928, Ed Morris pleaded guilty and was sentenced from ten years to life in the San Quentin, California Penitentiary, and on May 4, 1928, Robert L. Corbett received a similar sentence.

The fingerprint classification of Robert L. Corbett was given as,

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No record was found of Harry M. McCalip, alias Ray McCloud, alias Ray McClad in the Identification unit of the Colorado Springs Police Department.

AT PUEBLO, COLORADO

From Everett C. Horne, Detective, Police Department, it was ascertained that on August 2, 1935, William J. Owens, alias Joe Turner, alias J. L. Dodson, and Bobbie Turner (woman) were arrested and held for the Omaha Police Department upon a burglary charge, and later found to be wanted on a murder charge at Shawnee, Oklahoma for the murder of a negro named Hoyt Hughes on November 30, 1933.

The following record was made of William J. Owens:

Pueblo Police Department Number 1625

Fingerprint classification 17 - I 7  
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Laborer, born Oklahoma; age twenty-six on March 16, blue eyes, blond hair, fair complexion, small build, weight, 140 pounds; height 5' 7½", tattoos, shark (Alice, June, Jale), kewpie, heart and scroll.

The following record was made of Bobbie Turner (woman):

Pueblo Police Department Number 1627

Fingerprint classification 5 A 13  
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Residence, Tulsa, Oklahoma, born Stigler, Oklahoma, age twenty-three on August 31, brown eyes, blond hair, fair complexion, slender build, weight, 105 pounds, height, 5' 5½", tattoos, butterfly, heart with word "Glen".

William J. Owens, alias Joe Turner, was interviewed, and he gave his age as twenty-seven, born at Sacron (phonetic) Fox Agency, near Stroud, Oklahoma, on March 16, 1908; has been living with Bobbie Turner off and on for about three years, and she has not had anything to do with Billie Fitch during that time as he has no use for Billie Fitch; that Billie Fitch is not related to Bobbie Turner; that Billie Fitch was a prostitute in Kansas City, Missouri, when he last heard of her over a year ago; that the last he heard of Harry Campbell was when he read in the paper that he and Alvin Karpis shot their way out of some rooming-house; that he knew Harry Campbell at Tulsa, Oklahoma when he (informant) was a kid, but did not know him very well; that about a year ago he was held in jail at El Paso, Texas, three days on a vagrancy charge and was investigated by Special Agent J. Alex. Street, who suspected that he was Harry Campbell, and told him he was being investigated for impersonating a Government officer, and that after sending in his fingerprints he was released; that he was investigated at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma by the Chief of the Auto Theft Department, to prove ownership of his automobile; that he was in the reform school at Granite, Oklahoma for seven months in 1929, for an attempted car theft, and was returned about two months after leaving to serve another five months in 1930, and served seven months in the State Penitentiary at McAllister, Oklahoma in 1930, on an attempted burglary charge, and served another sentence from November 1931 to June 1932, for eating a meal in a farmer's house during the farmer's absence, with another boy; that he has not seen Harry Campbell since he was in the County Jail with him at Tulsa, Oklahoma five or six years ago when Harry Campbell was arrested for high-jacking a night watchman and negro porter, and robbed some oil office, and was released on bond and never appeared for trial; that Harry Campbell stays away from his folks at Tulsa, Oklahoma, and that they never see him; that Harry Campbell was formerly closely associated with Glen Roy Wright, who was sentenced to life imprisonment three years ago for killing a man, and is now in McAllister Penitentiary, but that Harry Campbell split with Glen Roy Wright because the latter would not leave Tulsa, Oklahoma with him; that he has no idea as to whom Harry Campbell might keep in touch with; that Billie Fitch lived with Harry Campbell before he took up with Wynone Burdette, and that Billie Fitch might know something as to his present whereabouts.

The following oral statement was obtained from June Turner, alias Bobbie Lee, alias Bobbie Turner, alias Ruby Marie Wicker:

"I am twenty-three years of age, born on August 31, 1912, at Stigler, Oklahoma. I do not know my father's name. I never knew him. My mother was named Anna Harrington, and she was later married to Patrick Wells and she died in Tulsa, Oklahoma when I was thirteen years old. I was raised by my sister, Mrs. Wilma (Houston) Wicker, at Tulsa, Oklahoma, and I was known as Ruby Marie Wicker, and went to school at Tulsa and Okemah, Oklahoma, and also to a private school at King Fisher, Oklahoma. I have used the name of June Turner and Bobbie Lee. I have a brother, Perry Wells, in the penitentiary at McAllister, Oklahoma. I lived with Glen Roy Wright after he got out of the penitentiary for four or five months, about four years ago, at Tulsa, Oklahoma. Glen Wright was a good friend of Harry Campbell for a long time, but they busted up because Harry Campbell wanted to leave Tulsa, and I do not think they keep in touch with each other since Harry Campbell left Tulsa, and Glen Wright has been returned to the penitentiary at McAllister for life about three years ago.

"I have known Billie Mae Fitch since I was a little girl. She is about twenty-seven years old, and was born in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma and she was married to a Mexican named Molonzo, and they have a little boy, now about six years old, living with her married sister named Bessie, who lives at Broken Arrow, Oklahoma. When Billie Mae Fitch and I were arrested at Tulsa, Oklahoma about four years ago for drinking and investigation I gave my name as Bobbie Lee Turner, and we told the officers we were sisters, and all the officers and everybody there at Tulsa think we are sisters, but we are not related to each other in any way. We were both photographed and fingerprinted at that time.

"I first knew Wynona Burdette when Glen Roy Wright first got out of the penitentiary at McAllister, Oklahoma, and she began to live with Harry Campbell three or four months after that. Harry Campbell was paying her room rent before he began to live with Wynona, but he did not live with her openly until after he quit Billie Mae Fitch about four years ago.

"Billie Mae Fitch was at Kansas City, Missouri, about April or May of this year and was hustling on Charlotte Street. When Bill Owens and I were passing through Kansas City at that time the porter at the Travelers Hotel told me that Billie Mae Fitch had inquired there

for me, but I did not get to see her as Bill Owens does not like her and is opposed to my seeing her. She is living with an Italian, whose first name is Ray, and is a resident of Kansas City. She is well known at the Travelers Hotel and the Strand Hotel. She has been at the State Penitentiary at McAlistier, Oklahoma, and she is about twenty-seven years of age, height, about five feet three and one-half inches, weight, 125 pounds, red hair, light blue eyes, light complexion. She uses the name of Billie Joe McCormick in Kansas City, and is well known at a house of prostitution at 1410 Holmes Street. She and Harry Campbell split up just before she went to the penitentiary at McAlistier, Oklahoma, on a burglary charge."

The Oklahoma City office was advised by telegram on August 7th of the present whereabouts of Billie Mae Fitch, alias Billie Joe McCormick, and requested to furnish information to the Kansas City office, and to request whatever investigation appeared necessary. This was done as the Denver file did not contain any information concerning Billie Fitch or latest contacts with her.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE DENVER OFFICE at Glenwood Springs, Colorado, will ascertain whether Louis Alterie maintained an interest in a ranch at Sweetwater Lake, Colorado, up to the time of his assassination at Chicago in July 1935, as alleged in report of Special Agent John L. Madala, Chicago, Illinois, dated July 12, 1935.

THE KANSAS CITY OFFICE, will take whatever action relative to Billie Fitch which the Oklahoma City office may request.

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# Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box 536  
Los Angeles, California.  
August 8th, 1935.

Mr. Nathan .....  
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Miss Gandy .....

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

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - Fugitive  
I. O. 1218; et al. EDWARD GEORGE  
BREMER - Victim. KIDNAPING

Please refer to your communication of the 26th ultimo, having reference to the above captioned matter.

In accordance with the instructions and authorization contained in letter of reference, I have this day perfected arrangements with the confidential informant (who will, for the purpose of this assignment, use the alias of [REDACTED] to undertake the assignment, looking towards the location and apprehension of the remaining fugitives in instant case. I have provided him with a round-trip ticket from Los Angeles, California, to Chicago, Illinois, routed via Oklahoma City and Kansas City. I have also supplied the Informant with necessary expense money.

The Informant advises me that it is his best judgment that successful results can be obtained by his making a necessary contact at McAlester, Oklahoma, and I have, therefore, included Oklahoma City in the itinerary.

AUG 17 1935 INDEXED

A carbon copy of this communication is going forward under even date and under confidential cover to the Special Agents in Charge at the Oklahoma City, Kansas City and Chicago Bureau Offices.

AUG 12 1935

I have instructed the Informant of the requirement that all information which may be developed by him is to be furnished to the Bureau exclusively; and I have further advised him that it is necessary that he contact the Special Agent in Charge of each of the field offices above mentioned by telephone during the time that he is located in the respective cities. The Informant agrees positively to this requirement and assures me that he will cooperate as requested. I have every confidence that this promise is made sincerely and will be strictly observed.

Director

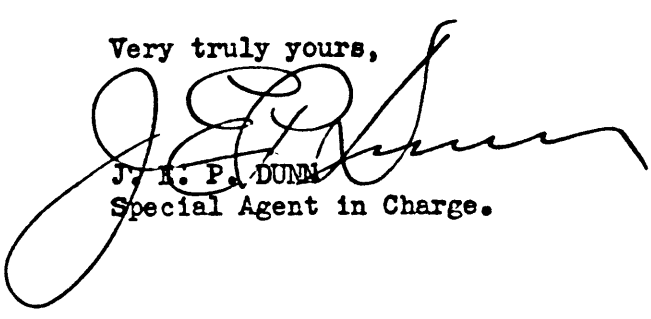
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I have advised the Informant that if, in the course of his trip, he should for any reason require additional finances or any assistance to protect him from law enforcement officers who might obstruct his movements, he should communicate discreetly with the Special Agent in Charge in the city where he is located, or if necessary, with this office by long distance telephone collect, and that every possible assistance will be rendered to him.

I have supplied the Informant with the name of the Agent in Charge, the location of the office and the telephone number with respect to the cities included in the itinerary. In this connection I would suggest to the interested offices that they make arrangements at their offices to receive any telephone calls which may be received from the Informant after regular office hours.

Very truly yours,

  
J. R. P. DUNN  
Special Agent in Charge.

JEPD:HG  
cc Okla. City  
cc Kansas City  
cc Chicago

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August 12, 1935

MEMORANDUM TO SPECIAL AGENT P. J. COTTER

Re: 7-11 0  
ALVIN KARPIS, wa FUGITIVE 0  
I.O. #1218; et al EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM  
KIDNAPING.

In connection with your investigation at Saratoga Springs, New York to locate William E. Meade, there is attached a letter from the Bureau dated August 10, 1935 which is self-explanatory.

The Bureau suggests that C. J. Freed may be identical with Charles Joseph Fitzgerald, alias C. J. Murphy, alias Big Fitz.

You will recall that Fitzgerald is a close friend of members of the Karpis-Barker gang, and has been mentioned on numerous occasions as having been connected with various bank robberies. You should continue your investigation to determine whether Freed is identical with Fitzgerald, and if so, you should immediately contact me by telephone before causing his apprehension in order that I may communicate with the Bureau.

There is no process outstanding for Fitzgerald's arrest, but it is believed that if located the whereabouts of other subjects may be ascertained. It is reported that Fitzgerald is slightly gray and that he is slightly bald.

For your assistance the following photographs are enclosed:

- 1 strip photo of Fitzgerald, Eaton, Murray, O'Conner and Kate Barker.
- 1 strip photo of Moran, Weaver, Gibson, Doyle and Sawyer.
- 1 photograph of William Weaver K-4430.
- 1 photograph of Myrtle Eaton.

During your investigation bear in mind that Moran, Weaver and Eaton are badly wanted.

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T. N. STAPLETON  
Special Agent in Charge

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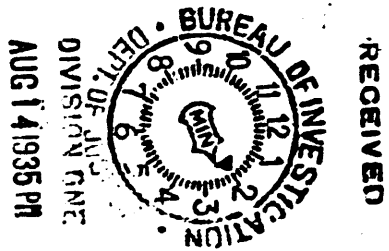
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PHONE EREKID WILLIAM MEADE WITH ALIASES RELIABLY REPORTED LEFT NEW YORK CITY SATURDAY LAST FOR CHICAGO WHERE WILL STAY AT HOTEL ON SHERIDAN ROAD BEARING NAME SHERIDAN PROBABLY SHERIDAN PLAZA OR SHERIDAN BEACH MEADE RESIDED 1533 FARGO AVE CHICAGO 1928 TO 1932 WITH WIFE MARIE MEADE ALIAS CATHERINE MEADE ALIAS KATE SCHMIDT AT ABOVE ADDRESS MEADE USED NAME JOHN J MEADOWS PREVIOUS TELEPHONE NUMBERS HOLLY COURT 1420 AND SHELDRAKE 774 XX 7759 THIS BUILDING STILL OWNED BY MEADE AND WIFE PRESENTLY SUBJECT TO INCOME TAX LIEN IN CHICAGO MAJOR SUMMERS INCOME TAX BUREAU CHICAGO FAMILIAR WITH DETAILS SUMMERS AND CHICAGO P O INSPECTOR ADVISED OF THIS INFORMATION MARIE MEADE BELIEVED STILL RESIDING ABOVE ADDRESS AGE 50 HEIGHT 5 FEET 6 WEIGHT 175 THICK WHITE HAIR LOOKS GERMAN

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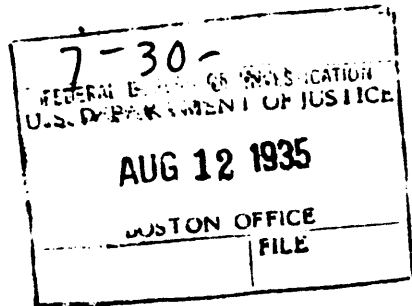
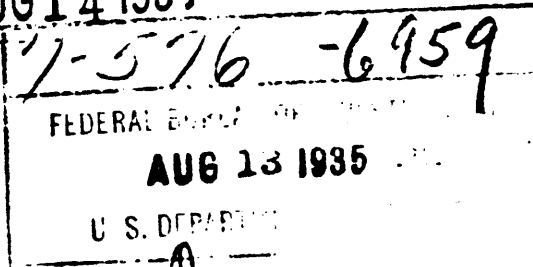
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
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AUGUST 10, 1935.

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to: ST. PAUL

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AND TO UTILIZE AGENT PAULSON ON AGENT'S WORK INDEFINITELY.

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## Laboratory Report

August 9, 1935

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

Number: 7-576-6965

Specimens: A. Original letter to Arthur Barker from his father, dated July 26, 1935, and beginning, "Dear Son:- I am getting alone fairly well...".  
B. Envelope in which above letter was mailed to Arthur Barker, Leavenworth, Kansas, postmarked "Joplin, Missouri, July 26, 1935, 12:30 P. M."  
C. Original letter dated July 26, 1935, beginning "Lloyd Barker #17234 Dear Son:- I received your letter...".  
D. Second page of above letter (Specimen C.) signed Mrs. Dixon.  
E. Envelope in which above letter was mailed to Lloyd Barker, Leavenworth, Kansas, postmarked "Joplin, Missouri, July 26, 1935, 12:30 P. M."  
Examination requested by: Kansas City Bureau Office.

Date received:

8/7/35

Examination requested:

Secret Writing

Result of examination:

Examination by: C. A. Appel

No indications of secret writing were found.

Photographic copies of the original evidence are being transmitted herewith to the Kansas City Bureau office.

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August 10, 1935

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RECORDED Special Agent in Charge,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases-  
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218, et al.;  
EDWARD GEORGE 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 Bureau August 7, 1935.

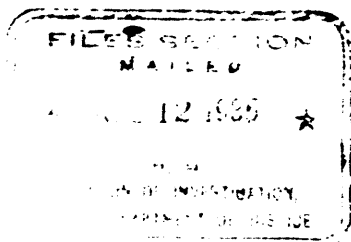
Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

Enclosure: #589881

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St. Paul  
Cincinnati



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~~7-576-6962~~

August 12, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

The Bureau desires that you immediately conduct an interview with Mr. W. A. Little, 207 East King Street, Martinsburg, West Virginia, pursuant to the instructions contained in Bureau letter dated July 16, 1935, it being noted that Mr. Little has reported to the Bureau that he is in possession of information concerning Alvin Karpis and his antecedents.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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August 12, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,  
Portland, Oregon.

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

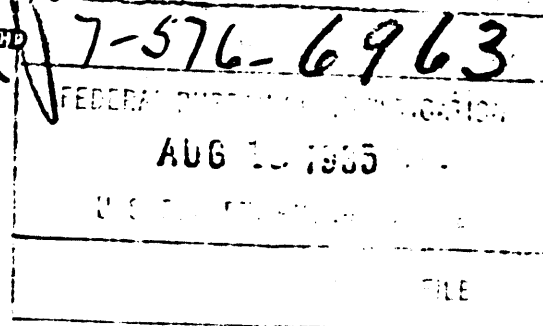
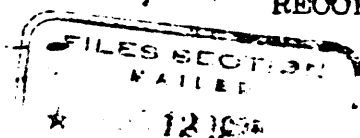
Dear Sir:

The Bureau addressed a letter to Mrs. Sarah Scott, 625 Pleasant Avenue, Bremerton, Washington, under date of July 17, 1935, acknowledging receipt of her letter of July 8, 1935, wherein she furnished information concerning an individual observed by her at Long Beach, California who resembles the photograph of Harry Campbell.

The Bureau desires that Mrs. Scott be interviewed immediately, and a report submitted at the earliest practicable date.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.



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August 12, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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

Dear Sir:

Under date of July 16, 1935 the Bureau addressed a communication to Miss Flossie Perrine, Minnora, West Virginia, acknowledging receipt of her letter dated July 9, 1935 in which she furnished information concerning an individual who resembles the photograph of Harry Campbell.

The Bureau desires that Miss Perrine be interviewed immediately, and a report submitted recording the results of the interview, at the earliest practicable date.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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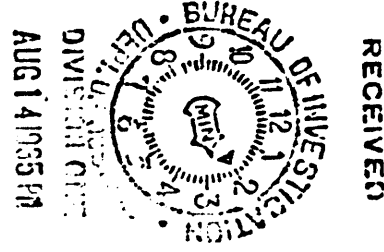
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326½ Post Office Building,  
New Orleans, Louisiana.

August 11, 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; et al;  
Edward George Bremer-Victim;  
Kidnaping; Harboring of Fugitives;  
Obstruction of Justice;  
National Firearms Act.

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting herewith copies of circular letter dated August 8, 1935, forwarded to all banks located within the investigative jurisdiction of the New Orleans Bureau Office in the above entitled case with relation to the fifty \$1000.00 bills issued by the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, Georgia, numbered from F-00022451 A to F-00022500 A, inclusive, believed to have been exchanged for the ransom money in the instant case.

Very truly yours,

*D. W. Magee*  
D. W. Magee,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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# Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

326½ Post Office Building  
New Orleans, Louisiana  
August 8, 1935

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TO ALL BANKERS:

RE: Alvin Karpis, with aliases - Fugitive, I.O. 1218;  
Harry Campbell, with aliases - I.O. 1236;  
William J. Harrison, with aliases - I.O. 1239;  
William Weaver, with aliases, I.O. 1238;  
Edward George Bremer - Victim  
KIDNAPING

Gentlemen:

In connection with the location of subjects in the above entitled case, this office is endeavoring to locate the holders of fifty \$1000.00 bills issued by the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, Georgia, and received in exchange for ransom money.

Investigation by this Bureau has developed facts that it would be reasonable to presume that fifty \$1000.00 bills issued by the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, Georgia, numbered from F-00022451 A to F-00022500 A, were exchanged for the ransom money. The exchange occurred in another city. Three bills, \$1000.00 denomination numbered F-00022457 A and F-0002464 A, have been located, also F-00022463 A.

Information is desired as to the locality in which these bills are being passed, together with names and addresses of the holders of these \$1000.00 bills, so that appropriate investigation may be made which may result in effecting the apprehension of the subjects sought in instant kidnaping case.

I would therefore appreciate information from your bank whether any of these bills passed through your bank or are now held by your bank. In the event you have no record of these particular \$1000.00 bills, kindly arrange to place a "stop" notice on these bills and advise this office immediately of any information you may later receive, either by telephone or telegram, Government rate collect, at the following designated address or telephone number:

Federal Bureau of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
326½ Post Office Building  
New Orleans, Louisiana  
Telephone - Raymond 1965

Your confidential cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

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Very truly yours,

D. W. Magee,  
Special Agent in Charge

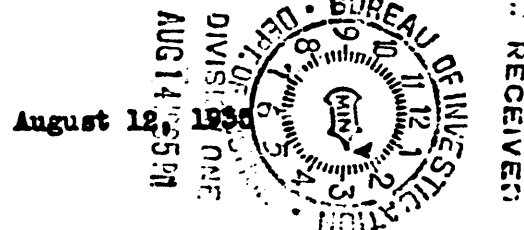
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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 515

Saint Paul, Minnesota



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  
St. Paul File No. 7-30

Reference is made to letter from the Oklahoma City Office to this office under date of August 7, 1935 concerning a \$5.00 ransom note obtained from a Postmaster in Northern Minnesota by Special Agent J. H. Rice.

In the above letter it is noted that Special Agent Rice reimbursed the Postmaster for the \$5.00 note and later blue slipped this item.

In view of the fact that the \$5.00 note has been turned in to the Federal Reserve System for destruction, and as \$5.00 in legal currency was furnished to this office by the Federal Reserve System in lieu of the ransom bill, the Bureau's advice is requested as to what disposition should be made of the \$5.00.

Very truly yours,

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H. E. ANDERSEN  
Special Agent in Charge

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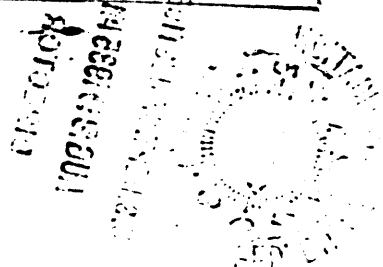
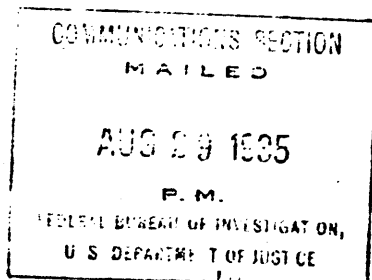
Special Agent in Charge,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of August 12, 1935, you are advised that the Bureau desires that you forward to it, under registered cover, the \$5.00 note that is held at your office, having been received in exchange for a ransom bill obtained from a Postmaster in Northern Minnesota by Special Agent J. H. Rice, for which he was reimbursed by blue slip.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.



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DOMESTIC	FOREIGN
TELEGRAM	FULL RATE CABLE
DAY LETTER	DEFERRED CABLE
NIGHT MESSAGE	NIGHT CABLE
NIGHT LETTER	LETTER
SHIP RADIOGRAM	RADIOGRAM

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

# Postal Telegraph

THE INTERNATIONAL SYSTEM



Commercial Cables All American Cables Mackay Radio

RECEIVER'S NUMBER
CHECK
TIME FILED
STANDARD TIME

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

San Francisco California  
August 9 1935  
WRR:LP 11:45 AM

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J P MacFARLAND  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
U S Department of Justice  
1448 Standard Building  
CINCINNATI OHIO

RE: CALIFORNIA LICENSE SIX Y EIGHT SEVEN FOUR ISSUED JANUARY TWENTY FOURTH LAST  
OWNER BERNARD TWO THREE SIX ONE CERRITOS AVENUE LONG BEACH CALIFORNIA FOR NINETEEN  
THIRTY SEVEN. BEING SEAN MOTOR FIFTEEN THREE SIX ONE LOCAL OWNER O E WESSBERG  
HIGHWAY SEVEN DASH ON AVENUE LONG BEACH CALIFORNIA LONG BEACH ADMIRAL REQUESTED  
AGENCY IN CARS PRESENT WHEREABOUTS

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

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Radio  
Cables

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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof,

which are hereby agreed to

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San Francisco California

August 9, 1935

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J. E. Dunn  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
617 Federal Building  
LOS ANGELES CALIFORNIA

BRAND FORD TWO TELEGRAM RECEIVED FROM CLEVELAND QUOTE DISCREETLY ASCERTAIN IN C R  
NAME AND OWNER C CALIFORNIA LICENSE SIX Y EIGHT SEVEN FOUR ALSO CAR'S PRESENT  
INTERVIEWER DEPENDENT US QUOTE ASCERTAIN ABOVE LICENSE ISSUED JANUARY TWENTY FOUR  
LAST CLEVER B. B. TWO THREE SIX ONE CERRITOS AVENUE LONG BEACH C CALIFORNIA FOR  
MARTIN TWENTY SEVEN MOORE DRIVE MOTOR S FIFTEEN THREE  
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DATE: 12-2-68  
cc-Bureau  
Cincinnati





**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION  
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**SUBJECT: BARKER/KARPIS GANG  
BREMER KIDNAPPING**

**FILE NUMBER: 7-576**

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Director  
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Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N.W.  
Washington, D. C.

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Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE  
I.O. #1218; et al;  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim  
Kidnaping 0

Dear Sir:

In accordance with Bureau letter dated July 27, 1935 there are enclosed herewith copies of a letter written to Miss Wynona Burdette from her sister, Esther, the original of which has been returned to Superintendent John J. Ryan, United States Detention Farm, Milan, Michigan.

Copies of this letter are also being sent to the St. Paul, Chicago, Cincinnati, and Oklahoma City Offices, as instructed.

Very truly yours,

*D. L. Nicholson*  
D. L. Nicholson  
Special Agent in Charge

*Esther Burdette*  
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This envelope is out of your stationery. like it?

Hominy, Okla.

Aug 6, 1935.

Darling Sisters

How you is any how? Did you think I'd Never Write Honey, And how is that little finger? hope it is Well by now. I guess it is thou it has been so long since you hurt it, I didnt realize it had been so long since I heard from you till today. I got your Letter to read it again and it has been over a month, forgive me this time Dear, I hardly get a Chance to Write. in fact I'm Writing on my knee Now. at the Ball Game. Cant you tell and its almost dark they start playing at 8.15 and play till about 11 at nite you know. every nite a double header. We almost had a Family reunion last week. Otis and Mae was in Tulsa at Melbas and stayed a week, and Aaron came too, also Fern & John however I didnt get to see Fern I was there thur's and she came sat. its geting to dark to Write Kid so Will finish in the Morn at Home.

Good Nite Sis dear. xx

Hi - This isnt morning but after Lunch. guess who was here for lunch today Theda Palmer, he said tell you hello.

I think he is going to bring Gwen & I up to see you in Sept if I decide to take Gwen out of school, if not one of the girls maby Eunice Will Come with me. I saw Vunce, you remember him, cont you Honey? the Indian Boy, He said, when you Write to my girl, give her my Best regards, gosh kid, he is as fat - as a pig. Weighs about (200) two hundred lb's.

Yes I'm going to write to that Man you told me about, because if I dont get to stay but (1) hour after coming so far I'll croak. We cant begingto say enough in a hour can we. -

about your things Dear Henson & Kitchen brought the Box, they are certainly nice men or seem to be. Eunice said you spoke about your Furs Honey, the only furs in the box is the Coat you had here last Winter and a little grey Cape. there is a little White satin Dress I am wondering if it is your Wedding dress. I Cant hardly Wait to talk with you. and see you most of all.

We start on our Vacation the 15th that isnt long is it about those pictures you want, I will bring them to you.

Guess I'd better ring off so Gwen can mail this for me. We are taking Ellen L. to Mildreds this eve Jim is staying With Millie now, helping her "can" must get busy - Write soon to

Your Loving Sister

Esther xx

Richard Gwen & Ellen sends their Love to you

P.S.

Gladys Sullivan is married to Orvil Scott

- Pearl & Orlies boy -

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Post Office Box 2118  
Detroit - Michigan  
August 12, 1935

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

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, wa - FUG, I.O. 1218;  
et al; EDWARD G. BREMER - Victim  
Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a letter written  
to Miss Wynona Burdette, an inmate of your institu-  
tion, from her sister, Esther.

This letter has been scrutinized by this  
office very carefully and has been found to contain  
no information of value.

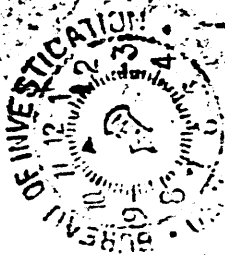
Thanking you for your cooperation in the  
matter, I am

Very truly yours,

D. L. Nicholson  
Special Agent in Charge

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P. O. Box 4807  
Jacksonville, Florida,  
August 12, 1935.

Mrs. E. L. Wade  
219 South Palmetto Ave.,  
Fort Meade, Florida.

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

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your communication  
of August 10, 1935, informing that you have learned through  
spiritual messages that if Agents of the Federal Bureau of  
Investigation will very quietly go to Lansing, Michigan, to  
the West part of that City, they will find an old shack  
without shutters, and you believe therein can be located  
Alvin Karpis.

Please be advised that pursuant to your request  
this matter will be treated as confidential and your name  
will not be disclosed.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt  
Special Agent in Charge.

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**Federal Bureau of Investigation**

**U. S. Department of Justice**

**Post Office Box 4907,  
Jacksonville, Florida.**

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August 12, 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; et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER,  
Victim - KIDNAPING.

Sometime ago there were forwarded to the Bureau in connection with requests from this Office that a study be made of various handwriting, of particular interest to the prosecution at Miami, Florida, a number of hotel registration cards of the El Comodoro Hotel, bearing original signatures of guests, who have been identified as various subjects in this case.

The Bureau in its letter of May 2, 1935, forwarded a Laboratory Report (No. 7-756-5622) concerning certain handwriting in this matter, and it was stated in said report that the original cards would be returned within the next few days, after photostatic copies had been made. It does not appear from an examination of the file in the Jacksonville Office that these cards have been returned and in view of the forthcoming prosecution at Miami, Florida, it is suggested that it might be well to return them for retention in the files at Jacksonville.

It is also suggested that the name of a competent witness to testify regarding this handwriting be supplied the Jacksonville Office, in the event the Special Assistant to the Attorney General who is to prosecute this case should desire to have a subpoena issued for the examiner, or to confer with him prior to the prosecution.

Very truly yours,

R. A. ALT,  
Special Agent in Charge.

Jax # 7-24

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August 21, 1935.

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of August 12, 1935 in connection with the case of Alvin Karpis with aliases, Fugitive, I.O. 1218; et al. Edward George Bremer, Victim - Kidnaping, in which it is requested that the fourteen registration cards of the El Comodoro Hotel, bearing original signatures of guests, be returned.

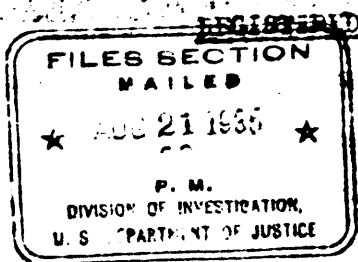
The fourteen hotel registration cards are being returned herewith, photographic copies having been made for the Bureau's files.

You are advised that Mr. S. F. Pickering, handwriting expert in the Technical Laboratory, made the identifications in this instance, and will be available for testimony at the forthcoming trial at Miami, Florida. It is desired that the Bureau be advised as soon as possible as to the date of Mr. Pickering's appearance at Miami.

Very truly yours,

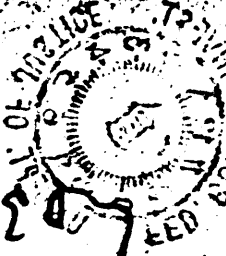
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REFERENCE LETTER STPAUL AUGUST SIXTH FOR UNDERCOVER  
SURVEILLANCE LIMITED TIME AT CRANE LAKE, MINNESOTA  
AS TO THOMAS BROWN, ET AL, SUGGESTS AGENT W J DEVEREAU  
AND L W ARMS CHICAGO REPORT STPAUL SUNDAY AUGUST ELEVENTH  
FOR INSTRUCTIONS AND SURVEILLANCE INDICATED

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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FILE NO. **7-50**

REPORT MADE AT <b>CHARLOTTE, N. C.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>8-14-35</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>8-9-35</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>A. B. LEECH : JTW</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE I.O. 1218</b> <b>DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases I.O. 1232</b> <b>HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases I.O. 1236</b> <b>WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases I.O. 1238</b> <b>WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases I.O. 1239</b> <b>MYRTLE EATON, with aliases I.O. 1241; et al.</b> <b>EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

No information of William E. Meade, at Mt. Gilead, N.C. One C.E. Charles registered at Charleston Hotel, Charleston, S.C., May 15, 1935, there through May 18, 1935. A Mr. and Mrs. William Mead, registered at same hotel April 28, 1935, checked out April 29, 1935. Charles or Mead not remembered at Charleston Hotel. Tracings of signatures taken from hotel register, being forwarded to office of origin.

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**REFERENCE:**

Report of Special Agent A. R. Gere,

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>[Signature]</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES	
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STAT. SECT.**

Denver, Colorado, dated July 30, 1935.

Report of Special Agent Paul M. Plunkett,  
Boston, Mass., dated July 29, 1935.

DETAILS:

AT CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA

Agent interviewed E. Sottile, Manager Charleston Hotel, who stated that he does not remember any one by the name of Charles being at the hotel during the past six months. The picture of William E. Meade, with aliases, was displayed to Mr. Sottile, who stated that the face looks like someone that he has seen before, but that he could not place this man. Mr. Sottile allowed this Agent to make a thorough check of his register for the months of March, April and May. These records reflect that on May 15, 1935, one C. E. Charles, registered at the hotel from "Savannah", staying there through the eighteenth of May.

The records also reflect that on April 28, 1935, a Mr. and Mrs. William Mead, registered at the hotel from Schenectady, New York. These people were at the hotel one night only. Mr. Sottile further stated that he does not remember that anyone received mail or maps under the name of Charles or Meade.

Mr. W. J. Hanlan, Assistant Manager of the hotel, was also interviewed relative to instant matter. Mr. Hanlan stated that he does not remember Charles or Mead, and apparently there was nothing unusual about their visit to the hotel or he would have remembered the people. A picture of William E. Meade, was displayed to Mr. Hanlan, who stated that so far as he could remember he had never seen the man before.

Agent next interviewed W. F. Stocker, Clerk, who stated that he did not remember Charles or Meade. Mr. Stocker was unable to identify the picture of Meade.

The register was searched under all the names used by Meade, and the above mentioned names were the only ones found. Neither Charles nor Mead left any forwarding address.

The signatures of C. E. Charles and Mr. and Mrs.

William Mead were traced from the register and are being forwarded to the office of origin for possible comparison in handwriting.

The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent W. A. Collier, Jr.

**AT MOUNT GILEAD, NORTH CAROLINA**

Charlie Stalder, located at Stalders Cafe, Mount Gilead, North Carolina, advises that he has been looking for a man whom he thinks is going about the country writing bad checks, and that he (Stalder) has written to several Police Departments concerning people that he has read in newspapers about. Among the letters written by Stalder was one written to the Northhampton, Massachusetts Police asking for a picture and description of G. E. Carter, whom he had read about in the newspapers.

Mr. Stalder furnishes the following description of the man he is looking for who is obviously not Meade:

Name	Charles V. Frederick
Age	46 Years
Weight	245 pounds
Height	6' 5"
Hair	Blonde
Peculiarities	Shoulders slightly stooped
Occupation	Baker (was working for bakery in Raleigh, North Carolina until May 30, 1935.)

REFERRED UPON COMPLETION TO THE OFFICE OF ORIGIN.

Federal Bureau of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
827 Broad Street National Bank Building  
Trenton New Jersey

August 13, 1935

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

In re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
FUGITIVE - I. O. #1218 et al.  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM  
KIDNAPING. FILE 7-4

Dear Sir:

The Newark, New Jersey Police Department has advised that they do not have on file a wanted notice on Charles J. Fitzgerald but stated that if it were possible to have his fingerprint classification or some other additional information beside his name such a notice would be placed immediately.

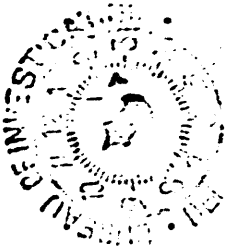
It is therefore kindly requested that this office be furnished with sufficient data as to Charles J. Fitzgerald, Bureau Number 95780, in order that an appropriate wanted notice may be placed at the Newark, New Jersey Police Department.

Very truly yours,

*W. L. Listerman*  
W. L. LISTERMAN  
Special Agent in Charge

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August 25, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,  
Trenton, New Jersey.

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

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the request contained in your letter of August 15, 1935, there is transmitted herewith a temporary wanted notice prepared by the Bureau on CHARLES J. FITZGERALD, Bureau No. 55780, who is wanted for questioning in connection with the above entitled case. The wanted notice should be placed in the files of the Identification Bureau of the Newark, New Jersey Police Department.

Very truly yours,

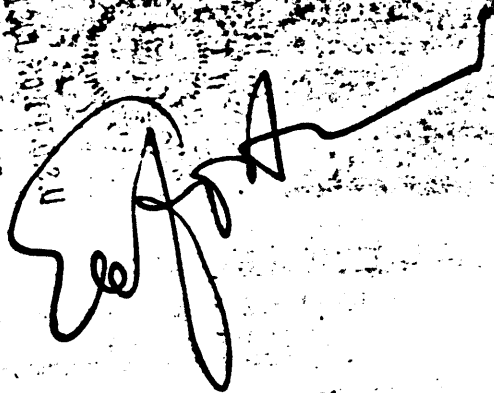
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PAST MONTH. NOTHING TO INDICATE FITZGERALD THERE AS YET. SURVEILLANCE  
BEING ARRANGED. REQUEST AUTHORITY PLACE TELEPHONE TAP BELLE BORN,  
RURAL ROUTE 1, MANKATO. REQUEST AUTHORITY USE SPECIAL AGENT A  
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AUGUST 18, 1935.

To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to: ST. PAUL

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AND TO UTILIZE AGENT PARLSON ON AGENT'S WORK INDEFINITELY.

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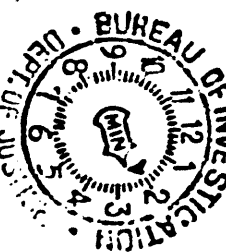
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U. S. Department of Justice

503-A U.S. Court House & P.O. Bldg.  
Salt Lake City, Utah  
August 11, 1935

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ANSWERED

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.C. 1212, et al;  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Vic.  
Kidnaping.  
S.L. File 7-27

Dear Sir:

The Salt Lake City Bureau office has approximately one thousand surplus copies of ransom lists covering the ransom money paid in the above captioned case; complete circularization having been previously made.

The Bureau is requested to advise what disposition should be made of these surplus copies.

Very truly yours,

*Louis D. Wine*

LOUIS D. WINE

Acting Special Agent in Charge

LDW:MRB

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August 21, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,  
Salt Lake City, Utah.

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

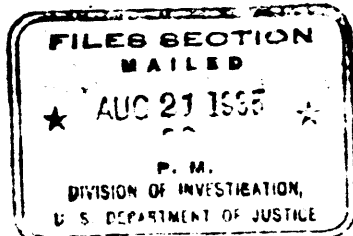
Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter dated August 11,  
1935, requesting advice as to what disposition should  
be made of the surplus supply of ransom lists issued  
by the Bureau in connection with the above entitled  
case, you are instructed to keep this surplus supply  
on hand until the investigation of the above entitled  
case has been completed.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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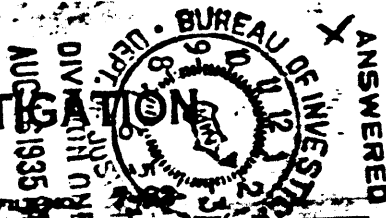


# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CINCINNATI, OHIO**

Chicago Field Office



REPORT MADE AT <b>CHICAGO, ILL.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>Aug. 14, 1935</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>8/9-12-15/1935</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>J. L. MADALA</b>	FILE NO. <b>JEM:JMS</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218 DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1258 HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1239; WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O. 1238 WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1259 MYRTLE RATON with aliases, I.O. 1241 et al Edward George Bremer, Victim</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT</b>	
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: [redacted] furnished information in a signed statement that Harry Sawyer in company with Fred Goetz visited Elmer Farmer's home at Bensenville, Illinois during period of victim Bremer's captivity. Also advised that she saw him again two or three days later at Elmer's Tavern in Bensenville in company of Byron Bolton and Elmer Farmer. She subsequently secured identification through conversation with Elmer and Jim [redacted] verified her identification of Sawyer.				
DETAILS: Confidential informant [redacted] advised the writer on August 9, 1935 that Harry Sawyer was in Bensenville, Illinois during the time victim Bremer was held captive at Harold Allderton's home. She stated however that she did not know Sawyer's true identity at that time, but immediately recognized him when she saw him and his wife Gladys in the Ramsey County Jail at St. Paul, Minnesota. Inasmuch as this identification will be valuable evidence against Sawyer at his coming trial at St. Paul it was deemed advisable to obtain a signed statement from her concerning same. [redacted] agreed to sign such a statement, which is as follows: "1900 Bankers Bldg. Chicago, Illinois. August 13, 1935. I, [redacted] do hereby make the following signed statement voluntarily and without any inducement, rewards or promises to John L. Madala, whom I know to be a Special Agent DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES				
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>[Signature]</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE		7-576-6977 AUG 16 1935 AUG 21 1935	
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of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice.

I am 24 years of age and presently reside [REDACTED]

I knew Fred Goetz as George Zeigler for approximately 7 years. He was a good friend of Elmer Farmer, and for many years George resided at the Raymond Hotel in Bensenville, which hotel was owned and operated by Elmer. George came to our home in Bensenville quite frequently. [REDACTED]

I distinctly recall the period when Bremer was held a kidnaped victim at Harold Alderton's home in Bensenville, although at that time I had no knowledge whatever concerning this kidnaping. On one occasion during this period George Zeigler came to our home [REDACTED] in the company of a heavy set man whom I know now as Harry Sawyer. They remained for about 15 or 20 minutes [REDACTED] and when he didn't put in an appearance they left stating that they would go to the "joint" to see if [REDACTED] was there. George always referred to Elmer's Tavern as the "joint". I had very little conversation with Sawyer and I wish to state that this was the first time I had ever seen him.

Possible two or three days later I had occasion to go to Elmer's Tavern, which was located only [REDACTED] and while there I noticed Harry Sawyer in the place talking with Elmer Farmer. Byron Bolton, whom I knew at that time as Monty Carter was also in the place, but I did not observe him talking with either Farmer or Sawyer at this time.

As stated above I did not know this man to be Harry Sawyer until I saw him at the Ramsey County jail in St. Paul, Minnesota, during May of this year. On this occasion I was visiting Elmer Farmer and while talking to him both Elmer and I observed Harry Sawyer and his wife Gladys pass us. I asked Elmer whether he recognized Sawyer and he replied that he did, and indicated that he saw him previously at the jail but did not show any apparent sign of recognition for the reason that he did not want the Government agents to know that he was acquainted with him.

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I also wish to state that shortly after the trial at St. Paul, Minnesota, Jim Farmer casually mentioned [redacted] when talking about Harry Sawyer and others connected with the Bremer kidnaping case, that Sawyer was in Bensenville on several occasions during the time Mr. Bremer was held captive there. We had no further discussion concerning this individual at this time.

I am willing to testify as to the above and identify Harry Sawyer in the court room when and if called upon to do so and swear that the information as set out above is true and correct.

WITNESS:

[redacted] (signed)  
J.L. Madala,  
Special Agent  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
U.S. Department of Justice  
Chicago, Illinois."

Copies of this statement are being retained in the Chicago Bureau office files.

It is very important that extreme caution be exercised not to divulge the source of this information when questioning individuals in connection with this case, as such action might impair the usefulness of this person as an informant.

[redacted] stated that immediately after she talked with Agent concerning Harry Sawyer, she wrote a letter to Elmer Farmer at the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth and among other things inquired of him whether "S" (meaning Harry Sawyer) was in Bensenville, Illinois during the "time" (meaning the time Bremer was held). She stated that her reason for writing to Elmer Farmer in this regard was to verify her belief that Sawyer was in fact at Bensenville during the period in question, as she did not want to swear to anything that she was not entirely certain of.

Subsequent to signing the above statement [redacted] advised that she received a reply from Elmer Farmer that day, and in response to her question as above mentioned, he replied in the affirmative.

She further stated that it is her opinion that Jim Farmer will likewise identify Sawyer as being in Bensenville, Illinois during this period; that is, if he can be made to believe that any information which he may supply in this connection will assist Elmer Farmer in some way. It might be stated that this office contemplates bringing Jim Farmer and Michael O'Connor to the Chicago Bureau office in the near future, for further questioning relative to the activities of the Barker-Karpis mob in Bensenville, Illinois. Michael O'Connor who formerly worked as a bartender for Elmer and Jim Farmer was previously interviewed by Agents of this office without obtaining any information of value.

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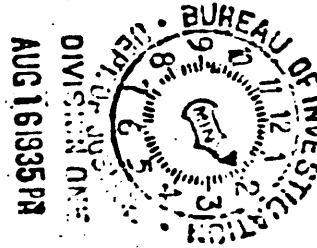
**Division of Investigation**

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Post Office Box 2118

Detroit - Michigan

August 14, 1935



ANSWERED

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 0.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with Bureau letter dated July 27, 1935, there are enclosed herewith copies of a letter written by Wynona Burdette to Mrs. Clyde R. Jones, the original of which has been returned to Superintendent John J. Ryan, U. S. Detention Farm, Milan, Michigan.

Copies of this letter are also being sent to the St. Paul, Chicago, Cincinnati, and Oklahoma City Offices, as instructed.

Very truly yours,

*D. L. Nicholson*

D. L. Nicholson  
Special Agent in Charge

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Milan Mich.

Box 1000.

August 12, 1935.

My Darling Sister and Nieces:-

Guess I will scribble a few lines to see what is the matter. Why haven't you answered my letter's? Are you or the babies ill. I want so bad to hear, I didn't get a letter from any body last month, I was worried blue, but the 6th of this month I received one from Eunice. I get so sick when I don't hear from any one. I try to get all my letter's out to you, Essie, Art, and Eunice, you 4 kids are the only one's I can hear from and write to, so that's bad, Honey, girl, you don't know how I worry about you and those sweet babies - living so close to Bird Creek and every thing, honestly I just get sick all over.

Is Jimmie with you now? Eunice said in her letter that she was coming down from Panca to stay a while with you. bless her Old sweet heart. I would love to hear from her too. If she is there, you kids kiss each other and the babies for me. Please. Who is she going with? Is she going with Mr. Raffenspurger? I hope she is because he is a very nice fellow, And Im betting on Jim. As good looking as she is why doesn't she get what she goes after. And you too, doll, you're just as good looking even tho' they say you & I look alike, no kidding they would make a good pair, Oh I forgot, maybe she is still going with Huff.

Honey, you may think I'm going crazy but I have got to have something to write about and there simply is not a thing in here to mention.

Have you heard from Art lately? or has Esther and R. D. been down? Just any news will do, I just got through writing to Essie, and I answered Eunice's letter while I was at it.

Oh! Jiminy, I came near forgetting, when have you seen Mr. Hansen? Eunice told me he came out to see you quite often. Does he ever say anything about me? "Much".

Eunice said you were canning black berries gee I'd love to be there, you know, some of that good old cobbler. hum, hum, I can just taste it. and some of those good old hot biscuits. Oh! baby!

We had corn on the cob yesterday and boy did it taste good, After a steady diet of stew and beans We really appreciated it.

Do the kids still sing? Tell them to practice and get real good because some day I will be home and they can play and sing for me. "What a day of rejoicing that will be". Oh, Honey. Would I ever love to see all of you.

Millie, Dear, Write me just a few lines if it's only to say that every thing is all right, That's the only thing that matter's. Please do this little thing for your baby sis, "Will, ye, huh".

Was Aaron to see you while he was in Tulsa? gee I'd love to see him and hear him sing & Preach. Well Darling I just cant think of another thing to say so will close for this time. So write real soon.

Yours loving baby sis and Aunty.

Loads and oodles of love. Answer

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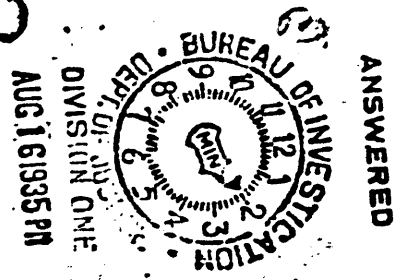
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To my little stink weed's of garlic.

Milan Mich.

Box 1000.

August 11, 1935

Darling Sister and Nieces:-

What in the world is the matter? Is something wrong? This is the second time I have written you, And have received no answer.

How are all of you? Is Ellen still with you? And how is she and Gwen getting along?

Had a letter from Eunice this month and was I ever glad to hear from her. She wrote a very sweet letter. Honey, Eunice ask me to have you have some of those pictures made of me like the one you showed her, And give to the other girls. Her letter was simply too sweet for word's.

Well, guess I'll start in again, had to stop and eat, I write a few lines and then have to stop to work or eat. sometime I wait until I go in my cell at night, but I just get interested and it's time for the light's to go out, so I'm just grabing while I can.

Essie I simply do not know what to write, as I have said before It is really a job.

Have you learned - "Old Fathful" yet?

I would sure love to hear you kids get harmony on that. It's a beautiful piece of music.

Are you still planing on coming up here to see me? Honey, if you're coming by auto, Why don't the kids chip in and come with you. I think they ought to be able to put in and take a trip.

Who is Jim going with now? Eunice said Ruth had gone back to - It - And that he was working for the Yellow Cab Co. Poor little Ruth I wonder about her often, just wondering is she eat's regular. And too, I dont think if I were her I would live with a bozo like him and take the knocks she has had to take. I really don't hate the man, - but I rather dislike him. HA, HA, lot of nerve I have to be giving other people advice. Does Ruth still play the Cello? If so, why doesn't she go with Art & the Kids? I wonder.

Gee, I'd love to be there going in to Hominy with you next Saturday. Remember when we used to go in. And I would sit in the car and watch you buy groceries. Or I would go in with you. Golly, I can close my eyes and see us driving along that road between the high-way and Camp. Those good old Osage hills are my weakness, and no foolin.

Esther one of the -G- Men, Mr. Muzzey, was here the other day and he told me my clothes had been sent to you from Florida. I was wondering if you have received the one's from down stairs yet. They called up one day and said we had to send out bag's home so I gave them your address and had them all sent to you, Would you mind making a list of the thing's so I could check it over and let you know which one's I would like you to keep for me? Honey, make separate list's of the thing's sent from here and the one's sent from Florida. Please because there are a few thing's I would like to have, then I will have something to wear when I get out.

We had a swell dinner yesterday, yellow bantam corn on the cob and was it ever good! First corn we have had since I came in, I ate 2 big ears, could had more but I gave my other's to Dolores, She really is crazy about it. Dolores

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is a sweet kid, We get along pretty good to have to be so close all the time. She got a bunch of pictures of her baby the other day, from her Mother and Father in law. And he is the sweetest little Papoose, Fat, golly, he's a fat little tyke. If he was a girl I would say he remind's me of Ellen when she was a tiny baby.

Remember how fat she was and sweet? Gosh! little babies are getting to be, big little babe's now day's, HA. And how!

Tell Ellen to send her Aunty a picture of her self. And Im still looking for those pictures from you to. tell Gwen her Old Aunt Nonie said that was a sweet folder she sent me. I Sure would love to see all of you and know how you are making out.

Do you ever see Hy? I wrote to him when I was in St. Paul but he didn't answer so I just politely took his name off my writing list and put Eunice's in it's place. I will not waste my time on no one man again regardless who he is, I have no time for them what so ever. Altho Im in the Penetentiary Im still as independent as ever.

Guess I will alway's be, Well honey I can't think of another thing to say so guess I'll close, Write me and tell me all the new's.

bye, bye, Your loving baby sis Wynona.

Give kiddies my love to, answer real soon.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice  
Post Office Box 2118  
Detroit - Michigan  
August 14, 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.

Dear Sir:

With reference to Bureau letter dated August 10, 1935, enclosed herewith is report on Roentgen examination made by Dr. William A. Evans and Dr. Lawrence Reynolds of the unidentified body recovered from the Detroit River. Copies of this report are being forwarded to the Chicago and Cincinnati Offices.

It will be noted that the case number given on the report is 2835 whereas, in fact, the number given to the unidentified body at the Wayne County Morgue is 2653. Dr. Reynolds informed that the number 2835 was inadvertently placed on the report and on the X-ray films, whereas it should have been 2653.

The X-ray films taken by Drs. Evans and Reynolds are being transmitted to the Chicago Office, under separate cover, with the suggestion that they be exhibited to Dr. C. J. Carlin and Dr. F. J. Chmelik who, as indicated in report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, dated 6-21-35 at Chicago, Illinois (pages 23 and 24), examined Dr. Joseph P. Moran, X-rays being taken, at the time he was incarcerated in the State Penitentiary at Joliet, Illinois, in order to obtain their conclusions as to whether or not the X-ray films in any way may be identical with those taken at that time. The Chicago Office is further requested to transmit the X-ray films to the Bureau after they have been examined by Drs. Carlin and Chmelik and their report secured.

Before conducting the X-ray examination, Dr. Reynolds was specifically requested to make same with the medical history of Dr. Joseph P. Moran obtained November 17, 1928, which is as follows:

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"Myocarditis - heart poor - lungs good. Bullet wound - left leg. Bullet wound - right leg. Three ribs fractured left side. Fractured left tibia. Three fingers fractures right hand. Bullet wound in chest. Age - 32. Weight - 137 pounds."

Very truly yours

*D. L. Nicholson*

D. L. Nicholson  
Special Agent in Charge

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REPORT ON ROENTGEN EXAMINATIONS

Dept. of  
Justice

County Morgue Case #2555

AT THE REQUEST OF

Mr. A. A. Muzzey

8-12-35: Films taken of the body at the Morgue with the portable bedside unit show the changes in the soft tissues of the chest incident to the decomposition. There is no evidence of any fracture of the ribs. Apparently, from the fact that the lungs are partially inflated, the body must have been thrown into the river after death. There is no evidence of any metallic foreign body within the lung fields.

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An additional study was made of the right and left legs and there is no evidence of a fracture of either tibia or fibula, either old or recent.

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CONCLUSIONS: From the roentgen examination of the chest and legs, we would judge this body to be that of a man about 40 years of age. There is no evidence of any fracture of the ribs or metallic foreign body within the chest, although the lungs are air-containing and the person must have been killed before being thrown into the river. There is no evidence of fracture of the legs.

DRS. EVANS AND REYNOLDS, By

By

L. Reynolds

REPORT ON ROENTGEN EXAMINATIONS

of

County Morgue Case #2653

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DRS. EVANS AND REYNOLDS,

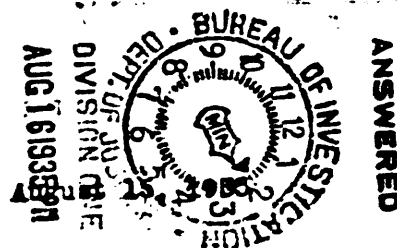
(Signed) by L. REYNOLDS

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Washington, D. C.

ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUG.  
I. O. #1218, ET AL.  
Edward George Bremer - Victim  
KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

Reference is had to your letters of July 16, 1935 and August 12, 1935 informing that Mr. M. A. Little of 207 East King Street, Martinsburg, West Virginia, is in possession of information concerning ALVIN KARPIS and his antecedents.

Please be advised that Mr. Little has been interviewed on the subject and that a report will reach the Bureau in the near future.

Very truly yours,

*C. K. Fierstone*  
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Special Agent in Charge

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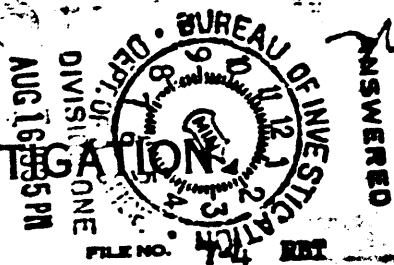
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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION



Form No. 1  
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Cincinnati, Ohio**

REPORT MADE AT <b>Trenton, N. J.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>8-15-35</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>8-13-35</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>J. E. Clegg</b>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE I. O. 1218: et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING, etc.</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Police Department at Atlantic City, New Jersey did not make thorough examination of various numbers on subject's car. License plate number and serial number checked but original notes destroyed. Thorough examination of various numbers made by Special Agent Karpis and Campbell not present at Garage when car stored. One of them requested bell hop to have garage man call for car which was done.

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**REFERENCE:**

Letter from Jacksonville office dated August 2, 1935.  
Letter from Philadelphia office dated August 8, 1935.  
Report of Special Agent J. E. Sharp dated at Philadelphia February 5, 1935.

**DETAILS:**

**AT ATLANTIC CITY, NEW JERSEY**

Agent interviewed Detective Edward J. Mulhern, Police Department who advised that he was one of the Detectives who went to the Coast Garage and saw the Buick sedan in question; that no thorough examination of the car was made other than noting the car was a black Buick sedan with Florida license plates; that he noted the license plate number was the same as

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given in the teletype message which advised occupants were wanted by the police; and that he does not remember this number, but could read his report and refresh his memory, then recall it.

Detective George Brennan, Police Department, advised that he only saw the Buick in the Coast Garage and made no examination of any of the numbers.

Detective Arch Witham, Police Department, advised that he saw the Buick sedan in Question at the Coast Garage; that he noted it bore the same Florida license plate number as that given in the teletype, which requested that subjects be apprehended; that he does not remember this number; that the car was later removed to the Police Department by a public towing concern; that he then checked the serial number of the car but he had no original notes as to this number and can not remember it now. Mr. Witham further stated that the local Police Department did not make a thorough examination of the various numbers but that one of the Agents of this Bureau did make a thorough examination of same, but he could not remember the Agent's name. On page 22 of reference report is recorded the fact that Special Agent H. O. Schroeder rechecked the motor number to verify it as being 42949155.

Special Agent J. R. Sharp, author of reference report could possibly advise the name of the Special Agent who made the original examination.

Agent contacted Daniel Young, Dammore Hotel, who advised that Owen Roberts, bell hop, delivered a pint of whiskey to the room occupied by Karpis and Campbell and that one of them asked the name of a garage nearby and Roberts suggested the Coast Garage; that one of subjects told Roberts to have the car stored there; and that he (Young) called the garage by telephone and an attendant later called for the car which was parked in front of the hotel, with the keys in it.

Owen Roberts, bell hop, Dammore Hotel, advised that one of the men in room 403 who were identified as Karpis and Campbell, requested him to recommend a nearby garage; that he suggested the Coast Garage and this man told him to have his car stored there; that he gave this information to Mr. Young who called the garage; and that James Smoot came and got the car.

Agent questioned Roberts in detail as to the identity of the person who requested him to have the car stored and he stated that he could not remember which one of the men gave him this order.

James Smoot, attendant at the Coast Garage, advised that he went to the Danmore Hotel and stored the Buick car at the request of Mr. Young, manager. That he did not see anyone that night other than Owen Roberts, bell hop; that Karpis or Campbell never went to the garage in connection with the storage of this car; and that the garage only took down the license plate number of the car and the name of the Hotel where the owner was staying. He further stated that he was the only person on duty at the garage that night.

Smoot further advised that Federal Agents showed him pictures of subjects but that he never saw them other than the time when they stole the automobile and that it was so dark and he was so far away from them that he did not get a good look at them. He was therefore unable to identify the photographs.

The copy of the report of Special Agent J. B. Sharp, dated at Philadelphia 2-5-35 is returned herewith to the Philadelphia Office.

For the information of the Jacksonville and other interested offices, it may be stated that Special Agent B. F. Meekins, now assigned to the Trenton Bureau Office, inspected thoroughly Karpis' Buick automobile at the Coast Garage in Atlantic City, New Jersey, on or about January 20, 1935, and, according to Agent Meekins, he made notes of his investigation and turned them over to Special Agent J. B. Sharp, and it is presumed that these notes are presently in the Philadelphia Bureau Office files; a lead is set out in this report for the Philadelphia office to verify this.

UNDEVELOPED LEAD:

PHILADELPHIA OFFICE AT PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Will immediately ascertain whether the files of the Philadelphia office in this case contain the original notes made by Special Agent B. F. Meekins at Atlantic City, N. J. on or about January 20, 1935 with reference to his examination of Karpis' Buick automobile. The Jacksonville Bureau Office should be immediately advised as to whether these notes are on file.

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August 13, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. EDWARDS

For publication on the cover of the next Fugitive Bulletin, there are being transmitted herewith a photograph of Harry Campbell, #1646 of the Police Department, Tulsa, Oklahoma and a strip of snapshot pictures of Campbell. It is desired that the Tulsa Police Department photograph and the snapshot picture appearing on the right end of the strip be used on the cover of the Fugitive Bulletin.

The following remarks should be included on the cover of the bulletin beneath the photograph:

Harry Campbell 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 Campbell and others with the kidnaping. Campbell is the subject of Identification Order #1236 issued by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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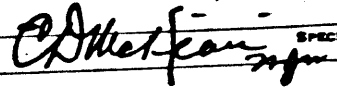
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BOSTON, MASS.	8/15/35	8/8/35	H. A. MARTIN		
TITLE			CHARACTER OF CASE		
ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with als., I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with als., I.O. 1236; WILLIAM WEAVER, with als., I.O. 1238; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with als., I.O. 1239; JEWELL EATON, with als., I.O. 1241; et al. SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.			KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.		
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:			William E. Meade as C. E. Carter endeavored to obtain estimate on plans for building a house from Mr. L. S. Wood, 135 Union St., Springfield, Mass.; did not endeavor to induce Mr. Wood to enter into any sort of scheme with the apparent intention of defrauding. Suit instituted by Atty. James P. Mahoney, represented by Atty. Irving Fein of Springfield against the officers of the Northampton Police Dept. for recovery of Meade's automobile. Auto now in possession of postal inspectors. Meade did not contact Forest E. Atwood of Worcester, Mass.. <p style="text-align: center;">- P -</p>		
REFERENCE:			Report of SA Paul M. Plunkett dated at Boston, Mass., 7/20/35.		
DETAILS:			It will be noted in the report of reference that in the billfold taken from William E. Meade by the Northampton Police Department at the time of his arrest, there were two typewritten lists containing names of various contractors in Massachusetts. There was contained on these lists the name of Mr. S. L. Wood, 135 Union Street, Springfield, Massachusetts.		
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At 135 Union Street, Springfield, Massachusetts, agent interviewed Mr. L. S. Wood, contractor, whose offices are located at that address. Mr. Wood identified the picture of Meade as being one E. J. Carter who approached him about the 5th of July asking him to make an estimate on the cost of construction of a house, the plans of which he left with Mr. Wood. Mr. Wood stated that the plans were for a two-story two family brick veneer dwelling and that he noted at the outset that the lower right hand corner of each drawing where the name of the architect drawing such plans is usually found had been completely cut away from each of the drawings submitted and that there was no indication on any of the drawings of the architect responsible for them. He states that Meade returned the following Friday which would have been July 12th, but was informed that the estimate was not ready. Meade stated at this time that he would return later bringing with him his client. Mr. Wood stated that he has not seen Meade since that time. He states further that Meade had not made any proposition of any kind and had never asked that any checks be cashed or in any other way endeavored to obtain money. He assured agent that in the event Mr. Meade again called at his office he would immediately communicate with the Boston Bureau office.

At Northampton, Massachusetts, agent interviewed Sergeant H. J. Kelley, who stated that a suit had been instituted against himself and Chief Bartholomew Bresnahan by Attorney James P. Mahoney of Springfield in the Superior Court of Springfield for the return of the car involved in this case. He stated that Attorney Irving Fain of Springfield, Massachusetts was representing Mahoney in this matter. Sergeant Kelley stated that this suit was brought by Attorney Mahoney as the owner of the said car and apparently Meade had transferred his title thereon to Attorney Mahoney.

He stated further that the Post Office Inspectors had taken possession of the instant car, stating that they had a lien upon all property of Meade's as a result of the case involving Meade in Florida. Sergeant Kelley stated that he did not know the whereabouts of the car at the present time.

At Springfield, Massachusetts agent examined the records of the Superior Court of Springfield but could find no record of the filing of a civil case against Bresnahan and Kelley by Attorney Mahoney but was informed by the Deputy Clerk of the said court that no filing was necessary in this case until the opening of the court which would be the first Monday in September.

Agent endeavored to locate Attorney Mahoney to ascertain his exact interest in the car but was informed that both he and the attorney representing him in this case were absent on a vacation traveling in Europe and would return in about one month's time.

It should be noted that on the list of contractors contained

in the billfold of Meade mentioned above the name of Atwood Foust of 91 Foster Street, Worcester, was contained. At 91 Foster Street, Worcester, agent learned that the contractor concerned is Forest E. Atwood. Mr. Atwood was contacted by telephone at his home at 14 Laurel Street, Worcester and stated that subject Meade had not contacted him in any manner whatsoever but that in the event that he should be would immediately communicate with this office.

An attempt was made to contact the remainder of the Worcester contractors whose names appeared upon the above mentioned list but agent was unable to locate any one of them at their offices.

UNDEVELOPED LEAD: THE BOSTON OFFICE will continue to carry out the leads set forth in the report of reference.

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AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Boston, Massachusetts.

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 KATON, with aliases, I.O.  
1241; et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.  
KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF  
JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

In reference to your teletype dated August 12, 1935, contain-  
ing information that William Elmer Meade is reported to have left New  
York City Saturday for Chicago, Illinois and intended to stay at a  
hotel probably called the Sheridan Plaza or Sheridan Beach, please be  
advised that investigation was conducted at the Sheridan Eastwood  
Hotel, 4641 North Sheridan Road, the Sheridan Park Hotel, 4631 North  
Racine Avenue, with negative results. Both of these hotels are small.  
At the Sheridan Beach Hotel, a large hotel on the north side, the  
manager stated that he was personally acquainted with every guest in  
the hotel. He was shown a photograph of William Elmer Meade which he  
failed to recognize. At the Sheridan Plaza Hotel a photograph of  
Meade was shown to a number of bell boys, clerks, the manager, the  
assistant manager and the house detective, with negative results. No  
information could be obtained indicating that Meade was residing at  
any of these hotels.

Investigation resulted in the information that Marie Meade  
is still residing at 1533 Fargo Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. A discreet  
investigation was made of the janitor, the rental agent of this building  
and neighbors, without results. No information could be obtained  
indicating that Meade had visited this residence. It is to be noted  
that Post Office Inspectors Purcell and Stahl, who are assigned to  
the Meade case in Chicago, advised that Meade was arrested in August  
of 1933 by Post Office Inspectors as he was leaving the above Fargo  
Avenue address and it is very unlikely that Meade will again visit  
this house. There is no telephone now listed to the Meade apartment.

RB

It is noted from the report of Special Agent J. M. Jones, Chicago, Illinois, dated July 18, 1935, that there is a credit balance due and owing to Meade at the Ford Motor Sales Company in Chicago in the sum of \$234.75. Arrangements were made with the manager of the Ford concern to immediately notify this office should Meade either attempt to purchase another car or transfer this credit balance to anyone else.

It is suggested that more definite information be provided this office as to the source of the report of Meade leaving New York for Chicago. In this connection it is to be noted that the Post Office Inspectors here apparently are not entirely familiar with the Meade case and that Inspector Graham, who works out of the New York office, is reported to be actively the head of the investigation and entirely familiar with all of the details. If Inspector Graham is in Boston it is suggested that he be contacted and interviewed at length for further information regarding Meade's contacts and acquaintances in Chicago.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Cincinnati  
St. Paul

1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

August 14, 1935.

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

Dear Sir:

While at Columbus, Ohio recently the writer took up with the Registrar of Motor Vehicles for the State of Ohio, the matter of securing a registration for Bureau cars, other than the police registration presently issued.

As a result of this conference, the Motor Vehicle Bureau has agreed to issue not only the regular police plates for the cars in the possession of this office, but in addition thereto an extra set of plates bearing numbers which are not associated with police activities. The new numbers that will be issued for the cars in the possession of this office will be kept confidential by the Motor Vehicle Registration Bureau.

This step was taken in view of the possibility of using Bureau owned cars at Toledo, Ohio and other places in connection with the Brekid case.

It might be that you would desire to call to the attention of the Cincinnati office the possibility of securing a double registration for Bureau owned vehicles in the State of Ohio.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MAC FARLAND  
Special Agent in Charge.

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August 15, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,  
Louisville, Kentucky.

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

Dear Sir:

Under date of June 27, 1935, the Bureau furnished you with a copy of its letter addressed to Mr. William M. McFarland, Superintendent, Bullitt County Public Schools, Shepherdsville, Kentucky, acknowledging receipt of his letter dated June 12, 1935, in which he set forth information concerning an individual who resembles WILLIAM REAVER.

The Bureau has not yet received a copy of your report recording the results of the interview with Mr. McFarland and, therefore, instructs that this matter be given immediate attention.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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August 11, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,  
Trenton, New Jersey.

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

Dear Sir:

Under date of June 11, 1936, the Bureau forwarded to the Philadelphia Office a copy of its communication of that date addressed to Mr. Adam H. Unsworth, 61 North Arlington Avenue, East Orange, New Jersey, acknowledging receipt of his letter dated June 1, 1936, in which he furnished information concerning an individual who closely resembled subject KARPIS.

This matter was again brought to the attention of the Philadelphia Office in Bureau letter dated July 1, 1936.

The Bureau has not yet received a report recording the results of the interview with Mr. Unsworth and, therefore, instructs that this matter receive immediate attention.

Very truly yours,

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John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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P. O. Box #766  
Cincinnati, Ohio

August 14, 1935

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - I. O. #1218  
FUGITIVE et al.  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.  
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES;  
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Dear Sir:

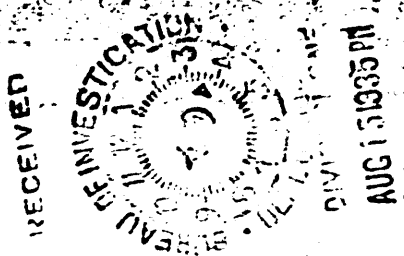
There are enclosed herewith copies of Summary Reports  
by Special Agent J. E. Brennan, St. Paul, in the above entitled  
case relative to Harry Sawyer and Cassius McDonald dated  
August 8, 1935 and August 10, 1935, respectively.

These are transmitted to the Chicago Office for the  
information of the special squad now assigned to Chicago on  
this case.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Post Office Box 812  
Chicago Illinois

August 9, 1935

Hon. Ernest J. Krueger,  
Postmaster,  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sir:

Will you please place a thirty-day mail cover on all first-class mail addressed to Mr. or Mrs. [redacted] and Mrs. Sara Brown, Apartment B, 2542 North Francisco Street, Chicago, Illinois, and forward the tracings of the same to this Office, referring to our file No. 7-82.

Please accept my thanks for your usual splendid cooperation in these matters.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,  
Special Agent in Charge

RCS:MP  
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cc Bureau ✓

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, Fugitive,  
I. O. #1218; et al.  
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